



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 6327

LCO No. 1561

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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 Section 7-283 of the general statutes is repealed and the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, 2013*):

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 Emergency Services
9 and Public Protection for assistance in such investigation and waited a
10 reasonable time for said [state police to act] division to act, and (3) the
11 authorities of such municipality have given written notice of the hiring
12 of such private detectives not less than seven business days prior to
13 such hiring to (A) the police chief of the municipality, if applicable, (B)
14 the Division of State Police within the Department of Emergency
15 Services and Public Protection, and (C) the state's attorney for the

16 judicial district in which the municipality is located.

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

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2013	7-283

Statement of Purpose:

To update and clarify existing law regarding municipal employment of private detectives.

[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.]