



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 460

LCO No. 1913

Referred to Committee on Public Safety

Introduced by:
(PS)

***An Act Concerning Changes To Statutes Affecting The
Department Of Public Safety.***

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 46b-38d of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

3 (b) Each police department, including resident troopers and
4 constables, shall report all family violence incidents where an arrest
5 occurs or where a suicide is committed to the Commissioner of Public
6 Safety, who shall compile statistics of family violence crimes and cause
7 them to be published annually in the Connecticut Uniform Crime
8 Reports. An offense shall be counted for each incident reported to the
9 police. A zero shall be reported if no incidents have occurred during
10 the reporting periods.

11 Sec. 2. Section 29-251b of the general statutes is repealed and the
12 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

13 There is established, within the Department of Public Safety a
14 Building Code Training Council which shall advise the State Building

15 Inspector and the Codes and Standards Committee on all matters
16 pertaining to certification training programs, continuing educational
17 programs for building officials pursuant to section 29-262 and
18 programs for all other persons eligible to receive training pursuant to
19 subsections (a) and (c) of section 29-251c, as amended. The council
20 shall be composed of seventeen members, who shall be residents of
21 this state, appointed as follows: (1) The State Building Inspector, or
22 [his] such inspector's designee; (2) one by the Codes and Standards
23 Committee, who shall be a member of said committee; (3) three by the
24 Connecticut Building Officials Association, each of whom shall be a
25 member of said association; (4) one by the Board of Governors of
26 Higher Education; (5) one by the Board of Trustees of the Community-
27 Technical Colleges; (6) one by the Governor; [, who shall be a chief
28 elected official of a municipality;] (7) seven by the Commissioner of
29 Public Safety: (A) One of whom shall be an architect licensed pursuant
30 to chapter 390, selected from a list of individuals submitted by the
31 Connecticut Chapter of the American Institute of Architects; (B) one of
32 whom shall be a professional engineer, licensed pursuant to chapter
33 391, selected from a list of individuals submitted by the Connecticut
34 Engineers in Private Practice; (C) one of whom shall be a landscape
35 architect, licensed pursuant to chapter 396, selected from a list of
36 individuals submitted by the Connecticut Chapter of the American
37 Society of Landscape Architects; (D) one of whom shall be an interior
38 designer registered pursuant to chapter 396a, selected from a list of
39 individuals submitted by the Connecticut Coalition of Interior
40 Designers; (E) one of whom shall be a member of the Connecticut State
41 Building Trades Council, selected from a list of individuals submitted
42 by said organization; and (F) two of whom shall be builders, general
43 contractors or superintendents of construction, one having expertise in
44 residential building construction, selected from a list of individuals
45 submitted by the Home Builders Association of Connecticut, Inc., and
46 one having expertise in nonresidential building construction, selected
47 from a list of individuals submitted by the Associated General
48 Contractors of Connecticut, Incorporated; (8) one by the Director of the

49 Office of Protection and Advocacy for Persons with Disabilities; and
50 (9) one by the president pro tempore of the Senate, who shall be a
51 member of the public. The council shall elect a chairperson and vice-
52 chairperson from among its members. Any member who fails to attend
53 at least fifty per cent of all meetings held during any calendar year or
54 fails to attend three consecutive meetings shall be deemed to have
55 resigned from the council. Vacancies on the council shall be filled by
56 the appointing authority. Members of the council shall serve without
57 compensation but shall, within the limits of available funds as
58 approved by the Commissioner of Public Safety, be reimbursed for
59 necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

60 Sec. 3. Subsection (e) of section 29-252a of the general statutes is
61 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

62 (e) The State Building Inspector or [his] said inspector's designee
63 [shall] may inspect or cause to be inspected any construction of
64 buildings or alteration of existing buildings by state agencies. The State
65 Building Inspector may order any state agency to comply with the
66 State Building Code.

67 Sec. 4. Section 29-298a of the general statutes is repealed and the
68 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

69 There shall be established within the Department of Public Safety a
70 Fire Marshal Training Council which shall advise the State Fire
71 Marshal and the Codes and Standards Committee on all matters
72 pertaining to certification training programs, in-service training for fire
73 marshals in the state and programs for all other persons eligible to
74 receive training pursuant to subsections (a) to (c), inclusive, of section
75 29-251c, as amended. The council shall be composed of twelve
76 members as follows: The State Fire Marshal or [his] such fire marshal's
77 designee; [a member] two members of the Codes and Standards
78 Committee to be elected by such committee; three members appointed
79 by the Connecticut Fire Marshals' Association, one of whom shall be [a
80 volunteer, one of whom shall be a part-time paid, and one of whom

81 shall be a full-time, local fire marshal, deputy fire marshal or fire
82 inspector] from a municipality with a population in excess of forty
83 thousand, one of whom shall be from a municipality with a population
84 of fewer than forty thousand and one of whom shall be either a paid or
85 a volunteer fire official; one member appointed by the Board of
86 Governors of Higher Education; [two members] one member
87 appointed by the Board of Trustees for the Community-Technical
88 Colleges; [the chief elected official of a municipality having a
89 population in excess of seventy thousand persons, appointed by the
90 Governor; the chief elected official of a municipality having a
91 population of less than seventy thousand persons, appointed by the
92 Governor;] and [two] four public members, appointed by the
93 Governor. Members shall be residents of this state and shall not be
94 compensated for their services but shall be reimbursed for necessary
95 expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. The council may
96 elect such officers as it deems necessary.

Statement of Purpose:

To make changes to Department of Public Safety statutes as follows:
To require family violence reports where suicide is committed; to
broaden the eligibility of the member appointed by the Governor to
the Building Code Training Council; to bring an existing statute into
conformity with 1999 legislation; and to broaden eligibility of members
of the Fire Code Training Council, while keeping the same number of
members.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]