

## DDS Legislative Update – April 6, 2018

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**Note: All committee JF deadlines have passed, which means that any bill that did not get voted out of the committee by its deadline is dead.**

**Note:** All proposed bills that were not voted on in committee have been removed from this list of bills. All of these proposed bills have died.

**Note:** This update is not a comprehensive list of bills before the Connecticut General Assembly. DDS is tracking and assessing the bills listed below for their potential impact on DDS consumers, families and guardians, DDS employees and DDS providers.

**This legislative update shows some of the bills that are being tracked by DDS this session. If a Public Hearing on a bill has been scheduled, the date of the public hearing and in most instances a link to the public hearing agenda will be after the bill’s description.**

As the legislative session goes forward, bills will be referred from legislative committees to the House or Senate. The House or Senate then may refer the bills to other committees or chose to vote on them. In these updates, the last action taken on a bill will be in **bold**. For a bill to become law, both the House and the Senate must vote favorably on it by May 9, 2018 at midnight, and the Governor must sign the bill into law.

### Key to Legislative Terminology:

**Vote to Draft** means a Proposed Bill will be drafted as a Committee Bill.

**Reserved for Subject Matter Public Hearing** means a bill will have a Public Hearing but the date of the Public Hearing is still to be determined.

**Change of Reference** means that the original committee is moving the bill to another committee without a Joint Favorable action.

**JF** means the committee reported the bill favorably to the House or Senate.

**JF Change of Reference** means the committee reported the bill favorably to another committee.

**JFS** means the committee reported the bill favorably to the House or Senate but with substitute language.

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A File Number (**File No.**) is a unique number given to a bill once it has reached the House or Senate Floor. A file copy of a bill with the file number has a plain-language description of what the bill’s provisions do, written by the Office of Legislative Research and a fiscal note, which explains what a bill would cost or save if implemented, written by the Office of Fiscal Analysis.

A House or Senate Calendar Number (**House Cal. No. or Senate Cal. No.**) is also a unique number that is given to a bill once it reaches the House or Senate Floor. This number is used to hold the bill's place on either the House or Senate Calendar. If the bill is a House bill (H.B. 5000 or higher) or a Senate bill (S.B.1 to 4999) it first gets a Calendar Number from the chamber the bill originated in. Once a House bill is passed in the House, it goes on to the Senate where it receives a Senate Calendar Number. Likewise once a Senate bill (with a Senate Calendar Number) passes the Senate, it goes to the House and receives a House Calendar Number.

- **Bills Proposed by the Department of Developmental Services**

The five bills that make up DDS's 2018 legislative package are:

**S.B. No. 165** (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES' RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TECHNICAL REVISIONS TO ITS STATUTES' **File No. 88**, Senate Cal. No. 72, to implement the recommendations of the Department of Developmental Services regarding technical changes to its statutes.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH **Public Hearing February 28, 2018** Public Health Committee JFS to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 168** (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES' RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING GROUP HOME LICENSING VISITS' **File No. 89**, Senate Cal. No. 73, to implement the recommendations of the Department of Developmental Services regarding group home licensing visits.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH **Public Hearing February 28, 2018** Public Health Committee JF to the Senate.

**H.B. No. 5153** (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES' RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING GUARDIANSHIP ASSESSMENTS' **File No. 53**, House Cal. No. 67, to implement the recommendations of the Department of Developmental Services regarding guardianship assessments.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH **Public Hearing February 28, 2018** Public Health Committee JFS to the House.

**H.B. No. 5155** (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES' RECOMMENDATION REGARDING WAIVER OF LICENSING FEES FOR PRIVATE PROVIDERS' **File No. 54**, House Cal. No. 68, to implement the recommendations of the Department of Developmental Services regarding waiver of licensing fees for private providers.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH **Public Hearing February 28, 2018** Public Health Committee JFS to the House.

**H.B. No. 5159** (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES REGARDING OVERSIGHT OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE AND END-OF-LIFE PLANNING' **File No. 231**, House Cal. No. 164, to implement the recommendations of the Department of Developmental Services regarding oversight of emergency medical care and end-of-life planning.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH **Public Hearing March 20, 2018** Public Health Committee JFS to the House.

- **Senate Proposed, Raised and Committee Bills Being Followed by the Department of Developmental Services**

**S.B. No. 1** (COMM) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING EARNED FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE' **File No. 205**, Senate Cal. No. 154, to establish a paid family and medical leave system in Connecticut.

**REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES Public Hearing March 8, 2018 Labor and Public Employees Committee JFS to the Senate.**

**S.B. No. 2** (COMM) ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDERS AND NET NEUTRALITY PRINCIPLES', to require Internet service providers to register and pay registration fees and require the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority to apply net neutrality principles to Internet service providers and enforce such principles with civil penalties.

**REF. ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY Public Hearing March 8, 2018 S.B. No. 2 died in the Energy and Technology Committee.**

**S.B. No. 8** SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST.; REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST.; REP. RITTER, 1st DIST. 'AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE GOVERNOR'S BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING EDUCATION', to implement the Governor's budget recommendations.

**REF. EDUCATION Public Hearing February 26, 2018 S.B. No. 8 died in the Education Committee.**

**S.B. No. 10** SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST.; REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST.; REP. RITTER, 1st DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING REVENUE ITEMS TO IMPLEMENT THE GOVERNOR'S BUDGET', to implement the Governor's budget recommendations.

**REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING Public Hearing March 2, 2018 Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee JFS to the Senate.**

**S.B. No. 12** SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST.; REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST.; REP. RITTER, 1st DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING AND ADJUSTING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND OTHER PURPOSES', to implement the Governor's budget recommendations.

**REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING Public Hearing March 2, 2018 Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee JFS to the Senate.**

**S.B. No. 15** SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST.; REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST.; REP. RITTER, 1st DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING FAIR AND EQUAL PAY FOR EQUAL WORK' **File No. 207**, Senate Cal. No. 130, to implement the Governor's budget recommendations.

**REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES Public Hearing March 8, 2018 Labor and Public Employees Committee JFS to the Senate.**

**S.B. No. 16** SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST.; REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST.; REP. RITTER, 1st DIST. 'AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE GOVERNOR'S BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING PUBLIC HEALTH', to implement the Governor's budget recommendations.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH [Public Hearing March 16, 2018](#) Public Health Committee JFS to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 132** (COMM) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT COMBATting SEXUAL HARASSMENT AND SEXUAL ASSAULT', to combat sexual harassment and sexual assault.

REF. JUDICIARY [Public Hearing March 26, 2018](#) Judiciary Committee JFS to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 155** (RAISED) AGING. 'AN ACT INCREASING THE PERSONAL NEEDS ALLOWANCE FOR LONG-TERM CARE FACILITY RESIDENTS' [File No. 86](#), Senate Cal. No. 70, to increase the amount of income residents of long-term care facilities may keep for personal needs before their income is applied to Medicaid-funded care.

REF. AGING [Public Hearing March 1, 2018](#) Committee on Aging JFS to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 158** (RAISED) AGING. 'AN ACT EXPANDING ELIGIBILITY FOR THE ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE RESPITE CARE PROGRAM' [File No. 155](#), Senate Cal. No. 120, to expand eligibility for the Alzheimer's disease respite care program.

REF. AGING [Public Hearing March 1, 2018](#) Committee on Aging JF to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 165** (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES' RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TECHNICAL REVISIONS TO ITS STATUTES' [File No. 88](#), Senate Cal. No. 72, to implement the recommendations of the Department of Developmental Services regarding technical changes to its statutes.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH [Public Hearing February 28, 2018](#) Public Health Committee JFS to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 168** (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES' RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING GROUP HOME LICENSING VISITS' [File No. 89](#), Senate Cal. No. 73, to implement the recommendations of the Department of Developmental Services regarding group home licensing visits.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH [Public Hearing February 28, 2018](#) Public Health Committee JF to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 175** (RAISED) GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. 'AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE AUDITORS OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS' [File No. 90](#), Senate Cal. No. 74, to implement the recommendations contained in the annual report of the Auditors of Public Accounts.

REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS [Public Hearing February 26, 2018](#) Government Administration and Elections Committee JFS to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 183** (RAISED) EDUCATION. 'AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION' [File No. 269](#), Senate Cal.

No. 178, to implement the recommendations of the Department of Education.  
REF. EDUCATION [Public Hearing February 26, 2018](#) Education Committee JFS to the Senate.

[S.B. No. 186](#) (RAISED) EDUCATION. 'AN ACT CONCERNING SCHOOL COUNSELORS' [File No. 131](#), Senate Cal. No. 106, to include references to school counselors in the general statutes.  
REF. EDUCATION [Public Hearing February 26, 2018](#) Education Committee JF to the Senate.

[S.B. No. 194](#) (RAISED) GENERAL LAW. 'AN ACT CONCERNING DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION LICENSE STREAMLINING' [File No. 94](#), Senate Cal. No. 78, to streamline various Department of Consumer Protection licensing requirements.  
REF. GENERAL LAW [Public Hearing February 27, 2018](#) General Law Committee JFS to the Senate.

[S.B. No. 201](#) (RAISED) INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE. 'AN ACT CONCERNING MANDATED HEALTH BENEFIT REVIEW', to alter the manner in which the General Assembly enacts new mandated health benefits.  
REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE [Public Hearing February 27, 2018](#) [S.B. No. 201](#) died in the Insurance and Real Estate Committee.

[S.B. No. 205](#) (RAISED) INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE. 'AN ACT CONCERNING RESCISSION, CANCELLATION AND LIMITATION OF HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE' [File No. 99](#), Senate Cal. No. 83, to alter when and how an insurer or health care center may rescind, cancel or limit health insurance coverage.  
REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE [Public Hearing February 27, 2018](#) Insurance and Real Estate Committee JFS to the Senate.

[S.B. No. 208](#) (RAISED) INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE. 'AN ACT CONCERNING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OF ORALLY AND INTRAVENOUSLY ADMINISTERED MEDICATIONS', to require health insurance policies that provide coverage for prescription drugs to provide coverage for intravenously administered drugs on a basis no less favorable than orally administered drugs.  
REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE [Public Hearing March 1, 2018](#) Insurance and Real Estate Committee JF to the Senate.

[S.B. No. 211](#) (RAISED) INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE BURDEN OF PROOF DURING ADVERSE DETERMINATION AND UTILIZATION REVIEWS', to require that health carriers bear the burden of proving that certain health care services under adverse determination or utilization review are not medically necessary.  
REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE [Public Hearing March 1, 2018](#) [S.B. No. 211](#) died in the Insurance and Real Estate Committee.

[S.B. No. 218](#) (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING INVOLUNTARY STERILIZATION OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES', to prohibit the involuntary sterilization of persons with disabilities.  
REF. PUBLIC HEALTH [Public Hearing February 28, 2018](#) [S.B. No. 218](#) died in the Public Health Committee.

**S.B. No. 236** (RAISED) AGING. 'AN ACT PROVIDING AN INCOME TAX DEDUCTION FOR INDIVIDUALS CARING FOR ELDERLY PERSONS, CHILDREN AND DISABLED PERSONS', to provide a tax deduction for taxpayers caring for elderly persons, children and disabled persons.

REF. AGING **Public Hearing March 8, 2018** Committee on Aging JF Change of Reference to the Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee. **S.B. No. 236** died in the Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee.

**S.B. No. 238** (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE EXTENSION OF THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR THE PROSECUTION OF SEXUAL ASSAULT', to extend to ten years the statute of limitations for the prosecution of certain sexual assault crimes.

REF. JUDICIARY **Public Hearing March 16, 2018** Judiciary Committee JF to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 240** (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT PROMOTING THE REPORTING OF CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT', to promote the reporting of child abuse and neglect by ensuring that persons who make good faith reports of such abuse or neglect are afforded certain legal protections.

