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Referred to Committee on Government Administration and Elections

Introduced by:
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AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE LEGISLATIVE PAPERLESS TASK FORCE AND THE TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE REDUCTION OF STATE AGENCY PAPER AND DUPLICATIVE PROCEDURES.

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

1 Section 1. Section 2-13 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2011*):

3 (a) The clerk of either house may employ such number of qualified
4 persons as are necessary to make a record of the proceedings in the
5 Senate and the House of Representatives and to transcribe the same
6 without unnecessary delay. A copy of such record of each day's
7 proceedings shall be filed in the State Library [within] not later than
8 two days after the transcript has been completed and shall be available
9 to the public.

10 (b) The clerks of the Senate and House shall, during sessions of the
11 General Assembly, publish at such times during the session, as may be
12 determined by said clerks, a legislative record index which shall report
13 the status of each bill and resolution pending in or acted upon by the

14 General Assembly. Said clerks shall make not more than twenty-five
15 printed copies of the legislative record index and shall make the
16 legislative record index available electronically to representatives of
17 the press, the State Library, the Governor, the Secretary of the State,
18 the Attorney General and such other persons as the speaker of the
19 House or the president of the Senate may designate.

20 Sec. 2. Section 2-23 of the general statutes is repealed and the
21 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2011*):

22 The Joint Committee on Legislative Management shall provide [by
23 contract, purchase or lease a process] for the printed and electronic
24 reproduction of copies of each bill and each resolution proposing an
25 amendment to the Constitution and other substantive resolutions
26 introduced in both houses, the calendars and journals of both houses
27 on regular session days and other legislative publications, in number
28 sufficient to supply the needs of the legislature and the public. Such
29 reproduction shall be under the supervision of the clerks of the Senate
30 and the House. To carry out the provisions of this section, said
31 committee is authorized to hire necessary personnel and acquire
32 supplies and equipment. The Joint Committee on Legislative
33 Management shall set aside in a building under the supervision and
34 control of the Joint Committee on Legislative Management a room for
35 use as a legislative bill room for distribution of printed and electronic
36 copies under the supervision of the clerks of the Senate and House.
37 The clerks of the Senate and House shall, during each session of the
38 General Assembly, keep copies of all bills and resolutions reproduced
39 as above provided, in such room, for the convenience of the members
40 of the legislature and the public. A file of such bills and resolutions
41 and the records of hearings of committees and the proceedings of each
42 house, suitably indexed, shall be kept in the State Library for public
43 inspection, and the clerks of the Senate and House shall furnish copies
44 of such bills and resolutions for this purpose. The State Librarian is
45 authorized to hire not more than two additional employees and to
46 secure supplies and equipment necessary to make said index. Copies

47 of bills and resolutions printed after favorable report by a committee
48 or the amendment on the third reading, i.e., files, not needed by
49 members of the General Assembly or for other official use shall be
50 delivered to the legislative bill room for distribution. After
51 adjournment of the General Assembly, distribution of such bills,
52 resolutions and files shall be made from the office of the clerks. To
53 carry out the provisions of this section, said clerks are authorized to
54 hire additional employees for distribution of such copies. The public
55 may obtain printed or electronic copies of bills, resolutions, journals,
56 bulletins, legislative indexes and other legislative publications by
57 calling for the same at the State Capitol or the Legislative Office
58 Building, provided the clerks may, in their discretion, limit the number
59 of printed copies to be furnished to any one person and may, with the
60 approval of the committee, fix reasonable charges for furnishing
61 printed copies in quantities which the clerks believe cannot be
62 furnished free of charge without undue expense to the state. The clerks
63 shall, at the request of the chief executive officer of any town, city or
64 borough, send [by first class mail one] an electronic copy of each
65 legislative bulletin and of the legislative record index to such office of
66 such municipality as such chief executive officer shall designate.
67 [Copies] A limited number of printed copies of engrossed bills and
68 resolutions shall be distributed from the Legislative Commissioners'
69 Office.

70 Sec. 3. Section 2-24 of the general statutes is repealed and the
71 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2011*):

72 The words "State of Connecticut" shall be printed at the head of each
73 bill and document printed by order of the General Assembly, or either
74 house thereof, and on its title page or cover, if any. Before printed,
75 electronic or photographic copies of an original bill are made, the bill
76 shall be endorsed with (1) the date of its introduction; (2) its number;
77 (3) the name of the member or committee introducing it; and (4) the
78 name of the committee to which it was referred. Copies of bills or
79 resolutions printed or produced electronically after favorable report by

80 a committee or reprinted or produced electronically after amendment
81 on the third reading, i.e., files, shall bear the file number of such bill or
82 resolution, placed conspicuously at the head of the same, which file
83 number shall be assigned by the [printer] Legislative Commissioners'
84 Office in the order printed or produced, the number and title of the
85 bill, the name of the committee to which it was referred, the date and
86 nature of the committee's report, and, in any case where the bill, if
87 passed, would require the expenditure of state or municipal funds or
88 affect state or municipal revenue, a fiscal note, including an estimate of
89 the cost or of the revenue impact shall be appended thereto. When a
90 bill or resolution is accompanied with a report of a committee, other
91 than a recommendation that it ought or ought not to pass, it shall then
92 have an additional endorsement, as follows: "Accompanied by special
93 report, No.-". Bills shall be designated in the [printed] calendar of each
94 house by their file numbers, as well as by the titles and numbers of the
95 bills.

96 Sec. 4. Section 2-26 of the general statutes is repealed and the
97 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2011*):

98 At each regular or special session of the General Assembly no bill
99 shall be passed or become a law unless it has been printed in its final
100 form, as prescribed by section 2-24, as amended by this act, with the
101 exception of germane amendments, and [upon the desks of the
102 members] made available in electronic version on the Internet web site
103 of the General Assembly at least two legislative days prior to its final
104 passage, unless the president pro tempore of the Senate and the
105 speaker of the House of Representatives have certified, in writing, the
106 facts which in their opinion necessitate an immediate vote on such bill,
107 in which case it shall nevertheless be upon the desks of the members or
108 available electronically to the members in final form, accompanied by
109 the fiscal note required by section 2-24, as amended by this act, when
110 applicable, with the exception of germane amendments, but not
111 necessarily printed, before its final passage.

112 Sec. 5. Section 2-27 of the general statutes is repealed and the
113 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2011*):

114 Copies of each bill for an act reported favorably by a committee
115 shall be made available electronically on the Internet web site of the
116 General Assembly and shall be printed in sufficient numbers, as
117 determined by the clerks of the House and Senate, for use by the
118 General Assembly. A greater number of copies of any bill shall be
119 printed upon order of either legislative commissioner. [Seven] Two
120 copies of each printed bill shall be reserved for the use of the Secretary
121 of the State who shall [bind and] distribute [volumes thereof as
122 follows: One] one copy to the State Library [, one to the law library of
123 Yale University, one to the library of The University of Connecticut]
124 and one to the law library of The University of Connecticut. [, one to
125 the Wesleyan University library, one to the Library of Congress and
126 one to the library of Quinnipiac College.]

127 Sec. 6. Section 2-49 of the general statutes is repealed and the
128 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2011*):

129 [Within] Not later than three months after the adjournment of each
130 General Assembly, the clerk of the Senate and the clerk of the House of
131 Representatives shall prepare a full and accurate alphabetical subject-
132 index to the journals, and shall cause to be printed [three hundred
133 seventy-five] copies of each of said journals with the index, in
134 sufficient numbers, as determined by the Joint Committee on
135 Legislative Management. One copy of each journal so indexed shall be
136 certified by the clerk of the Senate or the clerk of the House, as the case
137 may be, to be a true record of the proceedings of such house and shall
138 be deposited in the office of the secretary as the official journal thereof.
139 They shall cause to be transmitted directly to the secretary [fifty copies
140 of each journal, to] and to the State Library [fifty] copies of each
141 journal, in sufficient numbers, as determined by the Joint Committee
142 on Legislative Management, to each incorporated or associated library
143 in the state [requesting the same and] to each county bar library, [one

144 copy, and] to each state officer [,] and to each member of the General
145 Assembly requesting the same, one copy and to each town, at the
146 request of the town clerk of such town, one copy, and the remainder
147 shall be deposited with the secretary, who, upon receiving the certified
148 copies as above provided, shall certify to the Comptroller that said
149 journals have been indexed and distributed in accordance with this
150 section; and the Comptroller shall thereupon draw [his] an order on
151 the Treasurer in favor of the persons whose duty it is to index and
152 distribute the same, for the sum of three hundred dollars each for their
153 services and expenses.

