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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSIONERS' RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE GENERAL GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS STATUTES."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2010*) (a) There is established a
4 Commission on the Status of Protected Citizens.

5 (b) The commission shall consist of twenty-one members, appointed
6 as follows: (1) Three by the Governor; (2) three by the president pro
7 tempore of the Senate; (3) three by the majority leader of the Senate; (4)
8 three by the minority leader of the Senate; (5) three by the speaker of
9 the House of Representatives; (6) three by the majority leader of the
10 House of Representatives; and (7) three by the minority leader of the
11 House of Representatives.

12 (c) The Commission on the Status of Protected Citizens shall
13 constitute a successor commission to the Asian Pacific American
14 Affairs Commission, African-American Affairs Commission,
15 Commission on Aging, Commission on Children, Latino and Puerto
16 Rican Affairs Commission and Permanent Commission on the Status
17 of Women. On the effective date of this section, the Commission on the
18 Status of Protected Citizens shall assume all responsibilities of the
19 Asian Pacific American Affairs Commission, African-American Affairs
20 Commission, Commission on Aging, Commission on Children, Latino
21 and Puerto Rican Affairs Commission and Permanent Commission on
22 the Status of Women pursuant to any provision of the general statutes.
23 The transfer of functions, powers, duties, obligations, including, but
24 not limited to, contract obligations, the continuance of orders and
25 regulations, the effect upon pending actions and proceedings, the
26 completion of unfinished business, and the transfer of records and
27 property between the Asian Pacific American Affairs Commission,
28 African-American Affairs Commission, Commission on Aging,
29 Commission on Children, Latino and Puerto Rican Affairs
30 Commission and Permanent Commission on the Status of Women, as
31 said commissions existed immediately prior to the effective date of this
32 section, and the Commission on the Status of Protected Citizens shall
33 be governed by the provisions of subsections (a) to (d), inclusive, and
34 subsection (f) of section 4-38d and sections 4-38e and 4-39 of the
35 general statutes.

36 (d) Wherever the words "Asian Pacific American Affairs
37 Commission", "African-American Affairs Commission", "Commission
38 on Aging", "Commission on Children", "Latino and Puerto Rican
39 Affairs Commission" and "Permanent Commission on the Status of
40 Women" are used in the general statutes, the words "Commission on
41 the Status of Protected Citizens" shall be substituted in lieu thereof.

42 (e) Each member of the commission shall serve for a term of two
43 years from July first in the year of his or her appointment. The
44 commission shall elect a chairperson and a vice chairperson from
45 among its members who shall each serve in such capacity for a period

46 of two years. Any person absent from (1) three consecutive meetings of
47 the commission, or (2) fifty per cent of such meetings during any
48 calendar year shall be deemed to have resigned from the commission,
49 effective immediately.

50 (f) Vacancies on the commission shall be filled by the appointing
51 authority. Members of the commission shall serve without
52 compensation but shall, within the limits of available funds, be
53 reimbursed for expenses necessarily incurred in the performance of
54 their duties. The commission shall meet as often as deemed necessary
55 by the chairperson or a majority of the commission.

56 Sec. 502. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2010*) On and after July 1, 2010,
57 "Commission on the Status of Protected Citizens" shall be substituted
58 for "Asian Pacific American Affairs Commission", "African-American
59 Affairs Commission", "Commission on Aging", "Commission on
60 Children", "Latino and Puerto Rican Affairs Commission" and
61 "Permanent Commission on the Status of Women" in the following
62 sections of the general statutes: 3-123aa, 4-61t, 4-67x, 4-124bb, 7-127c,
63 10-16n, 10-16v, 10-16z, 10-145a, 16a-41b, 17a-219c, 17a-317, 17b-338,
64 17b-367, 17b-751c, 19a-59c, 19a-112a, 31-3g, 31-3cc, 46a-4b, 46a-68, 46a-
65 131, 46a-131a, 46b-69c, 46b-215a and 54-1m.

