



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 6814

LCO No. 3934

Referred to Committee on Commerce

Introduced by:
(CE)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROMOTION OF ARTIST COLONIES.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) A municipality that is a targeted investment
2 community, as defined in section 32-222 of the general statutes, may,
3 with the approval of the Commissioner of Economic and Community
4 Development, designate an area of the municipality as an artist colony
5 area. Within an artist colony zone area, sales of artists' supplies to any
6 resident artist, artisan or craftsperson shall be exempt from the sales
7 tax provided for in section 12-417 of the general statutes, as amended
8 by this act. The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance
9 with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, which (1)
10 further define the term "artist" and "artists supplies" for the purposes
11 of this section, (2) establish an application procedure for municipalities
12 seeking the approval of the commissioner for artist colony
13 designations, and (3) establish criteria for the issuance by the
14 commissioner of approvals for such designation.

15 Sec. 2. Section 12-412 of the general statutes is amended by adding
16 subdivision (113) as follows:

17 (NEW) (113) Sales of and the use or other consumption of art
18 supplies to an artist, artisan or craftsman residing in an artist colony,
19 as designated by the Commissioner of Economic and Community
20 Development pursuant to section 1 of this act.

21 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001, and shall be applicable
22 to sales occurring on and after that date.

Statement of Purpose:

To promote artist colonies by providing a sales tax exemption for resident artists.

[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.]