



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 5622**

February Session, 2008

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**AN ACT CONCERNING EXPANSION OF SHELTER SERVICES FOR VICTIMS OF HOUSEHOLD ABUSE.**

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

1 Section 1. Section 17b-850 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2008*):

3 (a) The Department of Social Services shall establish a program for  
4 shelter services for victims of household abuse and may contract with  
5 any nonprofit organization to provide such services in the locality  
6 served by such nonprofit organization. The program [may] shall  
7 include, but need not be limited to, the following: (1) Rental and  
8 maintenance of a shelter facility; (2) access to host homes and motels  
9 and referrals to long term shelters; (3) provision for twenty-four-hour  
10 on-site support staff; [(3)] (4) provision for emergency food and living  
11 expenses; and [(4)] (5) such social services as are deemed necessary by  
12 the Commissioner of Social Services.

13 (b) The Commissioner of Social Services shall adopt regulations in  
14 accordance with chapter 54 necessary to implement the purposes of  
15 this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2008</i>	17b-850
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*Joint Favorable Subst. C/R*

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