



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 6457

LCO No. 2929



Referred to Committee on VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Introduced by:
(VA)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE DISPLAY OF THE STATE OR NATIONAL FLAG AT HALF-STAFF.

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

1 Section 1. Section 3-10f of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 (a) [Whenever the Governor prescribes that the state flag be flown at
4 half-staff for a period following the death in the line of duty of a
5 member of the armed forces, the Governor shall also prescribe that the
6 national flag be flown at half-staff for the same period.] In the event of
7 the death of a present or former principal figure of state government or
8 of a member of the armed forces, as defined in section 27-103, who is
9 from Connecticut and dies in the line of duty, the Governor may
10 proclaim that the national flag be flown at half-staff. When such
11 proclamation is issued, all state government buildings, offices, public
12 schools and military bases shall fly the national flag and the state flag
13 at half-staff.

14 (b) In the event of the death of a state official or celebrity, the

15 Governor may proclaim that the state flag be flown at half-staff. When
16 such proclamation is issued, all state government buildings, offices,
17 public schools and military bases shall fly the state flag at half-staff.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	3-10f

Statement of Purpose:

To clarify that the Governor may proclaim that the state flag be flown at half-staff to honor the memory of state officials and celebrities without requiring that the national flag also be flown at half-staff.

[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.]