



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 1037***

LCO No. 3454

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Referred to Committee on Public Safety and Security

Introduced by:  
(PS)

***AN ACT CONCERNING OFF-TRACK BETTING BRANCH FACILITIES.***

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

1 Section 1. Section 12-571a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2011*):

3 (a) The Division of Special Revenue and the Gaming Policy Board  
4 shall not operate or authorize the operation of more than eighteen  
5 simulcast off-track betting branch facilities, except that the division  
6 and the board may operate or authorize the operation of any off-track  
7 betting facility approved prior to December 31, 1986, by the legislative  
8 body of a municipality in accordance with subsection (a) of section 12-  
9 572. Any facility approved prior to December 31, 1986, shall be  
10 included within the eighteen branch facilities authorized by this  
11 subsection.

12 (b) The eighteen off-track betting branch facilities authorized by  
13 subsection (a) of this section may include [fifteen] facilities which have  
14 screens for the simulcasting of off-track betting race programs or jai  
15 alai games and other amenities including, but not limited to,  
16 restaurants and concessions. [, provided, on] On and after June 21,

17 2010, the [fifteen] facilities [which have simulcasting] shall be located  
18 in the town and city of New Haven, the town of Windsor Locks, the  
19 town of East Haven, the town and city of Norwalk, the town and city  
20 of Hartford, the town and city of New Britain, the town and city of  
21 Bristol, the town and city of Torrington, the town and city of  
22 Waterbury, the town and city of Milford, the town and city of New  
23 London, the town of Manchester, the town of Windham, the town of  
24 Putnam and in the town and city of Bridgeport and in three additional  
25 locations. The location of each such facility [and the addition of  
26 simulcasting capability to any existing off-track betting facility that did  
27 not previously have such capability] (1) shall be approved by the  
28 executive director with the consent of the Gaming Policy Board, and  
29 (2) shall be subject to the prior approval of the legislative body of the  
30 town in which such facility is located or is proposed to be located. The  
31 division shall report annually to the joint standing committee of the  
32 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to legalized  
33 gambling on the status of the establishment or improvement of the off-  
34 track betting branch facility pursuant to this subsection.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2011</i>	12-571a

**Statement of Purpose:**

To authorize simulcasting at any off-track betting branch facility.

*[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.]*