BILLIONS IN SAVINGS, BETTER PERFORMANCE

Three years ago, the nonprofit Connecticut Institute for the 21st Century analyzed the state budget and identified several areas where the state could reform and restructure the delivery of core state services. Some of those recommendations were enacted with positive results.

Based on an updated analysis, CT21 and CBIA have identified $2 billion in savings and performance improvements that can be realized from as-yet enacted reforms.

**NONPROFIT DELIVERY OF SERVICES**

- State-run local mental health authorities to community providers, saving $408 million over five years
- State-run DDS facilities to community providers, saving $600 million over five years
- State-agency caseworkers to community caseworkers, saving $48 million over five years
- Reduction in overtime from conversions, saving $112 million over five years

**TOTAL SAVINGS** $1.24 billion over five years

**LONG-TERM CARE**

Increase clients receiving home care or community-based services from 60% to 75% by 2025.

**SAVINGS** $657 million by 2025

**CORRECTIONS**

Continue downward trend in prison population, cutting it by 50% by 2020.

**SAVINGS** $250–$300 million by closing facilities, reducing staff, and eliminating overtime

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PENSION SYSTEM

Evolve how Connecticut provides and pays for the retirement security of the state employee workforce to ensure the system is stable, affordable, and sound.

- Increase the age to retire with full benefits
- Base pensions on the last five years of salary, not the last three, and don’t include overtime in pension calculations
- End the offer of retirement-incentive plans
- Implement a defined contribution plan or some hybrid for all new employees
- Eliminate cost-of-living increases and longevity payments
- Use the “Rule of 90” to qualify for retirement with full benefits (worker’s age and years of service must equal 90)
- Delay medical coverage for early retirees and beneficiaries until the employee reaches a specific age

TECHNOLOGY

Create an IT strategy as a catalyst to strengthen connectivity and service delivery throughout state government and enhance Connecticut’s economic competitiveness.

- Boost efficiency, agility and cost-effectiveness of digital government
- Modernize state IT resources to facilitate electronic filing and better serve citizens, businesses, and municipalities
- Leverage cloud computing to improve the usage of big data
- Cast the state government’s role as an analyst, procurer, and manager of technology resources

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Remove the artificial barriers to collaboration between, and within, Connecticut’s 169 municipalities.

- Consolidate and share non-instructional education expenses—such as administration, support services, plant operation and maintenance, and transportation—across school districts, saving as much as $80 million per year.
- Promote greater interlocal agreements to coordinate and deliver services with greater flexibility and efficiency.
- Sharing assessment services, saving up to $10 million per year.

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