

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES A Healthcare Service Agency

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## Legislative Update #3

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The published bills below are available for review. Bills scheduled for a hearing are followed by the hearing date in *italics and bold*. Hearings will be virtual and written testimony must be submitted to the appropriate committee in writing. The <u>CGA Bulletin</u> outlines Committee procedures for testimony sign up and submission.

<u>HB-5191</u> (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING EMERGENCY INTERVENTION BY A POLICE OFFICER WHEN A PERSON SUFFERS A NARCOTICS OVERDOSE', to allow a police officer to take a person into protective custody when the officer has reasonable cause to believe that such person is experiencing a narcotics overdose. *PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY- March 3, 2022, 9 a.m.* 

<u>HB-5208</u> (RAISED) HOUSING. 'AN ACT CONCERNING HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR JUSTICE-IMPACTED PERSONS', to prohibit housing providers from considering a prospective tenant's criminal conviction after certain time periods. *HOUSING- March 1, 2022. 1p.m.* 

<u>HB-5224</u> (RAISED) GENERAL LAW. 'AN ACT CONCERNING STANDARDS FOR INTERPRETERS FOR DEAF, DEAFBLIND AND HARD OF HEARING PERSONS', to strengthen standards for interpreters for deaf, deafblind and hard of hearing persons. *GENERAL LAW-March 1*, 2022

<u>HB-5225</u> (RAISED) HUMAN SERVICES. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING CLAWBACK OF CERTAIN FUNDS RETAINED BY NONPROFIT PROVIDERS OF HUMAN SERVICES UNDER CONTRACT WITH STATE AGENCIES', to prevent state agencies from recouping funds retained by nonprofit, private providers of human services who meet contractual obligations and report on use of excess funds. *HUMAN SERVICES-March 1, 2022-10a.m.* 

HB-5244 (RAISED) COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF OPIOID ANTAGONISTS IN SCHOOLS', to provide grants to school districts for the acquisition of opioid antagonists if they include training in screening, brief intervention and referral to treatment (SBIRT) to educators as part of the school district's in-service training program, and to authorize the administration of opioid antagonists in schools in emergency situations. *COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN-March 1*, 2022. 1p.m.

<u>HB-5253</u> (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING DISCLOSURE OF RECORDS RELATED TO PARTICIPATION IN THE GAMING VOLUNTARY SELF-EXCLUSION PROCESS', to limit disclosure of records relating to participation in the gaming voluntary self-exclusion process. *PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY-March 3, 2022, 9a.m.* 

<u>HB-5269</u> (RAISED) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. 'AN ACT CONCERNING REMOTE MEETINGS UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT', to permit public agencies to continue to conduct remote meetings under the Freedom of Information Act. *PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT- March 4*, 2022, 12p.m.

<u>HB-5230</u> (RAISED) HUMAN SERVICES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING STANDARDS FOR INTERPRETERS FOR DEAF, DEAFBLIND AND HARD OF HEARING PERSONS', to strengthen standards for interpreters for deaf, deafblind and hard of hearing persons. REF. HUMAN SERVICES

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