66 Sec. 503. Subsection (a) of section 17b-28 of the 2010 supplement to
67 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
68 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2010*):

69 (a) There is established a council which shall advise the
70 Commissioner of Social Services on the planning and implementation
71 of a system of Medicaid managed care and shall monitor such
72 planning and implementation and shall advise the Waiver Application
73 Development Council, established pursuant to section 17b-28a, on
74 matters including, but not limited to, eligibility standards, benefits,
75 access and quality assurance. The council shall be composed of the
76 chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing committees of
77 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to human

78 services, public health and appropriations and the budgets of state
79 agencies, or their designees; two members of the General Assembly,
80 one to be appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate and
81 one to be appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;
82 the director of the Commission on [Aging, or a designee; the director
83 of the Commission on Children] the Status of Protected Citizens, or a
84 designee; a representative of each organization that has been selected
85 by the state to provide managed care and a representative of a primary
86 care case management provider, to be appointed by the president pro
87 tempore of the Senate; two representatives of the insurance industry,
88 to be appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives; two
89 advocates for persons receiving Medicaid, one to be appointed by the
90 majority leader of the Senate and one to be appointed by the minority
91 leader of the Senate; one advocate for persons with substance use
92 disorders, to be appointed by the majority leader of the House of
93 Representatives; one advocate for persons with psychiatric disabilities,
94 to be appointed by the minority leader of the House of
95 Representatives; two advocates for the Department of Children and
96 Families foster families, one to be appointed by the president pro
97 tempore of the Senate and one to be appointed by the speaker of the
98 House of Representatives; two members of the public who are
99 currently recipients of Medicaid, one to be appointed by the majority
100 leader of the House of Representatives and one to be appointed by the
101 minority leader of the House of Representatives; two representatives
102 of the Department of Social Services, to be appointed by the
103 Commissioner of Social Services; two representatives of the
104 Department of Public Health, to be appointed by the Commissioner of
105 Public Health; two representatives of the Department of Mental Health
106 and Addiction Services, to be appointed by the Commissioner of
107 Mental Health and Addiction Services; two representatives of the
108 Department of Children and Families, to be appointed by the
109 Commissioner of Children and Families; two representatives of the
110 Office of Policy and Management, to be appointed by the Secretary of
111 the Office of Policy and Management; one representative of the office
112 of the State Comptroller, to be appointed by the State Comptroller and

113 the members of the Health Care Access Board who shall be ex-officio
114 members and who may not designate persons to serve in their place.
115 The council shall choose a chair from among its members. The Joint
116 Committee on Legislative Management shall provide administrative
117 support to such chair. The council shall convene its first meeting no
118 later than June 1, 1994.

119 Sec. 504. Subsection (d) of section 17b-297 of the general statutes is
120 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
121 *1, 2010*):

122 (d) The commissioner, in consultation with the [Latino and Puerto
123 Rican Affairs Commission, the African-American Affairs Commission]
124 Commission on the Status of Protected Citizens, representatives from
125 minority community-based organizations and any other state and local
126 organizations deemed appropriate by the commissioner, shall develop
127 and implement outreach efforts that target medically underserved
128 children and adults, particularly Latino and other minority children
129 and adults, to increase enrollment of such children and adults in the
130 HUSKY Plan, Part A or Part B. Such efforts shall include, but not be
131 limited to, developing culturally appropriate outreach materials,
132 advertising through Latino media outlets and other minority media
133 outlets, and the public education, outreach and recruitment activities
134 described in subsections (a) to (c), inclusive, of this section.

