
SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, October 27, 2021

TIME: 5:30 PM

PLACE: Room 313 - State House

House Bill No. [6494](#)

(Governor)

BY Abney

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MAKING REVISED APPROPRIATIONS IN SUPPORT OF FISCAL YEAR 2022

{LC3150/1}

10/20/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

The Committee will receive an update from the Governor's Administration on previously authorized child care and childhood health programs and appropriations. It will also hear portions of the [Governor's Supplemental Request to Amend FY2022 Appropriations Act \(2021-H-6494\)](#) relating to child care and childhood health, including proposals for:

- \$12.7 million for bonus payments to child care workers
- \$12.5 million for employee bonus pay for DCYF providers
- \$7.5 million for pediatric primary care performance pay and stabilization grants and enhanced health screenings
- \$5.5 million for Early Intervention program stabilization and performance grants
- \$300,000 for child care provider startup grants

The Committee will hear testimony from:

- Joseph Codega, Budget Officer, Office of Management and Budget, Department of Administration
- Dorothy Pascale, Acting Director, Pandemic Recovery Office, Department of Administration
- Womazetta Jones, Secretary, Executive Office of Health and Human Services
- Cecilia Blue, Interim Director, Department of Human Services
- Kevin Aucoin, Acting Director, Department of Children, Youth, and Families
- Additional program support staff

Documents provided at the hearing will be made available on the General Assembly website at <https://www.rilegislature.gov/Special/comdoc/Pages/SFIN.aspx>

TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL*

Written testimony is encouraged and can be submitted to the committee by emailing it to: jplume@rilegislature.gov

***Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 2:30 PM on Wednesday, October 27, 2021, in order for it to be provided to the members of the committee at the hearing and to be included in the meeting records.**

We ask that all testimony at this juncture be limited to the Governor's specific proposals on the posted agenda topic (see above bullet points). There will be subsequent hearing opportunities to present broader ideas regarding this and other related topics.

Members of the public can also provide in-person testimony to the committee at the hearing, which also should be limited to the Governor's specific proposals on the posted agenda topic. Sign-in for testimony will occur at the hearing location prior to the posted start time.

The meeting will be live streamed at <http://www.rilegislature.gov/CapTV/Pages/default.aspx>.

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