



Department of Children and Families **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

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NEW BILLS OF INTEREST

S.B. No. 873 (RAISED) HUMAN SERVICES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A TWO-GENERATIONAL INITIATIVE', to build upon and expand a two-generational service delivery model to achieve school readiness and workforce success. **REF. HUMAN SERVICES**

S.B. No. 886 (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DISCRETION TO GRANT OR DENY PARDONS FOR JUVENILES CONVICTED UNDER SPECIFIC CONDITIONS', to allow the Board of Pardons and Paroles to issue pardons only after a full and extensive review of all available information, receive victim input and deny an application for a pardon if necessary to protect the interests of the people in this state. **REF. JUDICIARY**

S.B. No. 893 (RAISED) COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN. 'AN ACT CONCERNING REVISIONS TO CERTAIN STATUTES REGARDING THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES', to (1) require or permit the Department of Children and Families to disclose certain records to certain individuals and entities without the consent of the persons who are the subjects of such records, (2) permit such department to charge a fee for the disclosure of certain records exceeding one hundred pages in length, (3) eliminate such department's Subsidy Review Board and replace such board with the provision of a hearing in accordance with chapter 54 of the general statutes, (4) require the Commissioner of Children and Families to notify certain agencies of child abuse and neglect investigations pertaining to certain employees of such agencies, and (5) require such commissioner to adopt regulations setting forth standards for the licensing of child care facilities and child-placing agencies. **REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN**

S.B. No. 894 (RAISED) COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE STATE OVERSIGHT COUNCIL ON CHILDREN AND FAMILIES', to establish the State Oversight Council on Children and Families in place of the State Advisory Council on Children and Families, and require the State Oversight Council on Children and Families to report annually to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to children. **REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN**

S.B. No. 895 (RAISED) COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES' STANDARDS AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS', to (1) require the Commissioner of Children and Families to establish protocols for the investigation of reports of child abuse or neglect of children from birth to three years of age, (2) issue certain reports to the Superior Court when a child or youth is committed to such commissioner, and (3) report annually to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to children regarding foster care licensing practices. **REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN**

H.B. No. 5742 (COMM) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THREATENING OF A JUDGE', to increase the penalties for first and second degree threatening in cases where the person making the threat knows that a person being threatened is a judge. **REF. JUDICIARY**

H.B. No. 6099 (COMM) COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A CHILD CARE FACILITY NEIGHBOR RELATIONS TASK FORCE', to establish a task force to study strategies for the improvement of relationships between residents of child care facilities licensed by the Department of Children and Families and residents of the municipalities in which such facilities are located. **REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN**

H.B. No. 7111 (RAISED) COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE RESTRAINT, SECLUSION AND PLACING IN TIME OUT OF STUDENTS BY SCHOOL EMPLOYEES', to (1) clarify the definition of physical restraint, (2) define time out, and (3) require local and regional boards of education to (A) establish policies regarding the use of time out, (B) provide certain additional training to school professionals,

paraprofessional staff members and administrators regarding the physical restraint and seclusion of students, and (C) maintain a list of crisis intervention team members at each school. **REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN**

[H.B. No. 7112](#) (RAISED) COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTERS', to define "children's advocacy center", clarify the purposes of multidisciplinary teams established by the Commissioner of Children and Families, permit such centers to assist multidisciplinary teams in the investigation of allegations of child abuse or neglect or trafficking of children and to permit the Connecticut Children's Alliance, Inc. to provide assistance to such centers. **REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN**

[H.B. No. 7113](#) (RAISED) COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PRENATAL OPIOID AND OPIATE EXPOSURE', to establish additional requirements for abuse and neglect investigations by the Department of Children and Families when such investigations pertain to high-risk newborns, and require individuals who are mandated reporters involved in the delivery or care of a high-risk newborn in a birthing hospital to cause a report of abuse or neglect to be made regarding such high-risk newborn. **REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN**

[H.B. No. 7121](#) (RAISED) HUMAN SERVICES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING REVISIONS TO THE STATE'S SAFE HAVEN LAWS', to strengthen protections for individuals caring for infants who are considered to be in the custody of the Department of Children and Families under the state's safe haven program. **REF. HUMAN SERVICES**

[H.B. No. 7127](#) (RAISED) INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PARITY OF MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE BENEFITS', to enable the Insurance Commissioner to collect information to ensure the parity of mental health and substance abuse benefits to medical, surgical or other physical health benefits, and to empower the commissioner to enforce the Paul Wellstone and Pete Domenici Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act of 2008, as amended, and any regulations adopted thereunder. **REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE**

PUBLIC HEARINGS

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2017

The Public Health Committee will hold a public hearing on **Wednesday, February 22, 2017 at 10:30 A.M.** in **Room 1D** of the LOB.

