

DDS Legislative Update – February 19, 2019

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Note: The Committees on Aging, Banking, Children, Energy and Technology, General Law, Higher Education and Employment Advancement, Housing, Insurance and Real Estate, Public Safety and Security, and Veterans Affairs have all passed their committee deadline to Reserve for Subject Matter Public hearing or Vote to Draft a proposed bill. Those proposed bills in these committees that were not “reserved” or “drafted” by the committee deadline have been removed from this update.

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 individuals receiving funding or services from DDS, their families and guardians, DDS employees and DDS qualified 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 June 5, 2019 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.

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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 that explains what the implementation of a bill would cost or save, written by the Office of Fiscal Analysis.

A House or Senate Calendar Number (**House Cal. No.** or **Senate Cal. No.**) also is 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

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on either the House or Senate Calendar. If the bill is a House bill (H.B. No. 5000 or higher) or a Senate bill (S.B. No. 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.

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

The Department of Developmental Services determined that for the 2019 legislative session DDS would not submit any legislative proposals. The **Public Health Committee** continues to be DDS's committee of cognizance and most bills that directly affect the department will be heard and voted on in that committee.

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

NOTE: Bills that have been added to the list of bills since the last DDS Legislative Update have a red **N** in front of their listing.

S.B. No. 1 (COMM) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PAID FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE', to establish a paid family and medical leave system in Connecticut.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES [Public Hearing February 14, 2019](#)

Proposed **S.B. No. 2** SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT INCREASING THE MINIMUM FAIR WAGE', to establish a minimum wage of fifteen dollars per hour in the state.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES **Vote to Draft**

Proposed **S.B. No. 3** SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT COMBATTING SEXUAL ASSAULT AND SEXUAL HARASSMENT', to combat sexual assault and sexual harassment.

REF. JUDICIARY **Vote to Draft**

Proposed **S.B. No. 4** SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE AFFORDABILITY AND ACCESSIBILITY OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS', to make prescription medications more affordable for Connecticut consumers.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH **Vote to Draft**

Proposed **S.B. No. 5** SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A WORKFORCE PIPELINE AND JOB CREATION', to prepare the state's future workforce for well-paying manufacturing and technical jobs in Connecticut.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES **Vote to Draft**

N S.B. No. 6 (COMM) ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING NET NEUTRALITY PRINCIPLES AND INTERNET PRIVACY', 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 and to prohibit certain telecommunications companies, certified telecommunications providers, certified competitive video service providers and Internet service providers from collecting personal information from a customer resulting from the use of such company or provider without express written consent from such customer and refusing to provide services based on lack of such express written consent.

REF. ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY [Public Hearing February 19, 2019](#)

Proposed **S.B. No. 9** SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST.; SEN. WITKOS, 8th DIST. 'AN ACT ADJUSTING FEES FOR OCCUPATIONAL LICENSES, CERTIFICATIONS AND REGISTRATIONS', to reduce all existing fees for initial occupational licenses, certifications and registrations by seventy-five per cent and increase existing fees for renewals of such licenses, certifications and registrations to account for the lost revenue.

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REF. GENERAL LAW [Public Hearing February 19, 2019](#)

Proposed [S.B. No. 12](#) SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY DRIVER REQUIREMENTS', to require a transportation network company driver to possess a Connecticut motor vehicle operator's license.

REF. TRANSPORTATION [Public Hearing February 13, 2019](#)

Proposed [S.B. No. 15](#) SEN. OSTEN, 19th DIST.; SEN. CASSANO, 4th DIST.; SEN. SOMERS, 18th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR MOTORIZED WHEELCHAIRS AND REPAIRS THERETO', to require health insurance coverage of motorized wheelchairs, including used motorized wheelchairs, repairs to such wheelchairs and the replacement of batteries for such wheelchairs.

REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE [Public Hearing February 7, 2019](#)

Proposed [S.B. No. 27](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT REDUCING PRESCRIPTION DRUG PRICES UNDER THE MEDICAID PROGRAM', to lower health care costs under the Medicaid program.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [S.B. No. 29](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. '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 February 7, 2019](#)

Proposed [S.B. No. 33](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OF ORALLY AND INTRAVENOUSLY ADMINISTERED PRESCRIPTION DRUGS', to require health insurance policies that provide coverage for prescription drugs to provide coverage for intravenously administered prescription drugs on a basis that is no less favorable than the basis on which such policies provide coverage for orally administered prescription drugs.

REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE [Public Hearing February 7, 2019](#)

Proposed [S.B. No. 36](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING HEALTH CARRIERS FROM REQUIRING THE USE OF STEP THERAPY FOR CERTAIN PRESCRIPTION DRUGS', to prohibit health carriers that deliver, issue for delivery, renew, amend or continue certain health insurance policies and contracts in this state from requiring the use of step therapy for a prescription drug if such drug is prescribed for the treatment of a disabling, chronic or life-threatening disease or condition.

REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE [Public Hearing February 7, 2019](#)

Proposed [S.B. No. 37](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OF PRESCRIBED DRUGS DURING ADVERSE DETERMINATION REVIEWS AND EXTERNAL REVIEW PROCESSES', to require health insurance coverage of prescribed drugs during adverse determination reviews and external review processes.

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REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE [Public Hearing February 7, 2019](#)

Proposed [S.B. No. 38](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT REDUCING THE TIME FRAME FOR URGENT CARE ADVERSE DETERMINATION REVIEW REQUESTS', to reduce the time frame for urgent care adverse determination review requests from seventy-two to forty-eight hours.

REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE [Public Hearing February 7, 2019](#)

Proposed [S.B. No. 39](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT LIMITING CHANGES TO PRESCRIPTION DRUG FORMULARIES DURING THE TERM OF CERTAIN HEALTH INSURANCE POLICIES', to limit changes to prescription drug formularies during the term of certain health insurance policies.

REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE [Public Hearing February 7, 2019](#)

Proposed [S.B. No. 40](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING SITE-NEUTRAL PAYMENTS FOR HEALTH CARE SERVICES', to require health carriers to include site-neutral payment provisions in provider contracts.

REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE [Public Hearing February 7, 2019](#)

Proposed [S.B. No. 41](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING DISCRETIONARY CLAUSES IN HEALTH INSURANCE AND DISABILITY INCOME POLICIES', to prohibit each insurance company, fraternal benefit society, hospital service corporation, medical service corporation and health care center that delivers, issues for delivery or renews an insurance policy in this state from including in such policy a clause that reserves discretion to such company, society, corporation or center to interpret the terms of such policy in a manner that is, or to provide standards for the interpretation or review of such policy that are, inconsistent with the laws of this state.

REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE [Public Hearing February 7, 2019](#)

Proposed [S.B. No. 43](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING HEALTH CARRIERS FROM DENYING COVERAGE FOR CERTAIN COVERED BENEFITS PROVIDED IN HOSPITAL EMERGENCY ROOMS', to provide that no health carrier that delivers, issues for delivery, renews, amends or continues a health insurance policy in this state shall deny coverage for a covered benefit provided to an insured in a hospital emergency room because the covered benefit could have been provided to the insured in another health care setting.

REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE [Public Hearing February 7, 2019](#)

Proposed [S.B. No. 54](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A LANDLORD'S ABILITY TO REVIEW CRIMINAL RECORDS RELATING TO A PROSPECTIVE TENANT', to lower barriers to finding adequate housing for individuals with prior criminal convictions.

REF. HOUSING [Public Hearing February 7, 2019](#)

Proposed [S.B. No. 63](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SUPPORTED DECISION-MAKING TO ASSIST PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES', to establish supported decision-making for persons with disabilities as an alternative to guardianship or conservatorship.

REF. JUDICIARY **Vote to Draft**

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S.B. No. 66 (COMM) **TRANSPORTATION. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE NONEMERGENCY TRANSPORTATION OF ELDERLY PERSONS AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES CONFINED TO A STRETCHER'**, 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 February 13, 2019](#)

Proposed **S.B. No. 68** SEN. BERGSTEIN, 36th DIST. **'AN ACT ESTABLISHING WOMEN'S ECONOMIC EQUALITY'**, to establish economic equality for women.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed **S.B. No. 69** SEN. BERGSTEIN, 36th DIST. **'AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF THE FEASIBILITY OF OPENING THE STATE EMPLOYEE HEALTH PLAN TO ADDITIONAL RESIDENTS OF THIS STATE'**, to create more affordable, high-quality health care options for small business owners and their employees, as well as incentives for millennials to live and work in this state, by requiring the Comptroller to study the feasibility of opening the state employee health plan to additional residents of this state.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed **S.B. No. 83** SEN. BERGSTEIN, 36th DIST. **'AN ACT CONCERNING THE OUTSOURCING OF DELIVERY OF SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES'**, to outsource delivery of social and behavioral health services whenever private, nonprofit vendors demonstrate they can provide cost-efficient, quality services.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed **S.B. No. 84** SEN. BERGSTEIN, 36th DIST. **'AN ACT CONCERNING PRESCRIPTION DRUG IMPORTATION FROM CANADA'**, to expand access to costly prescription drugs by allowing them to be imported from Canada at a cost savings.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed **S.B. No. 106** SEN. BERGSTEIN, 36th DIST. **'AN ACT CONCERNING THE RECALCULATION OR CAPPING OF CERTAIN STATE EMPLOYEE PENSIONS'**, to lower state employee retirement costs by capping or recalculating certain high-cost pensions.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed **S.B. No. 124** SEN. FASANO, 34th DIST. **'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 February 13, 2019](#)

Proposed **S.B. No. 134** SEN. COHEN, 12th DIST. **'AN ACT OPENING THE STATE EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN TO SMALL BUSINESS EMPLOYEES'**, to enable small business employees in this state to enroll in the state employee health insurance plan.

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REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE Vote to Draft

Proposed [S.B. No. 157](#) SEN. WITKOS, 8th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION EMPLOYEE STATE FLEET VEHICLE USE', to grant flexibility to nonprofit organizations with state contracts.

REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Proposed [S.B. No. 164](#) SEN. OSTEN, 19th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST. 'AN ACT INCLUDING CERTAIN MENTAL OR EMOTIONAL IMPAIRMENTS WITHIN THE DEFINITION OF "PERSONAL INJURY" UNDER THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION STATUTES', to expand workers' compensation coverage in certain situations that result in mental or emotional impairment.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES Vote to Draft

Proposed [S.B. No. 212](#) SEN. MARTIN, 31st DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING BANKS TO NOTIFY CUSTOMERS BEFORE THE EXPIRATION OF AUTOMATIC PAYMENTS AND AFTER ACCOUNT OVERDRAFTS', to require banks to notify customers before automatic payments or transfers from the customer's account expire and immediately after the customer's account is overdrawn.

REF. BANKING Reserved for Subject Matter Public Hearing

Proposed [S.B. No. 273](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. MCCRORY, 2nd DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT CONCERNING FREE COLLEGE', to enable students at public institutions of higher education to graduate without student loans.

REF. HIGHER EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT Vote to Draft

Proposed [S.B. No. 281](#) SEN. KELLY, 21st DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PRESUMPTIVE MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY FOR HOME CARE', to create certain presumptive eligibility for home care benefits.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [S.B. No. 283](#) SEN. KELLY, 21st DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ACHIEVING PARITY IN MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY AND REIMBURSEMENT FOR HOME CARE', to end inequitable Medicaid eligibility and reimbursement guidelines for home care.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [S.B. No. 286](#) SEN. KELLY, 21st DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A PUBLIC-PRIVATE HUMAN SERVICES COUNCIL', to promote public-private partnerships for the cost-efficient delivery of human services.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [S.B. No. 287](#) SEN. KELLY, 21st DIST. 'AN ACT ALLOWING FOR THE DEDUCTION OF CONSERVATOR EXPENSES FROM A MEDICAID RECIPIENT'S APPLIED INCOME', to eliminate the applied income penalty under the Medicaid program for costs relating to conservators.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

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Proposed [S.B. No. 288](#) SEN. KELLY, 21st DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A PUBLIC-PRIVATE HUMAN SERVICES PARTNERSHIP', to improve the cost-effective delivery of human services and make sure such services are given only to those in need.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [S.B. No. 289](#) SEN. KELLY, 21st DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A HUMAN SERVICES PARTNERSHIP', to improve human services and reduce cost.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [S.B. No. 291](#) SEN. FASANO, 34th DIST.; SEN. WITKOS, 8th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL', to promote public-private partnerships to support the cost-efficient delivery of human services.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [S.B. No. 293](#) SEN. FASANO, 34th DIST.; SEN. WITKOS, 8th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING MEDICAID COVERAGE OF TELEHEALTH SERVICES', to improve cost-efficient health outcomes for Medicaid clients by covering telehealth services.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [S.B. No. 300](#) SEN. MOORE, 22nd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A MEDICAID RECIPIENT'S RIGHT TO SELECT A CAREGIVER', to allow Medicaid recipients or their authorized representatives to select their caregivers.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [S.B. No. 302](#) SEN. FASANO, 34th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY NONEMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION', to ensure that nonemergency medical transportation services are adequate, responsive and appropriate for the communities that use them.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [S.B. No. 310](#) SEN. KELLY, 21st DIST. 'AN ACT EXEMPTING COURT-APPROVED CONSERVATOR OR FIDUCIARY FEES FROM MEDICAID APPLIED INCOME DETERMINATIONS', to exempt conservator and fiduciary fees from Medicaid applied income calculations.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [S.B. No. 311](#) SEN. KELLY, 21st DIST. 'AN ACT HOLDING HARMLESS CLIENTS AND PROVIDERS AFFECTED BY AGENCY COMPUTER ERRORS', to protect Department of Social Services' clients and providers from repercussions caused by the department's transition to a new online service system.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [S.B. No. 327](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR MEDICALLY NECESSARY AMBULANCE SERVICES AT AN IN-NETWORK LEVEL AND PROHIBITING BALANCE BILLING FOR SUCH SERVICES', to require health insurance coverage for medically necessary ambulance services at an in-

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network level, including an in-network level of cost sharing, and prohibit balance billing for such services.

REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE [Public Hearing February 14, 2019](#)

Proposed [S.B. No. 330](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A HUMAN RIGHT TO EQUAL ENJOYMENT OF THE HIGHEST ATTAINABLE STANDARD OF HEALTH', to provide that equal enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of health is a human right.
REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE [Public Hearing February 14, 2019](#)

Proposed [S.B. No. 352](#) SEN. KELLY, 21st DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING STATE AGENCY COMPLIANCE WITH PROBATE COURT ORDERS', to require state agencies to abide by orders entered by a Probate Court.
REF. JUDICIARY

Proposed [S.B. No. 358](#) SEN. MOORE, 22nd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING EMPLOYEE VOTING OPPORTUNITIES', to require employers to allow employees time away from work to vote on the day of an election.
REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES **Vote to Draft**

Proposed [S.B. No. 359](#) SEN. FASANO, 34th DIST.; SEN. WITKOS, 8th DIST. 'AN ACT EXTENDING WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTIONS TO EMPLOYEES OF BUSINESSES RECEIVING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE STATE', to extend whistleblower protections to employees of businesses who receive economic development financial assistance from the state.
REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES [Public Hearing February 21, 2019](#)

Proposed [S.B. No. 365](#) SEN. FASANO, 34th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO DEVELOP A FACILITY AND RESOURCE PLAN FOR PERSONS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY', to establish a task force to develop a facility and resource plan to meet the needs of persons with intellectual disability.
REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [S.B. No. 367](#) SEN. FASANO, 34th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE ON THE NEEDS OF PERSONS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY', to establish a task force to study the needs of persons with intellectual disability and give it sufficient time to issue a report.
REF. PUBLIC HEALTH **Reserved for Subject Matter Public Hearing**

Proposed [S.B. No. 369](#) SEN. KELLY, 21st DIST. 'AN ACT ENHANCING THE DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE', to enhance diagnosis and treatment of Alzheimer's disease.
REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [S.B. No. 372](#) SEN. FASANO, 34th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF RESOURCES TO GUARDIANS OF ADULT CHILDREN WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY', to provide additional resources to those providing care to adult children with intellectual disability.

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REF. PUBLIC HEALTH Reserved for Subject Matter Public Hearing

Proposed [S.B. No. 373](#) SEN. KELLY, 21st DIST. 'AN ACT PROTECTING THE INTERESTS OF PERSONS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY', to improve services for and protect the interests of persons with intellectual disability.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [S.B. No. 374](#) SEN. ABRAMS, 13th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING END-OF-LIFE CARE', to allow a mentally competent patient with a terminal illness to self-administer medication to bring about his or her death.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [S.B. No. 381](#) SEN. FASANO, 34th DIST.; SEN. WITKOS, 8th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF PERSONS WITH ALZHEIMER'S AND DEMENTIA', to enable better communication of an Alzheimer's diagnosis and treatment plan to family members or legal representatives within state and federal privacy laws and require hospitals to have an operational plan for identifying and managing individuals with dementia.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [S.B. No. 384](#) SEN. KELLY, 21st DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECKS OF HOME HEALTH CARE AGENCY AND HOMEMAKER-COMPANION AGENCY EMPLOYEES AND SUBCONTRACTORS', to expand criminal history records checks of home health care agencies and homemaker-companion agencies.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [S.B. No. 386](#) SEN. KELLY, 21st DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ENHANCEMENT OF OPERATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES', to enhance operations of the Department of Developmental Services.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [S.B. No. 393](#) SEN. FASANO, 34th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES' LEVEL OF NEED ASSESSMENT', to bring Connecticut's level of need assessment in line with up-to-date medical assessment policies.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH Reserved for Subject Matter Public Hearing

Proposed [S.B. No. 394](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. MCCRORY, 2nd DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT CONCERNING QUALITY HEALTH CARE FOR WOMEN', to protect women from unfair health and wellness mandates.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH Vote to Draft

Proposed [S.B. No. 396](#) SEN. LESSER, 9th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING SUDDEN, UNEXPECTED DEATH IN EPILEPSY', to require a medical examiner to make a determination as to whether a deceased person with epilepsy or a history of seizures suffered a sudden, unexpected death in epilepsy.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH Reserved for Subject Matter Public Hearing

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Proposed [S.B. No. 410](#) SEN. OSTEN, 19th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING THE INSTALLATION OF CAMERA VIDEO SYSTEMS INSIDE SCHOOL BUSES AND STUDENT TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES USED TO TRANSPORT CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS', to ensure the safety of children with special needs by requiring the installation of camera video systems inside school buses or student transportation vehicles used for their transportation.
REF. TRANSPORTATION

Proposed [S.B. No. 424](#) SEN. LEONE, 27th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CAMERA VIDEO SYSTEMS INSIDE SCHOOL BUSES AND STUDENT TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES USED TO TRANSPORT CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS', to ensure the safety of children with special needs by permitting the installation of camera video systems inside school buses or student transportation vehicles used for their transportation.
REF. TRANSPORTATION [Public Hearing February 13, 2019](#)

Proposed [S.B. No. 435](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT PROVIDING A TAX CREDIT TO BUSINESSES THAT PROVIDE EMPLOYEES WITH STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT ASSISTANCE', to provide student loan debt relief by establishing a tax credit for businesses that provide student loan repayment assistance to employees.
REF. HIGHER EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT **Vote to Draft**

Proposed [S.B. No. 440](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. FONFARA, 1st DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING 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 **Vote to Draft**

Proposed [S.B. No. 445](#) SEN. KELLY, 21st DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING A CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECK OF EMPLOYEES AND SUBCONTRACTORS OF HOME HEALTH CARE AGENCIES AND HOMEMAKER-COMPANION AGENCIES', to protect the residents of home health care agencies and homemaker-companion agencies.
REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [S.B. No. 459](#) SEN. KISSEL, 7th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE EXTENSION OF SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES TO CERTAIN CHILDREN', to extend special education services to children and young adults who need service for social, executive functioning and life skills.
REF. EDUCATION

Proposed [S.B. No. 475](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT INCREASING THE SALES TAX RATE AND DEDICATING THE ADDITIONAL REVENUE TO MUNICIPALITIES', to increase municipal revenue.
REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING [Public Hearing February 13, 2019](#)

Proposed [S.B. No. 482](#) SEN. KELLY, 21st DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING A REVIEW OF STATE MANDATES', to review all state mandates.
REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

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Proposed [S.B. No. 485](#) SEN. FASANO, 34th DIST.; SEN. WITKOS, 8th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING A PERFORMANCE AUDIT OF CERTAIN GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS', to require the Auditors of Public Accounts to conduct a performance audit of certain government programs.

REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Proposed [S.B. No. 491](#) SEN. HWANG, 28th DIST. 'AN ACT EXPANDING ACCESS TO QUALITY HUMAN SERVICES', to save more than one million dollars per group home and seven thousand dollars per client of a local mental health authority by converting state-run services to a nonprofit operation.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES Change of Reference to the Public Health Committee

Proposed [S.B. No. 492](#) SEN. MARONEY, 14th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING AN INNOVATION INCENTIVE PROGRAM FOR NONPROFIT PROVIDERS OF HUMAN SERVICES', to incentivize nonprofit providers of human services to use innovative approaches to make state dollars go farther to assist clients.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [S.B. No. 496](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. MCCRORY, 2nd DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE LEGALIZATION, TAXATION AND REGULATION OF THE RETAIL SALE AND RECREATIONAL USE OF CANNABIS', to provide for the legalization, taxation and regulation of the retail sale, personal growth and recreational use of cannabis by individuals twenty-one years of age or older.

REF. JUDICIARY

Proposed [S.B. No. 501](#) SEN. KELLY, 21st DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR THE CRIME OF ABUSING AN ELDERLY PERSON', to amend the statute of limitations for the crime of abusing an elderly person to provide that the five-year period be based on the discovery of the offense or the death of the elderly person.

REF. JUDICIARY

Proposed [S.B. No. 520](#) SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING PUBLIC HEARINGS ON GROUP HOME APPLICATIONS', to require public hearings on applications for new group homes.

REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Proposed [S.B. No. 531](#) SEN. MARONEY, 14th DIST. 'AN ACT EXPANDING THE COMMUNITY COMPANIONS PROGRAM', to expand opportunities for persons with intellectual disability to live in a family setting with other persons with intellectual disability.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [S.B. No. 536](#) SEN. HWANG, 28th DIST. 'AN ACT PROVIDING AN INCOME TAX DEDUCTION FOR INDIVIDUALS CARING FOR CERTAIN ELDERLY PERSONS, MINOR CHILDREN AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES', to reduce financial burdens on taxpayers for the cost of providing home care for certain elderly persons, minor children and persons with disabilities.

REF. AGING

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Proposed [S.B. No. 554](#) SEN. KELLY, 21st DIST. 'AN ACT ELIMINATING EXISTING UNFUNDED MANDATES AND REQUIRING A TWO-THIRDS VOTE TO CREATE NEW UNFUNDED MANDATES', to eliminate all existing unfunded mandates on January 1, 2020, and require a two-thirds vote of each chamber of the General Assembly to enact legislation that creates an unfunded mandate after said date.

REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Proposed [S.B. No. 603](#) SEN. LESSER, 9th DIST. 'AN ACT DESIGNATING 22Q11.2 DELETION SYNDROME AWARENESS DAY', to promote awareness of 22q11.2 deletion syndrome.

REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Proposed [S.B. No. 613](#) SEN. SOMERS, 18th DIST. 'AN ACT ALLOWING THE CREATION OF A RESERVE FUND FOR PAYMENT OF EMPLOYEE SICK LEAVE', to allow employees to save funds to use during unpaid sick leave, with a possible employer match.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [S.B. No. 614](#) SEN. NEEDLEMAN, 33rd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSIVENESS OF THE STATE CAPITOL AND LEGISLATIVE OFFICE BUILDING', to improve accessibility for persons with disabilities and provide a public lavatory that is not gender-specific within the State Capitol and Legislative Office Building.

REF. JOINT COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT

Proposed [S.B. No. 624](#) SEN. OSTEN, 19th DIST. 'AN ACT ALLOWING NATUROPATHIC PHYSICIANS TO PRESCRIBE MEDICATION', to keep costs of medical treatment down and give flexibility to patients to seek care from a physician with whom they are comfortable.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [S.B. No. 658](#) SEN. ABRAMS, 13th DIST.; SEN. COHEN, 12th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING NOTICE TO EMPLOYERS REGARDING UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION CLAIMS', to provide adequate notice to employers when an employee files for unemployment compensation benefits.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES Reserved for Subject Matter Public Hearing

Proposed [S.B. No. 659](#) SEN. ABRAMS, 13th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PREDICTIVE SCHEDULING', to increase stability for working families by allowing them to better balance work hours, income and child care.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [S.B. No. 662](#) SEN. BERTHEL, 32nd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING USE OF A GUIDE DOG OR ASSISTANCE DOG', to prohibit asking an individual the reason for using a guide dog or assistance dog as a condition of bringing the dog onto public transportation or into a place of public accommodation.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [S.B. No. 663](#) SEN. SOMERS, 18th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PROVIDERS OF MENTAL HEALTH TRAINING FOR POLICE OFFICERS', to designate the Autism and Law

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Enforcement Education Coalition as an authorized provider of training on mental health issues for police officers.

REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY Change of Reference to the Labor and Public Employees Committee

Proposed [S.B. No. 670](#) SEN. HASKELL, 26th DIST. 'AN ACT LOWERING THE EXCESS COST THRESHOLD FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION', to reduce the reimbursement threshold for special education costs from four and one-half times the average per pupil cost to two times the average per pupil cost.

REF. EDUCATION

Proposed [S.B. No. 682](#) SEN. HASKELL, 26th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING STATE EMPLOYEE REPORTING OF WASTEFUL PRACTICES', to offer a financial incentive for state employees who report wasteful spending within the government.

REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Proposed [S.B. No. 688](#) SEN. WINFIELD, 10th DIST. 'AN ACT REFORMING THE SEXUAL OFFENDER REGISTRATION LAWS', to create a risk-based sexual offender registration system.

REF. JUDICIARY

Proposed [S.B. No. 697](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT CONCERNING NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS IN THE WORKPLACE', to prohibit the silencing of victims in the workplace and to prevent sexual harassment by repeat offenders.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES [Public Hearing February 14, 2019](#)

Proposed [S.B. No. 698](#) SEN. WINFIELD, 10th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING COMPLAINTS OF WORKPLACE VIOLENCE OR ABUSIVE CONDUCT INVOLVING STATE EMPLOYEES', to require that the Department of Administrative Services report the number of complaints of bullying or abusive conduct involving state employees to the Governor and the General Assembly.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES [Public Hearing February 21, 2019](#)

Proposed [S.B. No. 706](#) SEN. LESSER, 9th DIST.; REP. COMEY, 102nd DIST.; REP. PHIPPS, 100th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING EPINEPHRINE AUTO INJECTORS', to increase access to epinephrine auto injectors.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH Vote to Draft

Proposed [S.B. No. 722](#) SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT PREVENTING OVERTIME PAYMENTS FROM BEING USED TO CALCULATE THE RETIREMENT INCOME OF STATE EMPLOYEES', to prohibit the calculation of a state employee's pension from including overtime pay.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed [S.B. No. 729](#) SEN. OSTEN, 19th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING SAFE ENVIRONMENTS FOR STUDENTS RECEIVING SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES FROM

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CERTAIN PROVIDERS', to provide safe environments for students receiving special education services and transparency in the operations of the providers that care for such students.

REF. EDUCATION

Proposed [S.B. No. 757](#) SEN. MOORE, 22nd DIST. '**AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESS TO MEDICAL RECORDS OF AN INDIVIDUAL WHO DIES IN STATE CUSTODY**', to establish a procedure to allow access to medical records when a person who is incarcerated or under the care of any state agency dies.

REF. JUDICIARY

Proposed [S.B. No. 761](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. CASSANO, 4th DIST.; et al. '**AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PRIVATE RIGHT OF ACTION AGAINST AN EMPLOYER WHO FAILS TO PROVIDE HONEST RECOMMENDATIONS WHEN ASKED TO PROVIDE A REFERENCE FOR A JOB APPLICANT**', to ensure that an individual who provides a reference for an employee does not intentionally conceal information concerning acts of sexual harassment or assault committed by the employee.

REF. JUDICIARY Vote to Draft

Proposed [S.B. No. 762](#) SEN. WITKOS, 8th DIST. '**AN ACT INCREASING THE MINIMUM EARNINGS NECESSARY TO QUALIFY FOR UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION**', to increase the minimum earnings necessary to qualify for unemployment compensation.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [S.B. No. 763](#) SEN. FASANO, 34th DIST.; SEN. WITKOS, 8th DIST. '**AN ACT CONCERNING THE SOLVENCY OF THE UNEMPLOYMENT TRUST FUND**', to update and reform unemployment compensation law to ensure that the Unemployment Trust Fund remains solvent in future years.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [S.B. No. 764](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST.; et al. '**AN ACT PROHIBITING ON-CALL SHIFT SCHEDULING**', to prohibit the unfair employment practice of on-call shift scheduling.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES Vote to Draft

Proposed [S.B. No. 765](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST.; et al. '**AN ACT ENSURING FAIR AND EQUAL PAY FOR EQUAL WORK**', to ensure all employees receive fair and equal pay for equal work.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES [Public Hearing February 14, 2019](#)

Proposed [S.B. No. 769](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST.; et al. '**AN ACT CONCERNING THE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF OPIOID USE DISORDER**', to prevent and combat opioid addiction in Connecticut.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

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Proposed [S.B. No. 770](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT CONCERNING MENTAL HEALTH PREVENTION AND TREATMENT FOR CHILDREN', to prevent and treat mental illness in all children.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [S.B. No. 792](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT CREATING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF GENDER IDENTITY OR EXPRESSION THAT OCCURS IN STATE WORKPLACES AND SCHOOLS', to establish a task force that shall examine how state laws may be enhanced in order to strengthen protections against discrimination on the basis of gender identity or expression that occurs in workplaces and schools.

REF. JUDICIARY Vote to Draft

[S.B. No. 804](#) (RAISED) AGING. 'AN ACT REQUIRING THE STATE OMBUDSMAN TO INVESTIGATE COMPLAINTS CONCERNING RECIPIENTS OF HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES', to expand the investigatory oversight of the State Ombudsman to include home and community-based services.

REF. AGING [Public Hearing February 19, 2019](#)

[S.B. No. 807](#) (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSIONERS' RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REVISIONS TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH STATUTES', to make technical revisions to the public health statutes.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH [Public Hearing February 11, 2019](#)

[S.B. No. 818](#) (RAISED) HUMAN SERVICES. 'AN ACT ALLOWING FOR THE DEDUCTION OF COURT-APPROVED CONSERVATOR AND FIDUCIARY EXPENSES FROM MEDICAID APPLIED INCOME', to allow for the deduction of court-approved conservator and fiduciary expenses from the amount of a Medicaid recipient's income applied to the cost of his or her care.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES [Public Hearing February 19, 2019](#)

[S.B. No. 827](#) (RAISED) AGING. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND DEMENTIA TRAINING AND BEST PRACTICES', to require certain health care professionals who provide primary care or emergency treatment for adults to receive training in recognizing the signs and symptoms of Alzheimer's disease and dementia and to establish a working group to develop recommendations on improving the care of Alzheimer's disease and dementia patients.

REF. AGING [Public Hearing February 19, 2019](#)

[S.B. No. 832](#) (RAISED) AGING. 'AN ACT CONCERNING REGISTRIES OF PERSONS FOUND RESPONSIBLE FOR ASSAULTS OR OTHER ABUSE, NEGLECT, EXPLOITATION OR ABANDONMENT OF ELDERLY PERSONS OR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES', to provide the public with access to a searchable database of perpetrators of crimes and other substantiated abuse, neglect, exploitation or abandonment of elderly persons or persons with disabilities.

REF. AGING [Public Hearing February 19, 2019](#)

N [S.B. No. 834](#) (RAISED) HUMAN SERVICES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING SERVICES FOR PERSONS WITH SMITH-MAGENIS SYNDROME', to require a study of what state services are being offered and may be available to children suffering from Smith-Magenis Syndrome.

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REF. HUMAN SERVICES [Public Hearing February 19, 2019](#)

N [S.B. No. 836](#) (RAISED) HUMAN SERVICES. 'AN ACT HOLDING HARMLESS MEDICAID CLIENTS AND PROVIDERS AFFECTED BY AGENCY COMPUTER ERRORS', to prohibit penalties against Medicaid providers or clients due to delays or errors caused by the conversion by the Department of Social Services to a new computer system.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

N [S.B. No. 838](#) (RAISED) INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE. 'AN ACT CONCERNING REQUIRED HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE AND COST-SHARING FOR MAMMOGRAMS AND BREAST ULTRASOUNDS', to (1) eliminate cost-sharing for certain mammograms and breast ultrasounds, and (2) require health insurance coverage for (A) a baseline mammogram for any woman who is thirty years of age or older, (B) an annual mammogram for any woman who receives a recommendation from such woman's treating physician and (i) is thirty years of age or older, (ii) has a family history or prior personal history of breast cancer, or (iii) has a prior personal history of breast disease diagnosed through biopsy as benign, and (C) comprehensive breast ultrasound screening for any woman who receives a recommendation from such woman's treating physician and (i) is thirty years of age or older, (ii) has a family history or prior personal history of breast cancer, or (iii) has a prior personal history of breast disease diagnosed through biopsy as benign.

REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE [Public Hearing February 21, 2019](#)

N [S.B. No. 844](#) (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING LEGAL TRANSCRIPT REQUIREMENTS AND THE FEES CHARGED BY COURT REPORTERS', to standardize legal transcript requirements and the fees charged by court reporters.

REF. JUDICIARY [Public Hearing February 22, 2019](#)

Proposed [S.J. No. 11](#) SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'RESOLUTION AMENDING THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN LOBBYING IN THE HOUSE AND SENATE CHAMBERS', to subject agency liaisons to the same rules as lobbyists regarding their presence on the House and Senate floor.

REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Proposed [S.J. No. 12](#) SEN. BERGSTEIN, 36th DIST. 'RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONNECTICUT CONSTITUTION TO REQUIRE THE FUNDING AND ESTABLISHMENT OF SHARED-RISK PENSION PLANS FOR STATE EMPLOYEES AND TEACHERS', to reduce pension costs by establishing shared-risk pension plans for state employees and teachers and requiring that the General Assembly fully fund such plans.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS

[S.J. No. 14](#) (COMM) GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. 'RESOLUTION PROPOSING A STATE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO PERMIT EARLY VOTING', to propose an amendment to the Constitution of the state to permit early in-person voting.

REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

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

NOTE: Bills that have been added to the list of bills since the last DDS Legislative Update have a red **N** in front of their listing.

Proposed [H.B. No. 5001](#) REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST.; REP. RITTER, 1st DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT ENSURING THAT STUDENTS IN THIS STATE RECEIVE HIGH-QUALITY SKILLS TRAINING', to ensure that students in this state receive high-quality skills training in order to achieve well-paying careers in this state.

REF. HIGHER EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT [Public Hearing February 5, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 5002](#) REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST.; REP. RITTER, 1st DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A GREEN NEW DEAL', to create new programs concerning and to provide funding for energy efficiency, renewable energy, sustainability and resiliency.

REF. ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY [Public Hearing February 21, 2019](#)

[H.B. No. 5003](#) (COMM) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT IMPLEMENTING A PAID FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE PROGRAM', to establish a paid family and medical leave system in Connecticut.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES [Public Hearing February 14, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 5004](#) REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST.; REP. RITTER, 1st DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT RAISING THE MINIMUM FAIR WAGE', to raise the minimum fair wage in the state of Connecticut.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES **Vote to Draft**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5005](#) REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST.; REP. RITTER, 1st DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT SUPPORTING LOCAL BUSINESSES', to streamline government services and expand access to capital for small businesses.

REF. COMMERCE [Public Hearing February 14, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 5007](#) REP. WOOD, 29th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDENT LOAN REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM FOR CERTAIN PRIVATE SECTOR EMPLOYEES IN HIGH-DEMAND FIELDS', to create a student loan reimbursement program through public-private partnerships in order to attract skilled labor to the state and meet the hiring needs of private sector employers in the state.

REF. COMMERCE [Public Hearing February 14, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 5018](#) REP. O'NEILL, 69th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PILOT PROGRAM FOR AQUAPONIC FARMING AT THE SOUTHBURY TRAINING SCHOOL', to study the potential use of certain buildings at the Southbury Training School for aquaponic farming.

REF. ENVIRONMENT

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Proposed [H.B. No. 5025](#) REP. CARPINO, 32nd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A TAX CREDIT FOR BUSINESSES THAT PROVIDE PAID FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE', to provide a tax credit for businesses that provide paid family and medical leave to employees.
REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING

Proposed [H.B. No. 5045](#) REP. CARPINO, 32nd DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO INCREASE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES', to establish a task force to investigate strategies to increase employment opportunities for persons with disabilities.
REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [H.B. No. 5046](#) REP. YACCARINO, 87th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING THE WAIVER OF FINANCIAL FEES FOR MEDICAID APPLICANTS FOR ASSET TRANSFER REVIEWS', to reduce financial burdens on Medicaid applicants.
REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [H.B. No. 5052](#) REP. YACCARINO, 87th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY OF THE PROBATE COURT TO ORDER THAT AN INDIVIDUAL SUBMIT TO AN INVOLUNTARY MEDICAL EVALUATION', to provide a Probate Court with the authority to order a person with a substance use disorder or mental disability to submit to an involuntary medical evaluation.
REF. JUDICIARY

Proposed [H.B. No. 5091](#) REP. ZAWISTOWSKI, 61st DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF AN ELECTRONIC DEVICE THAT IS USED TO TRACK THE LOCATION AND MOVEMENT OF A PERSON', to protect the privacy of state residents.
REF. ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY Change of Reference to the Judiciary Committee

Proposed [H.B. No. 5118](#) REP. MCCARTY, 38th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING COMPENSATION FOR FAMILY MEMBERS WHO MANAGE STATE-SUPPORTED CARE FOR LOVED ONES', to allow relatives who manage care for eligible family members to be compensated under the Community First Choice program.
REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [H.B. No. 5135](#) REP. CANDELORA, 86th DIST. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING THE ADMINISTRATION OF VACCINES CONTAINING THIMEROSAL TO CHILDREN UNDER THREE YEARS OF AGE AND PREGNANT WOMEN AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF REQUIREMENTS FOR IMMUNIZATIONS FOR NONCOMMUNICABLE DISEASES IN A CHILD CARE OR SCHOOL SETTING', to protect children and pregnant women from harmful ingredients contained in vaccines and to prohibit requirements related to the administration of certain vaccines.
REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 5137](#) REP. CANDELORA, 86th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING THE PROVISION OF VACCINE PACKAGE INSERTS AND VACCINE INFORMATION SHEETS TO A CHILD'S PARENT OR GUARDIAN PRIOR TO ADMINISTERING A VACCINE', to

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require health care providers to provide all information regarding a vaccine prior to a child's parent or guardian prior to administering the vaccine.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 5147](#) REP. MCCARTY, 38th DIST. 'AN ACT PERMITTING NURSING HOMES TO INSTALL VIDEO CAMERAS IN THE ROOMS OF NONVERBAL RESIDENTS', to increase the safety of nonverbal nursing home residents by enabling nursing homes to install video cameras in the room of a nonverbal resident when requested by the resident or a family member of the resident and at the expense of the resident.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 5156](#) REP. ZAWISTOWSKI, 61st DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING FIRST RESPONDER TRAINING FOR INCIDENTS INVOLVING JUVENILES WITH AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER AND NONVERBAL LEARNING DISORDER', to require first responders to receive training on techniques for handling incidents involving juveniles with autism spectrum disorder and nonverbal learning disorder.

REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY [Public Hearing February 14, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 5158](#) REP. ZAWISTOWSKI, 61st DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING PHOTOGRAPHS ON REMOVABLE WINDSHIELD PLACARDS', to prevent the abuse of removable windshield placards by requiring photo identification on such placards.

REF. TRANSPORTATION [Public Hearing February 13, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 5165](#) REP. LANOUE, 45th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING BACKGROUND CHECKS ON OVERNIGHT CAMP COUNSELORS', to require background checks on overnight camp counselors.

REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN [Public Hearing February 14, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 5167](#) REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT EXPANDING PROTECTION FROM DISCRIMINATION TO CERTAIN STUDENTS', to protect students from discrimination in public schools.

REF. EDUCATION

Proposed [H.B. No. 5170](#) REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF GLUCAGON IN SCHOOLS', to remove the requirement that a qualified school employee voluntarily agrees to administer glucagon to a student with diabetes.

REF. EDUCATION

Proposed [H.B. No. 5199](#) REP. BETTS, 78th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING PRESENTATION OF PHOTO IDENTIFICATION TO VOTE', to require electors to present photo identification in order to vote at their respective polling places.

REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 5208](#) REP. BETTS, 78th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING PHOTO IDENTIFICATION FOR PURCHASES MADE WITH EBT CARDS', to reduce improper or fraudulent use of EBT cards.

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REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [H.B. No. 5209](#) REP. PISCOPO, 76th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING WORK REQUIREMENTS FOR MEDICAID RECIPIENTS', to promote employment and volunteerism among Medicaid recipients.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [H.B. No. 5210](#) REP. KLARIDES, 114th DIST. 'AN ACT EXPANDING THE KATIE BECKETT WAIVER PROGRAM', to increase the number of children and young adults with severe disabilities who may receive care at home under a Medicaid waiver program.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [H.B. No. 5213](#) REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT EXPANDING REQUIRED HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR HEARING AIDS', to expand required health insurance coverage for hearing aids to individuals older than twelve years of age.

REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE [Public Hearing February 7, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 5217](#) REP. CUMMINGS, 74th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE ADOPTION OF THE UNIFORM PROTECTED SERIES ACT', to adopt the Uniform Protected Series Act.

REF. JUDICIARY

Proposed [H.B. No. 5221](#) REP. CARPINO, 32nd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR SEXUAL ASSAULT CRIMES', to extend the time limitation for prosecution of sexual assault.

REF. JUDICIARY

Proposed [H.B. No. 5223](#) REP. O'DEA, 125th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE ELIMINATION OF THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND OPPORTUNITIES', to eliminate the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities and redirect individuals to the existing federal agencies that provide the protections and services offered by said commission.

REF. JUDICIARY

Proposed [H.B. No. 5235](#) REP. O'DEA, 125th DIST. 'AN ACT ALLOWING ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES TO PRESCRIBE MEDICATIONS USED IN SUBSTANCE USE DETOXIFICATION', to allow advanced practice registered nurses to prescribe detoxification medications.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 5245](#) REP. MICHEL, 146th DIST.; REP. ELLIOTT, 88th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF PLASTIC STRAWS, STIRRERS, SINGLE-USE PLASTIC BAGS, POLYSTYRENE PACKAGING, HELIUM BALLOONS AND PRODUCTS THAT CONTAIN MICROPLASTICS', to reduce plastics pollution.

REF. ENVIRONMENT

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Proposed [H.B. No. 5277](#) REP. FOX, 148th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CHANGES TO THE REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDENTS TO QUALIFY FOR THE TEMPORARY WAIVER FOR REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS', to require changes to requirements for students to qualify for the temporary vaccination waiver.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 5321](#) REP. HARDING, 107th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN INCOME TAX DEDUCTION FOR ABLE ACCOUNT DEPOSITS', to establish a deduction from the personal income tax for deposits made by a taxpayer to an achieving a better life experience account.

REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING

[H.B. No. 5335](#) (COMM) GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. 'AN ACT CONCERNING REMOVAL FROM PARTY ENROLLMENT LISTS', to prohibit the discretionary erasure or exclusion from party enrollment lists by local party officials.

REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS [Public Hearing February 15, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 5376](#) REP. PETIT, 22nd DIST. 'AN ACT INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF MEDICAL COPAYS PAID BY STATE EMPLOYEES EXEMPT FROM CLASSIFIED SERVICE', to increase medical copays for state employees exempt from classified service.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 5377](#) REP. SREDZINSKI, 112th DIST. 'AN ACT PERMITTING PRIVATE THERAPISTS TO PROVIDE CARE TO STUDENTS AT SCHOOL DURING REGULAR SCHOOL HOURS', to allow private therapists to provide medically necessary therapy students at school during regular school hours.

REF. EDUCATION

Proposed [H.B. No. 5407](#) REP. KLARIDES, 114th DIST.; REP. CANDELORA, 86th DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TAX CREDIT FOR EMPLOYERS THAT PROVIDE PAID FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE BENEFITS AND A FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE ACCOUNTS PROGRAM', to establish a tax credit for employers that provide paid family and medical leave benefits and to authorize the Treasurer to establish a family and medical leave benefits accounts program.

REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING

Proposed [H.B. No. 5411](#) REP. BUCKBEE, 67th DIST. 'AN ACT REESTABLISHING THE JOB EXPANSION TAX CREDIT AND PROGRAM', to reestablish the job expansion tax credit and program.

REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING Reserved for Subject Matter Public Hearing

Proposed [H.B. No. 5415](#) REP. LANOUE, 45th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE NUMBER OF STATE AGENCY REGULATIONS', to reduce the regulatory burden on our state's businesses and residents by limiting the number of state agency regulations.

REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

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Proposed [H.B. No. 5418](#) REP. DELNICKI, 14th DIST. 'AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE STATE CONTRACTING STANDARDS BOARD', to save taxpayer money and end political favoritism by requiring competitive bidding on all state contracts.
REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 5424](#) REP. FERRARO, 117th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING EQUITABLE REIMBURSEMENT FOR NURSING HOME SERVICES', to provide nursing home Medicaid reimbursement commensurate with the cost of caring for residents with a variety of health conditions and diagnoses.
REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [H.B. No. 5442](#) REP. MICHEL, 146th DIST.; REP. ELLIOTT, 88th DIST. 'AN ACT ADDING CHRONIC PAIN AS A DEBILITATING MEDICAL CONDITION FOR THE PALLIATIVE USE OF MARIJUANA BY A QUALIFYING PATIENT', to allow the palliative use of marijuana for qualifying patients with chronic pain.
REF. PUBLIC HEALTH [Public Hearing February 11, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 5450](#) REP. BOLINSKY, 106th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING THE USE OF SEAT BELTS IN ALL POSITIONS OF A VEHICLE', to require the use of seatbelts in all positions of a vehicle.
REF. PUBLIC HEALTH Change of Reference to the Transportation Committee

Proposed [H.B. No. 5452](#) REP. BOLINSKY, 106th DIST. '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 Change of Reference to the Appropriations Committee

Proposed [H.B. No. 5469](#) REP. KLARIDES, 114th DIST.; REP. CANDELORA, 86th DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PENALTY FOR UNAUTHORIZED PAYMENT FOR LEAVE TIME OR OVERTIME', to reduce fraud in state government.
REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 5472](#) REP. ZAWISTOWSKI, 61st DIST. 'AN ACT STUDYING A FORTY-HOUR WORKWEEK FOR STATE EMPLOYEES', to study the feasibility of a forty-hour workweek for state employees.
REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 5500](#) REP. KLARIDES, 114th DIST.; REP. CANDELORA, 86th DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT REQUIRING POLICIES TO LIMIT STATE FLEET VEHICLE USE', to provide cost savings by limiting the use of state fleet vehicles where feasible.
REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 5504](#) REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST.; REP. LINEHAN, 103rd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE NET ECONOMIC VALUE OF STATE CONTRACTS', to consider

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the potential state revenue from awarding contracts to businesses hiring Connecticut employees as part of the state contracting process.

REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 5505](#) REP. MICHEL, 146th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE UPDATING OF STATE FORMS AND GENDER IDENTITY', to require all state agency forms and applications to be updated with a nonbinary gender option.

REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 5509](#) REP. KLARIDES, 114th DIST.; REP. CANDELORA, 86th DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT CONCERNING COST-EFFECTIVE, PRIVATE DELIVERY OF HUMAN SERVICES', to reduce costs and to enhance services provided by the Departments of Developmental Services, Mental Health and Addiction Services and Social Services.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES Change of Reference to the Public Health Committee

Proposed [H.B. No. 5510](#) REP. KUPCHICK, 132nd DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING RETROACTIVE MEDICAID PAYMENTS FOR ELIGIBLE HOME CARE SERVICES', to facilitate state savings on institutional care by providing retroactive Medicaid payments consistent with federal law for eligible home care services.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [H.B. No. 5512](#) REP. CAMILLO, 151st DIST. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING THE MISREPRESENTATION OF A DOG AS A SERVICE ANIMAL', to prohibit misrepresentation of a pet dog as a service animal in order to receive benefits reserved for persons with disabilities.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [H.B. No. 5513](#) REP. HUGHES, 135th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING TELEPHONE WAIT TIMES FOR PERSONS CONTACTING THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES', to remove primary barriers to accessing state services, especially for elderly persons and persons with disabilities.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [H.B. No. 5514](#) REP. CONLEY, 40th DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE USE OF MILLER TRUSTS TO OBTAIN MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY', to allow the use of qualifying income trusts for the purposes of determining Medicaid income eligibility.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [H.B. No. 5515](#) REP. CONLEY, 40th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY TO EXPAND ACCESS TO COST-EFFICIENT HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED CARE', to study methods to expand access to cost-efficient home and community-based care, including authorization of Miller Trusts in determining income eligibility for Medicaid.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [H.B. No. 5521](#) REP. CONLEY, 40th DIST.; REP. LINEHAN, 103rd DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT EXPANDING REQUIRED HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR PREEXISTING CONDITIONS', to redefine "preexisting conditions provision" to include preexisting conditions

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regardless of whether medical advice, diagnosis, care or treatment was recommended or received for such conditions prior to the effective date of coverage under a health insurance policy, and require short-term insurance policies to include the same preexisting conditions provision as other individual and group health insurance policies.

REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE Vote to Draft

Proposed [H.B. No. 5523](#) REP. LAVIELLE, 143rd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY OF THE COURT TO ENTER ORDERS OF SUPPORT FOR AN ADULT CHILD WHO IS TWENTY-ONE OR OLDER AND HAS AN INTELLECTUAL, MENTAL OR PHYSICAL DISABILITY', to allow the court to order financial support for an adult child who has an intellectual, mental or physical disability when one parent proportionately has greater financial ability to support the adult child.

REF. JUDICIARY

Proposed [H.B. No. 5530](#) REP. KUPCHICK, 132nd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING LARCENY COMMITTED AGAINST A PERSON WITH AN INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY', to create an enhanced penalty when a person commits second degree larceny by obtaining property by embezzlement, false pretenses, or false promise against a person with an intellectual disability.

REF. JUDICIARY

Proposed [H.B. No. 5544](#) REP. YACCARINO, 87th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING PAIN CONTRACTS PRIOR TO PRESCRIBING OPIOIDS', to require the establishment of pain contracts.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 5545](#) REP. CARNEY, 23rd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE LICENSURE OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS', to provide recent graduates of professional counselor education programs with greater professional marketability, increase the number of mental health professionals and ensure proper oversight over supervised professional counselors.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 5546](#) REP. KUPCHICK, 132nd DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN INTERNSHIP PROGRAM FOR ADULTS WITH AUTISM AND ALLOWING A BUSINESS TAX CREDIT FOR BUSINESSES THAT UTILIZE SUCH PROGRAM', to establish an internship program for adults with autism spectrum disorder and allow a tax credit for businesses that utilize such program.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH Change of Reference to the Human Services Committee. Human Services Committee Change of Reference to the Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee.

