



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5485

LCO No. 2730



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 October 1, 2020*) (a) Notwithstanding any
2 provision of the general statutes, any offense which constitutes a breach
3 of any law of this state for which a person may be sentenced to a term
4 of imprisonment of up to but not exceeding one year shall be punishable
5 by imprisonment for a period not to exceed three hundred sixty-four
6 days. A misdemeanor conviction for which a person was sentenced to a
7 term of imprisonment of one year shall continue to be deemed a
8 misdemeanor conviction after the maximum term of imprisonment is
9 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 October 1, 2020.

12 (c) Any person sentenced to a term of imprisonment of one year, prior
13 to October 1, 2020, for any offense previously punishable by a term of
14 imprisonment of up to but not exceeding one year, may apply to the

15 court that entered the judgment of conviction to have the term of
16 sentence modified to the maximum term of imprisonment for a period
17 not to exceed three hundred sixty-four days. Any such application may
18 be filed at any time and the court shall issue such modification
19 regardless of the date of conviction, provided the record of such
20 sentence has not been destroyed.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>October 1, 2020</i>	New section
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Statement of Purpose:

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

[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.]