



**Governor Ned Lamont
State of Connecticut**



FACT SHEET
2022 Legislative Session

**HOUSE BILL 5037
GOVERNOR'S BILL
AN ACT ADJUSTING THE STATE BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDING JUNE 30, 2023**

Summary of Proposal

This bill proposes to revise appropriations for FY 2023 as depicted in the table below.

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATION CHANGES				
(In Millions)				
	Enacted ¹ Appropriation <u>FY 2023</u>	Net Adjustments <u>FY 2023</u>	Recommended Appropriation <u>FY 2023</u>	% Growth Over <u>Enacted</u>
General Fund	\$ 21,534.3	\$ 537.8	\$ 22,072.1	2.5%
Special Transportation Fund	1,809.8	15.7	1,825.5	0.9%
Banking Fund	29.5	0.2	29.7	0.6%
Insurance Fund	122.5	0.4	122.9	0.4%
Consumer Counsel and Public Utility Control Fund	31.0	1.7	32.7	5.6%
Workers' Compensation Fund	27.0	0.3	27.3	1.1%
Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund	51.5	-	51.5	0.0%
Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund	2.9	-	2.9	0.0%
Tourism Fund	<u>13.1</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13.1</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
Total	\$ 23,621.6	\$ 556.2	\$ 24,177.7	2.4%

Notes:
¹ Enacted 2023 appropriation per Special Act 21-15.

Reason for Proposal

To implement the Governor's recommended budget.

Significant Impacts

Sections 1-6 revise appropriations for the General Fund, Special Transportation Fund, Banking Fund, Insurance Fund, Consumer Counsel and Public Utility Control Fund, and Workers' Compensation Fund, respectively. Proposed changes are shown in the table above.

Section 7 amends section 41 of special act 21-15, as amended by section 306 of public act 21-2 of the June special session, to revise allocations pertaining to the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund. Proposed new allocations are shown in the table below.