Proposed [H.B. No. 5559](#) REP. LINEHAN, 103rd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE SAFETY OF PERSONS WITH AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER WHEN INTERACTING WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS', to allow a person with autism spectrum disorder to obtain a motor vehicle operator's license or identity card with a blue frame around the photograph and alert law enforcement officers that such person has autism spectrum disorder.

REF. TRANSPORTATION [Public Hearing February 13, 2019](#)

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Proposed [H.B. No. 5560](#) REP. CASE, 63rd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING LIVERY SERVICE FOR ELDERLY PERSONS AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES', 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

Proposed [H.B. No. 5572](#) REP. CARPINO, 32nd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE REVOCATION OF PENSIONS OF STATE EMPLOYEES WHO INTENTIONALLY CAUSE PHYSICAL HARM TO OTHERS', to prohibit state employees from receiving their pension if they have intentionally harmed another person within the course of their work.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 5574](#) REP. CARPINO, 32nd DIST. 'AN ACT EXCLUDING REIMBURSEMENTS TO STATE EMPLOYEES FOR MILEAGE AND PAYMENTS FOR OVERTIME FROM THE CALCULATION OF RETIREMENT INCOME', to eliminate mileage and overtime benefit pay from being included in pension calculations for state employees.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 5581](#) REP. O'NEILL, 69th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY RATES FOR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS', to require public service companies to propose rates for nonprofit organizations.

REF. ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY

Proposed [H.B. No. 5595](#) REP. HALL, 7th DIST.; REP. ARNONE, 58th DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING AND REGULATING THE RETAIL SALE OF MARIJUANA', to authorize and regulate the sale and adult use of marijuana in this state.

REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING

Proposed [H.B. No. 5614](#) REP. MCGEE, 5th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING BASELESS, VEXATIOUS OR SERIAL COMPLAINTS MADE WITH STATE AGENCIES', to provide a consequence for baseless, vexations or serial complaints made with state agencies.

REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 5618](#) REP. COOK, 65th DIST. 'AN ACT RAISING REIMBURSEMENT RATES FOR HOME HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS', to maintain or increase the one hundred three million dollars the state saves annually on averted institutionalization costs by adequately reimbursing home health care providers.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [H.B. No. 5619](#) REP. COOK, 65th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING MEDICAID COVERAGE OF IN-HOME COUNSELING PROVIDED BY A HOME HEALTH CARE AGENCY', to reduce barriers to outpatient behavioral health and other counseling facing persons who lack transportation or who have conditions preventing travel by providing Medicaid reimbursement for in-home counseling provided by social workers employed by home health agencies.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

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Proposed [H.B. No. 5620](#) REP. COOK, 65th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CUTTING COSTS AND IMPROVING HEALTH OUTCOMES BY PROVIDING MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT FOR HOME HEALTH TELEMONTORING', to improve health outcomes and reduce state costs by expanding Medicaid coverage to include home health telemonitoring.
REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [H.B. No. 5622](#) REP. KLARIDES-DITRIA, 105th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING WORK REQUIREMENTS FOR MEDICAID RECIPIENTS', to establish a program to foster volunteerism and employment among able-bodied Medicaid recipients in Connecticut.
REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [H.B. No. 5626](#) REP. FRANCE, 42nd DIST.; REP. MASTROFRANCESCO, 80th DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A WORK REQUIREMENT FOR RECIPIENTS OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE', to promote work among recipients of public assistance to improve their life prospects.
REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [H.B. No. 5627](#) REP. COOK, 65th DIST. 'AN ACT EXTENDING THE PERIOD CHILDREN MAY RETAIN DENTAL INSURANCE COVERAGE UNDER THEIR PARENTS' INSURANCE POLICIES', to allow children to retain dental insurance coverage under their parents' insurance policies until they attain the age of twenty-six.
REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE **Vote to Draft**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5637](#) REP. FRANCE, 42nd DIST.; REP. MASTROFRANCESCO, 80th DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CLEAR AND CONSPICUOUS STATEMENTS REGARDING STATE AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES' RIGHT TO OPT OUT OF UNION MEMBERSHIP', to provide clear notice of a state or municipal employee's right to choose not to be a member of a union.
REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES [Public Hearing February 21, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 5638](#) REP. HALL, 7th DIST.; REP. ALLIE-BRENNAN, 2nd DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT IMPLEMENTING A PAID FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE PROGRAM IN THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT', to implement a paid family medical leave program in the State of Connecticut.
REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [H.B. No. 5639](#) REP. HALL, 7th DIST.; REP. ALLIE-BRENNAN, 2nd DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT RAISING THE MINIMUM WAGE IN CONNECTICUT', to raise the minimum wage in Connecticut.
REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [H.B. No. 5640](#) REP. FISHBEIN, 90th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PUBLIC EMPLOYEE VOTING RIGHTS', to protect public employees' rights to elect a union of their choice to represent their interests.
REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [H.B. No. 5646](#) REP. COOK, 65th DIST. 'AN ACT EXPANDING THE SCOPE OF NATUROPATHIC PHYSICIANS', to expand the scope of naturopathic physicians.
REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

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Proposed [H.B. No. 5647](#) REP. COOK, 65th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATIONS BY MEDICAL ASSISTANTS AT FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTERS', to enhance the administration of medications at federally qualified health centers.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 5650](#) REP. ORANGE, 48th DIST.; REP. ROSE, 118th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A COLLABORATIVE ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN PHYSICIANS AND PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS', to improve access to and efficiencies in the health care system through a collaborative arrangement between physicians and physician assistants.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 5653](#) REP. RYAN, 139th DIST.; SEN. OSTEN, 19th DIST. 'AN ACT ALLOWING FOR THE CERTIFICATION OF SERVICE DOGS USED BY INDIVIDUALS WITH MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS', to ensure that individuals with mental health needs may have their service dogs certified and afford such individuals the same rights and protections afforded to individuals with other health-related needs who use a service dog.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 5654](#) REP. CARNEY, 23rd DIST. 'AN ACT ALLOWING DENTISTS TO PERFORM CERTAIN FACIAL THERAPIES AS PART OF THEIR DENTAL PRACTICE', to allow dentists to perform certain facial therapies as part of their dental practice.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH [Public Hearing February 11, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 5674](#) REP. FERRARO, 117th DIST. 'AN ACT ELIMINATING REIMBURSEMENTS TO STATE EMPLOYEES FOR MILEAGE FROM THE CALCULATION OF RETIREMENT INCOME', to exclude mileage reimbursements from state employee pension calculations.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 5676](#) REP. MICHEL, 146th DIST. 'AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR EQUIPMENT TO ENABLE THE ELDERLY AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES TO PARTICIPATE IN PUBLIC HEARINGS REMOTELY', to provide funding for the equipment needed to enable the remote participation of the elderly and persons with disabilities at legislative public hearings.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 5680](#) REP. FERRARO, 117th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE CALCULATION OF RETIREMENT INCOME FOR NEWLY HIRED STATE EMPLOYEES', to reduce state employee pension costs.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 5703](#) REP. CHEESEMAN, 37th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF CURRENCY AS PAYMENT IN LOCAL BUSINESSES', to allow consumers to be able to use cash as payment in Connecticut businesses.

REF. GENERAL LAW [Public Hearing February 19, 2019](#)

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Proposed [H.B. No. 5712](#) REP. MCGEE, 5th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONNECTICUT CLEAN SLATE LAW', to provide for the automatic sealing of a person's criminal record for certain offenses after seven years.

REF. HOUSING [Public Hearing February 7, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 5714](#) REP. HUGHES, 135th DIST.; REP. ALLIE-BRENNAN, 2nd DIST. 'AN ACT EXPANDING MENTAL HEALTH CARE OPTIONS UNDER THE MEDICAID PROGRAM', to provide mental health parity and reduce costs in the Medicaid program through early intervention by increasing consumer access to a larger menu of accredited providers.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [H.B. No. 5720](#) REP. LAVIELLE, 143rd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING SERVICES FOR PERSONS WITH SMITH-MAGENIS SYNDROME', to provide individuals suffering from Smith-Magenis Syndrome with certain coverage and eligibility for benefits in Connecticut.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [H.B. No. 5737](#) REP. CARPINO, 32nd DIST. 'AN ACT PROMOTING VOLUNTEERISM', to promote volunteerism in the state of Connecticut.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [H.B. No. 5738](#) REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING EMPLOYERS FROM REQUIRING EMPLOYEES TO HAVE FLU SHOTS', to prohibit employers from requiring employees to have flu shots.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES Change of Reference to the Public Health Committee

Proposed [H.B. No. 5740](#) REP. CHEESEMAN, 37th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING MUNICIPAL REGULATION OF HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES', to permit municipalities to regulate handicapped parking spaces to ensure the availability of ample handicapped parking.

REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT [Public Hearing February 13, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 5744](#) REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT LIMITING THE DISTANCE BETWEEN CERTAIN GROUP HOMES AND HOMES WITH CHILDREN', to ensure the safety and security of families and the residents of group homes.

REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Proposed [H.B. No. 5776](#) REP. LINEHAN, 103rd DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING STATE AGENCIES TO ADOPT ZERO-BASED BUDGETING', to require state agencies to adopt zero-based budgeting.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 5777](#) REP. LINEHAN, 103rd DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING RESULTS-BASED ACCOUNTABILITY IN STATE AGENCIES', to require all state agencies to be trained in and utilize results-based accountability.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS

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Proposed [H.B. No. 5822](#) REP. KLARIDES, 114th DIST.; REP. CANDELORA, 86th DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT CONCERNING LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL OF CERTAIN GRANTS TO PRIVATE COMPANIES', to ensure oversight of government distribution of taxpayer funds.

REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 5848](#) REP. WILSON PHEANIOUS, 53rd DIST.; REP. WALKER, 93rd DIST. 'AN ACT LIMITING USE OF THE TITLE "SOCIAL WORKER"', to protect the public by setting standards for the qualification, training and experience of those who seek to represent themselves to the public as social workers, certified social workers, licensed clinical social workers or licensed master social workers, and by promoting high standards of professional performance for those engaged in the practice of social work.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES Change of Reference to the Public Health Committee

Proposed [H.B. No. 5850](#) REP. MCCARTHY VAHEY, 133rd DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR THE PURCHASE OF ASSISTANCE DOGS', to require health insurance coverage for the purchase of medically necessary assistance dogs for persons diagnosed with a disability.

REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE [Public Hearing February 14, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 5882](#) REP. KLARIDES, 114th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING EMPLOYEE FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE', to provide enhanced financial security to Connecticut families.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [H.B. No. 5883](#) REP. WINKLER, 56th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR DETOXIFICATION FOR CERTAIN INJURED EMPLOYEES', to require that each workers' compensation insurance policy in this state provide coverage for detoxification for each injured employee who, as a result of a covered injury sustained by such employee, consumes opioid drugs for a continuous period of not less than one year.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES Reserved for Subject Matter Public Hearing

Proposed [H.B. No. 5884](#) REP. RYAN, 139th DIST.; REP. LEMAR, 96th DIST.; REP. RILEY, 46th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR REAL PROPERTY USED FOR CHARITABLE PURPOSES AND THE RECOVERY OF CERTAIN FEES AND DAMAGES IN WRONGFUL PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT ACTIONS', to clarify the property tax exemptions for real property used for charitable purposes to provide guidance to boards of assessors and to permit the recovery of attorneys' fees and compensatory damages in successful actions for wrongful property tax assessment.

REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Proposed [H.B. No. 5894](#) REP. DEMICCO, 21st DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESSIBILITY OF MEDICAL DIAGNOSTIC EQUIPMENT', to require medical diagnostic equipment purchased by health care facilities to meet technical standards for accessibility by persons with disabilities.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

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Proposed [H.B. No. 5897](#) REP. STEINBERG, 136th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING MENTAL HEALTH FUNDING PARITY', to establish mental health funding parity.
REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

N [H.B. No. 5898](#) (COMM) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING AID IN DYING FOR TERMINALLY ILL PATIENTS', to provide aid in dying to terminally ill patients.
REF. PUBLIC HEALTH **Vote to Draft**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5899](#) REP. PETIT, 22nd DIST. 'AN ACT UPDATING STATUTES TO REFLECT THE CURRENT SCOPE OF PRACTICE OF ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES', to update statutes to reflect the current scope of practice of advanced practice registered nurses.
REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 5901](#) REP. CANDELORA, 86th DIST.; REP. HENNESSY, 127th DIST. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING THE ADMINISTRATION OF CERTAIN VACCINES AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CERTAIN IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS', to protect children and pregnant women from harmful ingredients contained in vaccines and to prohibit requirements related to the administration of certain vaccines.
REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 5902](#) REP. HENNESSY, 127th DIST.; REP. STAFSTROM, 129th DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT CONCERNING NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE', to require the Department of Public Health to determine the formulary for naturopathic physicians.
REF. PUBLIC HEALTH **Reserved for Subject Matter Public Hearing**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5907](#) REP. GENGA, 10th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE TREATMENT OF CHRONIC PAIN THROUGH CHIROPRACTORS AND WITHOUT THE USE OF OPIOID DRUGS', to emphasize the treatment of chronic pain through chiropractic treatment and without the use of opioid drugs.
REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 5911](#) REP. MCCARTY, 38th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY CERTAIN PROGRAMS FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES', to create a task force to study certain programs for individuals with disabilities.
REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 5912](#) REP. TERCYAK, 26th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DELIVERY OF RESPITE CARE SERVICES', to provide how the Department of Developmental Services delivers respite care services and in-home support services.
REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 5915](#) REP. HENNESSY, 127th DIST.; REP. SANTIAGO, 130th DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE GRANTING OF LIMITED PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY TO NATUROPATHIC PHYSICIANS TO IMPROVE PATIENT ACCESS TO CARE', to advance the

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practice of naturopathy and improve patient access to care by granting limited prescriptive authority to naturopathic physicians.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 5964](#) REP. DEVLIN, 134th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING DEFINED CONTRIBUTION RETIREMENT PLANS, PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS BY EMPLOYEES AND LONGEVITY PAYMENTS', to put all new state employees into a defined contribution retirement plan, increase contributions to pensions for current state employees to be level with other surrounding states, and end longevity payments.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 5986](#) REP. ABERCROMBIE, 83rd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE AGE WHEN A SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENT SHALL BEGIN RECEIVING TRANSITION SERVICES', to lower the age for when a special education student is to begin receiving transition services to fourteen years of age.

REF. EDUCATION

Proposed [H.B. No. 6053](#) REP. WOOD, 141st DIST. 'AN ACT CREATING A WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE', to create a comprehensive budget committee that considers both revenues and expenditures rather than the current process which establishes expenditures independent of revenue.

REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 6079](#) REP. MCGORTY, 122nd DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING FUNCTIONING SMOKE DETECTORS IN ALL RESIDENTIAL HOMES', to require functioning smoke detectors in all residential homes.

REF. HOUSING [Public Hearing February 14, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 6082](#) REP. PETIT, 22nd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING INTERPRETING SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION SERVICES', to meet and enhance the advocacy needs of state residents who rely on sign language interpreters.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [H.B. No. 6083](#) REP. KOKORUDA, 101st DIST. 'AN ACT EXPANDING THE ADULT FAMILY LIVING/FOSTER CARE PROGRAM TO INCLUDE INDIVIDUALS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES', to expand the Adult Family Living/Foster Care program to individuals with intellectual disabilities.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [H.B. No. 6084](#) REP. ABERCROMBIE, 83rd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING INTERPRETERS FOR PERSONS WHO ARE DEAF, DEAF-BLIND AND HARD OF HEARING', to update, standardize and strengthen qualifications, training and educational requirements for interpreters serving persons who are deaf, deaf-blind and hard of hearing.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

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Proposed [H.B. No. 6085](#) REP. ABERCROMBIE, 83rd DIST. 'AN ACT ENHANCING THE SAFETY OF NURSING HOME RESIDENTS WITH VIDEO CAMERAS', to provide for the safety and security of nursing home residents.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [H.B. No. 6088](#) REP. PETIT, 22nd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING DISCLOSURE OF CERTAIN THIRD-PARTY ADMINISTRATOR FEES', to subject dentists, dental plans and procedures to fee transparency requirements that apply to contracts between other providers and contracting health organizations.

REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE [Public Hearing February 14, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 6096](#) REP. COOK, 65th DIST. 'AN ACT RESTRAINING CHANGES TO HEALTH INSURERS' PRESCRIPTION DRUG FORMULARIES', to restrain when health carriers may change prescription drug formularies during a policy term.

REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE [Public Hearing February 14, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 6111](#) REP. WOOD, 141st DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING EMPLOYERS TO ENROLL EMPLOYEES IN DIRECT PAYCHECK DEPOSIT PROGRAMS', to allow employers to control their costs of doing business by allowing them to automatically enroll their employees into direct paycheck deposit programs.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES [Public Hearing February 14, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 6113](#) REP. SLAP, 19th DIST.; REP. RILEY, 46th DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING EMPLOYERS FROM INQUIRING ABOUT DATE OF BIRTH OR DATE OF GRADUATION ON EMPLOYMENT APPLICATIONS', to reduce age discrimination in job hiring.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES [Public Hearing February 14, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 6114](#) REP. FERRARO, 117th DIST. '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

Proposed [H.B. No. 6115](#) REP. FERRARO, 117th DIST. 'AN ACT EXCLUDING OVERTIME PAYMENTS FROM STATE EMPLOYEE PENSION CALCULATIONS', to exclude overtime payments when calculating a state employee's retirement income.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [H.B. No. 6118](#) REP. ZAWISTOWSKI, 61st DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PREVAILING WAGE THRESHOLD FOR STATE REPAIR AND RENOVATION PROJECTS', to update the prevailing wage threshold for state repair and renovation contracts.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [H.B. No. 6130](#) REP. SREDZINSKI, 112th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION', to reduce the minimum number of contact hours of continuing medical education required for licensed physicians.

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REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 6136](#) REP. HAINES, 34th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PRIVATIZATION OF SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENTS OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES, MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES AND SOCIAL SERVICES', to reduce costs and enhance services provided by the Departments of Developmental Services, Mental Health and Addiction Services and Social Services.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 6141](#) REP. ORANGE, 48th DIST.; REP. ROSE, 118th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A COLLABORATIVE ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS AND PHYSICIANS', to improve access to and efficiencies in the health care system through a collaborative arrangement between physician assistants and physicians.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 6144](#) REP. GENGA, 10th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING GROUP HOUSING FACILITIES FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES TO HAVE AN EMERGENCY POWER GENERATOR', to require group residential facilities that house people with disabilities to keep a functioning power generator on the premises in order to guarantee a backup power source in the event the power goes out.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 6159](#) REP. O'NEILL, 69th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING MULTIPLE BACKGROUND CHECKS ON INDIVIDUALS', to provide that an individual who satisfactorily undergoes a state and national criminal history records check is not required to undergo another one for any other purpose under the general statutes for one year.

REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY [Public Hearing February 14, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 6162](#) REP. CASE, 63rd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE FLEET REGISTRATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES OWNED BY NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS AND BUSINESSES', to ease the process for nonprofit organizations and businesses to register the motor vehicles owned by such organizations and businesses by permitting the fleet registration of such motor vehicles.

REF. TRANSPORTATION Reserved for Subject Matter Public Hearing

[H.B. No. 6168](#) (RAISED) AGING. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY A CONSERVED PERSON'S RIGHT TO INTERACT WITH OTHERS', to establish a task force to study how best to ensure the rights of conserved persons to interact with others.

REF. AGING [Public Hearing February 14, 2019](#)

[H.B. No. 6171](#) (RAISED) AGING. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF MEDICAID-FUNDED STATE PROGRAMS', to study the efficacy of Medicaid-funded programs.

REF. AGING [Public Hearing February 14, 2019](#)

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H.B. No. 6173 (RAISED) AGING. 'AN ACT EXPANDING ELIGIBILITY FOR THE ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE RESPITE CARE PROGRAM', to expand eligibility for the Alzheimer's disease respite care program.

REF. AGING [Public Hearing February 14, 2019](#)

Proposed **H.B. No. 6180** REP. CARNEY, 23rd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING DEFINED CONTRIBUTION RETIREMENT PLANS FOR NEWLY HIRED STATE EMPLOYEES', to reduce state pension costs.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed **H.B. No. 6183** REP. KLARIDES, 114th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION TO ESTABLISH A REGISTRY OF PERPETRATORS OF CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT', to require the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection to establish, maintain and make public a registry of individuals who reside in Connecticut and have been convicted of a crime involving child abuse or neglect.

REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN Change of Reference to the Judiciary Committee

Proposed **H.B. No. 6283** REP. FRANCE, 42nd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE UTILIZATION OF BUILDINGS OCCUPIED BY EXECUTIVE BRANCH AGENCIES', to require the Office of Policy and Management to include in the inventories of state real property the number of state employees per square foot in buildings occupied by executive branch agencies.

REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS [Public Hearing February 15, 2019](#)

Proposed **H.B. No. 6285** REP. MORIN, 28th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING THE REVIEW OF WIRELESS AND WIRELINE TELECOMMUNICATION CARRIER EXPENSES FOR STATE AGENCIES AND CONCERNING A WIRELESS SERVICE PROVIDER OPTIMIZATION CONTRACT AND CELLULAR TOWER TAX COMPLIANCE', to require the Department of Administrative Services to review wireless and wireline telecommunication carrier expenses for state agencies and develop a wireless service provider optimization contract and to require the Department of Revenue Services to enforce cellular tower tax compliance.

REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Proposed **H.B. No. 6289** REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR CERTAIN PERSONS LIVING WITH AN EMOTIONAL SUPPORT ANIMAL AND ESTABLISHING PENALTIES FOR MISREPRESENTING THE STATUS OF SUCH ANIMAL', to (1) provide reasonable accommodations for certain persons with mental and emotional disabilities who live with an emotional support animal, and (2) establish penalties for misrepresenting the status of such animal.

REF. HOUSING [Public Hearing February 14, 2019](#)

Proposed **H.B. No. 6299** REP. D'AGOSTINO, 91st DIST. '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.

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REF. JUDICIARY

Proposed [H.B. No. 6313](#) REP. MACLACHLAN, 35th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ELDER FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION OR ABUSE', to establish the crime of elder financial exploitation or abuse as a class D felony.

REF. JUDICIARY

Proposed [H.B. No. 6337](#) REP. KLARIDES, 114th DIST.; REP. CANDELORA, 86th DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT CONCERNING UNION STEWARDS AND COMPENSATION FROM THE STATE', to prohibit the use of state funds to compensate union stewards for work performed on state time.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [H.B. No. 6352](#) REP. PETIT, 22nd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE ZONING OF COMMUNITY RESIDENCES AND CHILDCARE RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES', to clarify the siting restriction placed upon community residences and childcare residential facilities pursuant to said section.

REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT [Public Hearing February 13, 2019 DDS Testimony on H.B. No. 6352](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 6358](#) REP. WILSON, 66th DIST.; SEN. BERTHEL, 32nd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING MUNICIPAL REVIEW OF BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATIONS FILED BY CERTAIN GROUP HOMES', to permit municipal review of building permit applications for expansion of certain group homes.

REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

[H.B. No. 6365](#) (COMM) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT ALLOWING PERSONS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY AND THEIR FAMILIES TO ACCESS THE REGISTRY OF DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES EMPLOYEES WHO WERE TERMINATED OR SEPARATED FROM EMPLOYMENT AS A RESULT OF ABUSE OR NEGLECT', to allow persons with intellectual disability and their families to access the abuse and neglect registry of former Department of Developmental Services employees.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 6397](#) REP. DUBITSKY, 47th DIST. 'AN ACT EXCLUDING TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENTS FROM STATE EMPLOYEE PENSION CALCULATIONS', to prohibit travel reimbursements from being included in the calculation of state pensions.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 6399](#) REP. DUBITSKY, 47th DIST. 'AN ACT EXCLUDING OVERTIME PAY FROM THE CALCULATION OF STATE EMPLOYEE PENSIONS', to prohibit overtime pay from being included in the calculation of state pensions.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 6431](#) REP. KOKORUDA, 101st DIST. 'AN ACT EXEMPTING SERVICE DOGS FROM DOG LICENSING FEES', to exempt service dogs from dog license fees.

