



General Assembly

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LCO No. 6621



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:
(JUD)

AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF VICTIM SERVICES.

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a working
2 group to study victim services. Such study shall include, but not be
3 limited to, an examination of services provided to a victim of a crime
4 starting from the point of the commission of the crime and continuing
5 to the point that such person no longer needs such services. The study
6 shall include any recommendations for legislation to improve, enhance
7 or streamline the provision of such services.

8 (b) The working group shall consist of the following members:

9 (1) The Victim Advocate, or the Victim Advocate's designee;

10 (2) A municipal police chief appointed by the Connecticut Police
11 Chiefs Association;

12 (3) The Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection,
13 or the commissioner's designee;

14 (4) The Commissioner of Correction, or the commissioner's
15 designee;

16 (5) The Chief Court Administrator, or the Chief Court
17 Administrator's designee;

18 (6) A representative of the Office of Victim Services of the Judicial
19 Branch designated by the Chief Court Administrator; and

20 (7) A member of the Board of Pardons and Paroles designated by
21 the chairperson of the board.

22 (c) Not later than January 1, 2020, the working group shall submit a
23 report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing
24 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
25 relating to the judiciary, in accordance with the provisions of section
26 11-4a of the general statutes. The working group shall terminate on the
27 date that it submits such report or January 1, 2020, whichever is later.

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

Statement of Purpose:

To study existing victim services and provide for recommendations to improve such services.

[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.]