



General Assembly

Amendment

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LCO No. 8239



Offered by:

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To: House Bill No. **7297**

File No. 515

Cal. No. 355

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PRIVATE RIGHT OF ACTION IN THE DUTY TO PROMOTE FAIR HOUSING AND REQUIRING A STUDY OF CONNECTICUT'S HOUSING INVENTORY AND CURRENT AND FUTURE HOUSING NEEDS."

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Section 46a-98a of the general statutes is repealed and the
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

5 (a) Any person claiming to be aggrieved by a violation of section 8-
6 37cc, 46a-64c or 46a-81e or by a breach of a conciliation agreement
7 entered into pursuant to this chapter, may bring an action in the
8 Superior Court, or the housing session of said court if appropriate
9 within one year of the date of the alleged discriminatory practice or of
10 a breach of a conciliation agreement entered into pursuant to this

11 chapter. No action pursuant to this section may be brought in the
 12 Superior Court regarding the alleged discriminatory practice after the
 13 commission has obtained a conciliation agreement pursuant to section
 14 46a-83 or commenced a hearing pursuant to section 46a-84, except for
 15 an action to enforce the conciliation agreement. The court shall have
 16 the power to grant relief, by injunction or otherwise, as it deems just
 17 and suitable. The court may grant any relief which a presiding officer
 18 may grant in a proceeding under section 46a-86 or which the court
 19 may grant in a proceeding under section 46a-89. The commission,
 20 through commission legal counsel or the Attorney General, may
 21 intervene as a matter of right in any action brought pursuant to this
 22 section without permission of the court or the parties.

23 (b) In construing section 8-37cc pursuant to subsection (a) of this
 24 section, the commissioner and the courts of this state shall be guided
 25 by interpretations given by the state and federal courts of chapter 814c,
 26 80 CFR 42271 and 42 USC 3601 et seq., including 42 USC 3608."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2017	46a-98a