



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 456***

LCO No. 2494



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:  
(JUD)

***AN ACT CONCERNING ADOPTION OF THE CONNECTICUT CODE OF EVIDENCE BY THE SUPREME COURT.***

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Supreme Court is  
2 authorized to adopt the Connecticut Code of Evidence. If the Supreme  
3 Court adopts the Connecticut Code of Evidence, in conjunction with  
4 the adoption of said code, the Chief Justice shall appoint a committee  
5 that shall study the provisions of said code and the orderly  
6 development of evidence law, and make recommendations to the  
7 Supreme Court concerning any proposed amendments to said code by  
8 the Supreme Court. The committee shall be comprised of judges of the  
9 Superior Court and attorneys who are members of the bar of this state  
10 and representative of diverse areas of the practice of law. The Chief  
11 Justice shall appoint one member of the committee to serve as the  
12 chairperson of the committee. In carrying out the duties prescribed in  
13 this section, the committee, in its discretion, may conduct public  
14 hearings.

15 (b) On or before January 1, 2015, and annually thereafter, the

16 chairperson of the committee established pursuant to subsection (a) of  
17 this section, shall report on the activities of the committee to the joint  
18 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
19 matters relating to the judiciary. Upon the adoption of said code by the  
20 Supreme Court, such report shall include any proposed revisions to  
21 said code which are being considered by the committee.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

**Statement of Purpose:**

To provide authority to the Supreme Court to adopt the Connecticut Code of Evidence.

*[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.]*