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The Senate was called to order at 12:57 p.m., President in the Chair.

The prayer was offered by Acting Chaplain, Kathy Zabel of Burlington, Connecticut.

The following is the prayer:

We pray for continued blessings and watchfulness over the concerns of this State. Continue to uphold its officials as well as its citizens in the weeks ahead.

PLEDGE

Senator Lesser of the 9th led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

REPORT

The following report was received, read by the Clerk and referred to the Committee indicated:

Report - University of Connecticut - Connecticut's Annual Report on Procurement Policies and Procedures for 2020 ending December 31, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 10a-151, 10a-151f to 10a-151i of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: May 25, 2021.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

FAVORABLE REPORT OF THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE SENATE RESOLUTION

The following favorable report was received from the Joint Standing Committee indicated, read the second time and tabled for the calendar.

APPROPRIATIONS. S.R. No. **9** (File No. 720) "RESOLUTION PROPOSING APPROVAL OF A TENTATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT AND THE CONNECTICUT STATE EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION (P-3B BARGAINING UNIT)."

**MATTERS RETURNED FROM COMMITTEE
FAVORABLE REPORTS OF THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES
NO NEW FILE**

The following favorable reports were received from the Joint Standing Committees indicated, the bills were read the second time and tabled for the calendar.

APPROPRIATIONS. Substitute for S.B. No. **356** (COMM) (File No. 142) "AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN ENERGY EFFICIENCY RETROFIT GRANT PROGRAM FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING."

APPROPRIATIONS. Substitute for S.B. No. **1059** (RAISED) (File No. 616) "AN ACT CONCERNING THE OFFICE OF THE CORRECTION OMBUDS, THE USE OF ISOLATED CONFINEMENT, SECLUSION AND RESTRAINTS, SOCIAL CONTACTS FOR INCARCERATED PERSONS AND TRAINING AND WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS FOR CORRECTION OFFICERS."

EDUCATION. Substitute for S.B. No. **288** (RAISED) (File No. 483) "AN ACT CONCERNING INDOOR AIR QUALITY IN SCHOOLS."

**BUSINESS ON THE CALENDAR
MATTER RETURNED FROM COMMITTEE
FAVORABLE REPORTS OF THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
BILL PASSED**

The following favorable report was taken from the table, read the third time, the report of the Committee accepted and the bill passed.

JUDICIARY. Substitute for S.B. No. 658 (COMM) (File No. 445) "AN ACT REQUIRING EMPLOYERS TO RECALL CERTAIN LAID-OFF WORKERS IN ORDER OF SENIORITY."

Senator Kushner of the 24th explained the bill and moved passage.

Senator Kushner of the 24th offered Senate Amendment Schedule "A" (LCO 9247) and moved adoption.

Remarking were Senators Sampson of the 16th, and Formica of the 20th.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 1:39 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	30
Necessary for Adoption	16
Those voting Yea	18
Those voting Nay	12
Those absent and not voting.....	6

On the roll call vote Senate Amendment Schedule "A" (LCO 9247) was adopted.

The following is the roll call vote:

Y 1 JOHN W. FONFARA	Y 19 CATHERINE A. OSTEN
Y 2 DOUGLAS MCCRORY	N 20 PAUL M. FORMICA

Y	3	SAUD ANWAR		N	21	KEVIN C. KELLY
Y	4	STEVE CASSANO	A		22	MARILYN MOORE
Y	5	DEREK SLAP	A		23	DENNIS BRADLEY
Y	6	RICK LOPES		Y	24	JULIE KUSHNER
	N	7		Y	25	BOB DUFF
	N	8		Y	26	WILL HASKELL
Y	9	MATTHEW L. LESSER		Y	27	PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
Y	10	GARY WINFIELD		N	28	TONY HWANG
Y	11	MARTIN M. LOONEY	A		29	MAE FLEXER
Y	12	CHRISTINE COHEN		N	30	CRAIG MINER
Y	13	MARY ABRAMS		N	31	HENRI MARTIN
Y	14	JAMES MARONEY		N	32	ERIC C. BERTHEL
A	15	JOAN V. HARTLEY	A		33	NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
	N	16		N	34	PAUL CICARELLA
Y	17	JORGE CABRERA		N	35	DAN CHAMPAGNE
	N	18		A	36	ALEX KASSER

The following is the Amendment.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following in lieu thereof:

"Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) As used in this section:

(1) "Building services enterprise" means a person providing janitorial, building maintenance or security services under contract to office, retail or other commercial or state buildings;

(2) "Compensation" means an employee's average weekly earnings for the twelve-month period immediately preceding the date of the employee's last day of active employment with an employer, including wages or salary, payments to an employee while on vacation or on leave, allocated or declared tip income, bonuses or commissions, contributions or premiums paid by the employer for fringe benefits, overtime or other premium payments and allowances for expenses, uniforms, travel or education;

(3) "Customary seasonal work" means work performed by an employee for approximately the same portion of each calendar year;

(4) "Employer" means any person, including a corporate officer or executive, who directly or indirectly or through an agent or any other person, including through the services of a temporary service or staffing agency or similar entity, conducts an enterprise and employs or exercises control over the wages, hours or working conditions of any employee;

(5) "Employment site" means the principal physical place where a laid-off employee performed the predominance of the employee's duties prior to being laid off, or, in the case of a laid-off employee in building services or other industries where work is performed at locations other than the employer's administrative headquarters from which such assignments were made, any location served by such headquarters;

(6) "Enterprise" means a hotel, lodging house, food service contractor or building services enterprise, including such a business located at a publicly or privately operated highway service plaza, that employs fifteen or more employees;

(7) "Food service" means the on-site preparation, service and cleanup of food or beverages;

(8) "Food service contract" means a contract for a term of not less than six months for the provision of food service that requires the food service contractor to provide all food service workers;

(9) "Food service contractor" means any person who enters into a food service contract to provide food service at any commercial, industrial, institutional or mixed-use business facility in the state in a single building or in contiguous buildings under common ownership or management or at any state building;

(10) "Hotel" has the same meaning as provided in section 12-407 of the general statutes;

(11) "Laid-off employee" means any employee who was employed by the employer for six months or more in the twelve months preceding March 10, 2020, and whose most recent

separation from active service or whose failure to be scheduled for customary seasonal work by that employer occurred after March 10, 2020, and before December 31, 2024, and was due to the lack of business or a reduction or furlough of the employer's workforce, the public health and civil preparedness emergencies declared by the Governor on March 10, 2020, or other economic, nondisciplinary reasons;

(12) "Length of service" means the total of all periods of time during which an employee has been in active service, including periods of time when the employee was on leave or on vacation;

(13) "Lodging house" has the same meaning as provided in section 12-407 of the general statutes; and

(14) "Person" means an individual, corporation, partnership, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, limited liability company, business trust, estate, trust, association, joint venture, agency, instrumentality or any other legal or commercial entity, either domestic or foreign.

