



General Assembly

February Session, 2016

***Raised Bill No. 5476***

LCO No. 2166



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:  
(JUD)

***AN ACT EXPANDING THE USE OF DRUG DOCKETS.***

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

1 Section 1. Section 51-181b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2016*):

3 [(a)] The Chief Court Administrator [may] shall establish in [any]  
4 each court location or juvenile matters court location a docket separate  
5 from other criminal or juvenile matters for the hearing of criminal or  
6 juvenile matters in which a defendant is a drug-dependent person, as  
7 defined in section 21a-240. The docket shall be available to offenders  
8 who could benefit from placement in a substance abuse treatment  
9 program.

10 [(b) The Chief Court Administrator shall establish, within the  
11 appropriations designated in public act 03-1 of the June 30 special  
12 session\* for said purpose, one or more drug courts for the hearing of  
13 criminal or juvenile matters in which a defendant is a drug-dependent  
14 person, as defined in section 21a-240, who could benefit from  
15 placement in a substance abuse treatment program.]

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2016</i>	51-181b

**Statement of Purpose:**

To expand the drug docket program.

*[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.]*