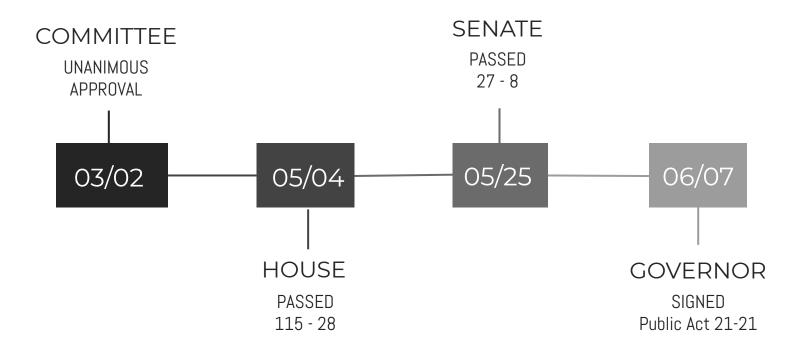
Public Act 21-21

Extends Public Act 14-133 to include ALL adult adopted persons' rights to obtain their original birth certificates

WHAT HAPPENED?



CONNECTICUT IS THE **10TH** STATE TO ACHIEVE FULL EQUALITY FOR ALL ADULT ADOPTEES

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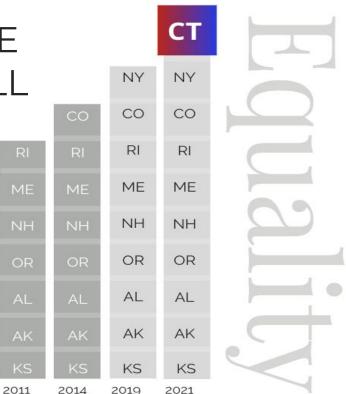
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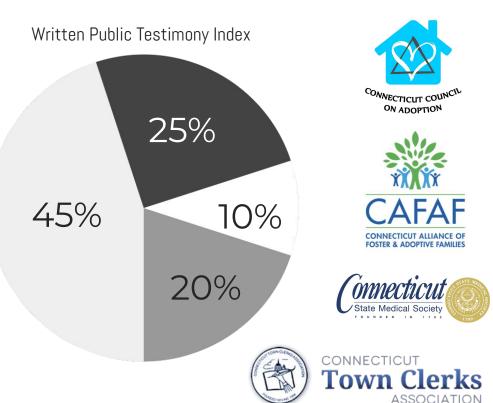
ADOPTEES

BIRTH PARENTS

PROFESSIONALS

OTHER

Adoptive families, birth families, adoptees' spouses, adult descendants, general supporters, etc.





LEGISLATIVE CHAMPIONS



SENATOR STEVE CASSANO (D-4)

REPRESENTATIVE CRISTIN MCCARTHY VAHEY (D-133)





ADOPTEES

It's life-changing and life-affirming. They feel more whole knowing they can get their truths.

ADOPTION PROFESSIONALS / AGENCIES

Consider informing clients. Any representations made in the past to the contrary may need to be examined.



ADOPTIVE PARENTS

Prepare for their adopted child to obtain their original birth certificate when they become of age.



BIRTH PARENTS

Should also be properly advised.

WHAT DOES P.A. 21-21 MEAN FOR...

CURRENT

Adult adoptees who qualify (born after Oct. 1983) go through DPH to obtain their original birth certificate. It costs \$65.

NEW

All adult adoptees will obtain their original birth certificates through the town clerk* in the town where they were born. It will cost \$65.

If an adoptee or their descendant doesn't know the town where the adoptee was born, they can either look on their amended birth certificate (to our knowledge that information was not changed) OR they can request DCF check their index of all adoptions in the state of Connecticut since 1919.

THANK YOU

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