SUBJECT MATTER: Public Health Related Bills

- Proposed H.B. No. 5295 AN ACT REQUIRING FOOD ALLERGY AWARENESS TRAINING.
- Proposed H.B. No. 5741 AN ACT CONCERNING SOBER LIVING HOMES.
- Proposed H.B. No. 5761 AN ACT CONCERNING SOBER HOMES.
- Proposed S.B. No. 41 AN ACT REQUIRING CERTIFICATION OF PHLEBOTOMISTS.
- S.B. No. 326 (COMM) AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESS TO MEDICAL RECORDS AND THE FEES CHARGED FOR MEDICAL RECORDS.
- Proposed S.B. No. 439 AN ACT EXPANDING CONNECTICUT'S IMMUNIZATION REGISTRY AND TRACKING SYSTEM.
- S.B. No. 840 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING IMMUNIZATION RATES.
- Proposed H.B. No. 5812 AN ACT REVISING THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE REVIEW PROCESS.
- Proposed S.B. No. 40 AN ACT CONCERNING THE CERTIFICATION OF DENTAL THERAPISTS.
- S.B. No. 841 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING EMBALMERS AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS.
- Proposed H.B. No. 5659 AN ACT CONCERNING THE VACCINATION OF ANIMALS.

- Proposed H.B. No. 6025 AN ACT ALLOWING MEDICAL ASSISTANTS TO ADMINISTER MEDICATION UNDER SUPERVISION.
- Proposed H.B. No. 6032 AN ACT CONCERNING BACK FLOW PREVENTION DEVICES FOR CONDOMINIUM COMPLEXES.
- Proposed H.B. No. 6235 AN ACT CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF EPINEPHRINE BY EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS.
- H.B. No. 7090 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES' RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING TRANSFER OF A PATIENT UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE PSYCHIATRIC SECURITY REVIEW BOARD FOR TREATMENT OR RECOVERY.
- H.B. No. 7091 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES' RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING REVISIONS TO THE PROFESSIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR REGULATED PROFESSIONALS.
- Proposed H.B. No. 6494 AN ACT PERMITTING THE DELEGATION OF MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION BY A REGISTERED NURSE TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS.
- Proposed H.B. No. 6017 AN ACT CONCERNING TEMPORARY PERMITS ISSUED TO APPLICANTS FOR LICENSURE AS A REGISTERED NURSE.
- Proposed H.B. No. 5764 AN ACT CONCERNING THE LICENSING OF BARBERS AND HAIRDRESSERS.
- Proposed H.B. No. 6022 AN ACT CONCERNING A SOCIAL MARKETING CAMPAIGN CONCERNING THE ADVERSE EFFECTS OF MOLD.
- Proposed H.B. No. 6009 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A RARE DISEASE ADVISORY COUNCIL.
- Proposed H.B. No. 5669 AN ACT CONCERNING PUBLIC HEALTH QUARANTINE LAWS.
- Proposed H.B. No. 6252 AN ACT REQUIRING LICENSURE OF ART THERAPISTS.
- Proposed H.B. No. 6981 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PUBLIC HEALTH PRIMARY PREVENTION STUDY GROUP.

**JUDICIARY COMMITTEE
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2017**

The Judiciary Committee will hold a public hearing on **Friday, February 24, 2017** at **10:00 A.M.** in **Room 2B** of the LOB.

SUBJECT MATTER: Miscellaneous. Bills

- S.B. No. 816 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE APPLICATION OF THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE TO CERTAIN FUNDS TRANSFERS UNDER THE ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFER ACT.
- S.B. No. 817 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE CLAIMS AGAINST THE STATE OF JOANNE AVOLETTA, PETER AVOLETTA AND MATTHEW AVOLETTA.
- S.B. No. 859 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING STATE AGENCY COMPLIANCE WITH PROBATE COURT ORDERS.
- H.J. No. 63 (COMM) RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE DECISION OF THE CLAIMS COMMISSIONER TO DISMISS THE CLAIM AGAINST THE STATE OF DEBRA COHEN.
- H.J. No. 64 (COMM) RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE DECISION OF THE CLAIMS COMMISSIONER TO DISMISS THE CLAIM AGAINST THE STATE OF CWPM, LLC.
- H.J. No. 65 (COMM) RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE DECISION OF THE CLAIMS COMMISSIONER TO DENY THE CLAIM AGAINST THE STATE OF WESLEY DORSEY.
- H.J. No. 66 (COMM) RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE DECISION OF THE CLAIMS COMMISSIONER TO DISMISS THE CLAIM AGAINST THE STATE OF ANDRE FORD.
- H.J. No. 67 (COMM) RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE DECISION OF THE CLAIMS COMMISSIONER TO DISMISS THE CLAIM AGAINST THE STATE OF JAMIE GENOVESE, ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE ESTATE OF TONI MARIE GENOVESE.

