

# Connecticut Bar Association Capitol Update with Bill Chapman



## Capitol Update News

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## @The Capitol

Let's plan on another 18 days until the session ends on May 9, 2018. It seems like the House will be in session starting next Monday through the end of the session, except for next Sunday. If you have a fiscal note on your favorite bill then say goodbye until next session starting in January 2019.

The budget has had some serious discussion and hoping to make some headway through this week. Tax revenue seems better than expected but will it be pilfered into the new budget. Will there be a rainy day fund increase or a transportation lockbox? Of course there will be continued discussions regarding sexual harassment, weed, gambling, tolls, guns, and opioids.

## Ice Cream and Judges

Legislative receptions are being held almost every day in which sugar is causing hallucinations on bills. The ice cream is amazing though.

On Monday there will be a [public hearing in the Judiciary Committee](#) to discuss the governor's nominee for chief justice, then another judge to replace that nominee on the Supreme Court bench, and another appellate court replacement. Then, 30 superior court nominees will be called for the hearing, followed by three family court magistrates, one family court magistrate referee, and

finally concluding with nine workers' compensation commissioners. The hearing could start at 9:30 and if all nominees are called, the hearing could go until 2:00 in the morning. The committee usually calls in the order of the agenda. It is presumed that the public may only submit testimony—one never knows. There is always a possibility that they will move the committee meeting to the next day rather than post hearings.

## In Session House

10:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 24  
10:00 a.m. Wednesday, April 25  
10:00 a.m. Thursday, April 26

## Senate

12:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 24  
12:00 p.m. Wednesday, April 25

## Public Hearing

Monday, April 23, 2018

9:30 a.m. - [Judiciary Committee](#) in room 2C

## Committee Meetings for Referrals

The Government Administration and Elections Committee, Judiciary Committee, Planning and Development Committee, Regulation Review Committee, and Higher Education Committee will meet this week to discuss referrals to their committees.

## **Committee Meetings, Forums, and Presentations**

### **Monday, April 23, 2018**

10:00 a.m – Committee on Children Informational Forum: Alternative Treatments for Opioid Addiction in room 1C

10:30 a.m. – Continuing Legislative Committee on State Planning and Development will hold a public hearing on the state plans of conservation and development, in room 2B

12:30 p.m. – Eversource /United Illuminating: Energy Efficiency Showcase will consist of a

panel discussion regarding energy efficiency programs and services, in room 310

1:00 p.m. – Rep. Godfrey & Sen. Bye Informational Forum Re: The Status of the CTN in room 1D

### **Thursday, April 26, 2018**

10:00 a.m. – Committee on Children Public Informational Forum: Home Schooling Networking & Communication with State Agencies in room 1B