(b) Not later than five days after a job position becomes available at an employer, the employer shall notify each of its laid-off employees who are qualified for the position that the position is available. Such notification shall be sent in writing to the laid-off employee's last known physical address or electronic mail address, whichever is the usual and customary means of providing notices between the employer and employee, and in a text message to the employee's mobile phone. A laid-off employee is qualified for a position if the employee: (1) Held the same or similar position at the enterprise at the time of the employee's most recent separation from active service with the employer; or (2) is or can be qualified for the position with the same training that would be provided to a new employee hired for such position. The employer shall offer such positions to laid-off employees in the order of preference set forth under subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection. Where more than one employee is entitled to preference for a position, the employer shall offer the position to the employee with the greatest length of service at the employment site. An employer may make offers of employment for a position to more than one laid-off employee with the final offer of employment for such position conditioned upon the order of preference described in this subsection.

(c) An offer of employment to a laid-off employee pursuant to this section shall be at substantially the same employment site, subject to relocation as provided in subdivision (4) of subsection (g) of this section. If the laid-off employee held the same or similar position at the enterprise at the time of the employee's most recent separation from active service with the employer, such offer shall be in the same classification or job title and with substantially the same duties, compensation, benefits and working conditions as applied to the laid-off employee immediately prior to March 10, 2020.

(d) Any laid-off employee who is offered a position pursuant to this section shall be given not less than five days in which to accept or decline the offer. If the laid-off employee does not accept or reject the offer in the time provided by the employer, the offer shall be considered declined. If the laid-off employee declines an offer, within the time period provided by the employer, due to such employee's age or underlying health conditions of such employee or of a family member or other individual living in such employee's household, such employee shall retain his or her right to accept a position and shall retain all other rights under this section until both (1) the expiration of the public health and civil preparedness emergencies declared by the Governor on March 10, 2020, and any extension of such emergency declarations, and (2) the laid-off employee is reoffered a position.

(e) Each employer that declines to rehire a laid-off employee on the grounds of lack of qualifications and instead hires an individual other than a laid-off employee shall provide to the laid-off employee a written notice not later than thirty days after the date such other individual is hired. Such notice shall identify the individual hired in lieu of rehiring the laid-off employee, the reasons for such decision and all demographic data the employer has regarding such new hire and the laid-off employee who was not rehired.

(f) A laid-off employee rehired pursuant to this section shall be permitted to work for not less than thirty work days, unless there is just cause for the employee's termination.

(g) The requirements of this section shall apply under any of the following circumstances:

(1) The ownership of the employer changed after a laid-off employee was laid off, but the enterprise continues to conduct the same or similar operations it did prior to March 10, 2020;

(2) The form of organization of the employer changed after March 10, 2020;

(3) Substantially all of the assets of the employer were acquired by another entity that conducts the same or similar operations using substantially the same assets; or

(4) The employer relocates the operations at which a laid-off employee was employed prior to March 10, 2020, to a different employment site not greater than twenty-five miles away from the original employment site.

(h) No employer shall terminate, refuse to reemploy, reduce compensation or otherwise take any adverse action against any individual seeking to enforce his or her rights under this section or for participating in proceedings related to this section, opposing the violation of any provision of this section or otherwise asserting rights under this section.

(i) An employer that terminates, refuses to reemploy or takes any other adverse action against any laid-off employee shall provide to the employee, at or before the time of the termination, refusal to reemploy or other adverse action, a detailed written statement of the reason or reasons for the termination, refusal to reemploy or other adverse action, including all the facts substantiating the reason or reasons and all facts known to the employer that contradict the substantiating facts.

(j) (1) A laid-off employee aggrieved by a violation of any provision of this section may bring a civil action in the Superior Court or may designate an agent or representative to maintain the action on behalf of the employee.

(2) If the court finds that the employer has violated any provision of this section, the court may enjoin the employer from engaging in such violation and may order such affirmative action as the court deems appropriate, including, but not limited to, the reinstatement or rehiring of the laid-off employee, with or without back pay and fringe benefits, or other equitable relief as the court deems appropriate. Interim earnings or amounts earnable with reasonable diligence by the laid-off employee who was subjected to the violation shall be deducted from the back pay permitted under this subdivision and any reasonable amounts expended by the laid-off employee in searching for, obtaining or relocating to new employment shall be deducted from the interim earnings before such earnings are deducted from such back pay. The court may order (A) compensatory and punitive damages if the court finds that the employer committed the violation with malice or with reckless indifference to the provisions of this section, and (B) treble damages if the court finds that the employer terminated the laid-off employee in violation of the provisions of subsection (h) of this section. Any laid-off employee who prevails in a civil action shall be awarded reasonable attorney's fees and costs to be taxed by the court.

(k) The provisions of this section shall apply to each laid-off employee, whether or not such laid-off employee is represented for purposes of collective bargaining or is covered by a collective bargaining agreement, and may be waived in a bona fide collective bargaining agreement but only if the waiver is explicitly set forth in the agreement in clear and unambiguous terms. Unilateral implementation of terms and conditions of employment by either party to a collective bargaining relationship shall not constitute or be permitted as a waiver of all or any part of the provisions of this section. Nothing in this section shall be construed to invalidate or limit the rights, remedies and procedures of any contract or agreement that provides equal or greater protection for laid-off employees than provided by this section and it shall not be a violation of this section for an employer to follow an order of preference for rehiring laid-off employees required by a collective bargaining agreement that is different from the order of preference required by this section."

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

Remarking was Senator Sampson of the 16th.

Senator Sampson of the 16th offered Senate Amendment Schedule "B" (LCO 9224), moved adoption and requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Remarking was Senator Formica of the 20th.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 2:24 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	30
Necessary for Adoption	16
Those voting Yea	12
Those voting Nay	18
Those absent and not voting	6

On the roll call vote Senate Amendment Schedule “B” (LCO 9224) was rejected.