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Proposed Allocations of Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Funds	
By Category and Agency	Total
Behavioral Health	109,436,562
Dept. of Children and Families - Expand Mobile Crisis Intervention Services	17,200,000
Dept. of Children and Families - Fund Additional Urgent Crisis Centers and Sub-Acute Crisis Stabilization Units	21,000,000
Dept. of Children and Families - Fund Renovation at Urgent Crisis Center to Support Ambulance Entrance	500,000
Dept. of Mental Health and Addiction Services - Enhance Mobile Crisis Services	6,000,000
Dept. of Mental Health and Addiction Services - Enhance Respite Bed Services for Forensic Population	4,292,834
Dept. of Mental Health and Addiction Services - Expand Availability of Mobile Crisis Services	3,200,000
Dept. of Mental Health and Addiction Services - Fund Supportive Services to Accompany New Housing Vouchers	2,812,500
Dept. of Mental Health and Addiction Services - Implement Electronic Health Records	16,000,000
Dept. of Mental Health and Addiction Services - Provide Mental Health Peer Supports in Hospital Emergency Departments	2,400,000
Dept. of Social Services - Expand Medical/Psychiatric Inpatient Unit at Connecticut Children's Medical Center	15,000,000
Dept. of Social Services - Provide Support for Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Services	15,000,000
Judicial Department - Expand Housing Opportunities for Individuals on Bail	5,831,228
Office of Health Strategy - Study Behavioral Health Coverage by Private Insurers	200,000
Education	159,965,000
Dept. of Administrative Services - Provide Funding to Support Air Quality in Schools	90,000,000
Dept. of Economic and Community Development - Provide Funding to Continue Free Summer Programming	27,500,000
State Dept. of Education - Expand Support for Learner Engagement and Attendance Program (LEAP)	26,000,000
State Dept. of Education - Increase College Opportunities Through Dual Enrollment	10,850,000
State Dept. of Education - Provide Additional Summer Enrichment Opportunities	4,500,000
State Dept. of Education - Provide Funding for the American School for the Deaf	1,115,000
Government Services	12,533,148
Dept. of Mental Health and Addiction Services - Fund Diversity Training	354,000
Dept. of Mental Health and Addiction Services - Support Client Telehealth Equipment	1,400,000
Judicial Department - Hire Assistant Clerks and Family Relations Counselors to Reduce Family and Support Matter Case Backlogs	6,589,702
Office of Health Strategy - Improve Data Collection and Integration with Health Insurance Exchange	1,150,000
Office of Policy and Management - Develop Capacity to Evaluate Evidence-Basis for Various ARPA Initiatives	928,779
Office of Policy and Management - Provide Audit Capacity for Recipients of ARPA Funding	1,250,000
Office of the Chief Medical Examiner - Provide Funding to Support Testing and Other COVID Related Expenditures	860,667
Higher Education Support	70,000,000
Conn. State Colleges and Universities - Fund Alterations and Improvements to Auxiliary Service Facilities Until Student Fee Revenues Rebound	5,000,000
Conn. State Colleges and Universities - Support CSCU Through Short-Term Recovery Funds	65,000,000
Human Services	22,850,000
Dept. of Developmental Services - Enhance Community Engagement Opportunities	5,000,000
Dept. of Developmental Services - Improve Camps for Individuals with Developmental Disability	5,000,000
Dept. of Social Services - Shift Support of Temporary ICF Rate Increase from the General Fund	2,800,000
Dept. of Social Services - Strengthen Family Planning	9,050,000
Office of Early Childhood - Universal Home Visiting Sustainability Study	1,000,000
Pandemic Response	272,325,000
Dept. of Public Health - Support Storage and Maintenance Costs of COVID-19 Preparedness Supplies	325,000
Office of Policy and Management - Provide Funding for Testing, PPE and Other COVID Response Measures	272,000,000
Workforce	87,000,000
Conn. State Colleges and Universities - Invest in Targeted Career Pathways by Providing Student Financial Aid for Certain Higher Education Programs	20,000,000
Conn. State Colleges and Universities - Invest in Targeted Career Pathways by Supporting Faculty Recruitment for Certain In-Demand Degree Programs	35,000,000
Dept. of Economic and Community Development - Expand Workforce Programming Through CareerConnect	15,000,000
Dept. of Public Health - Expand Student Loan Repayment Program	17,000,000
Judicial	26,183,207
Judicial Department - Build Out the Juvenile Intake Custody and Probable Cause Applications	741,494
Judicial Department - Continue Temporary Staffing for the Foreclosure Mediation Program	6,855,194
Judicial Department - Enhance Contracts for Direct Service Partnership for Households and Families	400,000
Judicial Department - Enhance Funding for Victim Service Providers	14,865,300
Judicial Department - Enhance Technology for Citations and Hearings in the Criminal Infractions Bureau	606,915
Judicial Department - Enhance the Department's Case Management and Scheduler Application	1,382,900
Judicial Department - Establish Video Conferencing for Municipal Stations for Bail and Support Services	60,000
Judicial Department - Provide Remote Equipment to Reduce Child Support Backlog	121,600
Judicial Department - Support Application Development for Monitor Note-Taking and Recording	1,149,804
Housing	120,000,000
Dept. of Housing - Increase Support for Affordable Housing	50,000,000
Dept. of Public Health - Promote Healthy and Lead Safe Homes	70,000,000
Community Investment	15,000,000
Legislative Management - Invest in Communities	15,000,000
Economic Development	23,000,000
Dept. of Economic and Community Development - Provide Funding to Invest in the Revitalization of Downtowns and Main Streets Statewide	20,000,000
Dept. of Economic and Community Development - Shift Support for CT Airport Authority from CSFRF to Surplus	(2,000,000)
Dept. of Transportation - Free Bus Service for July and August of 2022	5,000,000
Criminal Justice	25,540,017
Dept. of Emergency Services and Public Protection - Expand Violent Crimes Task Forces by Adding Municipal Officers	2,217,600
Dept. of Emergency Services and Public Protection - Fund State and Local Police to Address Auto Theft and Violence	5,200,000
Dept. of Emergency Services and Public Protection - Provide Faster Crime Response Through Mobile Crime Laboratory	995,000
Dept. of Emergency Services and Public Protection - Support Gun Tracing Task Force	2,500,000
Dept. of Emergency Services and Public Protection - Support the Domestic Highway Interdiction Team	1,000,000
Dept. of Emergency Services and Public Protection - Upgrade Forensic Technology at the State Crime Lab	2,843,000
Dept. of Public Health - Fund Community Violence Prevention Programs	3,634,417
Dept. of Social Services - Provide Additional Supports for Victims of Domestic Violence	2,900,000
Dept. of Emergency Services and Public Protection - Provide Support for Municipal Real Time Crime Centers	4,250,000
Broadband/Technology	23,000,000
Dept. of Transportation - Outfit M8 Rail Cars with 5G	23,000,000
Courts System	8,306,610
Div. of Criminal Justice - Reduce Court Case Backlogs Through Temporary Prosecutors	4,326,429
Public Defender Services Commission - Reduce Court Backlogs Through Temporary Public Defenders	3,980,181
Economic Assistance	42,250,000
Dept. of Revenue Services - Increase Payments to EITC-Eligible Households on a One-Time Basis	42,250,000
Recreation	25,000,000
Dept. of Energy and Environmental Protection - Enhance Outdoor Recreation and Visitor Experience	25,000,000
Higher Education	500,000
State Dept. of Education - Provide Funding to Support FAFSA Completion	500,000
Grand Total	1,042,889,544

Section 8 amends section 307 of public act 21-2 of the June special session, to revise allocations pertaining to the Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund. Proposed new allocations are shown in the table below.

