



Governor Ned Lamont

Fact Sheet: 2026 Legislative Proposal

HOUSE BILL 5031

*AN ACT MAKING DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026*

The Current Situation

This bill makes deficiency appropriations which, in combination with Finance Advisory Committee transfers and adjustment of holdbacks, would mitigate shortfalls for FY 2026 projected by the Office of Policy and Management as of January 20, 2026. As in prior years, we are prepared to work with OFA and the Appropriations Committee to adjust the deficiency bill to reflect updated estimates as the year progresses.

Governor Lamont’s Solution

The bill proposes increases in appropriations totaling \$78,435,000 in the General Fund and Special Transportation Fund, as well as appropriation decreases totaling \$77,121,190 across the General Fund, Special Transportation Fund, Banking Fund, Insurance Fund, Consumer Counsel and Public Utility Control Fund, Workers’ Compensation Fund, and Cannabis Regulatory Fund. The bill makes no net change in the capped appropriation level and results in FY 2026 remaining \$0.2 million under the spending cap.

Section 1 Increases appropriations by \$70,010,000 in the General Fund in the following agencies:

State Comptroller	\$ 275,000
Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection	5,775,000
Department of Labor	900,000
Department of Housing	14,500,000
Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services	5,840,000



Technical Education and Career System	6,700,000
Office of Early Childhood	1,840,000
Department of Correction	17,430,000
Workers' Compensation Claims - DAS	16,750,000
Total	\$ 70,010,000

Section 2 reduces appropriations by \$71,497,990 across a variety of agencies in the General Fund.

Section 3 increases appropriations by \$8,425,000 in the Special Transportation Fund in the following agencies:

State Comptroller - Fringe Benefits	\$ 7,925,000
Workers' Compensation Claims - DAS	500,000
Total	\$ 8,425,000

Section 4 reduces appropriations by \$1,650,000 across two agencies in the Special Transportation Fund.

Section 5 reduces appropriations by \$1,600,000 in the Department of Banking in the Banking Fund.

Section 6 reduces appropriations by \$680,000 across a variety of agencies in the Insurance Fund.

Section 7 reduces appropriations by \$245,000 across two agencies in the Consumer Counsel and Public Utility Control Fund.

Section 8 reduces appropriations by \$898,000 across two agencies in the Workers' Compensation Fund.

Section 9 reduces appropriations by \$550,000 across two agencies in the Cannabis Regulatory Fund.