



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 7333

LCO No. 5406



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Introduced by:
(PS)

AN ACT CONCERNING PUBLIC SAFETY.

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

1 Section 1. Section 29-2 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 The Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection
4 shall have general jurisdiction of the affairs of the Division of State
5 Police within the Department of Emergency Services and Public
6 Protection and shall have all the powers and privileges conferred by
7 statute upon a state policeman. [He] The commissioner shall submit to
8 the Governor an annual report, as provided in section 4-60, setting
9 forth in detail the work of said division. [Said] The commissioner shall
10 prescribe rules for the government of the division and, in any
11 investigation made by [him] the commissioner relating to the
12 personnel of the division, may administer oaths and summon
13 witnesses and compel their attendance as provided by law for the
14 attendance of witnesses at court.

15 Sec. 2. Section 29-14 of the general statutes is repealed and the
16 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

17 Said bureau shall, on the receipt of any such identification card,
18 immediately cause the files to be examined and shall promptly return
19 to the police department or peace officer submitting such identification
20 card a true transcript of the record of previous crimes committed by
21 the person described on each such identification card, and said bureau
22 shall assist police and prosecuting officials in the preparation and
23 distribution of circulars relative to fugitives when so requested. When
24 an arrest is made by an officer of a police department or other peace
25 officer who is not equipped with necessary paraphernalia or skilled in
26 the art of taking fingerprints and proper descriptions of criminals, [he]
27 such officer may call on the State Police Bureau of Identification or on
28 the nearest state police station for assistance and any officer or officers
29 so called shall render such assistance immediately.

30 Sec. 4. Section 29-18a of the general statutes is repealed and the
31 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

32 The Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection
33 may appoint one or more persons to act as special [policemen] police
34 officers in the Department of Emergency Services and Public
35 Protection, for the purpose of investigating public assistance fraud
36 relating to the beneficiaries of public assistance in this state. Such
37 appointees, having been sworn, shall serve at the pleasure of the
38 Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection and,
39 during such tenure, shall have all the powers conferred on state
40 [policemen] police officers. They shall, in addition to their duties
41 concerning public assistance cases, be subject to the call of the
42 Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection for such
43 emergency service as [he] the commissioner may prescribe.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	29-2
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	29-14
Sec. 4	<i>from passage</i>	29-18a

Statement of Purpose:

To make technical changes to public safety statutes.

[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.]