



House of Representatives

General Assembly

File No. 626

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Substitute House Bill No. 5608

House of Representatives, April 14, 2000

The Committee on Government Administration and Elections reported through REP. KNOPP of the 137th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

An Act Concerning Selection Of A Site For The Juvenile Matters Detention Center In Bridgeport.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) Not later than July 1, 2000, the Commissioner of
2 Public Works, in consultation with the Chief Court Administrator,
3 shall select a site for the Juvenile Matters Detention Center in
4 Bridgeport.

5 Sec. 2. (NEW) Subject to the provisions of section 4b-23 of the
6 general statutes, the state shall take land, or any interest or estate
7 therein, for the site for the Juvenile Matters Detention Center in
8 Bridgeport. The amount of damages for any such taking shall be
9 determined in the manner provided by section 48-10 of the general
10 statutes and the procedures for any such taking shall be in accordance
11 with chapter 835 of the general statutes.

12 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect from its passage.

GAE Committee Vote: Yea 22 Nay 0 JFS

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Affected Agencies: Department of Public Works, Judicial Department

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

State and Municipal Impact:

The passage of this bill is not anticipated to result in a fiscal impact to the state or to the city of Bridgeport. The bill requires the commissioner of the Department of Public Works (DPW) to consult with the chief court administrator and select a site for the Bridgeport Juvenile Matters Detention Center by July 1, 2000. DPW, the Judicial Department and the city of Bridgeport already have been working to select a site, and the state has advertised for a location with responses due by April 15, 2000.

It also requires the state to follow the statutory eminent domain procedures currently in place. The state may already exercise its right of eminent domain if an appropriate site is not obtained through the advertising process.

A total of \$23,900,000 in bond funds have been authorized for the development of a new Juvenile Matters and Detention Center in Bridgeport. The first portion of these authorizations, \$500,000 for a

feasibility study, was authorized in 1990. Of the total bond authorizations for this project, \$23,500,500 remains unallocated.

OLR Amended Bill Analysis

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AN ACT CONCERNING SELECTION OF A SITE FOR THE JUVENILE MATTERS DETENTION CENTER IN BRIDGEPORT.

SUMMARY:

This bill requires the public works commissioner to consult with the chief court administrator and select a site for the Bridgeport Juvenile Matters Detention Center by July 1, 2000. It requires the project to be included in the state facility plan, which is a projection of the property needs for state agencies. The plan is submitted to the Office of Policy and Management and subsequently to the State Properties Review Board.

The bill also requires the state to follow the statutory eminent domain procedures for state agencies. These statutes describe when the state can take land and provide procedures for compensating people who have an interest in the property. As required by those statutes for state condemnation cases, a state referee must determine the amount the state must pay.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

BACKGROUND

Legislative History

The House referred this bill (File 420) to the Government Administration and Elections Committee on April 7. On April 12, the committee reported out its version, which changes the effective date from October 1, 2000 to upon passage and the date for selecting a site from April 1, 2000 to July 1, 2000.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Judiciary Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 40 Nay 0

Government Administration and Elections Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 22 Nay 0