The following is the roll call vote:

N 1	JOHN W. FONFARA	N 19	CATHERINE A. OSTEN
N 2	DOUGLAS MCCRORY	Y 20	PAUL M. FORMICA
N 3	SAUD ANWAR	Y 21	KEVIN C. KELLY
N 4	STEVE CASSANO	A 22	MARILYN MOORE
N 5	DEREK SLAP	A 23	DENNIS BRADLEY
N 6	RICK LOPES	N 24	JULIE KUSHNER
Y 7	JOHN A. KISSEL	N 25	BOB DUFF
Y 8	KEVIN D. WITKOS	N 26	WILL HASKELL
N 9	MATTHEW L. LESSER	A 27	PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
N 10	GARY WINFIELD	Y 28	TONY HWANG
N 11	MARTIN M. LOONEY	A 29	MAE FLEXER
N 12	CHRISTINE COHEN	Y 30	CRAIG MINER
N 13	MARY ABRAMS	Y 31	HENRI MARTIN
N 14	JAMES MARONEY	Y 32	ERIC C. BERTHEL
A 15	JOAN V. HARTLEY	N 33	NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
Y 16	ROB SAMPSON	Y 34	PAUL CICARELLA
N 17	JORGE CABRERA	Y 35	DAN CHAMPAGNE
Y 18	HEATHER S. SOMERS	A 36	ALEX KASSER

The following is the Amendment.

Strike subdivision (11) of subsection (a) of section 1 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:

"(11) "Laid-off employee" means any employee (A) who was employed by the employer for six months or more in the twelve months preceding March 10, 2020, (B) whose most recent separation from active service or whose failure to be scheduled for customary seasonal work by that employer occurred on or after March 10, 2020, and before December 31, 2024, (C) whose separation from active service or whose failure to be scheduled for customary seasonal work by the employer was due to the lack of business or a reduction or furlough of the employer's workforce, the public health and civil preparedness emergencies declared by the Governor on March 10, 2020, or other economic, nondisciplinary reasons, and (D) who did not reject, on or after March 10, 2020, and before the effective date of this section, an offer of employment from the employer since such separation from active service or failure to be scheduled;"

Senator Sampson of the 16th offered Senate Amendment Schedule “C” (LCO 9220), moved adoption and requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Remarking was Senator Kushner of the 24th.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 2:33 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	31
Necessary for Adoption	16
Those voting Yea	12
Those voting Nay	19
Those absent and not voting.....	5

On the roll call vote Senate Amendment Schedule “C” (LCO 9220) was rejected.

The following is the roll call vote:

N 1	JOHN W. FONFARA	N 19	CATHERINE A. OSTEN
N 2	DOUGLAS MCCRORY	Y 20	PAUL M. FORMICA
N 3	SAUD ANWAR	Y 21	KEVIN C. KELLY
N 4	STEVE CASSANO	A 22	MARILYN MOORE
N 5	DEREK SLAP	A 23	DENNIS BRADLEY
N 6	RICK LOPES	N 24	JULIE KUSHNER
Y 7	JOHN A. KISSEL	N 25	BOB DUFF
Y 8	KEVIN D. WITKOS	N 26	WILL HASKELL
N 9	MATTHEW L. LESSER	N 27	PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
N 10	GARY WINFIELD	Y 28	TONY HWANG
N 11	MARTIN M. LOONEY	A 29	MAE FLEXER
N 12	CHRISTINE COHEN	Y 30	CRAIG MINER
N 13	MARY ABRAMS	Y 31	HENRI MARTIN
N 14	JAMES MARONEY	Y 32	ERIC C. BERTHEL
A 15	JOAN V. HARTLEY	N 33	NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
Y 16	ROB SAMPSON	Y 34	PAUL CICARELLA
N 17	JORGE CABRERA	Y 35	DAN CHAMPAGNE
Y 18	HEATHER S. SOMERS	A 36	ALEX KASSER

The following is the Amendment.

Strike subsection (b) of section 1 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:

"(b) Not later than five days after a job position becomes available at an employer, the employer shall notify each of its laid-off employees who are qualified for the position that the position is available. Such notification shall be sent in writing to the laid-off employee's last known physical address or electronic mail address, whichever is the usual and customary means of providing notices between the employer and employee, and in a text message to the employee's mobile phone. A laid-off employee is qualified for a position if the employee: (1) Held the same or similar position at the enterprise at the time of the employee's most recent separation from active service with the employer; or (2) is or can be qualified for the position with the same training that would be provided to a new employee hired for such position. The employer shall offer such positions to laid-off employees in the order of preference set forth under subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection. Where more than one employee is entitled to preference for a position, the employer shall consider each entitled employee's skill level, attendance and disciplinary record and length of service with the employer before offering the position to any such employee. An employer may make offers of employment for a position to more than one laid-off employee with the final offer of employment for such position conditioned upon the order of preference described in this subsection."

Senator Sampson of the 16th offered Senate Amendment Schedule “D” (LCO 9226), moved adoption.

Remarking was Senator Kushner of the 24th.

Senator Kushner of the 24th requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 2:42 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	33
Necessary for Adoption	17
Those voting Yea	12
Those voting Nay	21
Those absent and not voting.....	3

On the roll call vote Senate Amendment Schedule “D” (LCO 9226) was rejected.

The following is the roll call vote:

N 1	JOHN W. FONFARA	N 19	CATHERINE A. OSTEN
N 2	DOUGLAS MCCRORY	Y 20	PAUL M. FORMICA
N 3	SAUD ANWAR	Y 21	KEVIN C. KELLY
N 4	STEVE CASSANO	A 22	MARILYN MOORE
N 5	DEREK SLAP	A 23	DENNIS BRADLEY
N 6	RICK LOPES	N 24	JULIE KUSHNER
Y 7	JOHN A. KISSEL	N 25	BOB DUFF
Y 8	KEVIN D. WITKOS	N 26	WILL HASKELL
N 9	MATTHEW L. LESSER	N 27	PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
N 10	GARY WINFIELD	Y 28	TONY HWANG
N 11	MARTIN M. LOONEY	N 29	MAE FLEXER
N 12	CHRISTINE COHEN	Y 30	CRAIG MINER
N 13	MARY ABRAMS	Y 31	HENRI MARTIN
N 14	JAMES MARONEY	Y 32	ERIC C. BERTHEL
A 15	JOAN V. HARTLEY	N 33	NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
Y 16	ROB SAMPSON	Y 34	PAUL CICARELLA
N 17	JORGE CABRERA	Y 35	DAN CHAMPAGNE
Y 18	HEATHER S. SOMERS	N 36	ALEX KASSER

The following is the Amendment.

