Coalition for a Safe and Healthy Connecticut

We’re working hard to protect children’s health!!

Join the CT Campaign for Toxic Free Kids!

The Coalition has been extremely busy working on bills to protect children’s health! We are thrilled that we have two similar bills moving forward during this short legislative session. Both bills will set up a framework in the state in which the DPH will identify chemicals that pose an exposure hazard to a developing fetus and young children and make recommendations for action to the Legislature every two years!

Here’s where we are:

Both bills had public hearings and were voted favorably out of their respective committees. They are now being reviewed by the legislative staff to determine where they go next. At some point, only one bill will move forward. The bill must be voted on favorably by the Senate and the House before May 7th!! So we have a very short timeframe to get a lot done!

Thanks to you, we are making good progress. We have 20 co-sponsors on the bills and bipartisan support! We are hearing from legislators that they are getting calls and emails urging them to support these bills and it is making a difference. **It is critically important to keep this up until the bill passes!!!**
The chemical and toy industry lobbyists are working daily in Hartford to oppose our bills. The only way that we will win is by mobilizing a huge groundswell of grassroots support with calls and emails to your legislators! **It is good to keep calling until you hear back that your legislators will vote for the bill!**

**HERE’S WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP!!**

1) Take a minute to call or email your Representative and your Senator today! (You’ll leave a message or get their aide).

2) Here’s what to say!
   “My name is ____ from _____. I am calling to urge Rep/Senator to support and co-sponsor Senate Bill 126 and House Bill 5354. Please let me know if he will vote for and co-sponsor these important bills. I can be reached at _______.”

3) Find your legislators here:
4) **Please** click and send our action alerts when you receive them! We know from talking with legislators that they are paying attention to these but we need to keep it up!! Then forward these actions to others in your network!

5) Let us know if you receive any feedback from your legislators, and if they sign on as co-sponsors, be sure to thank them!

**WITH YOUR HELP, WE CAN DO THIS!**

**SAVE THE DATE** for our Big Rally!

We’re planning a big rally at the Capitol on **April 24th** to urge Legislators to pass our bill. Join us, Coach Jim Calhoun and many legislators to support our bill! It will be a fun event and an opportunity to show our legislators that there is a lot of support for protecting children’s health! Stay tuned for details and we hope you’ll join us!!! Let’s get a record breaking crowd of parents, kids and all concerned citizens to make our voices heard!!

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**We have a new address, stop by and see us!**
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**Follow us and get involved!**
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**Thanks for all you do! Your support, calls and emails are making a huge difference!**

Anne Hulick and everyone in the Coalition