



General Assembly

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**Raised Bill No. 6358**

LCO No. 2793

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Referred to Committee on Public Safety and Security

Introduced by:  
(PS)

**AN ACT CONCERNING ADDITIONAL OFF-TRACK BETTING BRANCH FACILITIES.**

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

1 Section 1. Section 12-571a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 (a) The Division of Special Revenue and the Gaming Policy Board  
4 shall not operate or authorize the operation of more than eighteen off-  
5 track betting branch facilities, except that the division and the board  
6 may operate or authorize the operation of any off-track betting facility  
7 approved prior to December 31, 1986, by the legislative body of a  
8 municipality in accordance with subsection (a) of section 12-572. Any  
9 facility approved prior to December 31, 1986, shall be included within  
10 the eighteen branch facilities authorized by this subsection.

11 (b) The eighteen off-track betting branch facilities authorized by  
12 subsection (a) of this section may include [ten] twelve facilities which  
13 have screens for the simulcasting of off-track betting race programs or  
14 jai alai games and other amenities including, but not limited to,  
15 restaurants and concessions, provided, on and after [June 25, 2007] the

16 effective date of this section, the [ten] twelve facilities which have  
17 simulcasting shall be located in the town and city of New Haven, the  
18 town of Windsor Locks the town of East Haven, the town and city of  
19 Norwalk, the town and city of Hartford, the town and city of New  
20 Britain, the town and city of Bristol, the town and city of Torrington,  
21 the town and city of Waterbury, the town and city of Milford, the town  
22 of Putnam and in the town and city of Bridgeport. The location of each  
23 such facility shall be approved by the executive director with the  
24 consent of the Gaming Policy Board and shall be subject to the prior  
25 approval of the legislative body of the town in which such facility is  
26 proposed to be located. The division shall report annually to the joint  
27 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
28 matters relating to legalized gambling on the status of the  
29 establishment or improvement of the off-track betting branch facility  
30 pursuant to this subsection.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	12-571a

**Statement of Purpose:**

To permit the simulcasting of off-track betting race programs in two additional facilities in Milford and Putnam.

*[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.]*