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**TESTIMONY OF  
THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES  
ON**

**HOUSE BILL 5014 - AN ACT MAKING ADJUSTMENTS TO STATE EXPENDITURES AND  
REVENUES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2013**

**February 22, 2012**

Senator Harp, Representative Walker, Members of the Appropriations Committee. I am Terrence W. Macy, Commissioner of the Department of Developmental Services, and I am here to testify on House Bill 5014 - An Act Making Adjustments to State Expenditures and Revenues for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2013. I thank you for the opportunity to appear before you today to discuss Governor Malloy's midterm budget for fiscal year 2013.

The Governor's proposed midterm budget adjustments provide for \$1,041,339,781 in appropriations to the Department of Developmental Services. At this time, I would like to review some highlights of the Governor's recommended midterm budget as they relate to DDS.

**Personal Services (PS):**

The department's fiscal year 2013 appropriation provides sufficient funding within the Personal Services (PS) account to adequately fund the Department's program and administrative infrastructures in order to serve the Department's consumer population.

The net adjustment is a reduction of \$24,697,070 to Personal Services. Much of the savings will be from public employee wage freeze savings, delays in hiring, reductions associated with cancelling vacancies in FY 2012 and an aggressive management of overtime.

As part of this net reduction, the midterm budget includes reductions to Personal Services that are associated with five residential closures; two at Southbury Training School (STS) and three others in the regions. The anticipated savings is expected to be achieved through attrition.

**Contracted Services:**

The Governor's budget for FY13 increases the **Employment Opportunities and Day Services** appropriation by \$2,044,844. This appropriation will replace Social Service Block Grant funding that was previously used for day services. The grant funding will be used instead to support emergency shelters allowing DDS to receive Medicaid reimbursement for day services rendered. This transfer is a revenue maximizing effort and will result in an increase in revenue of over \$1 million in FY13.

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