

Governor Ned Lamont State of Connecticut



FACT SHEET 2024 Legislative Session

HOUSE BILL 5048 AN ACT ADJUSTING THE STATE BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDING JUNE 30, 2025

Summary of Proposal:

This bill proposes to revise appropriations for FY 2025 as depicted in the table below:

	Enacted ¹ Appropriation		Net Adjustments		Recommended Appropriation		% Growth Over
		FY 2025	F	Y 2025		FY 2025	Enacted
General Fund	\$	22,805.9	\$	136.6	\$	22,942.5	0.6%
Special Transportation Fund		2,286.4		(24.9)		2,261.5	-1.1%
Municipal Revenue Sharing Fund		568.6		(10.6)		558.1	-1.9%
Banking Fund		35.8		0.1		36.0	0.4%
Insurance Fund		135.2		(13.1)		122.1	-9.7%
Consumer Counsel and Public Utility Control Fund		37.9		(0.1)		37.8	-0.4%
Workers' Compensation Fund		29.1		0.2		29.3	0.7%
Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund		52.5		-		52.5	0.0%
Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund		2.9		-		2.9	0.0%
Tourism Fund		16.1		1.0		17.1	6.2%
Cannabis Social Equity and Innovation Fund		10.2		-		10.2	0.0%
Cannabis Prevention and Recovery Services Fund		3.4		-		3.4	0.0%
Cannabis Regulatory Fund		10.2		-		10.2	0.0%
	\$	25,994.4	\$	89.2	\$	26,083.7	0.3%

Reason for Proposal:

To implement the Governor's recommended budget.

Significant Impacts:

Sections 1-8 revise appropriations for the General Fund, Special Transportation Fund, Banking Fund, Insurance Fund, Consumer Counsel and Public Utility Control Fund, Workers'

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Governor's Office: Matthew Brokman, 860-951-9619 or matthew.brokman@ct.gov Office of Policy and Management: Susan Sherman, 860-416-2008 or <u>susan.b.sherman@ct.gov</u> State Capitol, Room 406 Compensation Fund, Tourism Fund, and Municipal Revenue Sharing Fund respectively. Proposed changes are shown in the table above.

Section 9 amends Section 41 of special act 21-15, as amended by section 306 of public act 21-2 of the June special session, section 3 of special act 22-2, section 10 of public act 22-118, section 1 of public act 22-146, section 2 of public act 22-1 of the November special session, section 1 of public act 23-1 and section 48 of public act 23-204 of Public Act 23-204 to revise allocations of ARPA – State Fiscal Recovery Funds. The following table reflects the amounts proposed for revision:

			Revised	
	Previously	Proposed	Recommended	
Allocation	Allocated	Change	Total	
OPM - COVID Response Measures	51,900,000	(37,400,000)	14,500,000	
DMHAS - Implement Electronic Health Records	16,000,000	(12,707,385)	3,292,615	
SDE - Free Meals for Students	81,000,000	(1,551,196)	79,448,804	
DECD - CT Hospitality Industry Support	30,000,000	(1,160,000)	28,840,000	
DECD - Regulatory Modernization	1,000,000	(1,000,000)	-	
DSS - Nursing Home Facility Support	10,000,000	(470,799)	9,529,201	
DHE - Summer College Corps	1,500,000	(412,266)	1,087,734	
OWS - HVAC Training Agency	300,000	(300,000)	-	
DPH - Connecticut Public Health Association	100,000	(100,000)	-	
SDE - Student Achievement Through Opportunity	100,000	(100,000)	-	
SDE - BSL Educational Foundation	100,000	(100,000)	-	
DCF - Casa Boricua-Meriden	100,000	(100,000)	-	
DRS - ABLE Accounts Software	\$ 75,000	\$ (75,000)	\$-	
SDE - Hall Neighborhood House	75,000	(75,000)	-	
OPM - Hall Memorial Library Reading and Meditation Garden	66,626	(66,626)	-	
DPH - Cornell Scott - Hill Health	250,000	(45,616)	204,384	
DECD - Friends of FOSRV	44,000	(44,000)	-	
DECD - The Knowlton	25,000	(25,000)	-	
DECD - Flotilla 73, INC	5,000	(5,000)	-	
OPM - Orange Fire Department Clock purchase	10,000	(612)	9,388	
DRS - Provide Payments to Filers Eligible for the Earned Income Tax Credit	42,250,000	(135)	42,249,865	
DCF - Respite for non-DCF Children	85,000	(4)	84,996	
JUD - Provide Remote Equipment to Reduce Child Support Backlog	121,600	(1)	121,599	
AES - Develop a Facility Plan	-	100,000	100,000	
DSS - Adult Day Centers	3,000,000	346,153	3,346,153	
OHA - Online Portal to Reduce Future Medical Debt	-	500,000	500,000	
DHE - Student Loan Financial Literacy Initiative	-	500,000	500,000	
DCF - Peer to Peer Coordination Services	-	500,000	500,000	
DPH - Create Nursing Home Dashboard and Nursing Homes Center for Excellence	-	750,000	750,000	
DOH - Create Housing Voucher Application System	-	1,500,000	1,500,000	
JUD - Digital Platforms	-	1,500,000	1,500,000	
OEC - Tri-Share Pilot Program in Eastern CT	-	1,800,000	1,800,000	
SDE - EdAdvance College and Career Accelerator Program	-	1,850,000	1,850,000	
DSS - Bristol Hospital	-	2,000,000	2,000,000	
JUD - Right to Counsel	-	2,000,000	2,000,000	
DCF - Support Additional Urgent Crisis Centers and Sub-Acute Crisis Stabilization Units	21,000,000	2,500,000	23,500,000	
OEC - Technical Assistance for Early Childcare Program Operators	-	2,600,000	2,600,000	
SDE - Science of Reading Master Class	-	3,500,000	3,500,000	
OPM - Statewide Resiliency Planning and Climate Responsiveness	\$-	\$ 5,750,000	\$ 5,750,000	
OPM - Invest Connecticut	1,666,331	9,242,487	10,908,818	
OEC - Childcare Provider Stabilization Payments	-	18,800,000	18,800,000	
TOTAL CHANGES		\$-		

Section 10 proposes to carry forward \$8,275,000 of lapsing FY 2023 appropriations that were previously carried-forward to FY 2024 pursuant to P.A. 23-1 to FY 2025 to support various grants in the Department of Economic and Community Development.

Section 11 proposes to carry forward the unexpended balance of funds appropriated to the Department of Economic and Community Development in FY 2024 for a grant to the Hill-Stead Museum to be used for the same purpose in FY 2025.

Section 12 temporarily suspends the transfer to the General Fund of excess funds in the Probate Court Administration Fund.

Section 13 permits the Office of Policy and Management to use funds previously carried forward to support the costs of implementing the legalization of Cannabis for various studies and consultation services.

Section 14 implements a process to permit the Office of Policy and Management to aggregate any ARPA funding that is anticipated to be unobligated by the 12/31/24 federal deadline for such obligations and, with legislative notice, expend such funds on an alternate purpose allowable by the federal government.

Section 15 allows the Office of Higher Education to reserve a portion of funding available under the Roberta B. Willis Scholarship program, during FY 2024 and FY 2025, in order to ensure that scholarships can be promised in a timely fashion for the students who would be attending school during the subsequent academic year.

Sections 16-24 revise revenue estimates for the General Fund, Special Transportation Fund, Banking Fund, Insurance Fund, Consumer Counsel and Public Utility Control Fund, Workers' Compensation Fund, Tourism Fund, and Municipal Revenue Sharing Fund respectively. Proposed changes are shown in the table above.