



General Assembly

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**Raised Bill No. 6878**

LCO No. 3754



Referred to Committee on LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Introduced by:  
(LAB)

**AN ACT CONCERNING WORKERS' COMPENSATION LIABILITY FOR INDIVIDUALS RECEIVING SERVICES FROM PERSONAL CARE ATTENDANTS.**

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 17b-706b of the general statutes is  
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
3 *October 1, 2015*):

4 (a) Personal care attendants shall not be considered state employees,  
5 except for purposes of chapter 568, and shall be exempt from any and  
6 all provisions of the general statutes creating rights, obligations,  
7 privileges or immunities to state employees as a result of or incident to  
8 their state service other than those provided under said chapter.

9 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2015*) Notwithstanding any other  
10 provision of the general statutes, any personal care attendant, as  
11 defined in section 17b-706 of the general statutes, shall be deemed a  
12 state employee for purposes of chapter 568 of the general statutes.

13 Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2015*) The Commissioners of

14 Developmental Services and Social Services shall collaborate with the  
15 Commissioner of Administrative Services and the chairman of the  
16 Workers' Compensation Commission to provide workers'  
17 compensation benefits for personal care attendants, as defined in  
18 section 17b-706 of the general statutes. The cost for the provision of  
19 such benefits shall be a separate appropriation of the General  
20 Assembly and shall not reduce services or affect consumers served by  
21 such personal care attendants.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	17b-706b(a)
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	New section
Sec. 3	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	New section

**Statement of Purpose:**

To shift workers' compensation liability for personal care attendants from the consumer to the state by considering such personal care attendants to be state employees for the purposes of chapter 568 of the general statutes.

*[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.]*