135 Sec. 505. Section 17b-748 of the general statutes is repealed and the
136 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2010*):

137 There is established a Child Day Care Council consisting of the
138 Commissioner of Public Health, the Commissioner of Social Services,
139 the Commissioner of Children and Families, the Commissioner of
140 Education and the Commissioner of Economic and Community
141 Development or a representative of each designated by him in writing
142 to serve as such representative, and sixteen other persons appointed by
143 the Governor. Said council shall be within the Department of Social
144 Services for administrative purposes only. Of the persons appointed by

145 the Governor, one shall be from among those recommended by the
146 Connecticut Association for Education of Young Children; one shall be
147 a member of a community council; one shall be a member of a
148 community action program; one shall be a member of a child
149 development or early childhood education department of a
150 Connecticut college or university; four shall be providers of child day
151 care services, two of whom shall be family day care providers, and two
152 shall be child day care center providers; one shall be from among those
153 recommended by the [Permanent Commission on the Status of
154 Women; one shall be from among those recommended by the
155 Connecticut Commission on Children] Commission on the Status of
156 Protected Citizens; one shall be from among those recommended by
157 the American Academy of Pediatrics; one shall be a member of an
158 advocacy group concerned with young children and their families; one
159 shall be from among those recommended by the AFL-CIO Labor
160 Council who is a member of organized labor; one shall be a member of
161 the Connecticut Business and Industry Association; and two shall be
162 parents, each of whom shall have a child enrolled in a child day care
163 service. The members of the council shall serve without compensation
164 but shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred in the course
165 of their duties. The chairperson and the vice-chairperson of the council
166 shall be elected by the full membership of the council from among the
167 persons appointed by the Governor and shall serve for a term of one
168 year. The council shall meet at least ten times per year. Any appointed
169 member who fails to attend three consecutive meetings or fails to
170 attend fifty per cent of all meetings held during any calendar year shall
171 be deemed to have resigned. The council shall recommend to the
172 Commissioner of Public Health regulations which shall effectuate the
173 purposes of this section and sections 17b-733, 19a-77, 19a-79, 19a-80,
174 19a-82 to 19a-87, inclusive, and 19a-87b to 19a-87e, inclusive, including
175 regulations relating to licensing, operation, program and professional
176 qualifications of the staff of child day care centers, group day care
177 homes and family day care homes and shall make recommendations to
178 the Commissioner of Public Health on the administration of said
179 sections. The Child Day Care Council shall also make

180 recommendations to the Department of Social Services as the lead
181 agency for day care on grants management and the planning and
182 development of child day care services. In addition, the council shall
183 provide guidelines for drop-in supplementary child care operations.
184 Before making such recommendations, the council shall hold public
185 hearings and invite suggestions from parents of children utilizing child
186 day care services, as defined in section 19a-77, and from providers of
187 such services and other interested parties. The Child Day Care Council
188 shall study issues affecting child day care and make recommendations
189 to the General Assembly. The council shall serve as an advisory
190 committee to the Department of Social Services in the development of
191 the state child care plan required pursuant to the Child Care
192 Development and Improvement Act of 1990 and shall conduct biennial
193 public hearings on such state plan.

194 Sec. 506. Subsection (e) of section 19a-4j of the general statutes is
195 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
196 *1, 2010*):

197 (e) The Commissioner of Public Health shall submit an annual
198 report concerning the activities of the office to the Governor, the
199 General Assembly, the [Permanent Commission on the Status of
200 Women established under section 46a-1, the Latino and Puerto Rican
201 Affairs Commission established under section 2-120,] Commission on
202 the Status of Protected Citizens established under section 501 of this
203 act and the Indian Affairs Council established under section 47-59b,
204 [and the Connecticut African-American Affairs Commission.] The
205 office shall also hold community workshops and use other means to
206 disseminate its findings state-wide.