After subsection (k) of section 1, insert the following:

"(l) Notwithstanding any other provision of the general statutes, an employer that rehires a laid-off employee pursuant to this section shall not be held civilly liable for violating any prohibition on discriminatory hiring or for violating any affirmative action policy in connection with such rehiring."

Remarking were Senators Sampson of the 16th, Kushner of the 24th, Formica of the 20th, Duff of the 25th, and Looney of the 11th.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 3:16 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	34
Necessary for Adoption	18
Those voting Yea	19

Those voting Nay	15
Those absent and not voting.....	2

On the roll call vote Senate Bill No. 658 as amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A" (LCO 9247) was Passed.

The following is the roll call vote:

Y	1	JOHN W. FONFARA	Y	19	CATHERINE A. OSTEN
A	2	DOUGLAS MCCRORY	N	20	PAUL M. FORMICA
Y	3	SAUD ANWAR	N	21	KEVIN C. KELLY
Y	4	STEVE CASSANO	Y	22	MARILYN MOORE
Y	5	DEREK SLAP	A	23	DENNIS BRADLEY
Y	6	RICK LOPES	Y	24	JULIE KUSHNER
N	7	JOHN A. KISSEL	Y	25	BOB DUFF
N	8	KEVIN D. WITKOS	Y	26	WILL HASKELL
Y	9	MATTHEW L. LESSER	Y	27	PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
Y	10	GARY WINFIELD	N	28	TONY HWANG
Y	11	MARTIN M. LOONEY	Y	29	MAE FLEXER
N	12	CHRISTINE COHEN	N	30	CRAIG MINER
Y	13	MARY ABRAMS	N	31	HENRI MARTIN
Y	14	JAMES MARONEY	N	32	ERIC C. BERTHEL
N	15	JOAN V. HARTLEY	N	33	NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
N	16	ROB SAMPSON	N	34	PAUL CICARELLA
Y	17	JORGE CABRERA	N	35	DAN CHAMPAGNE
N	18	HEATHER S. SOMERS	Y	36	ALEX KASSER

**BUSINESS FROM THE HOUSE
BUSINESS ON THE CALENDAR
FAVORABLE REPORT OF THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
BILL PASSED**

The following favorable report was taken from the table, read the third time, the report of the Committee accepted and the bill passed.

INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE. Substitute for H.B. No. **6389** (RAISED) (File Nos. 382 and 633) "AN ACT CONCERNING EXPLANATIONS OF BENEFITS." (As amended by House Amendment Schedule "A").

Senator Lesser of the 9th explained the bill and moved passage.

Remarking were Senators Hwang of the 28th, Champagne of the 35th, Kelly of the 21st, and Looney of the 11th.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 4:12 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	35
Necessary for Adoption	18
Those voting Yea	23
Those voting Nay	12

Those absent and not voting..... 1

On the roll call vote House Bill No. 6389 as amended by House Amendment Schedule "A" (LCO 6771) was Passed in concurrence with the House.

The following is the roll call vote:

Y 1 JOHN W. FONFARA	Y 19 CATHERINE A. OSTEN
Y 2 DOUGLAS MCCRORY	N 20 PAUL M. FORMICA
Y 3 SAUD ANWAR	N 21 KEVIN C. KELLY
Y 4 STEVE CASSANO	Y 22 MARILYN MOORE
Y 5 DEREK SLAP	A 23 DENNIS BRADLEY
Y 6 RICK LOPES	Y 24 JULIE KUSHNER
N 7 JOHN A. KISSEL	Y 25 BOB DUFF
N 8 KEVIN D. WITKOS	Y 26 WILL HASKELL
Y 9 MATTHEW L. LESSER	Y 27 PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
Y 10 GARY WINFIELD	N 28 TONY HWANG
Y 11 MARTIN M. LOONEY	Y 29 MAE FLEXER
Y 12 CHRISTINE COHEN	N 30 CRAIG MINER
Y 13 MARY ABRAMS	N 31 HENRI MARTIN
Y 14 JAMES MARONEY	N 32 ERIC C. BERTHEL
N 15 JOAN V. HARTLEY	Y 33 NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
N 16 ROB SAMPSON	N 34 PAUL CICARELLA
Y 17 JORGE CABRERA	N 35 DAN CHAMPAGNE
Y 18 HEATHER S. SOMERS	Y 36 ALEX KASSER

**BUSINESS ON THE CALENDAR
FAVORABLE REPORT OF THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
BILL PASSED**

The following favorable report was taken from the table, read the third time, the report of the Committee accepted and the bill passed.

HOUSING. Substitute for H.B. No. **6531** (RAISED) (File Nos. 172 and 685) "AN ACT CONCERNING THE RIGHT TO COUNSEL IN EVICTION PROCEEDINGS, THE VALIDITY OF INLAND WETLANDS PERMITS IN RELATION TO CERTAIN OTHER LAND USE APPROVALS, AND EXTENDING THE TIME OF EXPIRATION OF CERTAIN LAND USE PERMITS." (As amended by House Amendment Schedule "A").

Senator Lopes of the 6th offered Senate Amendment Schedule "A" (LCO 9276), moved adoption and requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Remarking were Senators Cicarella of the 34th and Berthel of the 32nd.

On a voice vote the amendment was adopted.

The following is the Amendment.

In line 43, after "stands;" insert "and"
Strike lines 44 to 47, inclusive, in their entirety
In line 48, strike "(11)" and insert "(10)" in lieu thereof

In line 57, strike "contract" and insert "fund the provision of legal representation by designated organizations" in lieu thereof

Strike line 58 in its entirety and insert "under" in lieu thereof

In line 72, strike "pay the cost of: (1) Providing" and insert "fund: (1) The provision of" in lieu thereof

In line 73, strike "administering" and insert "the administration of" in lieu thereof

In line 75, strike "providing"

Strike lines 76 to 79, inclusive, in their entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:

"(d) If the Judicial Branch receives state or federal funds pursuant to this section for the purpose of appointing additional housing mediators under section 47a-69 of the general statutes, the Judicial Branch shall appoint such additional housing mediators to facilitate the resolution of summary process actions."

