



General Assembly

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**Committee Bill No. 5965**

LCO No. 4297

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Referred to Committee on Government Administration and Elections

Introduced by:  
(GAE)

**AN ACT ESTABLISHING THOMAS PAINE DAY.**

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 10-29a of the general statutes is  
2 amended by adding subdivision (53) as follows (*Effective from passage*):

3 (NEW) (53) The Governor shall proclaim the twenty-ninth day of  
4 January of each year to be Thomas Paine Day to honor Thomas Paine,  
5 the author and theorist, for his instrumental role in the cause of  
6 independence leading to the American Revolution. Suitable exercises  
7 shall be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor  
8 designates for the observance of the day.

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

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	10-29a(a)
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**Statement of Purpose:**

To establish a day to honor Thomas Paine.

*[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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