207 Sec. 507. Subsection (a) of section 19a-6g of the general statutes is
208 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
209 *1, 2010*):

210 (a) There is established a HealthFirst Connecticut Authority
211 composed of the following members: Two appointed by the speaker of

212 the House of Representatives, one of whom is a health care provider
213 and one of whom represents businesses with fifty or more employees;
214 two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one of
215 whom has experience in community-based health care and one of
216 whom represents businesses with fewer than fifty employees; one
217 appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives who
218 represents consumers; one appointed by the majority leader of the
219 Senate who represents the interests of labor; one appointed by the
220 minority leader of the House of Representatives who represents health
221 insurance companies; one appointed by the minority leader of the
222 Senate who represents hospitals; and two appointed by the Governor,
223 one of whom advocates for health care quality or patient safety and
224 one with experience in information technology. The Insurance
225 Commissioner and the Commissioners of Public Health and Social
226 Services or their designees, the Healthcare Advocate or the Healthcare
227 Advocate's designee, the executive director of the [Permanent
228 Commission on the Status of Women or the executive director's
229 designee, the executive director of the African-American Affairs
230 Commission or the executive director's designee, the executive director
231 of the Latino and Puerto Rican Affairs Commission] Commission on
232 the Status of Protected Citizens or the executive director's designee
233 and the Comptroller or Comptroller's designee shall be ex-officio,
234 nonvoting members.

235 Sec. 508. Section 19a-125 of the general statutes is repealed and the
236 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2010*):

237 There is established a State-Wide Adolescent Health Council. The
238 council shall consist of the following members: The Commissioners of
239 Public Health, Children and Families, Education, Higher Education
240 and Social Services or their designees; the chairpersons of the joint
241 standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of
242 matters relating to public health and human services; a representative
243 of the Commission on [Children; a representative of the Permanent
244 Commission on the Status of Women] the Status of Protected Citizens;
245 a representative of a school-based health center and a media specialist

246 to be appointed by the Governor; a representative of the United Way
247 of Connecticut and the Teen Pregnancy Prevention Coalition of
248 Connecticut to be appointed by the president pro tempore of the
249 Senate; a representative of the Mental Health Association and the
250 Connecticut Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics to be
251 appointed by the majority leader of the Senate; a representative of the
252 Connecticut Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers to
253 be appointed by the minority leader of the Senate; a representative of
254 the Connecticut Association of Human Services and the Connecticut
255 Conference of Municipalities to be appointed by the speaker of the
256 House of Representatives; a representative of the Connecticut
257 Association of Family Practitioners and the Connecticut Sexual Assault
258 Crisis Center to be appointed by the majority leader of the House of
259 Representatives; and a representative of the Connecticut Youth Service
260 Association and the Connecticut Primary Care Association to be
261 appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives. The
262 chairperson and the vice-chairperson of the council shall be elected by
263 the full membership of the council from among its membership. The
264 council shall meet at regular intervals as determined by the
265 chairperson. The members of the council shall serve without
266 compensation. The council shall consult with and advise the
267 Commissioners of Public Health, Social Services, Education and
268 Children and Families concerning the coordination of service delivery
269 to and health needs of teens. The council shall examine issues,
270 including but not limited to, contributing factors of high risk
271 behaviors, how multiple problems interrelate and strategies for
272 prevention. The council shall make recommendations on facilitating
273 federal, state and community action to address teen pregnancy, mental
274 health, violence, substance abuse, sexually transmitted diseases,
275 acquired immune deficiency syndrome and such other areas as the
276 council determines are relevant to adolescent health needs. The council
277 shall submit a report to the joint standing committees of the General
278 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public health,
279 human services and education, in accordance with the provisions of
280 section 11-4a on or before June 30, 1994.

