ADVISORY COMMISSION TO THE CONNECTICUT GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND GOVERNOR

Agency Description

The Latino and Puerto Rican Affairs Commission (LPRAC) was created by an act of the Connecticut General Assembly (CGA). This 21 member non-partisan commission and staff are mandated to advise the CGA and the Governor on public policies that foster progress in the Latino communities residing in Connecticut.

Statutory Reference

C.G.S. Section 2-120 (i.e., Public Act 09-07)

Statement of Need and Program Objectives

To coordinate and provide access to resources by developing and recommending, to the Governor and the legislature, policies for the advancement of the Latino and Puerto Rican community.

The Commission shall:

- Focus its efforts on the following quality of life issues: (A) health (B) safety (C) educational success; (D) economic self-sufficiency; and (E) discrimination.
- The commission shall meet regularly to review matters pertaining to the achievement of the desired results and, not later than January first annually, shall submit a status report to the joint standing committee of the Connecticut General Assembly having cognizance of appropriations.
- The commission shall develop (I) appropriate population-level indicators of the state's progress in achieving such desired results, and (II) strategies that are intended to improve progress on such indicators through a process that is inclusive of all relevant partners including, but not limited to, state and local government agencies, the faith based community, business sector, non-profit organizations, advocacy groups and philanthropic organizations.
- Make recommendations to the Connecticut General Assembly and the Governor for new or enhanced policies, programs and services that will foster progress in achieving these desired results as listed herewith.
- Review and comment on any proposed state legislation or recommendations that may affect the Latino and Puerto Rican population of the state.
- Advise the Connecticut General Assembly and Governor concerning the coordination and administration of state programs that affect the Latino and Puerto Rican population of the state.
- Gather and maintain current information regarding the Latino and Puerto Rican population of the state that can be used to better understand the status, condition and contributions of such Latino and Puerto Rican population.
- Maintain a liaison between the Latino and Puerto Rican population of the state and government agencies; and Conduct educational and outreach activities intended to raise awareness of critical issues for the Latino and Puerto Rican population of the state.

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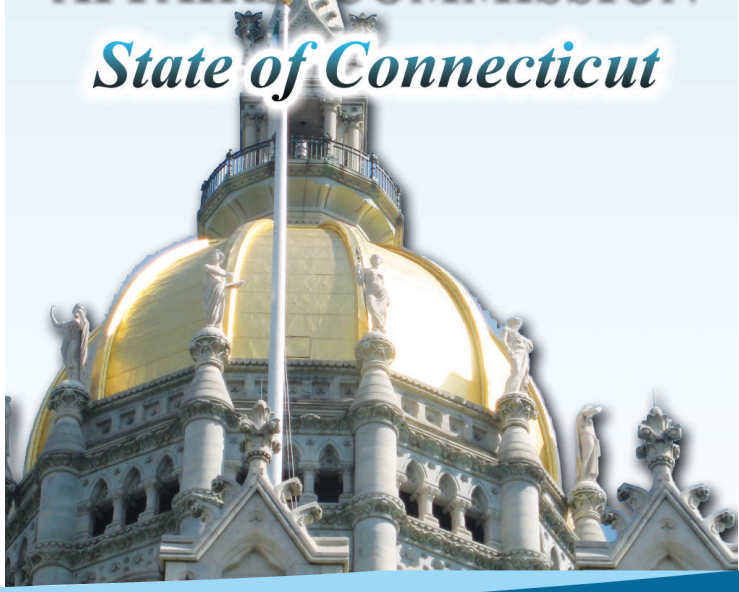

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