



General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 5101

LCO No. 2788

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by:
(JUD)

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE PENALTY FOR ASSAULT OF CIVILIAN
DETENTION OFFICERS.**

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

1 Section 1. Section 53a-167c of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

3 (a) A person is guilty of assault of public safety or emergency
4 medical personnel when, with intent to prevent a reasonably
5 identifiable peace officer, firefighter or employee of an emergency
6 medical service organization, as defined in section 53a-3, emergency
7 room physician or nurse, employee of the Department of Correction,
8 employee or member of the Board of Parole, probation officer,
9 employee of the judicial branch assigned to provide pretrial secure
10 detention and programming services to juveniles accused of the
11 commission of a delinquent act, [or] employee of the Department of
12 Children and Families assigned to provide direct services to children
13 and youth in the care or custody of the department or employee of a
14 municipal police department assigned to provide security at the police
15 department's lockup and holding facility from performing his or her
16 duties, and while such peace officer, [fireman] firefighter, employee,

17 physician, nurse, member or probation officer is acting in the
 18 performance of his or her duties, (1) such person causes physical injury
 19 to such peace officer, firefighter, employee, physician, nurse, member
 20 or probation officer, or (2) such person throws or hurls, or causes to be
 21 thrown or hurled, any rock, bottle, can or other article, object or missile
 22 of any kind capable of causing physical harm, damage or injury, at
 23 such peace officer, firefighter, employee, physician, nurse, member or
 24 probation officer, or (3) such person uses or causes to be used any
 25 mace, tear gas or any like or similar deleterious agent against such
 26 peace officer, firefighter, employee, physician, nurse, member or
 27 probation officer, or (4) such person throws or hurls, or causes to be
 28 thrown or hurled, any paint, dye or other like or similar staining,
 29 discoloring or coloring agent or any type of offensive or noxious
 30 liquid, agent or substance at such peace officer, firefighter, employee,
 31 physician, nurse, member or probation officer, or (5) such person
 32 throws or hurls, or causes to be thrown or hurled, any bodily fluid
 33 including, but not limited to, urine, feces, blood or saliva at such peace
 34 officer, firefighter, employee, physician, nurse, member or probation
 35 officer.

36 (b) Assault of public safety or emergency medical personnel is a
 37 class C felony. If any person who is confined in an institution or facility
 38 of the Department of Correction is sentenced to a term of
 39 imprisonment for assault of an employee of the Department of
 40 Correction under this section, such term shall run consecutively to the
 41 term for which the person was serving at the time of the assault.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	October 1, 2003

JUD *Joint Favorable*