281 Sec. 509. Subsection (a) of section 38a-1051 of the 2010 supplement
282 to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in
283 lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2010*):

284 (a) Whereas the General Assembly finds that: (1) Equal enjoyment of
285 the highest attainable standard of health is a human right and a
286 priority of the state, (2) research and experience demonstrate that
287 inhabitants of the state experience barriers to the equal enjoyment of
288 good health based on race, ethnicity, gender, national origin and
289 linguistic ability, and (3) addressing such barriers, and others that may
290 arise in the future, requires: The collection, analysis and reporting of
291 information, the identification of causes, and the development and
292 implementation of policy solutions that address health disparities
293 while improving the health of the public as a whole therefore, there is
294 established a Commission on Health Equity with the mission of
295 eliminating disparities in health status based on race, ethnicity, gender
296 and linguistic ability, and improving the quality of health for all of the
297 state's residents. Such commission shall consist of the following
298 commissioners, or their designees, and public members: (A) The
299 Commissioners of Public Health, Mental Health and Addiction
300 Services, Developmental Services, Social Services, Correction, Children
301 and Families, and Education; (B) the dean of The University of
302 Connecticut Health Center, or his designee; (C) the director of The
303 University of Connecticut Health Center and Center for Public Health
304 and Health Policy, or their designees; (D) the dean of the Yale
305 University Medical School, or his designee; (E) the dean of Public
306 Health and the School of Epidemiology at Yale University, or his
307 designee; (F) one member appointed by the president pro tempore of
308 the Senate, who shall be a member of an affiliate of the National Urban
309 League; (G) one member appointed by the speaker of the House of
310 Representatives, who shall be a member of the National Association
311 for the Advancement of Colored People; (H) one member appointed
312 by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, who shall be a
313 member of the Black and Puerto Rican Caucus of the General
314 Assembly; (I) one member appointed by the majority leader of the

315 Senate with the advice of the Native American Heritage Advisory
316 Council or the chairperson of the Indian Affairs Council, who shall be
317 a representative of the Native American community; (J) one member
318 appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, who shall be a
319 representative of an advocacy group for Hispanics; (K) one member
320 appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives, who
321 shall be a representative of the state-wide Multicultural Health
322 Network; (L) the chairperson of the [African-American Affairs
323 Commission, or his or her designee; (M) the chairperson of the Latino
324 and Puerto Rican Affairs Commission, or his or her designee; (N) the
325 chairperson of the Permanent Commission on the Status of Women, or
326 his or her designee; (O) the chairperson of the Asian Pacific American
327 Affairs Commission] Commission on the Status of Protected Citizens,
328 or his or her designee; [(P)] (M) the director of the Hispanic Health
329 Council, or his or her designee; [(Q)] (N) the chairperson of the Office
330 of the Healthcare Advocate, or his or her designee; and [(R)] (O) eight
331 members of the public, representing communities facing disparities in
332 health status based on race, ethnicity, gender and linguistic ability,
333 who shall be appointed as follows: Two by the president pro tempore
334 of the Senate, two by the speaker of the House of Representatives, two
335 by the minority leader of the Senate, and two by the minority leader of
336 the House of Representatives. Vacancies on the council shall be filled
337 by the appointing authority.

338 Sec. 510. Section 46a-4 of the 2010 supplement to the general statutes
339 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
340 *1, 2010*):

341 (a) The [commission] Commission on the Status of Protected
342 Citizens shall:

343 (1) Focus its efforts on the following quality of life desired results
344 for women of the state: (A) That all women of the state are healthy; (B)
345 that all women of the state are safe; (C) that all women of the state
346 achieve educational success; (D) that all women of the state are
347 economically self-sufficient; and (E) that all women of the state are free

348 from discrimination. The commission shall meet regularly to review
349 matters pertaining to the achievement of the desired results described
350 in subparagraphs (A) to (E), inclusive, of this subdivision and, not later
351 than January first, annually, shall submit a status report concerning
352 such desired results to the joint standing committee of the General
353 Assembly having cognizance of appropriations. The commission shall
354 develop (i) appropriate population-level indicators of the state's
355 progress in achieving such desired results, and (ii) strategies that are
356 intended to improve progress on such indicators through a process
357 that is inclusive of all relevant partners, including, but not limited to,
358 state and local government agencies, the faith community, the business
359 sector, nonprofit organizations, advocacy groups and philanthropic
360 organizations;