154 Sec. 7. Subsection (a) of section 2-53g of the general statutes is
155 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
156 *1, 2011*):

157 (a) The Legislative Program Review and Investigations Committee
158 shall: (1) Direct its staff and other legislative staff available to the
159 committee to conduct program reviews and investigations to assist the
160 General Assembly in the proper discharge of its duties; (2) [establish
161 policies and procedures regarding the printing, reproduction and
162 distribution of] produce its reports electronically and post such reports
163 on the Internet web site of the committee; (3) review staff reports
164 submitted to the committee and, when necessary, confer with
165 representatives of the state departments and agencies reviewed in
166 order to obtain full and complete information in regard to programs,
167 other activities and operations of the state, and may request and shall
168 be given access to and copies of, by all public officers, departments,
169 agencies and authorities of the state and its political subdivisions, such
170 public records, data and other information and given such assistance
171 as the committee determines it needs to fulfill its duties. Any statutory
172 requirements of confidentiality regarding such records, data and other
173 information, including penalties for violating such requirements, shall
174 apply to the committee, its staff and its other authorized
175 representatives in the same manner and to the same extent as such
176 requirements and penalties apply to any public officer, department,

177 agency or authority of the state or its political subdivisions. The
178 committee shall act on staff reports and recommend in its report, or
179 propose, in the form of a raised committee bill, such legislation as may
180 be necessary to modify current operations and agency practices; (4)
181 consider and act on requests by legislators, legislative committees,
182 elected officials of state government and state department and agency
183 heads for program reviews. The request shall be submitted in writing
184 to the Program Review and Investigations Committee and shall state
185 reasons to support the request. The decision of the committee to grant
186 or deny such a request shall be final; (5) conduct investigations
187 requested by joint resolution of the General Assembly, or, when the
188 General Assembly is not in session, (A) requested by a joint standing
189 committee of the General Assembly or initiated by a majority vote of
190 the Program Review and Investigations Committee and approved by
191 the Joint Committee on Legislative Management, or (B) requested by
192 the Joint Standing Committee on Legislative Management. In the event
193 two or more investigations are requested, the order of priority shall be
194 determined by the Legislative Program Review and Investigations
195 Committee; (6) retain, within available appropriations, the services of
196 consultants, technical assistants, research and other personnel
197 necessary to assist in the conduct of program reviews and
198 investigations; (7) originate, and report to the General Assembly, any
199 bill it deems necessary concerning a program, department or other
200 matter under review or investigation by the committee, in the same
201 manner as is prescribed by rule for joint standing committees of the
202 General Assembly; and (8) review audit reports after issuance by the
203 Auditors of Public Accounts, evaluate and sponsor new or revised
204 legislation based on audit findings, provide means to determine
205 compliance with audit recommendations and receive facts concerning
206 any unauthorized, illegal, irregular or unsafe handling or expenditures
207 of state funds under the provisions of section 2-90.

208 Sec. 8. Subsection (b) of section 2-53h of the general statutes is
209 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
210 *1, 2011*):

211 (b) The committee shall report electronically the results of each
212 investigation together with its recommendations for any further action
213 to the General Assembly.

214 Sec. 9. Section 2-53j of the general statutes is repealed and the
215 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2011*):

216 The Legislative Program Review and Investigations Committee
217 shall report electronically annually to the General Assembly on or
218 before February fifteenth and may, from time to time, make additional
219 electronic reports.

220 Sec. 10. Section 2-60 of the general statutes is repealed and the
221 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2011*):

222 The Joint Committee on Legislative Management is directed from
223 time to time to contract for the publication of such additional copies of
224 the revision of the general statutes as said committee deems necessary,
225 and to so contract for the publication of supplements to and revised
226 volumes of said revision prepared under the provisions of sections 2-
227 56 and 2-59 from time to time. Each revision of the general statutes and
228 any supplements to and revised volumes of the revision shall be
229 printed on paper that meets or exceeds the American National
230 Standards Institute standards for permanent paper, unless such paper
231 is not available. The Secretary of the State shall sell said revision and
232 supplements and may provide for the sale thereof, through some agent
233 or agents, including wholesale and retail book sellers, at a stated price
234 to such agent or agents and to the public at a price fixed by the Joint
235 Committee on Legislative Management, but in no case shall such price
236 for sale of any current volumes or supplements to any person be less
237 than the cost of production of such volumes or supplements, as the
238 case may be. The Secretary of the State shall transfer the proceeds of
239 the sale of said revision and supplements to the Joint Committee on
240 Legislative Management.

