

Connecticut Bar Association Capitol Update with Bill Chapman



Capitol Update News

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The House will be in session every day until May 9, except next Sunday, while the Senate may be in on almost every day too.

Of interest to our CBA members: The House has still not taken up the approval of nominations for an interim Supreme Court justice and an appellate court judge, or the re-nominations for ten superior court judges, three state referees, and one senior judge. One superior court judge has not been brought before either chamber yet. Many of these re-nominations have their eight year term expire on May 5, 2018.

There are also approvals requested in both chambers for our newly nominated chief justice of the Supreme Court, another Supreme Court justice, an appellate court judge, 29 superior court judges, five family magistrates, and nine workers' compensation commissioners. Last week the governor nominated two more attorneys to the superior court. One would be replacing a newly nominated judge who withdrew his nomination, and the other would replace Judge Antonio Robaina who is retiring.

Of course a battle proposed for those newly nominated to the superior court is the state funding for the judges, which also includes staffing requirements for administration and marshals for these judges. This should all take place this week with re-nominations. The

nominated superior court judges will have an answer by May 9.

Meanwhile, legislation will be brought up in the week on tolls, sexual harassment, the budget and a number of other issues being worked on in the last ten days.

In Session

House

11:00 a.m. Monday, April 30
10:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 1
11:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 2
11:30 a.m. Thursday, May 3
10:30 a.m. Friday, May 4
10:30 a.m. Saturday, May 5

Senate

12:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 1
12:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 2
12:00 p.m. Thursday, May 3
12:00 p.m. Friday, May 4
12:00 p.m. Saturday, May 5

Public Hearing

Wednesday, May 2, 2018

10:00 a.m. - Appropriations, Commerce and Housing Committees in room 2E

10:00 a.m. - Judiciary Committee in room 1E on Judicial nominations:
Jennifer Macierowski and Norma I. Sanchez-Figueroa

Committee Meetings

Monday, April 30, 2018

10:00 a.m. - Appropriations Committee
in room 2C

10:00 a.m. - Judiciary Committee (30
minutes before the start of the first
session) outside the House Chamber

Wednesday, May 2, 2018

Appropriations Committee following a 10:00
a.m. public hearing in room 2E

Commerce Committee following a 10:00 a.m.
public hearing in room 2E

Housing Committee following a 10:00 a.m.
public hearing in room 2E

Judiciary Committee following a 10:00 a.m.
public hearing in room 1E

Capitol Update Video

[In this week's Capitol Update video](#) with Representative Craig Fishbein, R-District 90, Cheshire and Wallingford, he speaks of his place in the General Assembly; how he worked for ten years prior to attending law school; and balancing time on his city council, the legislature, and running a law practice. Rep Fishbein is in his first term as a legislator.