



General Assembly

January Session, 2021

***Raised Bill No. 904***

LCO No. 3470



Referred to Committee on LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Introduced by:  
(LAB)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE LABOR DEPARTMENT'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.***

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

1 Section 1. Section 31-237 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 (a) There shall continue to be in the Labor Department a division, to  
4 be known as the Employment Security Division, which shall be  
5 administered by a full-time, salaried, executive director, who shall be  
6 subject to the supervision and the direction of the administrator.  
7 Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (4) of section 5-198, such  
8 executive director shall be in the classified service and shall devote full-  
9 time to the duties of his or her office. The administrator is authorized to  
10 appoint, fix the compensation of and prescribe the duties of such  
11 executive director, provided such appointment shall be subject to the  
12 approval of the Governor and the rate of such compensation shall be  
13 subject to the approval of the Governor and the Secretary of the Office  
14 of Policy and Management. The Employment Security Division shall be  
15 responsible for matters relating to unemployment compensation and  
16 the Connecticut State Employment Service, and shall establish and  
17 maintain free public employment bureaus in such number and in such

18 places as may be necessary for the proper administration of this chapter  
19 and for the purpose of performing such duties as are within the purview  
20 of the Act of Congress entitled "An Act to Provide for the Establishment  
21 of a National Employment System and for Cooperation with the States  
22 in the Promotion of Such System and for Other Purposes", approved  
23 June 6, 1933, as amended. The administrator may cooperate with or  
24 enter into agreements with the Federal Railroad Retirement Board with  
25 respect to the establishment, maintenance and use of free employment  
26 service facilities. Moneys received from the Federal Railroad Retirement  
27 Board as compensation for services or facilities supplied to said board  
28 shall be paid into the Employment Security Administration Fund.

29 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 50, the Employment  
30 Security Division is authorized to purchase supply items and equipment  
31 obtainable directly from the General Services Administration of the  
32 United States government or any other federal agency, out of funds  
33 established under the provisions of subsection (a) or (d) of section 31-  
34 259 or out of funds established by or granted pursuant to federal  
35 authority to the Employment Security Division, if the administrator  
36 deems such purchases to be in the best interests of the state and said  
37 Employment Security Division.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	31-237

**Statement of Purpose:**

To specify the executive director of the Labor Department's Employment Security Division shall be in the classified service and shall be devoted full-time to the duties of his or her office.

*[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.]*