



# House of Representatives

General Assembly

**File No. 57**

*January Session, 2003*

House Bill No. 5837

*House of Representatives, March 25, 2003*

The Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement reported through REP. KERENSKY of the 14th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

## ***AN ACT CONCERNING THE BALLARD INSTITUTE AND MUSEUM OF PUPPETRY.***

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

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) The Ballard Institute and  
2 Museum of Puppetry at The University of Connecticut shall be  
3 designated the State Museum of Puppetry. Said museum shall collect,  
4 preserve and research works of puppetry and puppet theater and  
5 prepare public exhibits at the museum and educational exhibits and  
6 programs that may be used by institutions of higher education, public  
7 and nonpublic schools, libraries, appropriate state agencies or other  
8 public institutions.

This act shall take effect as follows:

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2003</i>
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*HED*      *Joint Favorable*

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:

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**OFA Fiscal Note**

**State Impact:**

<b>Agency Affected</b>	<b>Fund-Type</b>	<b>FY 04 \$</b>	<b>FY 05 \$</b>
UConn	FF - Revenue Gain	Potential	Potential

Note: FF=Federal Fund

**Municipal Impact:** None

**Explanation**

Designation of the Ballard Institute and Museum of Puppetry at the University of Connecticut as the State Museum of Puppetry results in a potential revenue gain to the University of Connecticut. Designation as the State Museum of Puppetry would allow for the application for federal funds, which the museum is currently not eligible. The potential revenue gain is dependent on future federal budget decisions which cannot be estimated.

**OLR Bill Analysis**

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***AN ACT CONCERNING THE BALLARD INSTITUTE AND MUSEUM OF PUPPETRY*****SUMMARY:**

This bill designates the Ballard Institute and Museum of Puppetry at the University of Connecticut as the State Museum of Puppetry. It requires the museum to collect, preserve, and research works of puppetry and puppet theater. The museum must also prepare public exhibits on its premises and educational exhibits and programs for use by higher education institutions, public and private schools, libraries, appropriate state agencies, and other public institutions.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2003

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee

Joint Favorable Report

Yea 21    Nay 0