



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 6504

LCO No. 2347

Referred to Committee on Commerce

Introduced by:

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AN ACT CONCERNING STANDARDS FOR STATE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

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

1 That the general statutes be amended to (1) require that the
2 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, the
3 Connecticut Development Authority and Connecticut Innovations,
4 Incorporated shall not award state assistance to businesses in
5 Connecticut unless the recipient of such assistance enters into an
6 agreement with the awarding authority, for the term of the agreement
7 or for a period of five years following the receipt of such assistance,
8 whichever is greater, to (A) remain in substantial and material
9 compliance with state and federal law; (B) provide compensation,
10 including health and other benefits or the actuarial value of such
11 benefits, that is at least equal or equivalent to the standard
12 compensation as determined annually by the Labor Commissioner; (C)
13 offer compensation and benefits to part-time employees that are
14 comparable to the compensation and benefits offered to full-time
15 employees performing comparable work, prorated as to the amount of
16 time worked that is less than the standard for full-time employees of

17 the recipient; and (D) maintain or increase full-time employment,
18 based on the highest total number of full-time employees of the
19 recipient on any date during the period commencing one year prior to
20 the date of such agreement with the awarding authority and ending on
21 the date of the agreement, and (2) enhance penalties for
22 noncompliance with such agreement, including fines and other
23 penalties.

Statement of Purpose:

To require that the Department of Economic and Community Development, Connecticut Development Authority and Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated require that recipients of state subsidies for economic development meet specific compensation, benefit, job creation and state and federal law compliance standards.