



General Assembly

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**Committee Bill No. 5535**

LCO No. 4068

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Referred to Committee on Planning and Development

Introduced by:  
(PD)

**AN ACT CONCERNING ELIGIBILITY OF NONRESIDENTS TO VOTE  
AT TOWN MEETINGS OR REFERENDA.**

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

1 Section 1. Section 7-6 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2009*):

3 At any town meeting other than a regular or special town election  
4 or at any meeting of any fire, sewer or school district or any other  
5 municipal subdivision of any town incorporated by any special act,  
6 any person who is an elector of such town may vote and any citizen of  
7 the United States of the age of eighteen years or more who, jointly or  
8 severally, is liable to the town, district or subdivision for taxes assessed  
9 against him on an assessment of not less than [one] twenty-five  
10 thousand dollars on the last-completed grand list of such town, district  
11 or subdivision, or who would be so liable if not entitled to an  
12 exemption under subdivision (17), (19), (22), (23), (25) or (26) of section  
13 12-81, may vote, unless restricted by the provisions of any special act  
14 relating to such town, district or subdivision.

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

Section 1	October 1, 2009	7-6
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**Statement of Purpose:**

To update eligibility requirements for nonresident property owners to vote in local referenda and at town meetings.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*

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