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To: House Bill No. 6663

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"AN ACT CONCERNING POLICE MISCONDUCT."

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

3 "Section 1. Section 53a-181i of the general statutes is repealed and
4 the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2017*):

5 For the purposes of sections 53a-181j to 53a-181l, inclusive, as
6 amended by this act:

7 (1) "Disability" means physical disability, mental disability or
8 intellectual disability;

9 (2) "Gender identity or expression" means a person's gender-related
10 identity, appearance or behavior, whether or not that gender-related
11 identity, appearance or behavior is different from that traditionally
12 associated with the person's assigned sex at birth;

13 (3) "Mental disability" means one or more mental disorders, as
14 defined in the most recent edition of the American Psychiatric
15 Association's "Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders";

16 (4) "Intellectual disability" has the same meaning as provided in
17 section 1-1g; [and]

18 (5) "Physical disability" means any chronic physical handicap,
19 infirmity or impairment, whether congenital or resulting from bodily
20 injury, organic processes or changes or from illness, including, but not
21 limited to, blindness, epilepsy, deafness or hearing impairment or
22 reliance on a wheelchair or other remedial appliance or device; and

23 (6) "Public safety employee" means a reasonably identifiable police
24 officer, as defined in section 7-294a, firefighter, as defined in section 7-
25 313g, or emergency medical technician, as defined in section 19a-175.

26 Sec. 2. Section 53a-181j of the general statutes is repealed and the
27 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2017*):

28 (a) A person is guilty of intimidation based on bigotry or bias in the
29 first degree when such person maliciously, and with specific intent to
30 intimidate or harass another person because of the actual or perceived
31 race, religion, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation or gender identity
32 or expression of such other person or because of such other person's
33 duties as a public safety employee, causes serious physical injury to
34 such other person or to a third person.

35 (b) Intimidation based on bigotry or bias in the first degree is a class
36 C felony.

37 Sec. 3. Section 53a-181k of the general statutes is repealed and the
38 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2017*):

39 (a) A person is guilty of intimidation based on bigotry or bias in the
40 second degree when such person maliciously, and with specific intent
41 to intimidate or harass another person because of the actual or
42 perceived race, religion, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation or

43 gender identity or expression of such other person or because of such
 44 other person's duties as a public safety employee, does any of the
 45 following: (1) Causes physical contact with such other person, (2)
 46 damages, destroys or defaces any real or personal property of such
 47 other person, or (3) threatens, by word or act, to do an act described in
 48 subdivision (1) or (2) of this subsection, if there is reasonable cause to
 49 believe that an act described in subdivision (1) or (2) of this subsection
 50 will occur.

51 (b) Intimidation based on bigotry or bias in the second degree is a
 52 class D felony.

53 Sec. 4. Section 53a-181l of the general statutes is repealed and the
 54 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2017*):

55 (a) A person is guilty of intimidation based on bigotry or bias in the
 56 third degree when such person, with specific intent to intimidate or
 57 harass another person or group of persons because of the actual or
 58 perceived race, religion, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation or
 59 gender identity or expression of such other person or persons or
 60 because of such other person's or persons' duties as public safety
 61 employees: (1) Damages, destroys or defaces any real or personal
 62 property, or (2) threatens, by word or act, to do an act described in
 63 subdivision (1) of this subsection or advocates or urges another person
 64 to do an act described in subdivision (1) of this subsection, if there is
 65 reasonable cause to believe that an act described in said subdivision
 66 will occur.

67 (b) Intimidation based on bigotry or bias in the third degree is a
 68 class A misdemeanor."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2017	53a-181i
Sec. 2	October 1, 2017	53a-181j
Sec. 3	October 1, 2017	53a-181k

Sec. 4	<i>October 1, 2017</i>	53a-181l
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