



House of Representatives

General Assembly

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Substitute House Bill No. 5340

House of Representatives, April 18, 2011

The Committee on Government Administration and Elections reported through REP. MORIN of the 28th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT RENAMING THE STATE POLICE FORENSIC SCIENCE LABORATORY AS THE "DR. HENRY C. LEE FORENSIC SCIENCE LABORATORY".

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) The State Police Forensic Science
2 Laboratory in the city of Meriden shall be renamed the "Dr. Henry C.
3 Lee Forensic Science Laboratory".

4 Sec. 2. Section 54-102l of the general statutes is repealed and the
5 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

6 A person whose DNA profile has been included in the data bank
7 pursuant to sections 54-102g to 54-102k, inclusive, may request
8 expungement on the grounds that the criminal conviction or the
9 finding of not guilty by reason of mental disease or defect on which the
10 authority for including the person's DNA profile was based has been
11 reversed and the case dismissed. The [State Police Forensic Science

12 Laboratory] Division of Scientific Services within the Department of
13 Public Safety shall purge all records and identifiable information in the
14 data bank pertaining to the person and destroy all samples from the
15 person upon receipt of (1) a written request for expungement pursuant
16 to this section, and (2) a certified copy of the court order reversing and
17 dismissing the conviction or the finding of not guilty by reason of
18 mental disease or defect.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	54-102l

GAE *Joint Favorable Subst.*

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

This bill, which renames the State Police Science Laboratory as the Dr. Henry C. Lee Forensic Science Laboratory, has no fiscal impact. The bill also makes a technical change identifying the Division of Scientific Services as the Division responsible for forensic examinations. This codifies current practice and does not result in a fiscal impact.

The Out Years

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

OLR Bill Analysis**sHB 5340*****AN ACT RENAMING THE STATE POLICE FORENSIC SCIENCE LABORATORY AS THE "DR. HENRY C. LEE FORENSIC SCIENCE LABORATORY".*****SUMMARY:**

This bill renames the State Police Forensic Science Laboratory in Meriden as the "Dr. Henry C. Lee Forensic Science Laboratory." The laboratory is within the Department of Public Safety's Division of Scientific Services, which is responsible for conducting forensic examinations for the state.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

BACKGROUND***Dr. Henry Lee***

Dr. Henry Lee started as chief criminalist at the laboratory in 1978 and eventually became director. He served as public safety commissioner from June 30, 1998 to June 1, 2000. He currently serves as chief emeritus for the Division of Scientific Services.

Legislative History

On March 22, the House referred the bill (File 65) to the Government Administration and Elections Committee, which made a technical change and reported the bill to the floor on March 30.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Public Safety and Security Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 25 Nay 0 (03/01/2011)

Government Administration and Elections Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 14 Nay 0 (03/30/2011)