REF. ENVIRONMENT

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Proposed [H.B. No. 6456](#) REP. GODFREY, 110th DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR GRANTS-IN-AID TO NONPROFIT HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES PROVIDERS FOR CERTAIN CAPITAL AND INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS', to provide funding to nonprofit health and human services providers for certain capital and infrastructure projects.
REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING

Proposed [H.B. No. 6485](#) REP. DEMICCO, 21st DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING COURT AUTHORITY TO ENTER AN ORDER OF SUPPORT FOR AN ADULT CHILD WHO IS TWENTY-ONE OR OLDER AND HAS AN INTELLECTUAL, MENTAL OR PHYSICAL DISABILITY', to allow a judge to order support for an individual beyond the age of twenty-one who has disabilities and resides with and is principally dependent on a parent.
REF. JUDICIARY

Proposed [H.B. No. 6527](#) REP. CURREY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING ADDITIONAL OVERSIGHT OVER GROUP HOMES BY THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES', to provide additional oversight over group homes.
REF. PUBLIC HEALTH Reserved for Subject Matter Public Hearing

Proposed [H.B. No. 6530](#) REP. ALTOBELLO, 82nd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PRESENCE OF AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS IN ALL BUILDINGS OWNED OR MANAGED BY THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT', to require that all buildings owned or managed by the state of Connecticut to have at least one centrally located automatic external defibrillator available in the event of an emergency.
REF. PUBLIC HEALTH Reserved for Subject Matter Public Hearing

Proposed [H.B. No. 6541](#) REP. GENGA, 10th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING DENTAL THERAPISTS', to expand oral health care access to needy populations.
REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 6544](#) REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING CONSUMER GENETIC-TESTING COMPANIES FROM SHARING GENETIC DATA WITH HEALTH OR LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES', to require consumer genetic-testing companies to keep consumer genetic data confidential.
REF. PUBLIC HEALTH Reserved for Subject Matter Public Hearing

Proposed [H.B. No. 6579](#) REP. MCCARTHY VAHEY, 133rd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE RENEWAL OF REMOVABLE WINDSHIELD PLACARDS', to require the renewal of removable windshield placards every two years.
REF. TRANSPORTATION

Proposed [H.B. No. 6580](#) REP. RITTER, 1st DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ILLEGAL PARKING IN A SPACE RESERVED FOR PERSONS WHO ARE BLIND OR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES', to strengthen parking laws for persons who are blind or persons with disabilities by increasing the fine for a violation.
REF. TRANSPORTATION [Public Hearing February 13, 2019](#)

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Proposed [H.B. No. 6601](#) REP. MCCARTHY VAHEY, 133rd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING DATA PRIVACY AND MINORS', to (1) require Internet social media platforms to remove content created by individuals under the age of eighteen at such individuals' request, and (2) prohibit such platforms and Internet web sites that primarily engage minors from advertising products or services (A) that are illegal for minors to purchase, and (B) if such advertising is targeted toward a minor based on personal information collected regarding such minor.

REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN [Public Hearing February 14, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 6617](#) REP. ABERCROMBIE, 83rd DIST. 'AN ACT ALLOWING BOARD CERTIFIED BEHAVIORAL ANALYSTS TO BE ISSUED PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION', to require the Department of Education to issue professional certification to board certified behavioral analysts.

REF. EDUCATION

Proposed [H.B. No. 6650](#) REP. DEMICCO, 21st DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR THE INSTALLATION OF ACCESSIBLE RAMPS, POWER ASSISTED DOORS, ELEVATORS AND ACCESSIBLE BATHROOMS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES IN ALL STATE OFFICE FACILITIES WHERE THE PUBLIC MAY REQUIRE ACCESS', to provide funding for the installation of accessible ramps, power assisted doors, elevators and accessible bathrooms for persons with disabilities in all state office facilities where the public may require access.

REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING

Proposed [H.B. No. 6667](#) REP. DAVIS, 57th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESS TO STATE AGENCY DATA HELD BY STATE CONTRACTORS', to increase transparency and accountability in state government.

REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 6680](#) REP. SANTIAGO, 84th DIST. 'AN ACT STRENGTHENING HOME CARE SERVICES', to ensure individuals receiving home care receive quality care from well-trained workers.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [H.B. No. 6681](#) REP. WILSON PHEANIOUS, 53rd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A TELEMEDICINE PILOT PROGRAM IN AN UNDER SERVED, RURAL DISTRICT', to allow the Department of Social Services to pilot the use of telemedicine in an under served rural district where access to service is hampered by inadequate transportation resources.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [H.B. No. 6682](#) REP. WILSON PHEANIOUS, 53rd DIST.; REP. JOHNSON, 49th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PAYMENT PARITY FOR STATE-FUNDED BEHAVIORAL AND MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDERS', to ensure adequate provision of behavioral health and mental health services within eastern Connecticut by offering state payment levels equal to other regions and sufficient enough to improve the ability of providers to attract qualified staff.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES Change of Reference to the Public Health Committee

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Proposed [H.B. No. 6683](#) REP. KLARIDES, 114th DIST.; REP. CANDELORA, 86th DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT PROMOTING EFFICIENCY IN STATE BENEFIT PROGRAMS', to promote efficiency and deter fraud in the delivery of state benefits.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [H.B. No. 6697](#) REP. GILCHREST, 18th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE ADMISSIBILITY OF STATEMENTS MADE BY A PERSON WITH AN INTELLECTUAL OR DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY IN A CRIMINAL OR JUVENILE PROCEEDING', to require that a statement made by a person with an intellectual or developmental disability, including autism, at the time of the offense be admissible in a criminal or juvenile proceeding.

REF. JUDICIARY

Proposed [H.B. No. 6731](#) REP. PORTER, 94th DIST.; REP. SANTIAGO, 130th DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PAID FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE', to create a paid family and medical leave program for certain employees.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [H.B. No. 6739](#) REP. TERCYAK, 26th DIST. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING EMPLOYERS FROM PAYING DISABLED EMPLOYEES LESS THAN MINIMUM WAGE', to prohibit employers from paying disabled employees less than the state-prescribed minimum wage.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES [Public Hearing February 14, 2019](#) [DDS Testimony on H.B. No. 6739](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 6759](#) REP. PHIPPS, 100th DIST.; SEN. ABRAMS, 13th DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR REAL PROPERTY USED FOR CHARITABLE PURPOSES AND THE RECOVERY OF CERTAIN FEES AND DAMAGES IN WRONGFUL PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT ACTIONS', to clarify the property tax exemptions for real property used for charitable purposes to provide guidance to boards of assessors and to permit the recovery of attorneys' fees and compensatory damages in successful actions for wrongful property tax assessment.

REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Proposed [H.B. No. 6762](#) REP. PETIT, 22nd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PERSONAL ASSETS OF PHYSICIANS AND ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES IN MALPRACTICE ACTIONS', to protect the personal assets of a physician and an advanced practice registered nurse during a medical malpractice action when such persons have complied with the statutory requirements concerning the purchase of professional liability insurance.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH [Change of Reference to the Judiciary Committee](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 6777](#) REP. MESKERS, 150th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING STATE PENSION LIABILITIES', to increase disclosure of state pension liabilities and extend the payment schedule for unfunded pension liabilities in order to reduce the burden on taxpayers posed by such liabilities.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS

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Proposed [H.B. No. 6779](#) REP. FREY, 111th DIST. 'AN ACT ELIMINATING MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENTS, LONGEVITY PAYMENTS AND OVERTIME COMPENSATION FROM THE CALCULATION OF PENSIONS FOR STATE EMPLOYEES', to ensure that state employee pension calculations are based only on base salary.
REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 6785](#) REP. LUXENBERG, 12th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF STATE-OWNED ASSETS TO ADDRESS THE STATE'S PENSION OBLIGATIONS WITHOUT RAISING TAXES', to generate revenue using state-owned assets in order to address the state's pension obligations without raising taxes.
REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 6790](#) REP. MORIN, 28th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING GENERATORS IN STATE-FUNDED GROUP HOMES', to provide funding for generators in state-funded group homes.
REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 6799](#) REP. HADDAD, 54th DIST.; SEN. FLEXER, 29th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL OF CERTAIN STATE CONTRACTS', to allow for legislative rejection of certain state contracts if either house of the General Assembly determines there are insufficient funds for full implementation of the contract.
REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 6801](#) REP. FREY, 111th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING COPAYS UNDER STATE EMPLOYEE HEALTH CARE PLANS', to increase certain copays paid by state employees for health care services.
REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 6822](#) REP. CURREY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROTECTION OF SCHOOL PERSONNEL IN COMMUNICATIONS RELATED TO SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES', to protect teachers and related service professionals from retaliation for communicating honestly and freely at planning and placement team meetings or other occasions.
REF. EDUCATION

Proposed [H.B. No. 6855](#) REP. TERCYAK, 26th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR DIRECT CARE WORKERS', to develop guidelines to improve the level of training direct care workers receive.
REF. GENERAL LAW Change of Reference to the Public Health Committee

Proposed [H.B. No. 6896](#) REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING CERTAIN ABLE-BODIED MEDICAID RECIPIENTS TO WORK OR VOLUNTEER THEIR SERVICES', to foster employment and voluntarism among certain eligible Medicaid recipients.
REF. HUMAN SERVICES

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Proposed [H.B. No. 6910](#) REP. MACLACHLAN, 35th DIST. 'AN ACT IMPROVING ANTI-HARASSMENT TRAINING OF EMPLOYEES', to improve anti-harassment training of employees and increase penalties for employers that fail to protect employees from harassment at work.
REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [H.B. No. 6916](#) REP. JOHNSON, 49th DIST. 'AN ACT EXPANDING REMEDIES AND POTENTIAL LIABILITY FOR UNREASONABLY CONTESTED OR DELAYED WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS', to (1) prevent injured workers from losing their jobs due to undue delay in care, (2) limit the number of times doctors and attorneys attend hearings to ensure injured workers receive timely medical care, (3) prevent injured workers from going on long-term disability and losing their jobs, (4) help employers retain well-trained staff, and (5) prevent shifting the cost of workers' compensation insurance coverage to the Medicaid program.
REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES Reserved for Subject Matter Public Hearing

Proposed [H.B. No. 6920](#) REP. WILSON, 66th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING STATE EMPLOYEE PENSION COSTS', to address state employee pension costs.
REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [H.B. No. 6921](#) REP. PORTER, 94th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING DISCRIMINATION BASED ON A PERSON'S CRIMINAL HISTORY', to prohibit discrimination based on a person's criminal history.
REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES Reserved for Subject Matter Public Hearing

Proposed [H.B. No. 6930](#) REP. D'AGOSTINO, 91st DIST.; REP. PORTER, 94th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING UNION ACCESS TO AND NOTIFICATION OF NEW PUBLIC EMPLOYEE ORIENTATIONS', to provide unions with access to and notice of employee orientations for new public employees.
REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES Reserved for Subject Matter Public Hearing Public Hearing February 21, 2019

Proposed [H.B. No. 6935](#) REP. D'AGOSTINO, 91st DIST.; REP. PORTER, 94th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE RIGHT OF A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE TO JOIN OR SUPPORT A UNION', to provide guidelines for employers issuing mass communications to employees regarding the rights of employees to join unions and to prohibit public employees from discouraging employees or applicants from becoming or remaining members of a union or being represented by one.
REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES Reserved for Subject Matter Public Hearing Public Hearing February 21, 2019

[H.B. No. 6942](#) (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A COLLABORATIVE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS AND PHYSICIANS', to allow for a collaborative relationship between physician assistants and physicians.
REF. PUBLIC HEALTH [Public Hearing February 4, 2019](#)

[H.B. No. 6943](#) (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT ALLOWING MEDICAL ASSISTANTS TO ADMINISTER VACCINES', to allow medical assistants to administer vaccines.

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REF. PUBLIC HEALTH [Public Hearing February 4, 2019](#) Public Health Committee JFS to the House.

Proposed [H.B. No. 6949](#) REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING REFERENCES TO A TERMINAL CONDITION IN STATUTES GOVERNING REMOVAL OF LIFE SUPPORT SYSTEMS', to amend certain references on the living will form.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 6951](#) REP. COOK, 65th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE COMMUNICATION NEEDS OF PERSONS WHO ARE DEAF, HARD OF HEARING, OR DEAF-BLIND IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS', to address the communication needs of persons who are deaf, hard of hearing or deaf-blind in emergency situations.

REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY [Public Hearing February 14, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 6957](#) REP. DEMICCO, 21st DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING CERTAIN STATE BUILDINGS TO BE ACCESSIBLE TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES', to ensure that state buildings being renovated or buildings being leased to the state are accessible to persons with disabilities.

REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY [Public Hearing February 14, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 6964](#) REP. DUBITSKY, 47th DIST. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING GOVERNMENT ENTITIES FROM TRACKING PASSENGER MOTOR VEHICLES', to protect personal privacy by prohibiting a government entity from tracking passenger motor vehicles.

REF. TRANSPORTATION

Proposed [H.B. No. 6972](#) REP. CONCEPCION, 4th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING INCENTIVES FOR STATE EMPLOYEES TO USE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION', to establish incentives for state employees to use public transportation and thereby increase ridership, alleviate traffic and parking congestion and reduce carbon emissions.

REF. TRANSPORTATION [Public Hearing February 13, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 6987](#) REP. O'NEILL, 69th DIST. 'AN ACT EXPANDING THE MONEY FOLLOWS THE PERSON DEMONSTRATION PROJECT', to transition more institutionalized persons to home and community-based care in the Money Follows the Person demonstration project.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 6990](#) REP. WOOD, 29th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING INCENTIVES TO STATE EMPLOYEES FOR IDENTIFYING BUDGET SAVINGS', to eliminate wasteful spending and to encourage best practices and innovation by state employees.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS

[H.B. No. 7001](#) (RAISED) COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE NOTIFICATION OF CERTAIN EMPLOYERS OF THE PLACEMENT OF AN EMPLOYEE ON THE CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT REGISTRY', to (1) require the Commissioner of Children and Families to make a reasonable effort to determine whether an individual against whom a recommended finding of responsibility for abuse or neglect of a child has been made is employed in a

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capacity that requires the individual to have regular contact with children and provide services to or on behalf of children, and (2) make a reasonable effort to notify the employer of an individual whose name has been placed on the child abuse and neglect registry if such individual has regular contact with children and provides services to or on behalf of children.

REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN [Public Hearing February 7, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 7009](#) REP. SIMMONS, 144th DIST. 'AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS EXECUTIVE STEERING COMMITTEE CONCERNING THE STATE'S ELECTRONIC BUSINESS PORTAL', to make it easier for businesses to register, file and access permits and information online.
REF. COMMERCE

Proposed [H.B. No. 7026](#) REP. D'AGOSTINO, 91st DIST.; REP. ELLIOTT, 88th DIST.; REP. PORTER, 94th DIST.; SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONVEYANCE OF UNUSED PARCELS OF STATE LAND TO TOWNS', to permit towns to purchase and use state properties of a certain size that have been unused for many years.
REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 7031](#) REP. SIMMONS, 144th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESS BY BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED PERSONS TO PUBLIC INFORMATION', to provide audio access by blind or visually impaired persons to government web sites and public safety notices.
REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [H.B. No. 7043](#) REP. SIMMONS, 144th DIST.; SEN. FLEXER, 29th DIST.; et al. 'AN ACT CONCERNING BREASTFEEDING IN THE WORKPLACE', to support women in the workforce who wish to breastfeed.
REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES [Public Hearing February 14, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 7044](#) REP. LINEHAN, 103rd DIST.; REP. CONLEY, 40th DIST.; SEN. FLEXER, 29th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING SEXUAL HARASSMENT IN THE WORKPLACE', to remove obstacles that keep victims from reporting workplace sexual harassment.
REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [H.B. No. 7046](#) REP. LOPES, 24th DIST. 'AN ACT ALLOWING MUNICIPALITIES TO IMPOSE A SERVICE CHARGE ON NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS FOR MUNICIPAL SERVICES PROVIDED', to allow municipalities to impose a service charge on nonprofit organizations located in the municipality for municipal services provided to such organizations.
REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Proposed [H.B. No. 7048](#) REP. LOPES, 24th DIST.; REP. HUGHES, 135th DIST.; REP. MCCARTHY VAHEY, 133rd DIST.; SEN. CASSANO, 4th DIST.; REP. GILCHREST, 18th DIST.; REP. WILSON PHEANIOUS, 53rd DIST.; REP. WALKER, 93rd DIST. 'AN ACT FINING UNQUALIFIED PERSONS WHO USE THE TITLE OF SOCIAL WORKER', to prevent unqualified persons from using the title of social worker.
REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

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Proposed [H.B. No. 7049](#) REP. SIMMONS, 144th DIST.; REP. HAMPTON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT PROMOTING EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES', to improve employment opportunities for individuals with disabilities.
REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 7050](#) REP. SIMMONS, 144th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING HEALTH PROFESSIONALS TO INFORM BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED PERSONS OF RESOURCES', to require health professionals to provide blind and visually impaired patients with information on resources available.
REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 7057](#) REP. SIMMONS, 144th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESSIBLE CROSSWALKS', to ensure that high-traffic intersections are safe for blind or visually impaired pedestrians.
REF. TRANSPORTATION

[H.B. No. 7071](#) (RAISED) AGING. 'AN ACT PROVIDING AN INCOME TAX DEDUCTION FOR INDIVIDUALS CARING FOR ELDERLY PERSONS, CHILDREN OR DISABLED PERSONS', to provide financial relief for caregivers.
REF. AGING [Public Hearing February 19, 2019](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 7087](#) REP. WINKLER, 56th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE REPORTING OF THE TRIENNIAL AUDIT OF STATE CONTRACTING AGENCIES BY THE STATE CONTRACTING STANDARDS BOARD', to require the State Contracting Standards Board to submit its triennial audit compliance report of state contracting agencies to certain legislative committees.
REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

[H.B. No. 7092](#) (RAISED) HUMAN SERVICES. 'AN ACT EXPANDING THE KATIE BECKETT WAIVER PROGRAM', to increase the number of persons served under the Katie Beckett Waiver Program.
REF. HUMAN SERVICES [Public Hearing February 19, 2019](#)

[H.B. No. 7093](#) (RAISED) HUMAN SERVICES. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO INCREASE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES', to study and develop recommendations to increase employment opportunities for persons with disabilities.
REF. HUMAN SERVICES [Public Hearing February 19, 2019](#)

[H.B. No. 7099](#) (RAISED) AGING. 'AN ACT INCREASING THE MINIMUM RATIO OF DIRECT CARE STAFF IN NURSING HOMES', to increase the minimum number of hours nurses and nurse's aides spend on patient care at nursing homes.
REF. AGING [Public Hearing February 19, 2019](#)

[H.B. No. 7100](#) (RAISED) AGING. 'AN ACT CONCERNING NONEMERGENCY TRANSPORTATION FOR NURSING HOME RESIDENTS', to provide transportation, if available, for nursing home residents to visit their families nearby.

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REF. AGING [Public Hearing February 19, 2019](#)

[H.B. No. 7104](#) (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ADOPTION OF THE CONNECTICUT UNIFORM TRUST CODE', to modernize Connecticut trust law in order to allow the state to remain economically competitive, create jobs and retain businesses in the state.

REF. JUDICIARY [Public Hearing February 15, 2019](#)

[N H.B. No. 7123](#) (RAISED) HUMAN SERVICES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING TELEPHONE WAIT TIMES FOR PERSONS CONTACTING THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES', to reduce telephone wait times for persons contacting the Department of Social Services to reach a staff member.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

[N H.B. No. 7124](#) (RAISED) INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE. 'AN ACT CONCERNING REQUIRED HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR MAMMOGRAMS AND BREAST ULTRASOUNDS', to require health insurance coverage for (1) a baseline mammogram for any woman who is thirty years of age or older, (2) an annual mammogram for any woman who receives a recommendation from such woman's treating physician and (A) is thirty years of age or older, (B) has a family history or prior personal history of breast cancer, or (C) has a prior personal history of breast disease diagnosed through biopsy as benign, and (3) comprehensive breast ultrasound screening for any woman who receives a recommendation from such woman's treating physician and (A) is thirty years of age or older, (B) has a family history or prior personal history of breast cancer, or (C) has a prior personal history of breast disease diagnosed through biopsy as benign.

REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE [Public Hearing February 21, 2019](#)

[N H.B. No. 7125](#) (RAISED) INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PARITY FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER BENEFITS, NONQUANTITATIVE TREATMENT LIMITATIONS, DRUGS PRESCRIBED FOR THE TREATMENT OF SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES', to (1) require each health carrier to submit an annual report concerning parity for mental health and substance use disorder benefits, (2) require the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to insurance to conduct an annual public hearing concerning such report, (3) require nonquantitative treatment limitations to be applied equally to mental health and substance use disorder benefits and medical and surgical benefits under certain health insurance policies, (4) require health insurance coverage for (A) prescription drugs prescribed for the treatment of substance use disorders if a policy includes coverage for prescription drugs, and (B) substance abuse services regardless of whether such services were provided pursuant to a court order, and (5) prohibit mandatory step therapy and prior authorization for prescription drugs prescribed for the treatment of substance use disorders.

REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

[N H.B. No. 7126](#) (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE AWARD OF DOUBLE OR TREBLE DAMAGES TO AN INJURED PARTY IN A CIVIL ACTION RESULTING FROM CERTAIN TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS', to permit an injured party to recover double or treble damages in civil actions involving a person who operates a motor vehicle while using a hand-held mobile device or other mobile electronic device in violation of section 14-296aa of the general statutes.

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REF. JUDICIARY [Public Hearing February 22, 2019](#)

N H.B. No. 7127 (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE UNIFORM PROTECTED SERIES ACT', to adopt the Uniform Protected Series Act.

REF. JUDICIARY [Public Hearing February 22, 2019](#)

N H.B. No. 7130 (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PROBATE COURT OPERATIONS', to make various revisions to statutes affecting the operation of the state's Probate Courts.

REF. JUDICIARY [Public Hearing February 22, 2019](#)

N H.B. No. 7132 (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING LICENSURE OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR ASSOCIATES AND MARITAL AND FAMILY THERAPIST ASSOCIATES', to require the licensure of professional counselor associates and marital and family therapist associates.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed **H.J. No. 13** REP. RUTIGLIANO, 123rd DIST. 'RESOLUTION AMENDING THE JOINT RULES TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN LOBBYING IN THE HOUSE AND SENATE CHAMBERS', to limit the lobbying activities of state agency legislative liaisons.

REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Proposed **H.J. No. 17** REP. BOYD, 50th DIST. 'RESOLUTION PROPOSING A STATE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO PROVIDE FOR LEGISLATION BY DIRECT INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM', to provide for direct public participation in the legislative process by granting the citizens of Connecticut the right to propose laws through direct initiative and the power to approve or reject a statute through referendum.

REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS [Public Hearing February 15, 2019](#)

Proposed **H.J. No. 23** REP. CARNEY, 23rd DIST. 'RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO ALLOW FOR DIRECT INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM', to permit direct initiative and referendum.

REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS [Public Hearing February 15, 2019](#)

Proposed **H.J. No. 28** REP. MICHEL, 146th DIST. 'RESOLUTION AMENDING THE JOINT RULES TO ENABLE THE ELDERLY AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES TO PARTICIPATE IN PUBLIC HEARINGS REMOTELY', to facilitate the participation of the elderly and persons with disabilities at public hearings.

REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Proposed **H.J. No. 64** REP. PALM, 36th DIST. 'RESOLUTION PROPOSING A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT CONCERNING LEGISLATIVE PUBLIC HEARING PROCEDURES', to limit legislators and state agency representatives to the first hour of testimony of legislative public hearings in order to encourage public participation.

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REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

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AGING COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2019

The Aging Committee will hold a public hearing on **Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at 10:30 A.M.** in **Room 1C** of the LOB. **Sign-up for the hearing will begin at 9:00 A.M. in Room 1C of the LOB. Please submit 25 copies of written testimony to the Committee staff at 9:00 A.M. in Room 1C of the LOB.** Testimony received after the designated time may not be distributed until after the hearing. **Please email written testimony in Word or PDF format to AGEstimony@cga.ct.gov.** The Committee requests that testimony be limited to matters related to the items on the Agenda. Speakers will be limited to three minutes of testimony. The Committee encourages witnesses to submit a written statement and to condense oral testimony to a summary of that statement. Unofficial sign-up sheets have no standing with the Committee. All public hearing testimony, written and spoken, is public information. As such, it will be made available on the CGA website and indexed by internet search engines.

SUBJECT MATTER: Aging Bills

The Committee on Aging [Public Hearing Agenda for February 19, 2019](#) includes the following bills:

[S.B. No. 832](#) (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING REGISTRIES OF PERSONS FOUND RESPONSIBLE FOR ASSAULTS OR OTHER ABUSE, NEGLECT, EXPLOITATION OR ABANDONMENT OF ELDERLY PERSONS OR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES'.

[H.B. No. 7071](#) (RAISED) AN ACT PROVIDING AN INCOME TAX DEDUCTION FOR INDIVIDUALS CARING FOR ELDERLY PERSONS, CHILDREN OR DISABLED PERSONS

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2019

The Human Services Committee will hold a public hearing on **Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at 10:30 A.M.** in **Room 2A** of the LOB. **Sign-up for the hearing will begin at 8:00 A.M. in the Second Floor Atrium of the LOB. Please email written testimony in Word or PDF format to HStestimony@cga.ct.gov.** The Committee requests that testimony be limited to matters related to the items on the Agenda. The first hour of the hearing is reserved for Legislators, Constitutional Officers, State Agency Heads and Chief Elected Municipal Officials. Speakers will be limited to three minutes of testimony. **Bills will be heard in the order listed in the Bulletin.** The Committee encourages witnesses to submit a written statement and to condense oral testimony to a summary of that statement. Unofficial sign-up sheets have no standing with the Committee. All public hearing testimony, written and spoken, is public information. As such, it will be made available on the CGA website and indexed by internet search engines.

SUBJECT MATTER: Human Services Bills

The Human Services Committee [Public Hearing Agenda for February 19, 2019](#) includes the following bills:

[H.B. No. 7092](#) (RAISED) AN ACT EXPANDING THE KATIE BECKETT WAIVER PROGRAM

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[H.B. No. 7093](#) (RAISED) AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO INCREASE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

[S.B. No. 834](#) (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING SERVICES FOR PERSONS WITH SMITH-MAGENIS SYNDROME

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE BUDGET BRIEFING

The Appropriations Committee will hold a briefing on the Governor’s Proposed FY2019-2020 Budget on Thursday, February 21, 2019 at 11:00 A.M. in Room 2C of the LOB. OPM Secretary Melissa McCaw will make the presentation before the Committee.

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE BUDGET HEARING

Friday, March 1, Room 2C

• Health:

10:00 am to 3:00 pm – State Agency Budget Presentations including DDS

5:30 pm – Public Hearing on the DDS, DMHAS, and DPH FY 2019-2020 budgets