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Executive Director Ellen Shemitz Appointed To State Commission on Economic Competitiveness

Ellen Shemitz, Executive Director of Connecticut Voices for Children, a statewide research-based think tank that improves opportunity for Connecticut's children and families through robust data-collection and strategic public investment advocacy, was appointed to the Commission on Economic Competitiveness as an attorney by Martin M. Looney, President Pro Tempore and State Senator of Connecticut's 11th District. With this appointment, Director Shemitz will help study measures to improve Connecticut's employment and business climate including measures to support workforce development and family and economic security.

“By investing in workforce development, we can support a positive business environment that creates opportunities for families across the state. Children thrive when families thrive and families thrive when they live in vibrant communities with healthy business growth,” said Director Shemitz. “I truly appreciate the faith Sen. Looney’s displayed in the work of Connecticut Voices for Children, and look forward to studying solutions to our state’s tax revenue concerns with the Commission.”

State lawmakers established the Commission on Economic Competitiveness in an amendment to a budget-related bill passed during the June 29, 2015 special legislative session, according to the Associated Press.

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