REF. JUDICIARY **Public Hearing March 9, 2018** Judiciary Committee JF to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 244** (RAISED) HUMAN SERVICES. 'AN ACT REQUIRING BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS TO BE MANDATED REPORTERS OF SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT' **File No. 212**, Senate Cal. No. 148, to require that behavior analysts become mandated reporters of suspected child abuse and neglect.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES **Public Hearing March 15, 2018** Human Services Committee JF to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 256** (RAISED) GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. 'AN ACT CONCERNING RACIAL AND ETHNIC IMPACT STATEMENTS' **File No. 26**, Senate Cal. No. 57, to permit any member to request the preparation of a racial and ethnic impact statement.

REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS **Public Hearing March 5, 2018** Government Administration and Elections Committee JF to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 258** (RAISED) AGING. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE EXEMPTION OF PROBATE-COURT APPROVED CONSERVATOR AND FIDUCIARY FEES FROM MEDICAID INCOME ELIGIBILITY AND ASSET TRANSFER DETERMINATIONS' **File No. 214**, Senate Cal. No. 150, to exempt from Medicaid income eligibility and asset transfer determinations conservator and fiduciary fees approved by the Probate Court and assessed to a Medicaid applicant or recipient.

REF. AGING **Public Hearing March 8, 2018** Committee on Aging JFS Change of Reference to the Human Services Committee. **Human Services Committee JF to the Senate.**

**S.B. No. 296** (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PILOT PROGRAM TO SERVE PEOPLE SEEKING RESIDENTIAL SERVICES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES' **File No. 279**, Senate Cal. No. 188, to establish a pilot program to better serve people waiting for residential services from the Department of Developmental Services.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH **Public Hearing March 16, 2018** Public Health Committee JF to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 303** (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING URGENT CARE CENTERS', to protect patients from unexpected costs and fees.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH [Public Hearing March 5, 2018](#) Public Health Committee JFS to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 312** (RAISED) COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN. 'AN ACT CONCERNING RISK ASSESSMENT PRACTICES AND THE NEEDS OF CHILDREN WITH INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES' [File No. 110](#), Senate Cal. No. 94, to require the Commissioner of Children and Families to develop investigation, assessment and case-planning procedures that are responsive to the needs of children with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN [Public Hearing March 6, 2018](#) Committee on Children JFS to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 315** (RAISED) COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN. 'AN ACT CONCERNING MINOR REVISIONS TO THE STATUTES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES AND ESTABLISHING A PILOT PROGRAM TO PERMIT ELECTRONIC REPORTING BY MANDATED REPORTERS' [File No. 113](#), Senate Cal. No. 97, to make minor revisions to the statutes of the Department of Children and Families.

REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN [Public Hearing March 6, 2018](#) Committee on Children JFS to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 364** (RAISED) EDUCATION. 'AN ACT CONCERNING SPECIAL EDUCATION FUNDING', to lower the excess cost threshold from four and one-half times to two times the average per pupil educational costs of a board of education.

REF. EDUCATION [Public Hearing March 8, 2018](#) Education Committee JFS to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 366** (RAISED) APPROPRIATIONS. 'AN ACT CONCERNING MENTAL HEALTH FUNDING', to provide mental health services in the state by the most cost-efficient, equitable and effective means.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS [Public Hearing March 9, 2018](#) [S.B. No. 366](#) died in the Appropriations Committee.

**S.B. No. 367** (RAISED) APPROPRIATIONS. 'AN ACT CONCERNING EMPLOYEE BENEFITS FOR STATE EMPLOYEES AND ELECTED OR APPOINTED OFFICIALS', to review employment and retirement benefits for state employees and elected or appointed officials.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS [Public Hearing March 28, 2018](#) Appropriations Committee JFS to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 371** (RAISED) INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE. 'AN ACT CONCERNING REIMBURSEMENT FOR HEALTH CARE AND CLINICAL SERVICES PROVIDED AT STATE EXPENSE', to require that each department, agency or institution that provides health care services at state expense submit an annual report to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management.

REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE [Public Hearing March 6, 2018](#) Insurance and Real Estate Committee JF to the Senate.



**S.B. No. 379** (RAISED) INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE. 'AN ACT LIMITING CHANGES TO HEALTH INSURERS' PRESCRIPTION DRUG FORMULARIES', to limit when an insurer may change prescription drug formularies during the term of certain group and individual health insurance policies.

REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE [Public Hearing March 6, 2018](#) Insurance and Real Estate Committee Change of Reference to the Appropriations Committee. **Appropriations Committee JFS to the Senate.**

**S.B. No. 380** (RAISED) INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE. 'AN ACT REQUIRING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OF A PRESCRIBED DRUG DURING ADVERSE DETERMINATION REVIEWS AND EXTERNAL REVIEW PROCESSES' [File No. 292](#), Senate Cal. No. 164, to require dispensation and coverage of a prescribed drug for an insured for the duration of any grievance or review filed or requested by such insured of an adverse determination or a final adverse determination.

REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE [Public Hearing March 6, 2018](#) Insurance and Real Estate Committee JF to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 400** (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING GRADUATE FUNDING AND THE PROVISION OF SUPPORT AND SERVICES FOR PERSONS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY', to ensure the provision of quality services to persons with intellectual disability.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH [Public Hearing March 16, 2018](#) Public Health Committee JFS to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 404** (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING MANDATED REPORTERS', to add certain professions to the list of mandated reporters.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH [Public Hearing March 16, 2018](#) Public Health Committee JFS to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 414** (RAISED) FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TAX DEDUCTION FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO A CITIZENS IN NEED ACCOUNT', to establish a citizens in need account to receive charitable contributions to assist residents of this state who have had their benefits from state social services programs administered by the Department of Social Services reduced due to state budgetary constraints, and to provide a state tax deduction at the rate of two hundred per cent of the amount contributed to said account.

REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING [Public Hearing March 16, 2018](#) Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee JFS to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 416** (RAISED) FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN FILING FEES AND THE AFFECTED BUSINESS ENTITY TAX BY CERTAIN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES', to exempt certain limited liability companies from certain filing fees and requirements and the affected business entity tax.

REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING [Public Hearing March 16, 2018](#) [S.B. No. 416](#) died in the Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee

**S.B. No. 436 (RAISED) HUMAN SERVICES. 'AN ACT PROMOTING PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE COST-EFFICIENT DELIVERY OF HUMAN SERVICES',** to promote public-private partnerships to support the cost-efficient delivery of human services.  
**REF. HUMAN SERVICES Public Hearing March 13, 2018 Public Hearing March 20, 2018 Human Services Committee JF to the Senate.**

**S.B. No. 461 (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT OMITTING CERTAIN PAY FROM A STATE EMPLOYEE'S FINAL AVERAGE SALARY CALCULATION ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2027',** to omit overtime pay from a state employee's final average salary calculation on or after July 1, 2027.  
**REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES Public Hearing March 13, 2018 Labor and Public Employees Committee JFS Motion Failed. S.B. No. 461 died in the Labor and Public Employees Committee.**

**S.B. No. 462 (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING TAKE-HOME OR GARAGED VEHICLES',** to prohibit state employees from using state-owned vehicles for personal use.  
**REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES Public Hearing March 13, 2018 S.B. No. 462 died in the Labor and Public Employees Committee.**

**S.B. No. 463 (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE NEEDS OF PERSONS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY' File No. 300,** Senate Cal. No. 172, to establish a task force to develop a facility and resource plan to meet the needs of persons with intellectual disability.  
**REF. PUBLIC HEALTH Public Hearing March 16, 2018 Public Health Committee JFS to the Senate.**

**S.B. No. 474 (RAISED) BANKING. 'AN ACT PROTECTING ELDERLY ADULTS FROM FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION',** to (1) provide a mechanism by which broker-dealers and investment advisers may voluntarily report suspected cases of financial exploitation involving seniors and other vulnerable adults, and (2) authorize a temporary disbursement delay from securities-related accounts in suspected cases of financial exploitation.  
**REF. BANKING Public Hearing March 15, 2018 Committee on Banking JF to the Senate.**

**S.B. No. 479 (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING IMMUNITY FROM CIVIL OR CRIMINAL LIABILITY FOR PERSONS PROVIDING MEDICAL ASSISTANCE OR INTERVENTION IN A CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT CASE',** to extend the immunity provided to those who in good faith report suspected child abuse or neglect to medical professionals involved in the evaluation of the suspected abuse or neglect.  
**REF. JUDICIARY Public Hearing March 16, 2018 Judiciary Committee JFS to the Senate.**

**S.B. No. 494 (RAISED) GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. 'AN ACT REQUIRING STATE CONTRACTORS AND UNIONS TO ADOPT A SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY',** to require state contractors and unions to adopt a sexual harassment policy.  
**REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS Public Hearing March 19, 2018 Government Administration and Elections Committee JFS to the Senate.**

**S.B. No. 502** (RAISED) GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN PARCELS OF STATE LAND', to convey various parcels of state land and release certain restrictions concerning previously conveyed state land. REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS [Public Hearing March 19, 2018](#) Government Administration and Elections Committee JFS to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 503** (RAISED) GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. 'AN ACT REQUIRING APPROVAL OF STATE AGENCY SETTLEMENT AND NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS', to require legislative approval of certain payments made to state employees pursuant to a nondisclosure or separation agreement. REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS [Public Hearing March 19, 2018](#) Government Administration and Elections Committee JFS to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 508** (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT RESTRICTING THE USE OF NONDISPARAGEMENT AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS BY STATE AGENCIES AND QUASI-PUBLIC AGENCIES', to restrict the use of nondisparagement agreements by state agencies. REF. JUDICIARY [Public Hearing March 21, 2018](#) [Public Hearing March 28, 2018](#) Judiciary Committee JF to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 511** (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING OPIOIDS', to evaluate and establish methods of combating the opioid crisis in the state. REF. PUBLIC HEALTH [Public Hearing March 20, 2018](#) Public Health Committee JFS to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 512** (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PSYCHIATRIC SECURITY REVIEW BOARD', to make certain changes to processes of the Psychiatric Security Review Board. REF. JUDICIARY [Public Hearing March 21, 2018](#) [Public Hearing March 28, 2018](#) Judiciary Committee JFS to the Senate.

**S.B. No. 514** (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE HEALTH EMERGENCY RESPONSE OPERATIONS ACT', to revise the state's quarantine laws which are applicable in the event of a public health emergency. REF. JUDICIARY [Public Hearing March 21, 2018](#) [Public Hearing March 28, 2018](#) [S.B. No. 514](#) died in the Judiciary Committee.

**S.B. No. 530** (RAISED) FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CONTRIBUTIONS TO STATE-WIDE AND MUNICIPAL COMMUNITY SUPPORTING ORGANIZATIONS', to provide for tax credits for cash donations made by taxpayers to approved state-wide and municipal community supporting organizations. REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING [Public Hearing April 2, 2018](#) [S.B. No. 530](#) died in the Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee.

- **House Proposed, Raised and Committee Bills Being Followed by the Department of Developmental Services**

**H.B. No. 5034** REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST.; REP. RITTER, 1st DIST.; SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST. 'AN ACT MAKING DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2018', to implement the Governor's budget recommendations.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS [Public Hearing March 14, 2018](#) Appropriations Committee JF to the House.

**H.B. No. 5035** REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST.; REP. RITTER, 1st DIST.; SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST. 'AN ACT ADJUSTING THE STATE BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDING JUNE 30, 2019', to implement the Governor's budget recommendations.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS [Public Hearings February 15, 16, 20, 21, 22, 23, 2018](#) [H.B. No. 5035](#) died in the Appropriations Committee.

