Following Legislation

Our work is only as good as the input we receive from constituents. Your participation in the legislative process is important and your testimony guides lawmakers in creating responsive policy solutions to the problems facing our state. The 2023 General Assembly is making it easier and more convenient than ever for you to share your thoughts through technology.

HOW TO REGISTER TO TESTIFY AT A PUBLIC HEARING AND HOW TO SUBMIT WRITTEN TESTIMONY

Review the Legislative Bulletin (posted under <u>CGA Daily Records</u>) to see which committees are having public hearings featuring bills of interest.

When a date and time for a public hearing on a bill has been announced, carefully follow the committee's instructions in the Bulletin on how to register to testify or submit written testimony. Be sure to adhere to any deadlines outlined in the instructions.

HOW DO I VIEW A LEGISLATIVE PROCEEDING?

Use the <u>Calendar</u> to find events that you are interested in viewing.

Simply click the "event" on the calendar page to access the viewable link.

When you click on the link to view the hearing, it will take you to a public YouTube page for that committee. Each committee has their own YouTube Channel. You can find the list of available channels <u>here</u>.

The Connecticut Network (CT-N) also provides real-time coverage of many public hearings and meetings, which allows the public to view proceedings as they happen. CT-N posts a calendar of meetings and gives the ability to sign up for meeting alerts. You may view live and previously recorded meetings <u>here</u>. You may sign up for CT-N meeting notices <u>here</u>.

BILL TRACKING

Interested in a policy topic or specific bill before the General Assembly? You can sign up for the General Assembly's free tracking service to follow bills through the entire legislative process. The bill tracking system will link you to testimony, vote tally sheets, and more. Visit <u>Bill Tracking</u> to register today!