CCPF Allocations - Agency and Item	Amount
Dept. of Administrative Services - Expand CEN Broadband to Remaining Municipalities and Libraries	19,800,000
Dept. of Administrative Services - Provide Funding to Upgrade the Connecticut Education Network	38,349,000
Dept. of Administrative Services - Support CEN Public K-12 and Charter School Fiber Internet Connectivity Program	850,000
Dept. of Energy and Environmental Protection - Fund Broadband Infrastructure Buildout in Low- Income and Multi-Family Homes, and Businesses	4,000,000
Dept. of Energy and Environmental Protection - Provide Grants for Broadband Infrastructure in Underserved Areas	14,401,612
Grand Total	\$ 77,400,612

Section 9 amends section 29 of special act 21-15, as amended by section 308 of public act 21-2 of the June special session, to correct the names of several entities to correspond to their legal business names, and to add additional uses of carryforward from FY 2021. Proposed uses of surplus funds from this section as well as sections 10 and 11 of the bill, discussed further below, are depicted in the following table:

Proposed Uses of General Fund Carryforward	
By Category and Agency	Amount
Criminal Justice	1,370,605
Dept. of Emerg. Svs and Public Protection - Provide Funding to Increase Training and Education Opportunities for Law Enforcement Officers	500,000
Dept. of Emerg. Svs and Public Protection - Provide Funds for a Statewide Gun Buy Back Program	375,000
Dept. of Emerg. Svs and Public Protection - Provide Funds for One-time Costs of Deadly Weapon Offender Registry Document Management System	95,605
Office of Policy and Management - Fund a Study of Secure Facilities to Address Youthful Offenders	400,000
Efficiency	15,000,000
DAS - Workers' Comp. Claims - Provide Funds to Settle Workers' Compensation Claims to Reduce Future Liabilities	15,000,000
Environment	5,000,000
Dept. of Energy and Environmental Protection - Provide Funding for Sustainable Materials Management Grants Program	5,000,000
Government Services	35,175,939
Secretary of the State - Provide Funds for Elections IT Security and Public Education Campaign	2,000,000
Office of Policy and Management - Enhance Funding for Neglected Cemetery Account Grant Program	75,000
Dept. of Administrative Services - Restore Lapsed Funding for the Firefighters Cancer Relief Fund	800,000
Dept. of Administrative Services - Fund One-time FY 2023 Facility Costs	915,460
Dept. of Labor - Provide Funding to Support COVID Related Unemployment Insurance Program Needs	30,000,000
Dept. of Labor - Provided Funding to Support Restructuring of the UI System	659,159
Dept. of Labor - Provide Funding for System Upgrades to Support Enhanced Employee Wage Record Reporting Requirements	235,000
Comm. On Human Rights and Opportunities - Provide Funding to Continue Support for Durational Staff to Reduce Claims Backlog Exacerbated by the Public Health Emergency	441,320
Dept. of Public Health - Support One-time Systems Development Costs for Revised Testing Requirements for Private Wells and Semi-Public Wells	50,000
Higher Education Support	73,635,161
Univ. of Connecticut - Provide Funding to Support Salary Costs of the 27th Payroll During FY 2023	7,991,695
UConn Health Ctr - Provide Temporary Operating Support to UCHC	30,500,000
UConn Health Ctr - Replace Funds Transferred from the University of Connecticut Health Center Medical Malpractice Trust Fund	20,000,000
UConn Health Ctr - Provide Funding to Support Salary Costs of the 27th Payroll During FY 2023	5,143,466
CT State Colleges and Univ. - Provide Funding to Support Salary Costs of the 27th Payroll During FY 2023	10,000,000
Human Services	1,100,000
Office of Early Childhood - Provide Funding for New Haven Home Visiting Program	1,000,000
State Library - Support for Braille Book Collections at Local Libraries	100,000
Labor	50,000,000
OPM - Reserve for Salary Adjustments - Provide Funding for Collective Bargaining Costs Related to Accrual Payouts and Premium Pay	50,000,000
Modernization	200,000
Comm. On Human Rights and Opportunities - Provide Funding to Automate Portions of the Affirmative Action Process	200,000
Workforce	25,000,000
OPM - Reserve for Salary Adjustments - Provide Incentive Funds for Recruitment and Retention of Healthcare Workers, Engineers and Other Difficult to Recruit Positions	25,000,000
Infrastructure	500,000
Office of the Governor - Provide Funding for Interim Staff Support Necessary for Implementing Federal Infrastructure Bill	100,000
Dept. of Revenue Services - Provide Funding for Interim Staff Support Necessary for Implementing Federal Infrastructure Bill	200,000
Office of Policy and Management - Provide Funding for Interim Staff Support Necessary for Implementing Federal Infrastructure Bill	100,000
Dept. of Energy and Environmental Protection - Provide Funding for Interim Staff Support Necessary for Implementing Federal Infrastructure Bill	100,000
Economic Development	2,000,000
Dept. of Economic and Community Development - Fund Additional Support for Airport Authority to Offer Direct Flights to Jamaica from Carryforward	2,000,000
Grand Total	208,981,705