241 Sec. 11. Section 2-61 of the general statutes is repealed and the

242 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2011*):

243 (a) The Secretary of the State shall deliver [five hundred] copies of
244 the revised statutes, of each supplement to the general statutes and of
245 each revised volume thereof and [three hundred fifty copies] of each
246 volume of the public acts and special acts to the State Library for its
247 general purposes and for exchange with other states and libraries, and
248 [four hundred] copies of the revised statutes, of each supplement, of
249 each revised volume and of each volume of the public acts, and such
250 additional number of each as the executive secretary of the Judicial
251 Department certifies as necessary, for the use of any of the state-
252 maintained courts, and [one hundred fifty] copies of each volume of
253 the special acts to said executive secretary for distribution to state-
254 maintained courts, and, to the several departments, agencies and
255 institutions of the executive branch of the state government, as many
256 copies of the revised statutes, of each supplement, of each revised
257 volume and of each of the volumes of public acts and special acts as
258 they require for the performance of their duties. [He] The number of
259 copies the Secretary provides pursuant to this subsection shall be
260 determined by the Joint Committee on Legislative Management.

261 (b) The Secretary shall send free of charge one copy of the revised
262 statutes, of each supplement to the general statutes, of each revised
263 volume thereof and of each of the volumes of public acts and special
264 acts to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Treasurer, Secretary of the
265 State, Attorney General, Comptroller, Adjutant General, each town
266 clerk, and, upon request, to each probate court, the police department
267 of each municipality having a regularly organized police force, each
268 assistant to the Attorney General, and each county law library; and
269 [he] the Secretary shall, upon the member's request, supply free of
270 charge (1) one copy of the revised statutes to each member of the
271 General Assembly at the first session in which [he] such member
272 serves as a member and, (2) at each session in which [he] such member
273 serves, one copy of each revised volume thereof and of each
274 supplement not previously supplied to [him] such member, such

275 distribution of the statutes and supplements to be made [within] not
276 later than thirty days after the election or reelection of such member,
277 and, (3) following each session at which [he] such member serves, one
278 volume of each of the public acts and special acts passed at such
279 session. [; and] The secretary shall supply free of charge to the clerks of
280 the House and Senate, each, one copy of the revised statutes, of each
281 revised volume thereof, of each supplement and one volume of each of
282 the public acts and special acts for use in the clerks' office.

283 Sec. 12. Section 11-2 of the general statutes is repealed and the
284 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2011*):

285 The State Library shall maintain programs for library development
286 and reader services. The State Librarian shall be the administrative
287 officer of the State Library and shall administer, coordinate and
288 supervise the library. In order to carry out the duties of the State
289 Librarian required by law, the State Librarian may enter into contracts,
290 subject to the approval of the Attorney General and within any
291 available appropriations or other funds available from the public or
292 private sector. The State Librarian shall have the authority to sign
293 contracts approved by the State Library Board in accordance with the
294 policies established by the State Library Board. The State Librarian
295 may appoint members of the staff of the State Library. Members of the
296 staff of the State Library employed in positions requiring graduation
297 from a library school shall be members of the unclassified service. The
298 State Librarian may purchase books and other library resources for the
299 State Library. The State Librarian is authorized and directed to
300 distribute electronic copies of the files of each act favorably reported
301 by any committee of the General Assembly [and printed in the files] to
302 each high school and university in the state, upon request.

303 Sec. 13. Section 11-4a of the general statutes is repealed and the
304 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2011*):

305 Each commission, task force or committee appointed by the
306 Governor or the General Assembly, or both, and required to report its

307 findings and recommendations, and each state agency which submits a
308 report to the General Assembly or any committee of the General
309 Assembly, shall submit its report electronically to the clerks of the
310 Senate and the House of Representatives and the Office of Legislative
311 Research, and shall file one copy with the State Librarian. [as many
312 copies of such report as the commission, task force, committee or
313 agency and the librarian jointly deem appropriate, and one copy with
314 the Office of Legislative Research.]

315 Sec. 14. Section 11-19e of the general statutes is repealed and the
316 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2011*):

317 The State Library shall [mail] send, upon request, to each law library
318 established pursuant to section 11-10b, [a] an electronic copy of each of
319 the following legislative materials as they become available: [Photo
320 offset copies of each bill] Bills; bulletins; list of bills; calendars; journals;
321 file copies; engrossed copies; the legislative record index; and
322 microfiche copies of the House proceedings, the Senate proceedings,
323 and the joint standing committee public hearings for each legislative
324 session, along with all appropriate indexing.

325 Sec. 15. Section 27-134 of the general statutes is repealed and the
326 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2011*):

327 The Secretary of the State shall, upon request, provide each
328 established veterans' organization occupying office space furnished by
329 the state in the city of Hartford with an annotated copy of the revised
330 statutes and any supplements thereto.

331 Sec. 16. Section 51-274 of the general statutes is repealed and the
332 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

333 All special acts or provisions thereof inconsistent with this chapter
334 and with sections 1-1a, 2-5, 2-40, 2-61, [3-84,] 5-164, 5-189, 7-80, 8-12, 9-
335 63, 9-258, 9-368, 12-154, 14-141, 14-142, 18-65, 18-73, 19a-220, 21a-96, 29-
336 13, 29-362, 30-105, 30-107, 30-111, 35-22, 46b-120, 46b-133, 46b-160, 47a-

337 23, 47a-28, 47a-35, 47a-37, 49-61, 49-62, 51-6a, 51-9, 51-15, 51-27, 51-30,
338 51-33, 51-34, 51-36, 51-48, 51-49, 51-50, 51-51, 51-52, 51-59, 51-72, 51-73,
339 51-78, 51-95, 51-183b, 51-183d, 51-183f, 51-183g, 51-215a, 51-229, 51-232,
340 51-237 and 51-241, subsection (a) of section 51-243 and sections 51-247,
341 51-347, 52-45a, 52-45b, 52-46, 52-97, 52-112, 52-139, 52-193, 52-194, 52-
342 196, 52-209, 52-212, 52-215, 52-226, 52-240, 52-257, 52-258, 52-261, 52-
343 263, 52-268, 52-270, 52-278i, 52-293, 52-297, 52-298, 52-324, 52-351, 52-
344 397, 52-425, 52-427, 52-428, 52-521, 53-308, 53-328, 54-2a, 54-56f, 54-66,
345 54-72, 54-74, 54-82g, 54-82j, 54-82k, 54-95a, 54-96a, 54-96b, 54-97, 54-108,
346 54-154, 54-166 and 54-169 to 54-174, inclusive, are repealed.

347 Sec. 17. (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of Administrative
348 Services shall, in consultation with the Chief Information Officer of the
349 Department of Information Technology and the State Comptroller,
350 project the cost of implementing additional modules of CORE-CT
351 currently owned and not owned by the state and the cost savings that
352 each such module will produce over a four-year period upon
353 implementation. Not later than January 1, 2012, the Commissioner of
354 Administrative Services shall provide a summary, in accordance with
355 the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, as amended by
356 this act, of such projections to the Governor, the Secretary of the State,
357 the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, the speaker of
358 the House of Representatives, the president pro tempore of the Senate
359 and the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having
360 cognizance of matters relating to government administration and
361 appropriations.

362 Sec. 18. (*Effective from passage*) Each department, board, council,
363 commission, institution or other agency of the Executive Department
364 of the state government and each quasi-public agency shall: (1) Review
365 its existing federal and state statutory reporting requirements; (2)
366 compile a list of all such required reports including the statutory
367 citations requiring such reports; (3) issue recommendations for (A)
368 consolidating required reports into annual, quarterly or semiannual
369 reports, (B) eliminating obsolete reports, (C) replacing state reports

370 that are duplicative of federally mandated reports with such federal
371 reports, along with the reasons for such recommendations and the cost
372 savings to be gained by implementing such recommendations; and (4)
373 not later than January 1, 2012, submit such recommendations, in
374 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,
375 as amended by this act, to the Governor, each joint standing committee
376 of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to such
377 department, board, council, commission, institution, agency or quasi-
378 public agency and to the joint standing committee of the General
379 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to government
380 administration.

381 Sec. 19. Subsection (f) of section 4-168 of the general statutes is
382 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
383 *1, 2011*):

384 (f) (1) An agency may proceed to adopt an emergency regulation in
385 accordance with this subsection without prior notice or hearing or
386 upon any abbreviated notice and hearing that it finds practicable if (A)
387 the agency finds that adoption of a regulation upon fewer than thirty
388 days' notice is required (i) due to an imminent peril to the public
389 health, safety or welfare or (ii) by the Commissioner of Environmental
390 Protection in order to comply with the provisions of interstate fishery
391 management plans adopted by the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries
392 Commission or to meet unforeseen circumstances or emergencies
393 affecting marine resources, (B) the agency states in writing its reasons
394 for that finding, and (C) the Governor approves such finding in
395 writing.

396 (2) The original of such emergency regulation and [eighteen copies]
397 an electronic copy shall be submitted to the standing legislative
398 regulation review committee in the form prescribed in subsection (b)
399 of section 4-170, as amended by this act, together with a statement of
400 the terms or substance of the intended action, the purpose of the action
401 and a reference to the statutory authority under which the action is

402 proposed, not later than ten days, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and
403 holidays, prior to the proposed effective date of such regulation. The
404 committee may approve or disapprove the regulation, in whole or in
405 part, within such ten-day period at a regular meeting, if one is
406 scheduled, or may upon the call of either chairman or any five or more
407 members hold a special meeting for the purpose of approving or
408 disapproving the regulation, in whole or in part. Failure of the
409 committee to act on such regulation within such ten-day period shall
410 be deemed an approval. If the committee disapproves such regulation,
411 in whole or in part, it shall notify the agency of the reasons for its
412 action. An approved regulation, filed in the office of the Secretary of
413 the State, may be effective for a period of not longer than one hundred
414 twenty days renewable once for a period of not exceeding sixty days,
415 provided notification of such sixty-day renewal is filed in the office of
416 the Secretary of the State and a copy is given to the committee, but the
417 adoption of an identical regulation in accordance with the provisions
418 of subsections (a), (b) and (d) of this section is not precluded. The sixty-
419 day renewal period may be extended an additional sixty days for
420 emergency regulations described in subparagraph (A)(ii) of
421 subdivision (1) of this subsection, provided the Commissioner of
422 Environmental Protection requests of the standing legislative
423 regulation review committee an extension of the renewal period at the
424 time such regulation is submitted or not less than ten days before the
425 first sixty-day renewal period expires and said committee approves
426 such extension. Failure of the committee to act on such request within
427 ten days shall be deemed an approval of the extension.

428 (3) If the necessary steps to adopt a permanent regulation, including
429 publication of notice of intent to adopt, preparation and submission of
430 a fiscal note in accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) of
431 section 4-170 and approval by the Attorney General and the standing
432 legislative regulation review committee, are not completed prior to the
433 expiration date of an emergency regulation, the emergency regulation
434 shall cease to be effective on that date.

435 Sec. 20. Subsection (b) of section 4-170 of the general statutes is
436 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
437 *1, 2011*):

438 (b) (1) No adoption, amendment or repeal of any regulation, except
439 a regulation issued pursuant to subsection (f) of section 4-168, shall be
440 effective until (A) the original of the proposed regulation approved by
441 the Attorney General, as provided in section 4-169, the regulatory
442 flexibility analyses as provided in section 4-168a and [eighteen copies]
443 an electronic copy thereof are submitted to the standing legislative
444 regulation review committee at the designated office of the committee,
445 in a manner designated by the committee, by the agency proposing the
446 regulation, (B) the regulation is approved by the committee, at a
447 regular meeting or a special meeting called for the purpose, and (C)
448 the regulation is filed in the office of the Secretary of the State by the
449 agency, as provided in section 4-172. (2) The date of submission for
450 purposes of subsection (c) of this section shall be the first Tuesday of
451 each month. Any regulation received by the committee on or before
452 the first Tuesday of a month shall be deemed to have been submitted
453 on the first Tuesday of that month. Any regulation submitted after the
454 first Tuesday of a month shall be deemed to be submitted on the first
455 Tuesday of the next succeeding month. (3) The form of proposed
456 regulations which are submitted to the committee shall be as follows:
457 New language added to an existing regulation shall be in capital letters
458 or underlining, as determined by the committee; language to be
459 deleted shall be enclosed in brackets and a new regulation or new
460 section of a regulation shall be preceded by the word "(NEW)" in
461 capital letters. Each proposed regulation shall have a statement of its
462 purpose following the final section of the regulation. (4) The committee
463 may permit any proposed regulation, including, but not limited to, a
464 proposed regulation which by reference incorporates in whole or in
465 part, any other code, rule, regulation, standard or specification, to be
466 submitted in summary form together with a statement of purpose for
467 the proposed regulation. On and after October 1, 1994, if the committee
468 finds that a federal statute requires, as a condition of the state

469 exercising regulatory authority, that a Connecticut regulation at all
470 times must be identical to a federal statute or regulation, then the
471 committee may approve a Connecticut regulation that by reference
472 specifically incorporates future amendments to such federal statute or
473 regulation provided the agency that proposed the Connecticut
474 regulation shall submit for approval amendments to such Connecticut
475 regulations to the committee not later than thirty days after the
476 effective date of such amendment, and provided further the committee
477 may hold a public hearing on such Connecticut amendments. (5) The
478 agency shall append a copy of the fiscal note, prepared pursuant to
479 subsection (a) of section 4-168, to each copy of the proposed regulation.
480 At the time of submission to the committee, the agency shall [mail or]
481 submit [a] an electronic copy of the proposed regulation and the fiscal
482 note to (A) the Office of Fiscal Analysis which, [within] not later than
483 seven days [of] after receipt, shall submit an analysis of the fiscal note
484 to the committee; and (B) each joint standing committee of the General
485 Assembly having cognizance of the subject matter of the proposed
486 regulation. No regulation shall be found invalid due to the failure of an
487 agency to submit a copy of the proposed regulation and the fiscal note
488 to each committee of cognizance, provided such regulation and fiscal
489 note has been submitted to one such committee.

490 Sec. 21. (*Effective from passage*) The Legislative Program Review and
491 Investigations Committee shall (1) study the current process for
492 adopting regulations under chapter 54 of the general statutes, and (2)
493 make recommendations concerning modifications that may be made to
494 such process to achieve cost savings for the state. Not later than
495 February 1, 2012, the committee shall submit a report of its findings
496 and recommendations with respect to such study to the joint standing
497 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
498 relating to government administration and the standing legislative
499 regulation review committee, in accordance with section 11-4a of the
500 general statutes, as amended by this act.

501 Sec. 22. Section 1-211 of the general statutes is repealed and the

502 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2011*):

503 (a) Any public agency which maintains public records in a
504 computer storage system shall provide, to any person making a
505 request pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of any
506 nonexempt data contained in such records, properly identified, on
507 paper, disk, tape or any other electronic storage device or medium
508 requested by the person, including an electronic copy sent to the
509 electronic mail address of the person making such request, if the
510 agency can reasonably make any such copy or have any such copy
511 made. Except as otherwise provided by state statute, the cost for
512 providing a copy of such data shall be in accordance with the
513 provisions of section 1-212.

514 (b) Except as otherwise provided by state statute, no public agency
515 shall enter into a contract with, or otherwise obligate itself to, any
516 person if such contract or obligation impairs the right of the public
517 under the Freedom of Information Act to inspect or copy the agency's
518 nonexempt public records existing on-line in, or stored on a device or
519 medium used in connection with, a computer system owned, leased or
520 otherwise used by the agency in the course of its governmental
521 functions.

522 (c) On and after July 1, 1992, before any public agency acquires any
523 computer system, equipment or software to store or retrieve
524 nonexempt public records, it shall consider whether such proposed
525 system, equipment or software adequately provides for the rights of
526 the public under the Freedom of Information Act at the least cost
527 possible to the agency and to persons entitled to access to nonexempt
528 public records under the Freedom of Information Act. In meeting its
529 obligations under this subsection, each state public agency shall
530 consult with the Department of Information Technology as part of the
531 agency's design analysis prior to acquiring any such computer system,
532 equipment or software. The Department of Information Technology
533 shall adopt written guidelines to assist municipal agencies in carrying

534 out the purposes of this subsection. Nothing in this subsection shall
535 require an agency to consult with said department prior to acquiring a
536 system, equipment or software or modifying software, if such
537 acquisition or modification is consistent with a design analysis for
538 which such agency has previously consulted with said department.
539 The Department of Information Technology shall consult with the
540 Freedom of Information Commission on matters relating to access to
541 and disclosure of public records for the purposes of this subsection.
542 The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to software
543 modifications which would not affect the rights of the public under the
544 Freedom of Information Act.

545 Sec. 23. Section 1-212 of the general statutes is repealed and the
546 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2011*):

547 (a) Any person applying in writing shall receive, promptly upon
548 request, a plain, [or] certified or electronic copy of any public record.
549 Each public agency shall have a preference for providing the person
550 making such request with an electronic copy of such record, unless
551 otherwise requested by such person. The fee for any copy provided in
552 accordance with the Freedom of Information Act:

553 (1) By an executive, administrative or legislative office of the state, a
554 state agency or a department, institution, bureau, board, commission,
555 authority or official of the state, including a committee of, or created
556 by, such an office, agency, department, institution, bureau, board,
557 commission, authority or official, and also including any judicial office,
558 official or body or committee thereof but only in respect to its or their
559 administrative functions, shall not exceed twenty-five cents per page;
560 and

561 (2) By all other public agencies, as defined in section 1-200, shall not
562 exceed fifty cents per page. If any copy provided in accordance with
563 said Freedom of Information Act requires a transcription, or if any
564 person applies for a transcription of a public record, the fee for such
565 transcription shall not exceed the cost thereof to the public agency.

566 Sec. 24. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2011*) Each state agency of the
567 Executive Department of the state government shall review its existing
568 policies concerning the mailing of notifications to clients of such
569 agency and shall use electronic notification and correspondence with
570 such clients where deemed appropriate by such agency and where not
571 in conflict with any provision of the general statutes. If such
572 notification or correspondence is mandated by a provision of the
573 general statutes to be sent by first class mail, the agency may request
574 the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having
575 cognizance of matters relating to such agency to introduce legislation
576 to provide for the electronic transmission of such notification or
577 correspondence.

578 Sec. 25. (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of Social Services
579 shall report on the outcome of its investigation into the feasibility of
580 using software to match mailing addresses contained within the
581 agency's eligibility management system with a data base of valid
582 postal addresses and the United States Postal Service change of
583 address data base in order to reduce the amount of returned mail, in
584 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,
585 as amended by this act, to the Governor and the Secretary of the Office
586 of Policy and Management not later than three months after
587 completing such investigation.

588 Sec. 26. (*Effective from passage*) Each agency of the Executive
589 Department of the state government shall explore the feasibility of
590 converting all applications and forms used by the public to electronic
591 format and create an inventory of all forms used by such agency.

592 Sec. 27. (*Effective from passage*) The Secretary of the Office of Policy
593 and Management shall review and make recommendations concerning
594 the conversion of all bond commission documents to electronic format,
595 including the cost projections and savings of such a conversion and,
596 not later than January 1, 2012, shall submit, in accordance with the
597 provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, as amended by this

598 act, such recommendations to the Governor, the State Comptroller, the
599 State Treasurer and the chairpersons and ranking members of the joint
600 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
601 matters relating to finance.

602 Sec. 28. (*Effective from passage*) Not later than January 1, 2012, the
603 Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall develop a model
604 agency policy to promote green practices within state agencies,
605 including, but not limited to, strategies to reduce paper, improve
606 recycling and better manage solid waste, and shall submit such policy
607 along with any recommendations concerning such policy, in
608 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,
609 as amended by this act, to the Governor and the Secretary of the Office
610 of Policy and Management.

611 Sec. 29. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Not later than January 1, 2012,
612 the State Librarian shall, in consultation with the Secretary of the
613 Office of Policy and Management, the Commissioner of
614 Administrative Services, the Chief Information Officer of the
615 Department of Information Technology, the executive director of the
616 Joint Committee on Legislative Management and the Chief Court
617 Administrator of the judicial branch, establish standards and
618 guidelines for the preservation and authentication of electronic
619 documents.

620 Sec. 30. Section 3-84 of the general statutes is repealed. (*Effective from*
621 *passage*)

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2011</i>	2-13
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2011</i>	2-23
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2011</i>	2-24
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2011</i>	2-26
Sec. 5	<i>July 1, 2011</i>	2-27
Sec. 6	<i>July 1, 2011</i>	2-49

Sec. 7	<i>July 1, 2011</i>	2-53g(a)
Sec. 8	<i>July 1, 2011</i>	2-53h(b)
Sec. 9	<i>July 1, 2011</i>	2-53j
Sec. 10	<i>July 1, 2011</i>	2-60
Sec. 11	<i>July 1, 2011</i>	2-61
Sec. 12	<i>July 1, 2011</i>	11-2
Sec. 13	<i>July 1, 2011</i>	11-4a
Sec. 14	<i>July 1, 2011</i>	11-19e
Sec. 15	<i>July 1, 2011</i>	27-134
Sec. 16	<i>from passage</i>	51-274
Sec. 17	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 18	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 19	<i>July 1, 2011</i>	4-168(f)
Sec. 20	<i>July 1, 2011</i>	4-170(b)
Sec. 21	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 22	<i>July 1, 2011</i>	1-211
Sec. 23	<i>July 1, 2011</i>	1-212
Sec. 24	<i>July 1, 2011</i>	New section
Sec. 25	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 26	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 27	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 28	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 29	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 30	<i>from passage</i>	Repealer section

Statement of Purpose:

To implement the recommendations of the task force to study converting legislative documents from paper to electronic form and the task force to study the reduction of state agency paper and duplicative procedures.

[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.]