361 (2) Make recommendations to the General Assembly and the
362 Governor for new or enhanced policies, programs and services that
363 will foster progress in achieving the desired results described in
364 subdivision (1) of this subsection;

365 (3) Review and comment on any proposed state legislation or
366 recommendations that may affect women of the state and provide
367 copies of any such comments to members of the General Assembly;

368 (4) Advise the General Assembly and Governor concerning the
369 coordination and administration of state programs that affect women
370 of the state;

371 (5) Gather and maintain current information regarding women of
372 the state that can be used to better understand the status, condition
373 and contributions of such women. Such information shall be included
374 in the annual report described in subsection (b) of this section and shall
375 be made available to legislators and other interested parties upon
376 request;

377 (6) Maintain a liaison between the women of the state and
378 government agencies, including the General Assembly;

379 (7) Conduct educational and outreach activities intended to raise
380 awareness of critical issues for women of the state; and

381 (8) Promote consideration of qualified women for all levels of
382 leadership positions.

383 (b) Not later than January first, annually, in accordance with section
384 11-4a, the commission shall submit a report to the General Assembly
385 that: (1) Identifies the quality of life desired results described in
386 subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section, (2) displays current
387 trend data for the indicators related to each such desired result area,
388 (3) identifies barriers to progress on such indicators, (4) identifies
389 strategies developed pursuant to subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of
390 this section, and (5) describes performance measures for the
391 commission, including measures of research, education and outreach,
392 and partnership development.

393 (c) In carrying out its responsibility to make recommendations to
394 the General Assembly and the Governor on the need for legislation,
395 policies, programs or services to improve the quality of life for the
396 women of the state, the commission shall have the assistance of staff,
397 as described in subsection (b) of section 46a-1. Any such
398 recommendations shall be provided solely with the approval of a
399 majority of the members of the commission. A majority of the
400 members of the commission shall be required to approve any specific
401 advocacy before the General Assembly or any state agency.

402 Sec. 511. Section 46a-5 of the 2010 supplement to the general statutes
403 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
404 *1, 2010*):

405 (a) The [commission] Commission on the Status of Protected
406 Citizens may: (1) Request, and shall receive, from any state agency
407 such information and assistance as the commission may require; (2)
408 use such funds as may be available from federal, state or other sources
409 and may enter into contracts to carry out the purposes of section 46a-4;
410 (3) utilize voluntary and uncompensated services of private

411 individuals, state or federal agencies and organizations as may, from
412 time to time, be offered and needed; (4) recommend policies to federal
413 agencies and political subdivisions of the state relative to the women of
414 the state; (5) accept any gift, donation or bequest for the purpose of
415 performing the duties described in section 46a-4; (6) hold public
416 hearings; (7) establish task forces, as necessary, to perform the duties
417 described in section 46a-4; (8) adopt regulations, in accordance with
418 chapter 54, as it may deem necessary to carry out the duties described
419 in section 46a-4; (9) inform leaders of business, education, state and
420 local governments and the communications media of the nature and
421 scope of the problems faced by women of the state, with a view to
422 enlisting such persons' support in working toward solving such
423 problems; (10) receive and refer to the Commission on Human Rights
424 and Opportunities complaints of sex discrimination; and (11) hold fact
425 finding hearings, and pursuant to that, subpoena witnesses and
426 records, administer oaths and take the testimony of any persons under
427 oath and require the production for examination of any books and
428 papers relating to any matter under investigation or in question. The
429 commission may, by regulation, establish a procedure for the issuance
430 of subpoenas by individual commissioners. Refusal to obey a
431 subpoena issued pursuant to this section shall constitute contempt
432 punishable, upon the application of the authority issuing such
433 subpoena, by the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford.

