



**Governor Ned Lamont
State of Connecticut**



FACT SHEET
2024 Legislative Session

**HOUSE BILL 5049
AN ACT MAKING DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

Summary of Proposal:

This bill makes deficiency appropriations which, in combination with Finance Advisory Committee transfers and adjustment of holdbacks, would fully address shortfalls for FY 2024 projected by the Office of Policy and Management as of January 19, 2024. As in prior years, we are prepared to work with OFA and the Appropriations Committee to adjust the deficiency bill to reflect updated estimates as the year progresses.

This bill proposes appropriations totaling \$234,722,727 for agencies with projected deficiencies for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022. Reductions in appropriations totaling \$178,222,727 are proposed, resulting in a net increase to FY 2024 appropriations totaling \$56,500,000 – of this amount, \$46.5 million is related to Medicaid costs pursuant to settlement of the *Carr vs. Becerra* case and are therefore exempt from of the spending cap for FY 2024. The remaining \$10.0 million increase in appropriations reduces available room under the spending cap for FY 2024 from \$10.6 million to \$0.6 million. These budget revisions are described further below.

Reason for Proposal:

To implement the Governor’s budget.

Significant Impacts:

Section 1 proposes General Fund appropriations totaling \$231,222,727 in the following accounts:

DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES	
Professional Services	600,000
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES	
Medicaid	135,400,000

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DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION	
Other Expenses	17,000,000
Inmate Medical Services	7,000,000
STATE COMPTOLLER – FRINGE BENEFITS	
Higher Education Alternative Retirement System	70,000,000
Pensions and Retirements – Other Statutory	31,600
Other Post Employment Benefits	1,191,127

Section 2 proposes reductions to appropriations in the General Fund totaling \$148,807,000 in the following agencies:

Office of Legislative Management	3,000,000
Auditors of Public Accounts	300,000
Commission on Women, Children, Seniors, and Opportunity	100,000
Secretary of the State	750,000
Elections Enforcement Commission	300,000
Office of State Ethics	100,000
Freedom of Information Commission	300,000
Office of the State Treasurer	300,000
Office of the State Comptroller	600,000
Department of Revenue Services	10,300,000
Office of Governmental Accountability	200,000
Office of Policy and Management	2,500,000
Department of Veterans Affairs	600,000
Department of Administrative Services	4,500,000
Office of the Attorney General	2,650,000
Division of Criminal Justice	3,700,000
Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection	1,000,000
Military Department	100,000
Department of Consumer Protection	1,180,000
Department of Agriculture	750,000
Department of Economic and Community Development	4,343,000
Department of Housing	300,000
Agricultural Experiment Station	650,000
Department of Public Health	3,900,000
Office of Health Strategy	400,000
Office of The Chief Medical Examiner	400,000
Department of Developmental Services	49,850,000
Department of Aging and Disability Services	1,240,000
Department of Education	16,547,000
Connecticut Technical Education and Career System	1,000,000
Office of Early Childhood	7,015,000
Connecticut State Library	700,000
Office of Higher Education	400,000

Teachers' Retirement Board	550,000
Department of Children and Families	18,855,000
Judicial Department	2,363,311
Public Defender Services Commission	2,463,689
Workers' Compensation Claims - DAS	4,600,000

Section 3 proposes a \$3.5 million appropriation in the Special Transportation Fund in the Department of Administrative Service's State Insurance and Risk Management operations account.

Section 4 proposes reductions to appropriations in the Special Transportation Fund totaling \$18,045,000 in the following agencies:

Department of Motor Vehicles	13,000,000
Department of Transportation	4,275,000
State Comptroller – Fringe Benefits	770,000

Section 5 proposes reductions to appropriations in the Banking Fund in the Department of Banking totaling \$4,000,000.

Section 6 proposes reductions to appropriations in the Insurance Fund totaling \$5,200,000 in the following agencies:

Office of Policy and Management	100,000
Department of Insurance	4,000,000
Office of Health Strategy	1,100,000

Section 7 proposes reductions to appropriations in the Consumer Counsel and Public Utility Control Fund in the Office of the Consumer Counsel totaling \$335,727.

Section 8 proposes reductions to appropriations in the Workers' Compensation Fund totaling \$1,835,000 in the following agencies:

Workers' Compensation Commission	1,585,000
Department of Aging and Disability Services	250,000