**H.B. No. 5038** REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST.; REP. RITTER, 1st DIST.; SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE GOVERNOR'S BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS FOR HUMAN SERVICES' [File No. 51](#), House Cal. No. 65, to implement the Governor's budget recommendations for human services programs.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES [Public Hearing March 6, 2018](#) Human Services Committee JF to the House.

**H.B. No. 5039** REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST.; REP. RITTER, 1st DIST.; SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST. 'AN ACT PROTECTING HEALTH CARE FAIRNESS AND AFFORDABILITY', to implement the Governor's budget recommendations.

REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE [Public Hearing March 8, 2018](#) Insurance and Real Estate Committee JFS to the House.

**H.B. No. 5043** REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST.; REP. RITTER, 1st DIST.; SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST. 'AN ACT PROMOTING A FAIR, CIVIL AND HARASSMENT-FREE WORKPLACE' [File No. 166](#), House Cal. No. 125, to implement the Governor's budget recommendations.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES [Public Hearing March 8, 2018](#) Labor and Public Employees Committee JF to the House.

**H.B. No. 5044** REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST.; REP. RITTER, 1st DIST.; SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING FAIR TREATMENT OF SICK WORKERS' [File No. 167](#), House Cal. No. 126, to implement the Governor's budget recommendations.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES [Public Hearing March 8, 2018](#) Labor and Public Employees Committee JF to the House.

**H.B. No. 5134** (COMM) FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TAX CREDIT FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYERS THAT PROVIDE PAID FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE BENEFITS', to establish a tax credit for certain employers that provide paid family and medical leave benefits to their employees.

REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING [Public Hearing March 2, 2018](#) [H.B. No. 5134](#) died in the Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee.

[H.B. No. 5144](#) (RAISED) AGING. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF MEDICAID-FUNDED PROGRAMS' [File No. 34](#), House Cal. No. 53, to require the Commissioner of Social Services to study the efficacy of Medicaid-funded state programs.

REF. AGING [Public Hearing March 1, 2018](#) Committee on Aging JF to the House.

[H.B. No. 5153](#) (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES' RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING GUARDIANSHIP ASSESSMENTS' [File No. 53](#), House Cal. No. 67, to implement the recommendations of the Department of Developmental Services regarding guardianship assessments.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH [Public Hearing February 28, 2018](#) Public Health Committee JFS to the House.

[H.B. No. 5155](#) (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES' RECOMMENDATION REGARDING WAIVER OF LICENSING FEES FOR PRIVATE PROVIDERS' [File No. 54](#), House Cal. No. 68, to implement the recommendations of the Department of Developmental Services regarding waiver of licensing fees for private providers.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH [Public Hearing February 28, 2018](#) Public Health Committee JFS to the House.

[H.B. No. 5157](#) (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT REQUIRING THE INSTALLATION OF VIDEO CAMERAS IN THE ROOMS OF NONVERBAL NURSING HOME RESIDENTS', to ensure the safety of nonverbal residents of nursing homes.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH [Public Hearing February 28, 2018](#) [H.B. No. 5157](#) died in the Public Health Committee.

[H.B. No. 5159](#) (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES REGARDING OVERSIGHT OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE AND END-OF-LIFE PLANNING' [File No. 231](#), House Cal. No. 164, to implement the recommendations of the Department of Developmental Services regarding oversight of emergency medical care and end-of-life planning.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH [Public Hearing March 20, 2018](#) Public Health Committee JFS to the House.

[H.B. No. 5163](#) (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING VARIOUS REVISIONS TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH STATUTES', to implement the Department of Public Health's recommendations regarding various revisions to the public health statutes.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH [Public Hearing March 5, 2018](#) Public Health Committee JF to the House.

[H.B. No. 5172](#) (RAISED) GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. 'AN ACT CONCERNING STATE AGENCY DATA MANAGEMENT AND PROCESSES, THE

**TRANSMITTAL OF TOWN PROPERTY ASSESSMENT INFORMATION AND THE SUSPENSION OF CERTAIN REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS' [File No. 55](#), House Cal. No. 69**, to increase access to data by executive branch agencies by codifying the provisions of Executive Order 39, to require the Office of Policy and Management to establish and oversee a state-wide process improvement initiative, to require towns to transmit certain property assessment information to their regional council of governments or the Office of Policy and Management and to permit state agencies to suspend regulatory requirements for paper or facsimile submission of documents or data.

**REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS [Public Hearing February 26, 2018](#)** Government Administration and Elections Committee JF to the House. **House referred to the Planning and Development Committee.**

**[H.B. No. 5174](#) (RAISED) GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. 'AN ACT RESTRICTING LOBBYING BY FORMER STATE EMPLOYEES' [File No. 29](#), House Cal. No. 49**, to impose a one-year moratorium on lobbying by former state employees.

**REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS [Public Hearing February 26, 2018](#)** Government Administration and Elections Committee JFS to the House.

**[H.B. No. 5175](#) (RAISED) GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. 'AN ACT CONCERNING APPEALS UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT' [File No. 35](#), House Cal. No. 54**, to permit the Freedom of Information Commission to grant relief from vexatious requesters to public agencies.

**REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS [Public Hearing February 26, 2018](#)** Government Administration and Elections Committee JFS to the House.

**[H.B. No. 5177](#) (RAISED) GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. 'AN ACT CONCERNING EMPLOYEE NOTIFICATION OF REQUESTS MADE UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT' [File No. 16](#), House Cal. No. 44**, to expand the requirement for notification to public agency employees of requests made for their personnel, medical or other similar files.

**REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS [Public Hearing February 26, 2018](#)** Government Administration and Elections Committee JFS to the House.

