



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5544

LCO No. 2659



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:
(JUD)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE
CONNECTICUT SENTENCING COMMISSION WITH RESPECT TO
MISDEMEANOR SENTENCES.***

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

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding any
2 provision of the general statutes, any offense which constitutes a
3 breach of any law of this state for which a person may be sentenced to
4 a term of imprisonment of up to but not exceeding one year shall be
5 punishable by imprisonment for a period not to exceed three hundred
6 sixty-four days. A misdemeanor conviction for which a person was
7 sentenced to a term of imprisonment of one year shall continue to be
8 deemed a misdemeanor conviction after the maximum term of
9 imprisonment is reduced pursuant to this section.
- 10 (b) The provisions of this section apply to any term of imprisonment
11 for which a person was sentenced to before, on or after the effective
12 date of this act.
- 13 (c) Any person sentenced to a term of imprisonment of one year,

14 prior to the effective date of this section, for any offense previously
15 punishable by a term of imprisonment of up to but not exceeding one
16 year, may apply to the court that entered the judgment of conviction to
17 have the term of sentence modified to the maximum term of
18 imprisonment for a period not to exceed three hundred sixty-four
19 days. Any such application may be filed at any time and the court shall
20 issue such modification regardless of the date of conviction.

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| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: | | |
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| Section 1 | <i>from passage</i> | New section |
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Statement of Purpose:

To enact the Connecticut Sentencing Commission's recommendations with respect to misdemeanor sentences.

[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.]