434 (b) The commission may enter into any agreement with a state
435 agency for the purpose of maximizing the receipt of federal funds by
436 such state agency, provided such state agency shall utilize any federal
437 funds received as a result of such agreement to perform those statutory
438 duties of such agency that relate to such commission's duties. The
439 commission may accept that portion of federal funds received by any
440 such state agency as a result of any such agreement which federal law
441 otherwise permits to be received by such commission.

442 Sec. 512. Section 46a-128 of the general statutes is repealed and the
443 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2010*):

444 The [commission] Commission on the Status of Protected Citizens
445 shall review the general statutes with regard to matters involving
446 children and shall on or before February 1, 1986, and annually
447 thereafter on or before September first, make a report of its findings
448 with regard to any matter before it with specific recommendations for
449 legislation to the Governor and the General Assembly.

450 Sec. 513. Subsection (a) of section 46a-129 of the 2010 supplement to
451 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
452 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2010*):

453 (a) The [commission] Commission on the Status of Protected
454 Citizens shall:

455 (1) Focus its efforts on the following quality of life desired results
456 for children of the state: (A) That all children of the state are healthy;
457 (B) that all children of the state are safe; (C) that all children of the state
458 achieve educational success; (D) that all children of the state are free
459 from poverty; and (E) that all children of the state are free from
460 discrimination. The commission shall meet regularly to review matters
461 pertaining to the achievement of the desired results described in
462 subparagraphs (A) to (E), inclusive, of this subdivision and, not later
463 than January first, annually, shall submit a status report concerning
464 such desired results to the joint standing committee of the General
465 Assembly having cognizance of appropriations. The commission shall
466 develop (i) appropriate population-level indicators of the state's
467 progress in achieving such desired results, and (ii) strategies that are
468 intended to improve progress on such indicators through a process
469 that is inclusive of all relevant partners, including, but not limited to,
470 state and local government agencies, the faith community, the business
471 sector, nonprofit organizations, advocacy groups and philanthropic
472 organizations;

473 (2) Make recommendations to the General Assembly and the
474 Governor for new or enhanced policies, programs and services that
475 will foster progress in achieving the desired results described in

476 subdivision (1) of this subsection;

477 (3) Review and comment on any proposed state legislation or
478 recommendations that may affect the children of the state and provide
479 copies of any such comments to members of the General Assembly;

480 (4) Advise the General Assembly and Governor concerning the
481 coordination and administration of state programs that affect the
482 children of the state;

483 (5) Gather and maintain current information regarding the children
484 of the state that can be used to better understand the status, condition,
485 and contributions of such children. Such information shall be included
486 in the annual report described in subsection (b) of this section and shall
487 be made available to legislators and other interested parties upon
488 request;

489 (6) Maintain a liaison between the children of the state and
490 government agencies, including the General Assembly; and

491 (7) Conduct educational and outreach activities intended to raise
492 awareness of critical issues for the children of the state.

493 Sec. 514. Subsection (a) of section 46a-130 of the 2010 supplement to
494 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
495 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2010*):

496 (a) The [commission] Commission on the Status of Protected
497 Citizens may: (1) Request, and shall receive, from any state agency
498 such information and assistance as the commission may require; (2)
499 use such funds as may be available from federal, state or other sources
500 and may enter into contracts to carry out the purposes of section 46a-
501 129; (3) utilize voluntary and uncompensated services of private
502 individuals, state or federal agencies and organizations as may, from
503 time to time, be offered and needed; (4) recommend policies to federal
504 agencies and political subdivisions of the state relative to the children
505 of the state; (5) accept any gift, donation or bequest for the purpose of

506 performing the duties described in section 46a-129; (6) hold public
507 hearings; (7) establish task forces, as necessary, to perform the duties
508 described in section 46a-129; (8) adopt regulations, in accordance with
509 chapter 54, as it may deem necessary to carry out the duties described
510 in section 46a-129; and (9) inform leaders of business, education, state
511 and local governments and the communications media of the nature
512 and scope of the problems faced by children of the state, with a view to
513 enlisting such persons' support in working toward solving such
514 problems.

