

# The Connecticut General Assembly



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## **BIPARTISAN TASK FORCE ON GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND CHILDREN'S SAFETY SCHEDULES HEARINGS Subgroup members named**

A special bipartisan task force recently announced by legislative leaders and charged with developing recommendations designed to reduce gun violence, enhance school safety and increase access to mental health care has scheduled a series of public hearings.

There will be a public hearing focusing on school safety on January 25 at 9:30 a.m., a gun safety hearing on January 28 at 10:00 a.m., and a hearing on mental health issues January 29 at 10:00 a.m., all in room 2C at the Legislative Office Building in Hartford. A fourth public hearing will be held by the task force at Newtown High School on January 30 at 6:00 p.m.

Appointments to three subgroups within the task force were also announced by Speaker of the House Brendan Sharkey (D-Hamden), House Republican Leader Larry Cafero (R-Norwalk), Senate President Donald E. Williams Jr., (D-Brooklyn), Senate Republican Leader John McKinney (R-Fairfield), House Majority Leader Joe Aresimowicz (D-Berlin) and Senate Majority Leader Martin M. Looney (D-New Haven).

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