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THE LEGISLATIVE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON MONDAY, MARCH 3, 2014 AT THE LEGISLATIVE OFFICE BUILDING IN HARTFORD.

(Hartford, CT) --- State Victim Advocate Garvin G. Ambrose announces a scheduled public hearing to be conducted by the Legislative Judiciary Committee regarding the following bills that were filed in the 2014 Legislative Session: **SB 261, SB 262, HB 5341, HB 5221 and SB 153.**

"SB261, SB262, and HB5341 are all measures that are being introduced as part of the Office of the Victim Advocate's legislative packet and we would urge your support for these measures, Ambrose stated." Conversely, SB153 and HB5221 are measures that are introduced by the Connecticut Sentencing Commission. The OVA would urge your opposition to HB 5221.

The Judiciary Committee will hold a public hearing on **Monday, March 3, 2014 at 1:00 P.M.** in **Room 1E** of the Legislative Office Building (LOB) located at 300 Capitol Avenue in Hartford. Please submit 45 copies of written testimony to Committee staff no later than one hour prior to the start of the hearing in Room 2500 of the LOB. Testimony should clearly state testifier name and related bill numbers. Electronic testimony may be sent to Jud.Testimony@cga.ct.gov. Testimony submitted after the designated time may not be distributed until after the hearing. Sign-up for the hearing will begin at 11:30 A.M. and conclude at 12:30 P.M. in Room 2500 of the LOB. Speakers will be limited to three minutes of testimony. The Committee requests that testimony be limited to matters related to the bills on the Agenda. All public hearing testimony, written and spoken, is public information. As such, it will be made available on the CGA website and will be indexed by internet search engines.

In preparation for your testimony, we have provided the links below to each of the 2014 proposed legislative items that are scheduled to be discussed. Should you have questions or concerns regarding any of these measures, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of the Victim Advocate.

SB 261 [An Act Concerning the Inheritance Rights of a Beneficiary or Survivor Who is Found Not Guilty of Murder or Manslaughter of the Deceased By Reason of Mental Disease or Defect](#)

SB 262 [An Act Concerning Applications for the Pretrial Alcohol Education Program](#)

HB 5341 [An Act Concerning the Designation of a Person Convicted of Criminal Violation of a Standing Criminal Protective Order as a Persistent Offender](#)

HB 5221 [An Act Concerning the recommendations of the Connecticut Sentencing Commission regarding lengthy sentences for crimes committed by a child or youth and the sentencing of a child or youth convicted of certain felony offenses](#)

SB 153 [An Act Concerning the recommendations of the Connecticut Sentencing Commission with respect to certificates of rehabilitation.](#)

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