



General Assembly

Amendment

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Offered by:
SEN. WITKOS, 8th Dist.

To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 999

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Cal. No. 130

**"AN ACT REQUIRING FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEMS FOR
PATROL CARS ONLY IF AVAILABLE FROM A MANUFACTURER."**

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Section 7-278 of the general statutes is repealed and the
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2011*):

5 No active head of any police department of any town, city or
6 borough and no deputy chief of any such police department not
7 subject to a collective bargaining agreement or any other agreement
8 concerning the terms of employment shall be dismissed unless there is
9 a showing of just cause by the authority having the power of dismissal
10 and such person has been given notice in writing of the specific
11 grounds for such dismissal and an opportunity to be heard in his own
12 defense, personally or by counsel, at a public hearing before such
13 authority. Such public hearing, unless otherwise specified by charter,
14 shall be held not less than five nor more than ten days after such
15 notice. Any person so dismissed may appeal within thirty days

16 following such dismissal to the superior court for the judicial district in
17 which such town, city or borough is located. Service shall be made as
18 in civil process. Said court shall review the record of such hearing, and,
19 if it appears upon the hearing upon the appeal that testimony is
20 necessary for an equitable disposition of the appeal, it may take
21 evidence or appoint a referee or a committee to take such evidence as it
22 directs and report the same to the court with his or its findings of fact,
23 which report shall constitute a part of the proceedings upon which the
24 determination of the court shall be made. The court, upon such appeal,
25 and after a hearing thereon, may affirm the action of such authority, or
26 may set the same aside if it finds that such authority acted illegally or
27 arbitrarily, or in the abuse of its discretion, with bad faith, malice, or
28 without just cause."