**[H.B. No. 5210](#) (RAISED) INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE. 'AN ACT MANDATING INSURANCE COVERAGE OF ESSENTIAL HEALTH BENEFITS AND EXPANDING MANDATED HEALTH BENEFITS FOR WOMEN, CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS' [File No. 146](#), House Cal. No. 117**, to (1) mandate insurance coverage of essential health benefits, (2) expand mandated health benefits for women, children and adolescents, and (3) expand mandated contraception benefits.

**REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE [Public Hearing March 1, 2018](#)** Insurance and Real Estate Committee JFS to the House.

**[H.B. No. 5214](#) (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT ALLOWING MEDICAL ASSISTANTS TO ADMINISTER VACCINES AND NEBULIZER TREATMENTS'**, to allow medical assistants to administer vaccines and nebulizer treatments.

**REF. PUBLIC HEALTH [Public Hearing March 5, 2018](#)** Public Health Committee JFS to the House.

**H.B. No. 5216** (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE DISABILITY RIGHTS ORGANIZATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES REGARDING ABUSE OR NEGLECT OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES', to require the Department of Developmental Services to notify persons with disabilities who allege abuse or neglect regarding the disability rights organization designated by the Governor as the Connecticut protection and advocacy system and to notify such organization if there is an abuse or neglect case under investigation by the department.  
REF. PUBLIC HEALTH [Public Hearing February 28, 2018](#) **H.B. No. 5216** died in the Public Health Committee.

**H.B. No. 5226** (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING LEAVE FOR STATE EMPLOYEES ASSISTING IN A CIVIL PREPAREDNESS EMERGENCY' [File No. 177](#), House Cal. No. 136, to permit state employees who volunteer with a local organization for civil preparedness to assist in a civil preparedness emergency or local civil preparedness emergency without loss of pay, vacation time, sick leave or earned overtime accumulation.  
REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY [Public Hearing February 27, 2018](#) Public Safety and Security Committee JF to the House.

**H.B. No. 5242** (RAISED) AGING. 'AN ACT EXEMPTING SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS FROM STATE INCOME TAX', to exempt Social Security benefits from taxation under the state income tax.  
REF. AGING [Public Hearing March 8, 2018](#) Committee on Aging JF Change of Reference to the Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee. **H.B. No. 5242** died in the Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee.

**H.B. No. 5244** (RAISED) AGING. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A CONSERVED PERSON'S RIGHT TO INTERACT WITH OTHERS', to safeguard the rights of a conserved person to interact with family and others.  
REF. AGING [Public Hearing March 8, 2018](#) Committee on Aging JFS Change of Reference to the Judiciary Committee. Judiciary Committee JF to the House.

**H.B. No. 5245** (RAISED) AGING. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY BEST PRACTICES FOR PROVIDING TRANSPORTATION FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES, SENIOR CITIZENS AND VETERANS' [File No. 66](#), House Cal. No. 80, to establish a task force to study best practices to provide transportation for disabled persons, senior citizens and veterans.  
REF. AGING [Public Hearing March 8, 2018](#) Committee on Aging JF to the House.

**H.B. No. 5246** (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT ELIMINATING THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS IN THE CASE OF SEXUAL ASSAULT', to allow for the prosecution of sexual assault cases without time limitations posed by statutes of limitation.  
REF. JUDICIARY [Public Hearing March 16, 2018](#) Judiciary Committee JFS to the House.

**H.B. No. 5253** (RAISED) HUMAN SERVICES. 'AN ACT EXPANDING ACCESS TO THE MONEY FOLLOWS THE PERSON DEMONSTRATION PROJECT AND REPEALING

**OBSOLETE STATUTES' [File No. 67](#), House Cal. No. 81, to expand access to the Money Follows the Person demonstration project and repeal obsolete statutes.**

**REF. HUMAN SERVICES [Public Hearing March 6, 2018](#) Human Services Committee JF to the House.**

**[H.B. No. 5255](#) (RAISED) HUMAN SERVICES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER ADVISORY COUNCIL' [File No. 181](#), House Cal. No. 140, to eliminate the planned termination of the Autism Spectrum Disorder Advisory Council.**

**REF. HUMAN SERVICES [Public Hearing March 13, 2018](#) [Public Hearing March 20, 2018](#) Human Services Committee JF to the House.**

**[H.B. No. 5256](#) (RAISED) HUMAN SERVICES. 'AN ACT REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES TO COLLECT AND MAINTAIN DATA CONCERNING THE TRANSPORTATION NEEDS OF MEDICAID RECIPIENTS', to ensure that the Department of Social Services collects and maintains data regarding the nonemergency transportation needs of Medicaid recipients.**

**REF. HUMAN SERVICES [Public Hearing March 15, 2018](#) Human Services Committee JFS to the House.**

**[H.B. No. 5257](#) (RAISED) HUMAN SERVICES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING REPORTS OF ABUSE OR NEGLECT OF PERSONS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY OR AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER' [File No. 182](#), House Cal. No. 141, to reduce from seventy-two to twenty-four hours the amount of time a mandated reporter has to file a report of suspected abuse or neglect involving a person with intellectual disability or autism spectrum disorder.**

**REF. HUMAN SERVICES [Public Hearing March 13, 2018](#) [Public Hearing March 20, 2018](#) Human Services Committee JFS to the House.**

**[H.B. No. 5260](#) (RAISED) GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. 'AN ACT REQUIRING STATE CONTRACTORS TO ADOPT A NET NEUTRALITY POLICY', to require Internet service providers that are state contractors to adopt a net neutrality policy.**

**REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS [Public Hearing March 5, 2018](#) [H.B. No. 5260](#) died in the Government Administration and Elections Committee.**

**[H.B. No. 5263](#) (RAISED) GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. 'AN ACT REQUIRING A PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE LIST OF LEGISLATIVELY APPOINTED BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COUNCILS' [File No. 17](#), House Cal. No. 45, to require the posting of a publicly accessible list of all boards, commissions or councils that have legislative appointments.**

**REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS [Public Hearing March 5, 2018](#) Government Administration and Elections Committee JF to the House.**

**[H.B. No. 5264](#) (RAISED) GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. 'AN ACT PERMITTING BUSINESSES TO SEEK AN OPINION OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL REGARDING STATE AGENCY REGULATIONS', to require the attorney general to issue opinions when requested by businesses who have a dispute with a state agency regarding its regulations.**

**REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS [Public Hearing March 5, 2018](#)**



**Government Administration and Elections Committee JF to the House.**

**H.B. No. 5266 (RAISED) GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. 'AN ACT PERMITTING THE SUSPENSION OF ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTIES IMPOSED ON CERTAIN BUSINESS ENTITIES PURSUANT TO STATE AGENCY REGULATIONS'**, to permit businesses to remediate first-time regulatory violations without civil penalty if such remediation is done in a timely manner.

**REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS Public Hearing March 5, 2018 Government Administration and Elections Committee JFS to the House.**

**H.B. No. 5267 (RAISED) GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATE CONTRACTING STANDARDS BOARD AND REQUIREMENTS FOR PRIVATIZATION CONTRACTS'**, to redefine "privatization contract" and "state contracting agency", modify the quorum requirement of the State Contracting Standards Board, impose additional requirements on proposed privatization contracts and require the Auditors of Public Accounts to issue compliance reports regarding staffing levels of the State Contracting Standards Board.

**REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS Public Hearing March 5, 2018 Government Administration and Elections Committee JF to the House.**

**H.B. No. 5271 (RAISED) GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. 'AN ACT REDEFINING "PUBLIC AGENCY" FOR PURPOSES OF THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT'**, to redefine "public agency" for purposes of the Freedom of Information Act to include certain organizations established by certain governmental entities.

**REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS Public Hearing March 5, 2018 Government Administration and Elections Committee JFS to the House.**

**H.B. No. 5299 (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING TELEHEALTH PRESCRIBING FOR TREATMENT OF PSYCHIATRIC DISORDERS'**, to (1) allow Connecticut licensed physicians to prescribe certain medications via telehealth for treatment of psychiatric disorders and change certain patient consent requirements; (2) add telehealth examinations; and (3) implement payment for parity for telehealth services.

**REF. PUBLIC HEALTH Public Hearing March 16, 2018 H.B. No. 5299 died in the Public Health Committee.**

**H.B. No. 5302 (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESSIBLE PUBLIC BATHROOMS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES' File No. 187, House Cal. No. 146, to require the State Building Inspector and the Codes and Standards Committee to amend the State Building Code to provide for the installation of one wall-mounted grab bar and one drop-down grab bar in public bathrooms.**

**REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY Public Hearing March 6, 2018 Public Safety And Security Committee JFS to the House.**

**H.B. No. 5326 (RAISED) APPROPRIATIONS. 'AN ACT CONCERNING MEDICAID FUNDING'**, to provide funding for Medicaid by the most cost-efficient, equitable and effective means.

**REF. APPROPRIATIONS Public Hearing March 9, 2018 Appropriations Committee JF to the House.**

**H.B. No. 5327** (RAISED) APPROPRIATIONS. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET', to review the process by which appropriations are made from the General Fund in the state budget.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS [Public Hearing March 28, 2018](#) Appropriations Committee JFS to the House.

**H.B. No. 5332** (RAISED) COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES' [File No. 124](#), House Cal. No. 106, to (1) require the Department of Children and Families to include in its strategic plan strategies to eliminate racial and ethnic disparities within child welfare practice; (2) require the Commissioner of Children and Families to collect data on the race and ethnicity of children and families involved with the department, and work to eliminate certain disparities based on race, ethnicity and other factors; (3) require the department to disclose records to the Chief State's Attorney for the purpose of investigating or prosecuting an allegation of fraud in the receipt of certain benefits; (4) create an exception from the requirement that the commissioner obtain consent from the parent or guardian of a child to interview such child for the purpose of investigating a claim of neglect if such parent or guardian is the perpetrator of the alleged neglect; (5) require certain health care providers to notify the department of newborns exhibiting certain symptoms consistent with prenatal substance exposure and other conditions and require the department to establish guidelines for the safe care of such newborns; (6) clarify the definition of "fictive kin caregiver"; (7) clarify that certain residential facilities may care for or board a child without a license obtained from the commissioner; and (8) permit the commissioner to investigate and maintain actions in the name of the state for violations of certain statutes pertaining to the unlicensed caring for, boarding of and placing of a child.

REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN [Public Hearing March 6, 2018](#) Committee on Children JFS to the House.

**H.B. No. 5333** (RAISED) COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT REGISTRY' [File No. 125](#), House Cal. No. 107, to require the Commissioner of Children and Families to make a reasonable effort to notify the employer of an individual placed on the child abuse and neglect registry of such individual's placement on the registry if such individual has direct contact with children through such employment.

REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN [Public Hearing March 6, 2018](#) Committee on Children JFS to the House.

**H.B. No. 5386** (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING VARIOUS PAY EQUITY AND FAIRNESS MATTERS' [File No. 196](#), House Cal. No. 155, to strengthen provisions of the law concerning pay equity and fairness.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES [Public Hearing March 8, 2018](#) Labor and Public Employees Committee JFS to the House.

**H.B. No. 5387** (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PAID FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE' [File No. 197](#), House Cal. No. 156, to establish a paid family and medical leave system in Connecticut.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES [Public Hearing March 8, 2018](#) Labor and Public Employees Committee JFS to the House.

**H.B. No. 5388** (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A FAIR MINIMUM WAGE' **File No. 198**, House Cal. No. 157, to provide more economic security to Connecticut families by increasing the minimum fair wage.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES **Public Hearing March 8, 2018** Labor and Public Employees Committee JF to the House.

**H.B. No. 5389** (RAISED) TRANSPORTATION. 'AN ACT CONCERNING TRANSPORTATION ISSUES', to allow temporary and permanent livery permit holders to use stretcher vans to transport elderly persons and persons with disabilities who must be transported on a stretcher.

