



General Assembly

***Raised Bill No. 5482***

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LCO No. 686



Referred to Committee on HOUSING

Introduced by:  
(HSG)

***AN ACT CONCERNING PUBLIC HOUSING GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES.***

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

1 Section 1. Section 8-68f of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

3 Each housing authority [which] that receives or has received  
4 financial assistance under any state housing program, and the  
5 Connecticut Housing Finance Authority or its subsidiary when said  
6 authority or subsidiary is the successor owner of housing previously  
7 owned by a housing authority under part II or part VI of this chapter,  
8 shall, for housing [which] that it owns and operates, (1) provide each  
9 of its tenants with a written lease, (2) adopt a procedure for hearing  
10 tenant complaints and grievances, (3) adopt procedures for soliciting  
11 tenant comment on proposed changes in housing authority policies  
12 and procedures, including changes to its lease and to its admission and  
13 occupancy policies, and (4) encourage tenant participation in the  
14 housing authority's operation of state housing programs, including,  
15 where appropriate, the facilitation of tenant participation in the  
16 management of housing projects. If such housing authority or the

17 Connecticut Housing Finance Authority or its subsidiary operates both  
18 a federal and a state-assisted housing program, it shall use the same  
19 procedure for hearing tenant grievances in both programs. The  
20 Commissioner of Housing shall adopt regulations in accordance with  
21 the provisions of chapter 54 to establish uniform minimum standards  
22 for the requirements in this section. If such regulations have not been  
23 adopted by October 1, 2014, the commissioner shall submit a report on  
24 said date in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a to the joint  
25 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
26 matters relating to housing. Such report shall detail the reasons why  
27 such regulations have not been adopted.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2014	8-68f

**HSG**      *Joint Favorable*