In line 110, strike "Such" and insert "Not later than October 1, 2021, such"

In line 114, strike "or after July 1," and insert "and after October 1," in lieu thereof

Strike line 131 in its entirety

In line 132, strike "matters under the"

Strike sections 3 to 6, inclusive, in their entirety

After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and internal references accordingly:

"Sec. 501. Subsection (m) of section 8-3 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(m) (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, any site plan approval made under this section prior to July 1, 2011, that has not expired prior to May 9, 2011, except an approval made under subsection (j) of this section, shall expire not less than nine years after the date of such approval and the commission may grant one or more extensions of time to complete all or part of the work in connection with such site plan, provided no approval, including all extensions, shall be valid for more than fourteen years from the date the site plan was approved.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, any site plan approval made under this section on or after July 1, 2011, but prior to the effective date of this section, that did not expire prior to March 10, 2020, except an approval made under subsection (j) of this section, shall expire not less than fourteen years after the date of such approval and the commission may grant one or more extensions of time to complete all or part of the work in connection with such site plan, provided no approval, including all extensions, shall be valid for more than nineteen years from the date the site plan was approved.

Sec. 502. Subsection (e) of section 8-26c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(e) (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, any subdivision approval made under this section prior to July 1, 2011, that has not expired prior to May 9, 2011, shall expire not less than nine years after the date of such approval and the commission may grant one or more extensions of time to complete all or part of the work in connection with such subdivision, provided no subdivision approval, including all extensions, shall be valid for more than fourteen years from the date the subdivision was approved.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, any subdivision approval made under this section on or after July 1, 2011, but prior to the effective date of this section, that did not expire prior to March 10, 2020, shall expire not less than fourteen years after the date of such approval and the commission may grant one or more extensions of time to complete all or part of the work in connection with such subdivision, provided no subdivision approval, including all extensions, shall be valid for more than nineteen years from the date the subdivision was approved.

Sec. 503. Subsection (c) of section 8-26g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(c) (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for any subdivision of land for a project consisting of four hundred or more dwelling units and approved prior to July 1, 2011, that has not expired prior to May 9, 2011, any person, firm or corporation making such subdivision shall complete all work in connection with such subdivision not later than the date fourteen years after the date of approval of the plan for such subdivision. The commission's endorsement of approval on the plan shall state the date on which such fourteen-year period expires.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for any subdivision of land for a project consisting of four hundred or more dwelling units and approved on or after July 1, 2011, but prior to the effective date of this section, that did not expire prior to March 10, 2020, any person, firm or corporation making such subdivision shall complete all work in connection with such subdivision not later than the date nineteen years after the date of approval of the plan for such subdivision. The commission's endorsement of approval on the plan shall state the date on which such nineteen-year period expires.

Sec. 504. Subsection (g) of section 22a-42a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(g) (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (2) of subsection (d) of this section, any permit issued under this section prior to July 1, 2011, that has not expired prior to May 9, 2011, shall expire not less than nine years after the date of such approval. Any such permit shall be renewed upon request of the permit holder unless the agency finds that there has been a substantial change in circumstances that requires a new permit application or an enforcement action has been undertaken with regard to the regulated activity for which the permit was issued, provided no such permit shall be valid for more than fourteen years.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (2) of subsection (d) of this section, any permit issued under this section on or after July 1, 2011, but prior to the effective date of this section, that did not expire prior to March 10, 2020, shall expire not less than fourteen years after the date of such approval. Any such permit shall be renewed upon request of the permit holder unless the agency finds that there has been a substantial change in circumstances that requires a new permit application or an enforcement action has been undertaken with regard to the regulated activity for which the permit was issued, provided no such permit shall be valid for more than nineteen years.

Sec. 505. Section 8-3c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) If an application for a special permit or special exception involves an activity regulated pursuant to sections 22a-36 to 22a-45, inclusive, the applicant shall submit an application to the agency responsible for administration of the inland wetlands regulations no later than the day the application is filed for a special permit or special exception.

(b) The zoning commission or combined planning and zoning commission of any municipality shall hold a public hearing on an application or request for a special permit or special exception, as provided in section 8-2, and on an application for a special exemption under section 8-2g. Such hearing shall be held in accordance with the provisions of section 8-7d. The commission shall not render a decision on the application until the inland wetlands agency has submitted a report with its final decision to such commission. In making its decision the zoning commission shall give due consideration to the report of the inland wetlands agency. Such commission shall decide upon such application or request within the period of time permitted under section 8-7d. Whenever a commission grants or denies a special permit or special exception, it shall state upon its records the reason for its decision. Notice of the decision of the commission shall be published in a newspaper having a substantial circulation in the municipality and addressed by certified mail to the person who requested or applied for a special permit or special exception, by its secretary or clerk, under his signature in any written, printed, typewritten or stamped form, within fifteen days after such decision has been rendered. In any case in which such notice is not published within such fifteen-day period, the person who requested or applied for such special permit or special exception may provide for the publication of such notice within ten days thereafter. Such permit or exception shall become effective upon the filing of a copy thereof (1) in the office of the town, city or borough clerk, as the case may be, but, in the case of a district, in the offices of both the district clerk and the town clerk of the town in which such district is located, and (2) in the land records of the town in which the affected premises are located, in accordance with the provisions of section 8-3d.

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of this section, any special permit or special exception approval made under this section on or after July 1, 2011, but prior to the effective date of this section, that did not expire prior to March 10, 2020, and that specified a deadline by which all work in connection with such approval is required to be completed, shall expire not less than nineteen years after the date of such approval and the commission may grant

one or more extensions of time to complete all or part of the work in connection with such special permit or special exception.