- H.J. No. 68 (COMM) RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE DECISION OF THE CLAIMS COMMISSIONER TO DISMISS THE CLAIM AGAINST THE STATE OF RUBIN JONES.
- H.J. No. 69 (COMM) RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE DECISION OF THE CLAIMS COMMISSIONER TO DISMISS THE CLAIM AGAINST THE STATE OF KEVIN LINDSAY.
- H.J. No. 70 (COMM) RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE DECISION OF THE CLAIMS COMMISSIONER TO DISMISS THE CLAIM AGAINST THE STATE OF NEVA PASCULANO.
- H.J. No. 71 (COMM) RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE DECISION OF THE CLAIMS COMMISSIONER TO DISMISS THE CLAIM AGAINST THE STATE OF EDUARDO QUINONES.
- H.J. No. 72 (COMM) RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE DECISION OF THE CLAIMS COMMISSIONER TO DISMISS THE CLAIM AGAINST THE STATE OF ZAIRON H. RAHIM.
- H.J. No. 73 (COMM) RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE DECISION OF THE CLAIMS COMMISSIONER TO DENY THE CLAIM AGAINST THE STATE OF MELISSA STEINHILPER, ADMINISTRATRIX OF THE ESTATE OF AMANDA MONINGTON.
- H.J. No. 74 (COMM) RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE DECISION OF THE CLAIMS COMMISSIONER TO DENY THE CLAIM AGAINST THE STATE OF MARIAN O'SHEA, EXECUTRIX OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL O'SHEA.
- H.J. No. 75 (COMM) RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE DECISION OF THE CLAIMS COMMISSIONER TO DISMISS THE CLAIM AGAINST THE STATE OF ROBERT RYDER.
- H.J. No. 76 (COMM) RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE DECISION OF THE CLAIMS COMMISSIONER TO DISMISS THE CLAIM AGAINST THE STATE OF UMAR SHAHID.
- H.J. No. 77 (COMM) RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE DECISION OF THE CLAIMS COMMISSIONER TO DISMISS THE CLAIM AGAINST THE STATE OF UMAR SHAHID.
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- H.J. No. 90 (COMM) RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE DECISION OF THE CLAIMS COMMISSIONER TO DISMISS THE CLAIM AGAINST THE STATE OF RONALD STRANO.

- H.J. No. 91 (COMM) RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE DECISION OF THE CLAIMS COMMISSIONER TO DISMISS THE CLAIM AGAINST THE STATE OF CHRISTOPHER TIERINNI.
- H.J. No. 92 (COMM) RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE DECISION OF THE CLAIMS COMMISSIONER TO DISMISS THE CLAIM AGAINST THE STATE OF RAMONE WHITE.
- H.B. No. 5655 (COMM) AN ACT CONCERNING A PROPERTY OWNER'S LIABILITY FOR THE EXPENSES OF REMOVING A FALLEN TREE OR LIMB.
- H.B. No. 7080 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING LEGAL PROTECTIONS FOR PERSONS ENTERING PASSENGER MOTOR VEHICLES TO RENDER EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TO CHILDREN.
- H.B. No. 7081 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE CLAIM AGAINST THE STATE OF MILLICENT CORBETT.
- H.B. No. 7082 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING PROBATE COURT OPERATIONS.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Wed., Feb. 22 – 10:30 AM	Public Health Committee Public Hearing	Room 1D
Thur., Feb. 23 - 12:00 PM	Children's Committee Meeting	Room 2A
Fri., Feb. 24 – 10:00 AM	Judiciary Committee Public Hearing	Room 2B
Mon., Feb. 27 – 10:00 AM	Judiciary Committee Public Hearing	Room 2B
Thur., Mar. 2 - 11:00 AM	Human Services Committee Meeting	Room 2A
Tues., Mar.7 - 11:00 AM	Human Services Committee Meeting	Room 2A
Tues., Mar.14 - 1:00 PM	Human Services Committee Meeting	Room 2A
Thur., Mar.16 - 1:00 PM	Human Services Committee Meeting	Room 2A
Tues., Mar.21 - 1:00 PM	Human Services Committee Meeting	Room 2A
Thur., Mar.23 - 1:00 PM	Human Services Committee Meeting	Room 2A

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