

## Legislative Update May 15, 2025

## **Legislative Update**

<u>SB 1427</u>: An Act Expanding Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program Benefits to Certain School Employees

- Covers public and private elementary and secondary school employees whose job does not require a certification/license under Chapter 166 under CT Paid Leave and CT FMLA. Includes paraeducators, cafeteria workers, bus drivers, library aides, etc.
- Passed Senate on May 8; now waiting for a vote in the House
- Amendment clarifies definition of public school and allows the Authority to create a policy for determining the base period and base weekly earnings for school employees



## **Additional Updates**

- Collaboration with Governor Lamont and DECD Commissioner O'Keefe to highlight WalletHub's recent study ranking Connecticut as the 2<sup>nd</sup> best state for working moms
  - <u>▶ Op-ed</u> in Hearst Media published Mother's Day weekend
- Legislator newsletter: includes monthly updates, links to recent media and map showing the number of claims by town
  - ➤ March: 95.2% open rate
  - ➤ April: 95.8% open rate
- Upcoming event: 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Mental Health and Wellness Fair at the Capitol hosted by Representative Kai Belton on Tuesday, 5/20

