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Substitute House Bill No. 5166

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The Committee on Government Administration and Elections reported through REP. O'ROURKE of the 32nd Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE LONG-TERM CARE ADVISORY COUNCIL.

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 17b-338 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
3 *October 1, 2002*):

4 (a) There is established a Long-Term Care Advisory Council which
5 shall consist of the following: (1) The executive director of the
6 Commission on Aging, or the executive director's designee; (2) the
7 State Nursing Home Ombudsman, or the ombudsman's designee; (3)
8 the president of the Coalition of Presidents of Resident Councils, or the
9 president's designee; (4) the executive director of the Legal Assistance
10 Resource Center of Connecticut, or the executive director's designee;
11 (5) [one representative of the Connecticut Chapter of the American
12 Association of Retired Persons, appointed by the president of the

13 chapter] the state president of AARP, or the president's designee; (6)
14 one representative of a bargaining unit for health care employees,
15 appointed by the president of the bargaining unit; (7) the president of
16 the Connecticut Association of Not-For-Profit Providers for the Aging,
17 or the president's designee; (8) the president of the Connecticut
18 Association of Health Care Facilities, or the president's designee; (9)
19 the president of the Connecticut Association of [Licensed] Residential
20 Care Homes, [for the Aged,] or the president's designee; (10) the
21 president of the Connecticut Hospital Association or the president's
22 designee; (11) the executive director of the Connecticut Assisted Living
23 Association or the executive director's designee; (12) the executive
24 director of the Connecticut [Homecare] Association for Homecare or
25 the executive director's designee; (13) the president of Connecticut
26 Community Care, Inc. or the president's designee; (14) one member of
27 the Connecticut Association of Area Agencies on Aging appointed by
28 the agency; (15) [the executive director] a representative of a
29 Connecticut chapter of the Connecticut Alzheimer's Association; [or
30 the executive director's designee;] (16) one member of the Adult Day
31 Care Association appointed by the association; (17) the president of the
32 Connecticut Chapter of the American College of Health Care
33 Administrators, or the president's designee; (18) the president of the
34 Connecticut Council for Persons with Disabilities, or the president's
35 designee; [and] (19) the president of the Connecticut Association of
36 Community Action Agencies, or the president's designee; (20) a
37 personal care attendant as appointed by the members of the Long-
38 Term Care Advisory Council; (21) the president of the Family Support
39 Council, or the president's designee; (22) a member who, in a home
40 setting, cares for a person with a disability and is appointed by the
41 members of the Long-Term Care Advisory Council; (23) three
42 members who are persons with a disability and are appointed by the
43 members of the Long-Term Care Advisory Council; (24) a legislator
44 who is a member of the Long-Term Care Planning Committee; and (25)
45 one member who is a nonunion home health aide appointed by the
46 members of the Long-Term Care Advisory Council.

47 Sec. 2. Section 17b-338 of the general statutes is amended by adding

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

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

This bill adds several members to the Long Term Care Advisory Council and requires it to seek recommendations from people with disabilities or people receiving long term care services who reflect the socio-economic diversity of the state. These changes are not anticipated to result in any fiscal impact to the state.

OLR Bill Analysis

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AN ACT CONCERNING THE LONG-TERM CARE ADVISORY COUNCIL**SUMMARY:**

This bill requires the Long-Term Care Advisory Council (LTCAC) to seek recommendations from people with disabilities or people receiving long-term care services who reflect the state's socioeconomic diversity.

It also adds eight new members to the 19-member LTCAC. They are (1) a personal care attendant appointed by the LTCAC members; (2) the president of the Family Support Council or his designee; (3) someone who, in a home setting, cares for a person with a disability and is appointed by the LTCAC members; (4) three people with disabilities appointed by the LTCAC members; (5) a legislator who is a member of the Long-Term Care Planning Committee; and (6) a nonunion home health aide appointed by the LTCAC members.

The bill also makes some minor and technical changes regarding some of the existing council members. It puts the state president of AARP (formerly known as the American Association of Retired Persons) himself or his designee on the council, instead of only his appointee. It also puts a representative of a Connecticut chapter of the Connecticut Alzheimer's Association, instead of the executive director of the Connecticut Alzheimer's Association, on the council. And it makes corrections in the names of several entities represented on the council.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2002

BACKGROUND***Long-Term Care Advisory Council***

The LTCAC, composed of long-term care providers and consumer advocates, advises the interagency Long-Term Care Planning Committee which is composed of representatives from executive

agencies and legislators. The LTC Planning Committee's charge is to exchange information on long-term care issues, coordinate long-term care policy development, establish a statewide long-term care plan for the elderly and others in need of long-term care and revise it every three years, and study related issues.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Select Committee on Aging

Joint Favorable Change of Reference

Yea 12 Nay 0

Government Administration and Elections Committee

Joint Favorable Report

Yea 19 Nay 0