REF. TRANSPORTATION **Public Hearing March 14, 2018** **H.B. No. 5389** died in the Transportation Committee

**H.B. No. 5417** (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING END-OF-LIFE CARE', to allow a physician to dispense or prescribe medication at the request of a mentally competent patient that has a terminal illness that such patient may self-administer to bring about his or her death.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH **Public Hearing March 20, 2018** **H.B. No. 5417** died in the Public Health Committee.

**H.B. No. 5460** (RAISED) HUMAN SERVICES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING MINIMUM EMPLOYEE WAGES FOR PROVIDERS OF STATE-CONTRACTED HUMAN SERVICES' **File No. 200**, House Cal. No. 159, to require providers of state-contracted human services to pay employees a minimum of fifteen dollars an hour within available state appropriations.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES **Public Hearing March 13, 2018** **Public Hearing March 20, 2018** Human Services Committee JFS to the House.

**H.B. No. 5462** (RAISED) HUMAN SERVICES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING TRANSITION SERVICES FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS' **File No. 201**, House Cal. No. 160, to require transition services for special education students who are fourteen to twenty-two years of age and to provide a written bill of rights to parents of special education students at an initial planning and placement team meeting.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES **Public Hearing March 15, 2018** Human Services Committee JF to the House.

**H.B. No. 5473** (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CAPTIVE AUDIENCE MEETINGS', to prohibit an employer from coercing employees into attending or participating in meetings sponsored by the employer concerning the employer's views on political or religious matters.

REF. JUDICIARY **Public Hearing March 14, 2018** Judiciary Committee JFS to the House.

**H.B. No. 5479** (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT ELIMINATING OVERTIME FROM STATE EMPLOYEE PENSION CALCULATIONS FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES', to exclude overtime payments when calculating a state employee's retirement income.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES **Public Hearing March 13, 2018** **H.B. No. 5479** died in the Labor and Public Employees Committee.

**H.B. No. 5481** (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CHANGES TO THE STATE PERSONNEL ACT' **File No. 204**, House Cal. No. 163, to make changes to the State Personnel Act statutes.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES **Public Hearing March 13, 2018** Labor and Public Employees Committee JF to the House.

**H.B. No. 5510** (RAISED) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE ZONING OF GROUP HOMES', to limit the ability of municipalities to prohibit group homes that house disabled persons and individuals recovering from substance abuse.

REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT **Public Hearing March 16, 2018** Planning and Development Committee JF to the House.

**H.B. No. 5517** (RAISED) GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. 'AN ACT CONCERNING EXECUTIVE BRANCH DATA MANAGEMENT AND PROCESSES', to increase access to data by executive branch agencies by codifying the provisions of Executive Order 39, to create a Connecticut Board of Data Analysis Technology Advisory Board, to require the Office of Policy and Management to establish and oversee a state-wide process improvement initiative, to require towns to transmit certain property assessment information to their regional council of governments or the Office of Policy and Management and to permit state agencies to suspend regulatory requirements for paper or facsimile submission of documents or data.

REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS **Public Hearing March 19, 2018** Government Administration and Elections Committee JFS to the House.

**H.B. No. 5546** (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING LARCENY AGAINST AN INTELLECTUALLY DISABLED PERSON', to enhance the penalty in the case of larceny committed against an intellectually disabled person.

REF. JUDICIARY **Public Hearing March 21, 2018** **Public Hearing March 28, 2018** Judiciary Committee JFS to the House.

**H.B. No. 5550** (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE CRIME OF FALSELY REPORTING AN INCIDENT IN AN EMPLOYMENT CONTEXT', to hold a person criminally liable when such person knowingly reports a false occurrence or incident about an employee to the employee's employer.

REF. JUDICIARY **Public Hearing March 21, 2018** **Public Hearing March 28, 2018** **H.B. No. 5550** died in the Judiciary Committee.

**H.B. No. 5552** (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING COURT REVIEW OF AN AGENCY DECISION UNDER THE UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT', to revise the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act with respect to a court's review of an agency decision.

REF. JUDICIARY **Public Hearing March 21, 2018** **Public Hearing March 28, 2018** **H.B. No. 5552** died in the Judiciary Committee.

- **DDS Public Hearing Testimony**

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[March 21, 2018 - DDS Testimony Before the Judiciary Committee on H.B. No. 5552](#) (PDF, 185 KB)

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[March 19, 2018 – DDS Testimony Before the Government Administration and Elections Committee on S.B. No. 502](#) (PDF, 112 KB)

[March 16, 2018 - DDS Testimony Before the Planning and Development Committee on H.B. No. 5510](#) (PDF, 187 KB)

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[March 15, 2018 – DDS Testimony Before the Human Services Committee on H.B. No. 5462](#) (PDF, 183 KB)

[March 14, 2018 - DDS Testimony Before the Appropriations Committee on H.B. No. 5034](#) (PDF, 111 KB)

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[February 28, 2018 - DDS Testimony Before the Public Health Committee on S.B. No. 165](#) (PDF, 181 KB)

[February 27, 2018 - DDS Testimony Before the Appropriations Health Subcommittee Workgroup](#) (PDF, 550 KB)

Attachment A [DDS Waiting List Data FY13 - FY17](#) (PDF, 199 KB)

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[February 26, 2018 - DDS Testimony Before the Government Administration and Elections Committee on H.B. No. 5172](#) (PDF, 181 KB)

[February 16, 2018 - DDS Testimony Before the Appropriations Committee on the Governor's Proposed Budget Adjustments for FY 2019](#) (PDF, 269 KB)

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- **Governor’s Midterm Budget Adjustments Fiscal Year 2019**

On the 2018 session’s opening day, February 7, 2018, Governor Malloy addressed the General Assembly and detailed his midterm budget adjustments for fiscal year 2019. Below is the link to the webpage for the **Governor’s Midterm Budget Adjustments** and links to the various sections of the budget adjustment document. The pages on which DDS information is available are shown next to the links. Also, below is a PDF link to the DDS budget summary from the budget adjustment document.

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