Sec. 506. Section 8-26e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) The planning commission of any municipality shall hold a public hearing on an application or request for a special permit or special exception, as provided in section 8-2. Any such public hearing shall be held in accordance with the provisions of section 8-7d. Such commission shall decide upon such application or request within the period of time permitted under section 8-26d. Whenever a commission grants or denies a special permit or special exception, it shall state upon its records the reason for its decision. Notice of the decision of the commission shall be published in a newspaper having a substantial circulation in the municipality and addressed by certified mail to the person who requested or applied for a special permit or special exception, by its secretary or clerk, under his signature in any written, printed, typewritten or stamped form, within fifteen days after such decision has been rendered. In any case in which such notice is not published within such fifteen-day period, the person who requested or applied for such a special permit or special exception may provide for the publication of such notice within ten days thereafter. Such permit or exception shall become effective upon the filing of a copy thereof (1) in the office of the town, city or borough clerk, as the case may be, but, in the case of a district, in the offices of both the district clerk and the town clerk of the town in which such district is located, and (2) in the land records of the town in which the affected premises are located, in accordance with the provisions of section 8-3d.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, any special permit or special exception approval made under this section on or after July 1, 2011, but prior to the effective date of this section, that did not expire prior to March 10, 2020, and that specified a deadline by which all work in connection with such approval is required to be completed, shall expire not less than nineteen years after the date of such approval and the commission may grant one or more extensions of time to complete all or part of the work in connection with such special permit or special exception.

Sec. 507. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of any special act or any site plan, subdivision or permit approval by a zoning commission, planning commission, combined planning and zoning commission, zoning board of appeals or inland wetlands agency pursuant to the provisions of any such special act that occurred on or after July 1, 2011, but prior to the effective date of this section, and that did not expire prior to March 10, 2020, such approval shall expire not less than fourteen years after the date of such approval and such commission, board or agency, as applicable, may grant one or more extensions of time to complete all or part of the work in connection with such approval, provided no approval, including all extensions, shall be valid for more than nineteen years from the date the site plan, subdivision or permit was initially approved.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of any special act or any special permit or special exception approval by a zoning commission, planning commission, combined planning and zoning commission, zoning board of appeals or inland wetlands agency pursuant to the provisions of any such special act that occurred on or after July 1, 2011, but prior to the effective date of this section, that did not expire prior to March 10, 2020, and that specified a deadline by which all work in connection with such approval is required to be completed, such approval shall expire not less than nineteen years after the date of such approval and such commission, board or agency, as applicable, may grant one or more extensions of time to complete all or part of the work in connection with such special permit or special exception approval."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	<i>from passage</i>	8-3(m)
Sec. 502	<i>from passage</i>	8-26c(e)
Sec. 503	<i>from passage</i>	8-26g(c)
Sec. 504	<i>from passage</i>	22a-42a(g)
Sec. 505	<i>from passage</i>	8-3c
Sec. 506	<i>from passage</i>	8-26e

Sec. 507	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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Remarking were Senators Cicarella of the 34th, Anwar of the 3rd, Cicarella of the 34th, and Formica of the 20th.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 6:12 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	35
Necessary for Adoption	18
Those voting Yea	22
Those voting Nay	13
Those absent and not voting.....	1

On the roll call vote House Bill No. 6531 as amended by House Amendment Schedule "A" (LCO 8289) and Senate Amendment Schedule "A" (LCO 9276) was passed.

The following is the roll call vote:

Y 1 JOHN W. FONFARA	Y 19 CATHERINE A. OSTEN
Y 2 DOUGLAS MCCRORY	N 20 PAUL M. FORMICA
Y 3 SAUD ANWAR	N 21 KEVIN C. KELLY
Y 4 STEVE CASSANO	Y 22 MARILYN MOORE
Y 5 DEREK SLAP	A 23 DENNIS BRADLEY
Y 6 RICK LOPES	Y 24 JULIE KUSHNER
N 7 JOHN A. KISSEL	Y 25 BOB DUFF
N 8 KEVIN D. WITKOS	Y 26 WILL HASKELL
Y 9 MATTHEW L. LESSER	Y 27 PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
Y 10 GARY WINFIELD	N 28 TONY HWANG
Y 11 MARTIN M. LOONEY	Y 29 MAE FLEXER
Y 12 CHRISTINE COHEN	N 30 CRAIG MINER
Y 13 MARY ABRAMS	N 31 HENRI MARTIN
Y 14 JAMES MARONEY	N 32 ERIC C. BERTHEL
N 15 JOAN V. HARTLEY	Y 33 NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
N 16 ROB SAMPSON	N 34 PAUL CICARELLA
Y 17 JORGE CABRERA	N 35 DAN CHAMPAGNE
N 18 HEATHER S. SOMERS	Y 36 ALEX KASSER

**SUSPENSION OF THE RULES
IMMEDIATE TRANSMITTAL TO THE HOUSE**

On the motion of Senator Duff of the 25th, the rules were suspended for immediate transmittal of House Bill No. 6531 as amended by House Amendment Schedule "A" and Senate Amendment Schedule "A" to the House.

**BUSINESS ON THE CALENDAR
FAVORABLE REPORTS OF THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES
BILLS PASSED**

The following favorable reports were taken from the table, read the third time, the reports of the Committees accepted and the bills passed.

GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. Substitute for S.B. No. **5** (COMM) (File No. 570) "AN ACT CONCERNING INCREASED OPPORTUNITIES FOR ABSENTEE VOTING, SAFE AND SECURE IN-PERSON VOTING, VOTER REGISTRATION AND CERTAIN OTHER CHANGES REGARDING ELECTION ADMINISTRATION."

Senator Flexer of the 29th offered Senate Amendment Schedule "A" (LCO 9130) and moved adoption.

Remarking was Senator Sampson of the 16th.

On a voice vote the amendment was adopted.

The following is the Amendment.

Strike lines 89 to 96, inclusive, in their entirety

In line 167, after "section 9-46a," insert "as amended by this act."

Strike lines 202 to 209, inclusive, in their entirety

Strike section 8 in its entirety and renumber the remaining sections and internal references accordingly

In line 315, strike "paid" and insert in lieu thereof "unpaid"

Strike sections 11 to 13, inclusive, in their entirety and renumber the remaining sections and internal references accordingly

Strike section 17 in its entirety and renumber the remaining sections and internal references accordingly

Strike lines 1000 to 1022, inclusive, in their entirety

In line 1023, strike "(2) (A)" and insert in lieu thereof "(1)"

In line 1026, after "section 9-19k" insert ", or the system described in section 6 of this act."

In line 1027, after "online" insert "application"

In line 1028, strike "(B)" and insert in lieu thereof "(2)"

In line 1029, strike "subparagraph (A) of this"

In line 1030, after "subdivision" insert "(1) of this subsection"

In line 1031, after "section 9-19k" insert ", or the system described in section 6 of this act."

