



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 5272***

LCO No. 1129



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Introduced by:  
(PS)

***AN ACT CONCERNING CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTION AND WARNING EQUIPMENT IN BUSINESSES AND RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS.***

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2016*) (a) Not later than January 1,  
2 2017, each business firm, as defined in section 12-631 of the general  
3 statutes, shall equip its regular place of business, as defined in section  
4 12-218b of the general statutes, located in the state, with carbon  
5 monoxide detection and warning equipment complying with this  
6 section, unless such place of business does not contain a fuel-burning  
7 appliance, fireplace or attached garage.

8 (b) Any carbon monoxide detection and warning equipment  
9 required pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall (1) be capable  
10 of sensing carbon monoxide, (2) be installed in accordance with the  
11 manufacturer's instructions, (3) be of a type or technology that is  
12 readily available for retail sale, (4) be tested and certified pursuant to  
13 standards issued by the American National Standards Institute or  
14 Underwriters Laboratories, and (5) be capable of providing an alarm

15 suitable to warn occupants when such equipment is activated. Such  
16 equipment may be operated using batteries.

17 Sec. 2. Subsection (d) of section 29-453 of the general statutes is  
18 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
19 *1, 2016*):

20 (d) Any carbon monoxide detection and warning equipment  
21 required pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall (1) be capable  
22 of sensing carbon monoxide, [present in parts per million,] (2) be  
23 installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, and (3) be  
24 capable of providing an alarm suitable to warn occupants when such  
25 equipment is activated. Such equipment may be operated using  
26 batteries.

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| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: |                     |             |
| Section 1                                                                     | <i>July 1, 2016</i> | New section |
| Sec. 2                                                                        | <i>July 1, 2016</i> | 29-453(d)   |

***Statement of Purpose:***

To promote the safety of workers and customers by ensuring that businesses are equipped with carbon monoxide detection and warning equipment.

*[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.]*