

SENATE
List of Bills

S.B. No. 2 (COMM) **COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN. 'AN ACT CONCERNING SOCIAL EQUITY AND THE HEALTH, SAFETY AND EDUCATION OF CHILDREN'**, to (1) establish a youth suicide prevention training program, (2) require certain licensed health care professionals to complete mental health and suicide screening and prevention training, (3) permit minors to receive more than six outpatient mental health treatment sessions without the consent of a parent or guardian, (4) require local and regional boards of education to integrate the principles and practices of social-emotional learning into programs of professional development and statements of educational goals, (5) permit parents to attend parent-teacher conferences remotely, (6) require additional parent-teacher conferences during periods when a school district conducts school sessions remotely, (7) require the provision of information by teachers concerning safety, mental health and food insecurity during such conferences, (8) permit local and regional boards of education to provide instruction to high school students remotely and prohibit such boards from deeming absent a student who attends school remotely, (9) require local and regional boards of education to permit students to take up to four mental health wellness days per school year, (10) require the collection of adverse childhood experiences data by local and regional boards of education and the Department of Education, (11) require the Commissioner of Children and Families to provide children in the care and custody of the commissioner remote visitation opportunities in lieu of in-person visitation, in the event of a pandemic or outbreak of communicable disease, (12) require the Commissioner of Children and Families to develop a policy requiring the cessation of in-person visitation on a case-by-case basis in the event that such visitation could result in the contraction of a communicable disease by one or more participants, (13) expand the operation of the Department of Children and Families telephone Careline to accommodate the receipt and provision of information concerning child abuse and neglect by text message, (14) require the Commissioner of Children and Families to provide certain notice to parents and guardians in the event that the commissioner is considering removal of a child from the home, and the services of a translator, if necessary, during any meeting to discuss such removal, (15) require the Commissioner of Early Childhood to develop and implement a plan to expand the birth-to-three program to provide early intervention services to children five years of age and under and eliminate parent fees for such services, (16) require the Commissioner of Education to establish an Internet access grant program for local and regional boards of education to provide students, educators and staff with Internet access during school sessions that are conducted remotely, and (17) establish a task force to study the comprehensive needs of children in the state.

REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN

S.B. No. 152 (COMM) GENERAL LAW. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ELECTRONIC DELIVERY TICKETS FOR GASOLINE, KEROSENE, FUEL OILS OR SIMILAR SUBSTANCES', to permit acceptance of electronic delivery tickets for gasoline, kerosene, fuel oils or similar substances.

REF. GENERAL LAW

S.B. No. 608 (COMM) TRANSPORTATION. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE SAFETY OF CHILDREN WHEN BUYING ICE CREAM FROM A FROZEN DESSERT TRUCK', to protect children in the course of buying ice cream from frozen dessert trucks by increasing the truck's visibility to other drivers, warning drivers that children may be present and limiting the location and conditions for vending.

REF. TRANSPORTATION

S.B. No. 976 (RAISED) EDUCATION. 'AN ACT CONCERNING SPECIAL EDUCATION', to require the Technical Education and Career System to accept and enroll students with individualized education programs, and to establish a task force to study issues relating to the provision and funding of special education in the state.

REF. EDUCATION

S.B. No. 977 (RAISED) EDUCATION. 'AN ACT CONCERNING VIRTUAL LEARNING', to require the Department of Education to develop uniform standards for the provision of virtual learning in public schools, conduct a comprehensive audit of virtual learning programs in the state and develop guidelines for training educators in the provision of virtual learning.

REF. EDUCATION

S.B. No. 978 (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PAROLE OPPORTUNITIES FOR INDIVIDUALS SERVING LENGTHY SENTENCES FOR CRIMES COMMITTED BEFORE THE INDIVIDUAL TURNED TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE', to incentivize rehabilitation among incarcerated individuals and provide a second chance for those who were convicted and sentenced before twenty-five years of age.

REF. JUDICIARY

S.B. No. 979 (RAISED) HUMAN SERVICES. 'AN ACT EXPANDING ACCESS TO MEDICAL SPECIALISTS FOR MEDICAID BENEFICIARIES IN SOUTHEASTERN CONNECTICUT', to require the Commissioner of Social Services to expand access to medical specialists in southeastern Connecticut by expanding telehealth services.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

S.B. No. 980 (RAISED) HUMAN SERVICES. 'AN ACT ELIMINATING INCOME AND ASSET LIMITS FOR THE MED-CONNECT PROGRAM FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES', to eliminate income and asset limits for working persons with disabilities to qualify for Medicaid.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

S.B. No. 981 (RAISED) HUMAN SERVICES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PAYMENT PARITY FOR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES PROVIDERS', to evaluate whether current payment structures lead to payment inequities for health and human services providers depending on where the services are provided in the state and implement recommendations to achieve payment parity.

REF. HUMAN SERVICES

S.B. No. 982 (RAISED) TRANSPORTATION. 'AN ACT REVISING MOTOR VEHICLE STATUTES', to revise motor vehicle statutes regarding operator's licenses, motor vehicle registration, removable windshield placards, buses, funeral processions, identity cards, vehicle use of the Merritt and Wilbur Cross Parkways, totalled vehicles, veteran number plates, flashing lights, driving schools and instructors, commercial driver's licenses, fire apparatus and instruction permits.

REF. TRANSPORTATION

S.B. No. 983 (RAISED) TRANSPORTATION. 'AN ACT CONCERNING SLOWING DOWN FOR SERVICE VEHICLES', to require motor vehicle operators to slow down when passing service vehicles.

REF. TRANSPORTATION

S.B. No. 984 (RAISED) COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS', to require the Commissioner of Children and Families to conduct a study to evaluate the efficacy of the programs administered by the Department of Children and Families.

REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN

S.B. No. 985 (RAISED) COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CHILDREN'S HEALTH', to direct the Commissioner of Public Health to conduct a study to determine whether policy and procedural changes within the Department of Public Health may improve the health of children.

REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN