



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 96

January Session, 2011

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AN ACT CONCERNING TERMINATION WITHOUT CAUSE FOR CERTAIN OFFICERS IN MUNICIPAL POLICE DEPARTMENTS.

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

1 Section 1. Section 7-278 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2011*):

3 No active head of any police department of any town, city or
4 borough and no deputy chief of any such police department not
5 subject to a collective bargaining agreement or any other agreement
6 concerning the terms of employment shall be dismissed unless there is
7 a showing of just cause by the authority having the power of dismissal
8 and such person has been given notice in writing of the specific
9 grounds for such dismissal and an opportunity to be heard in his own
10 defense, personally or by counsel, at a public hearing before such
11 authority. Such public hearing, unless otherwise specified by charter,
12 shall be held not less than five nor more than ten days after such
13 notice. Any person so dismissed may appeal within thirty days
14 following such dismissal to the superior court for the judicial district in
15 which such town, city or borough is located. Service shall be made as
16 in civil process. Said court shall review the record of such hearing, and,
17 if it appears upon the hearing upon the appeal that testimony is
18 necessary for an equitable disposition of the appeal, it may take
19 evidence or appoint a referee or a committee to take such evidence as it

