

Government Administration and Elections Committee

JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT

Bill No.: SB-1040

Title: AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATE EMPLOYEE CAMPAIGN.

Vote Date: 3/20/2019

Vote Action: Joint Favorable Substitute

PH Date: 3/13/2019

File No.:

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SPONSORS OF BILL:

Government Administration and Elections Committee

REASONS FOR BILL:

To make modifications to functions and appointments of the State Employee Campaign Committee. In particular to remove references to federations and impose various requirements on participating in charitable organizations.

Substitute Language- LCO No. 6430 – Makes technical changes to remove references to federations and adds additional requirements.

RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION/AGENCY:

Kevin Lembo, Comptroller, Office of the State Comptroller: This bill makes changes to the State Employee Campaign for Charitable Giving. It includes narrowing the list of eligible charities to Connecticut based charities or national charities that serve Connecticut residents and meet qualifying criteria and placing a cap on the administrative fees a charity may charge. If the State Employee Campaign is going to continue to operate, changes must be made to modernize the program so that charitable dollars more effectively fulfill their intended purpose and provide more meaningful support to Connecticut charities.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT:

United Way of Connecticut: The bill would enable more inclusivity for nonprofit not directly associated with federations. It benefits Connecticut residents by defining more specifically that the participating charitable organizations must demonstrate that their programs are located within and serve the state, by documenting the presence in Connecticut of at least one staffed facility.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF OPPOSITION:

None Expressed.

**Reported by: Maureen O'Reilly
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