



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 868

LCO No. 2789

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Referred to Committee on Planning and Development

Introduced by:
(PD)

AN ACT CONCERNING EMPLOYMENT OF PRIVATE DETECTIVES BY MUNICIPALITIES.

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

1 Section 1. Section 7-283 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2011*):

3 (a) No [municipal corporation] municipality shall employ private
4 detectives in the investigation or detection of crime at an expense of
5 more than [five hundred] two thousand dollars unless (1) a specific
6 appropriation therefor has been made, [nor unless] (2) the authorities
7 [thereof] of such municipality have first applied to the [state police]
8 Division of State Police within the Department of Public Safety for
9 assistance in such investigation and waited a reasonable time for said
10 [state police] division to act, and (3) the authorities of such
11 municipality have given written notice of the hiring of such private
12 detectives not less than seven business days prior to such hiring to (A)
13 the police chief of the municipality, if applicable, (B) the Division of
14 State Police within the Department of Public Safety, and (C) the state's
15 attorney for the judicial district in which the municipality is located.

16 **(b)** Any municipal official who violates any provision of subsection
17 (a) of this section shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars and
18 shall be liable to such municipality in a civil action for the amount
19 expended in excess of such sum as has been appropriated for such
20 investigation.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2011</i>	7-283

PD *Joint Favorable*