



**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES**

**Public Hearing Testimony
Human Services Committee
February 19, 2013**



***Proposed S.B. No. 763 AN ACT CONCERNING NOTICE OF INVESTIGATIONS
BY THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES***

The Department of Children and Families offers the following comments regarding Proposed S.B. No. 763, An Act Concerning Notice of Investigations by the Department of Children and Families.

This bill would require the Department of Children and Families to give notice of a complaint of child abuse to the child's guardian, custodial parent and noncustodial parent upon the opening of an investigation. The Department **does not object to sharing this information** but would like to clarify that such notice only applies to those reports accepted for investigation. Further, we would suggest that, when drafting this legislation, the Committee add language stating: "unless doing so might interfere with a criminal investigation or endanger a person."