515 Sec. 515. Subsections (a) to (c), inclusive, of section 46a-170 of the
516 general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
517 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2010*):

518 (a) There is established a Trafficking in Persons Council that shall be
519 within the [Permanent] Commission on the Status of [Women]
520 Protected Citizens for administrative purposes only.

521 (b) The council shall consist of the following members: The Attorney
522 General, the Chief State's Attorney, the Chief Public Defender, the
523 Commissioner of Public Safety, the Labor Commissioner, the
524 Commissioner of Social Services, the Commissioner of Public Health,
525 the Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services, the
526 Commissioner of Children and Families, the Child Advocate, the
527 Victim Advocate, the chairperson of the Commission on [Children, the
528 chairperson of the Permanent Commission on the Status of Women,
529 the chairperson of the Latino and Puerto Rican Affairs Commission,
530 the chairperson of the African-American Affairs Commission] the
531 Status of Protected Citizens, three representatives of the Judicial
532 Branch appointed by the Chief Court Administrator, one of whom
533 shall represent the Office of Victim Services and one of whom shall
534 represent the Court Support Services Division, and a municipal police
535 chief appointed by the Connecticut Police Chiefs Association, or a
536 representative of any such member who has been designated in
537 writing by such member to serve as such member's representative, and
538 seven public members appointed as follows: The Governor shall

539 appoint one member who shall represent Connecticut Sexual Assault
540 Crisis Services, Inc., the president pro tempore of the Senate shall
541 appoint one member who shall represent an organization that
542 provides civil legal services to low-income individuals, the speaker of
543 the House of Representatives shall appoint one member who shall
544 represent the Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence, the
545 majority leader of the Senate shall appoint one member who shall
546 represent an organization that deals with behavioral health needs of
547 women and children, the majority leader of the House of
548 Representatives shall appoint one member who shall represent an
549 organization that advocates on social justice and human rights issues,
550 the minority leader of the Senate shall appoint one member who shall
551 represent the Connecticut Immigrant and Refugee Coalition, and the
552 minority leader of the House of Representatives shall appoint one
553 member who shall represent the Asian-American community.

554 (c) The chairperson of the [Permanent] Commission on the Status of
555 [Women] Protected Citizens shall serve as chairperson of the council.
556 The members of the council shall serve without compensation but shall
557 be reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred in the performance of
558 their duties.

559 Sec. 516. Subsection (a) of section 51-10c of the general statutes is
560 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
561 *1, 2010*):

562 (a) There is established a Commission on Racial and Ethnic
563 Disparity in the Criminal Justice System. The commission shall consist
564 of the Chief Court Administrator, the Chief State's Attorney, the Chief
565 Public Defender, the Commissioner of Public Safety, the Commissioner
566 of Correction, the Commissioner of Children and Families, the Child
567 Advocate, the Victim Advocate, the chairperson of the Board of
568 Pardons and Paroles, the chairperson of the [African-American Affairs
569 Commission, the chairperson of the Latino and Puerto Rican Affairs]
570 Commission on the Status of Protected Citizens, or their designees, a
571 representative of municipal police chiefs, a representative of a coalition

572 representing police and correctional officers, six members appointed
573 one each by the president pro tempore of the Senate, the speaker of the
574 House of Representatives, the majority leader of the Senate, the
575 majority leader of the House of Representatives, the minority leader of
576 the Senate and the minority leader of the House of Representatives,
577 and two members appointed by the Governor. The Chief Court
578 Administrator or said administrator's designee shall serve as
579 chairperson of the commission. The commission shall meet at such
580 times as it deems necessary.

581 Sec. 517. Sections 2-120 to 2-122, inclusive, 17b-420, 46a-1, 46a-126
582 and 46a-127 of the general statutes are repealed. (*Effective July 1, 2010*)"