

## **Legislative Session Begins; Discrimination Against Unemployed on the Agenda**

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The [new legislative session at the Connecticut General Assembly](#) began last week and the Labor & Public Employee Committee wasted no time setting an agenda for bills for discussion in this short legislative session.

At a committee meeting last Thursday, the Committee discussed a variety of items to be discussed and proposed as bills.

Among [the notable items that received a favorable nod to drafting](#):

- An Act Concerning Discriminatory Hiring Toward the Unemployed
- An Act Concerning State Employees and Bullying in the Workplace
- An Act Concerning Family and Medical Leave for Certain Municipal Employees
- An Act Concerning a Study on Changes to the Pay Frequency Laws
- Act Allowing Employers to Pay Wages Using Payroll Cards

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You can follow the [Committee's progress here](#). The CBIA also provides a [weekly recap of the events at the legislature here](#).

After last year's battle over paid sick leave, this session is not expected to be as bruising but as noted above, there is still plenty of things the legislature can get involved with. In a short session, we'll have to wait and see how much really gets done.

If the legislature wants to do something unusual, then [perhaps it can revisit my list from July 2011 of outdated employment laws that could be considered for repeal](#). Of course, it's easier to add laws than to repeal them, but hope springs eternal.

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