

Memorandum

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From: Jay Aronson

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Re: Legislative Update

This Week At The Capitol:

With the MLK holiday and the Inauguration on Wednesday this was a slow week at the Capitol. Proposed Bills are trickling out and Committees are slowly ramping up...it is a long session after all!

The Children's Committee met on Thursday but did not raise any bills of interest for YSBs. The Judiciary Committee also met, but again, nothing of consequence for YSBs.

Over the weekend, I sent you all a link to an article about the fact that between the increase in the sales and use tax and capital gains, the budget deficit for THIS current fiscal year has been wiped out and is now projected to run a small surplus.

[Spiking tax revenue will wipe out state budget deficit, analysts say \(ctmirror.org\)](https://ctmirror.org)

The out years of the budget, for the next biennium remains in deficit. It is not as large as it was running, but it remains over a billion dollars in both years. Having said that, the Rainy Day Fund has \$3.1 billion in reserve to cover both years IF that's the direction the Governor and Appropriations Committee wants to go.

In about two weeks we will know more when the Governor delivers his budget address.

As always, please contact me at your convenience should you have any questions or concerns about these or any other Legislative matters. Also, please share this information with your members as you see fit.

Bill Tracking 2021

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Bill #	Title and Explanation	Committee Action	File #	House Action	Senate Action	Gov's Action / Act #
Proposed SB 237	<p>An Act Concerning the Provision of Outpatient Mental Health Treatment of Minors. (Sen. Haskell)</p> <p>To promote the provision of confidential mental health services for young people.</p> <p>https://www.cga.ct.gov/2021/TOB/S/PDF/2021SB-00237-R00-SB.PDF</p>	1/22 Referred to Jt Cmte on Public Health				
Proposed HB 5170	<p>An Act Concerning the Automatic Transfer of Auto Theft Cases of Certain Juvenile Repeat Offenders to the Criminal Docket. (Rep. Fishbein)</p> <p>To require the automatic transfer to criminal court of a case of a juvenile charged with larceny involving theft of a motor vehicle when the juvenile has at least four prior adjudications or convictions for a felony and to change the factors a court must consider when determining whether to transfer a case involving a juvenile charged with certain felonies.</p> <p>https://www.cga.ct.gov/2021/TOB/H/PDF/2021HB-05170-R00-HB.PDF</p>	1/13 Referred to Jt Cmte on Judiciary				

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Proposed HB 5234	An Act Concerning Suicide Prevention in School Districts. (Rep. Petit) To assist school districts in developing and implementing suicide prevention protocols. https://www.cga.ct.gov/2021/TOB/H/PDF/2021HB-05234-R00-HB.PDF	1/22 Referred to Jt Cmte on Education				
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