In line 1032, strike "(i)" and insert in lieu thereof "(A)", and strike "(ii)" and insert in lieu thereof "(B)"

In line 1034, strike "(iii)" and insert in lieu thereof "(C)"

In line 1048, strike "telephonic or"

In line 1049, strike "or (2)"

Strike section 21 in its entirety and substitute the following in lieu thereof:

"Sec. 21. Subsections (a) to (c), inclusive, of section 9-140b of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) An absentee ballot shall be cast at a primary, election or referendum only if: (1) It is mailed by (A) the ballot applicant, (B) a designee of a person who applies for an absentee ballot because of illness or physical disability, or (C) a member of the immediate family of an applicant who is a student, so that it is received by the clerk of the municipality in which the applicant is qualified to vote not later than the close of the polls; (2) it is returned by the applicant in person to the clerk by the day before a regular election, special election or primary or prior to the opening of the polls on the day of a referendum; (3) it is returned by a designee of an ill or physically disabled ballot applicant, in person, to said clerk not later than the close of the polls on the day of the election, primary or referendum; (4) it is returned by a member of the immediate family of the

absentee voter, in person, to said clerk not later than the close of the polls on the day of the election, primary or referendum; (5) in the case of a presidential or overseas ballot, it is mailed or otherwise returned pursuant to the provisions of section 9-158g; or (6) it is returned with the proper identification as required by the Help America Vote Act, P.L. 107-252, as amended from time to time, if applicable, inserted in the outer envelope so such identification can be viewed without opening the inner envelope. A person returning an absentee ballot to the municipal clerk pursuant to subdivision (3) or (4) of this subsection shall present identification and, on the outer envelope of the absentee ballot, sign his name in the presence of the municipal clerk, and indicate his address, his relationship to the voter or his position, and the date and time of such return. As used in this section, "immediate family" means a dependent relative who resides in the individual's household or any spouse, child, [or] parent or sibling of the individual.

(b) As used in this section and section 9-150c, "designee" means (1) a person who is caring for the applicant because of the applicant's illness or physical disability, including but not limited to, a licensed physician or a registered or practical nurse, (2) a member of the applicant's family, who is designated by an absentee ballot applicant and who consents to such designation, or (3) [if no such person consents or is available, then] a police officer, registrar of voters, deputy registrar of voters or assistant registrar of voters in the municipality in which the applicant resides.

(c) (1) For purposes of this section, "mailed" means (A) sent by the United States Postal Service or any commercial carrier, courier or messenger service recognized and approved by the Secretary of the State, or (B) for the state election in 2020, and any election, primary or referendum held on or after the effective date of this section but prior to November 3, 2021, and, after November 3, 2021, each election, primary or referendum, deposited in a secure drop box designated by the municipal clerk for such purpose, in accordance with instructions prescribed by the Secretary.

(2) In the case of absentee ballots mailed under subparagraph (B) of subdivision (1) of this subsection, beginning on the twenty-ninth day before the state election in 2020, and any election, primary or referendum held on or after the effective date of this section but prior to November 3, 2021, and, after November 3, 2021, each election, primary or referendum and on each weekday thereafter until the close of the polls at such election, primary or referendum, the municipal clerk shall [(A)] retrieve from the secure drop box described in said subparagraph each such ballot deposited in such drop box, [, and (B) if the drop box is located outside a building other than the building where the clerk's office is located, arrange for the clerk or the clerk's designee to be escorted by a police officer during such retrieval.]"

Strike section 22 in its entirety and renumber the remaining sections and internal references accordingly

In line 1297, strike the opening and closing brackets around "(1)"

In line 1298, strike the opening bracket before "or", bracket "thirty" and after the closing bracket insert "sixty"

In line 1300, strike the closing bracket after "form,"

Strike sections 24 to 26, inclusive, in their entirety and renumber the remaining sections and internal references accordingly

Strike sections 28 to 36, inclusive, in their entirety and renumber the remaining sections and internal references accordingly

Strike sections 42 to 50, inclusive, in their entirety and renumber the remaining sections and internal references accordingly

After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and internal references accordingly:

"Sec. 501. Section 9-264 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

An elector who requires assistance to vote, by reason of blindness, disability or inability to write or to read the ballot, may be given assistance by a person of the elector's choice, other than (1) the elector's employer, (2) an agent of such employer, (3) an officer or agent of the elector's union, or (4) a candidate for any office on the ballot, unless the elector is a member of the immediate family of such candidate. The person assisting the elector may accompany the elector into the voting booth at the polling place or the location designated for election day registration. Such person shall register such elector's vote upon the ballot as such elector directs. Any person

accompanying an elector into the voting booth at the polling place or the location designated for election day registration who deceives any elector in registering the elector's vote under this section or seeks to influence any elector while in the act of voting, or who registers any vote for any elector or on any question other than as requested by such elector, or who gives information to any person as to what person or persons such elector voted for, or how such elector voted on any question, shall be guilty of a class D felony. As used in this section, "immediate family" means "immediate family" as defined in section 9-140b.

Sec. 502. Subsection (a) of section 9-232 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) [Each registrar may appoint one or more challengers in his town or district, one of whom may be present at the offering of any vote; and any such challenger or any] Any elector may challenge the right of any person offering to vote, on the ground of want of identity with the person on whose name the vote is offered, or disfranchisement or lack of bona fide residence, and the moderator shall decide upon the right of the person so challenged to vote.

Sec. 503. Section 9-235d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) Notwithstanding any provision of sections 9-233, 9-235 and 9-258, as amended by this act, [to the contrary,] a United States citizen who is sixteen or seventeen years of age and a bona fide resident of a town may be [(1)] appointed as [a challenger or] (1) an unofficial checker in an election, or (2) [appointed as] a checker, translator, ballot clerk or voting tabulator tender in an election after (A) attending poll worker training, and (B) receiving the written permission of a parent, guardian or the principal of the school that the citizen attends if the citizen is a secondary school student and the citizen is to be appointed to work on a day when such school is in session.

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of section 9-436, as amended by this act, or 9-436a, [to the contrary,] a United States citizen who is sixteen or seventeen years of age and a bona fide resident of a town or political subdivision holding a primary may be [(1)] appointed as [a challenger or] (1) a candidate checker in the primary, or (2) [appointed as] a checker, translator, ballot clerk or voting tabulator tender in a primary after (A) attending poll worker training, and (B) receiving the written permission of a parent, guardian or the principal of the school that the citizen attends if the citizen is a secondary school student and the citizen is to be appointed to work on a day when such school is in session.