Section 10 carries forward \$21,138,694 of lapsing General Fund appropriations from FY 2022 to FY 2023 to the Reserve for Salary Adjustments account to support the costs of accrued leave payouts anticipated as part of the retirement surge.

Section 11 carries forward \$30,000,000 of lapsing General Fund appropriations from FY 2022 to FY 2023 to the Department of Labor to support costs of administering the unemployment insurance program.

Section 12 transfers \$800,000 of unappropriated resources of the General Fund in FY 2022 to the Firefighters Cancer Relief Account to replace General Fund appropriations that lapsed in FY 2018 and FY 2019 before they could be transferred to the non-lapsing account.

Section 13 transfers \$75,000 of unappropriated resources of the General Fund in FY 2022 to the Neglected Cemetery Account to support additional grants to municipalities beyond the fees collected under section 7-74 of the general statutes. Such additional grants must be matched by municipalities at 50% and must represent additional support beyond the amount budgeted by the municipality for the existing program.

Section 14 transfers \$20,000,000 of unappropriated resources of the General Fund in FY 2022 to the University of Connecticut Health Center Medical Malpractice Trust Fund to restore funds that were swept as a budget balancing measure in FY 2010 and FY 2011.

Section 15 carries forward \$400,000 in the Insurance Fund from FY 2022 to FY 2023 so that the Office of Health Strategy can complete the biennial statewide facilities and services plan as required under section 19a-634 of the general statutes.

Section 16 carries forward \$100,000 in the Special Transportation Fund from FY 2022 to FY 2023 to support an interim staff person in the Department of Transportation to assist with coordinating and implementing federal infrastructure projects pursuant to the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.

Section 17 carries forward up to \$100,000,000 in the Special Transportation Fund for use by the Department of Transportation as matching funds for federal infrastructure grants. This pay-as-you-go approach will help avoid debt service costs that would be incurred if the match were bonded.

Section 18 stipulates that not less than 50% of the allocation made in section 7 of this bill to Connecticut State Colleges and Universities from Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund for Short Term Recovery Funds shall be utilized to provide institutional financial aid to students enrolled at Connecticut State Colleges and Universities.

Section 19 allows the Department of Public Health to charge costs of administering the Student Loan Repayment Program to the funds available for such program.

Section 20 stipulates that the funding appropriated in section 1 to the Department of Public Health to restore forgone federal funding for Planned Parenthood of Southern New England, Inc., shall be made available only to the extent that federal grants for Title X family planning services are reduced.

Section 21 requires the Department and Children and Families (DCF) and the Division of Public Defender Services (PDS) to develop a plan to achieve federal reimbursement of legal representation in child protection services proceedings. Stipulates that the funding appropriated to PDS in section 1 for such representation prior to removal of a child may be made available upon receipt of the plan by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management (OPM).

Section 22 requires DCF to develop a plan to enhance services provided by youth service bureaus and juvenile review boards. Stipulates that the funding appropriated to DCF in section 1 for the purposes of implementing the plan may be made available upon its receipt by the OPM Secretary.

Section 23 stipulates that the allocation made in section 7 of this bill to the Judicial Department for the Office of Victim Services shall be made available only to the extent that federal Victims of Crime Act Assistance grants are reduced.

Section 24 removes an earmark for Project Oceanology. Instead, it is proposed that this entity apply for funds on a competitive basis, as other entities are generally required to do.

Sections 25-31 revise revenues to support the Governor's proposed budget for FY 2023. Changes are proposed to the General Fund, Special Transportation Fund, Banking Fund, Insurance Fund, Consumer Counsel and Public Utility Control Fund, Workers' Compensation Fund, and Tourism Fund, respectively.