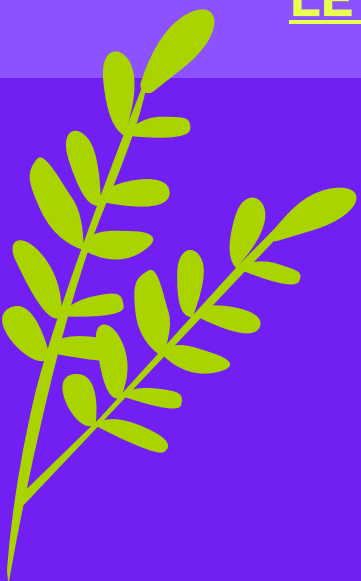


ALL ABOUT

DECLARING RACISM A PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS IN CT

LET'S COMPARE POLICY PROPOSALS



H.B.6662 & S.B.I

BOTH PROPOSALS

- Declare racism a public health crisis
- Establish a commission of appointed members to make recommendations to the Connecticut General Assembly (CGA) for eliminating racial health disparities

S.B.I

Establishes a **Truth and Reconciliation Commission** within the CGA to examine racial disparities across sectors, establishes a **task force** to make recommendations for reducing racial inequities in **maternal mortality/morbidity** (which it defines), requires hospitals to include **implicit bias training**, and sets the appointment date for two-year terms as July 31st, 2021.

H.B.6662

Establishes a cross-sector **Commission on Racial Equity in Public Health** which is required to create a strategic plan, report to the CGA on progress towards equity, and make policy recommendations. Requires the commission remain active until a **70% reduction in designated disparities** is achieved.

S.B.I

This commission will consist of about 6 legislators, 2 executive branch officials, 3 representatives from the Connecticut Children's Medical Center, 3 representatives from health equity organizations, 2 representatives from housing organizations, 1 representative from Civilian Corrections Academy, and 1 member with experience of infant and maternal care. It does not require community engagement.

H.B.6662

This commission will consist of about 14 government officials, using a health equity in all policies approach, and at least 3 representatives of community based organizations (including 1 working to address health inequities, 1 working with people of color who also belong to other minoritized identities, and 1 community-based organization). Community engagement is required.

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NEITHER PROPOSAL

- Defines racism
- Explicitly calls for an Health Equity in All Policies Approach
- Requires the CGA to review existing existing policies and processes for bias
- Allocates funding for staff dedicated to conducting racial and ethnic impact statements on proposed bills