Sec. 504. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 9-258 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) For municipalities with more than one voting district, the election officials of each polling place shall be electors of the state and shall consist of (1) one moderator, (2) at least one but not more than two official checkers, (3) two assistant registrars of voters of opposite political parties, each of whom shall be residents of the town, (4) [not more than two challengers if the registrars of voters have appointed challengers pursuant to section 9-232, (5)] at least one but not more than two ballot clerks, and [(6)] (5) at least one but not more than two voting tabulator tenders for each voting tabulator in use at the polling place. A known candidate for any office shall not serve as an election official on election day or serve at the polls in any capacity, except that (A) a municipal clerk or a registrar of voters, who is a candidate for the same office, may perform his or her official duties, and (B) a deputy registrar of voters, who is a candidate for the office of registrar of voters, may perform his or her official duties. If, in the opinion of the registrar of voters, the public convenience of the electors in any voting district so requires, provision shall be made for an additional line or lines of electors at the polling place and, if more than one line of electors is established, at least one but not more than two additional official checkers and at least one but not more than two ballot clerks for each line of electors shall be appointed and, if more than one tabulator is used in a polling place, at least one but not more than two additional voting tabulator tenders shall be appointed for each additional machine so used. Head moderators, central counting moderators and absentee ballot counters appointed pursuant to law shall also be deemed election officials.

(b) For municipalities with one voting district, the election officials of such polling place shall be electors of the state and shall consist of (1) one moderator, (2) at least one but not more than two official checkers, (3) [not more than two challengers if the registrars of voters have appointed challengers pursuant to section 9-232, (4)] at least one but not more than two voting tabulator

tenders for each voting tabulator in use at the polling place, and [(5)] (4) at least one but not more than two ballot clerks. Additionally, such election officials may consist of two registrars of voters of opposite political parties, or two assistant registrars of voters of opposite political parties, as the case may be, subject to the requirements of sections 9-259 and 9-439, provided if the registrars of voters are present in the polling place, they shall appoint at least one designee to be present in their office. A known candidate for any office shall not serve as an election official on election day or serve at the polls in any capacity, except that (A) a municipal clerk or a registrar of voters, who is a candidate for the same office, may perform his or her official duties, and (B) a deputy registrar of voters, who is a candidate for the office of registrar of voters, may perform his or her official duties. If, in the opinion of the registrar of voters, the public convenience of the electors in any voting district so requires, provision shall be made for an additional line or lines of electors at the polling place and, if more than one line of electors is established, at least one but not more than two additional official checkers for each line of electors shall be appointed and, if more than one tabulator is used in a polling place, at least one but not more than two additional voting tabulator tenders shall be appointed for each additional tabulator so used. Head moderators, central counting moderators and absentee ballot counters appointed pursuant to law shall be deemed to be election officials.

Sec. 505. Subsection (c) of section 9-436 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(c) The registrar shall appoint from among the enrolled party members in the state, to serve in each polling place, the primary polling place officials, who shall consist of (1) one moderator, (2) at least one [,] but not more than two official checkers, [not more than two challengers if the registrar deems it necessary, and] (3) at least one [and] but not more than two ballot clerks, [and] (4) at least one but not more than two voting tabulator tenders for each tabulator in use at such primary, and [,] (5) in towns with two or more voting districts, at least one [and] but not more than two assistant registrars, provided [(1)] (A) in the case of either a municipality or a political subdivision holding a primary, if no enrolled party member can be found or no such person consents to serve as a moderator, the registrar may appoint any elector who resides in the state and is a certified moderator to be moderator, [(2)] (B) in the case of a political subdivision holding a primary, if an insufficient number of enrolled party members who reside in the state consent to serve as checkers, [challengers,] voting tabulator tenders or assistant registrars, the registrar may appoint any elector who resides in the state to be a checker, [challenger,] voting tabulator tender or assistant registrar, and [(3)] (C) in the case of either a municipality or a political subdivision holding more than one primary on the same day for different political parties, one certified moderator may serve as moderator for both primaries, if the registrars of voters so agree. If unaffiliated electors are authorized under section 9-431 to vote for some but not all of the offices to be contested at the primary, the registrar shall appoint two additional checkers to check the list of unaffiliated electors who are authorized to vote on the separate tabulators. If unaffiliated electors are authorized under section 9-431 to vote in the primary of either of two parties in the same polling place, whether for some or for all offices to be contested at the primary, each such registrar shall appoint two additional checkers to check the list of unaffiliated electors who are authorized to vote in either such primary.

Sec. 506. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Secretary of the State shall consult with various department heads, as defined in section 4-5 of the general statutes, including, but not limited to, the Commissioner of Consumer Protection, the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection, the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection and the Commissioner of Veterans Affairs, to conduct a study of the technological and staffing capabilities of various state agencies to provide an electronic system to effectuate the purposes of subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 9-23n of the general statutes.

(b) Not later than February 1, 2023, the Secretary shall submit to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to elections, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, (1) a report on the findings of such study, and (2) recommendations for legislation to authorize any such state agency to provide such an electronic system.

Sec. 507. Subsection (a) of section 9-164 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2022*):

(a) (1) (A) [Notwithstanding any contrary provision of law, there shall be held in each municipality, biennially, a municipal election on the first Monday of May or the Tuesday after the first Monday of November, of the odd-numbered years, whichever date the legislative body of such municipality determines, provided, if no action is taken by the legislative body to so designate the date of such election, such election shall be held on the Tuesday after the first Monday of November of the odd-numbered years.] On and after January 1, 2022, and notwithstanding any contrary provision of law, there shall be held in each municipality, biennially, a municipal election on the Tuesday after the first Monday of November of the odd-numbered years, except that such municipal election may be held on the first Monday of May of the odd-numbered years if the legislative body of such municipality so determines by a three-fourths vote.

(B) In any municipality where the legislative body determines to hold its municipal election on the first Monday of May of the odd-numbered years in accordance with the provisions of subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, such legislative body may subsequently determine by a majority vote to hold such municipal election on the Tuesday after the first Monday of November of the odd-numbered years.

(2) In any municipality where the term of any elected official would expire prior to the next regular election held under the provisions of this section, the term of such official shall be extended to the date of such election.

Sec. 508. Section 9-164b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2022*):

As to any board or commission of a municipality with a rotating membership, some of the members of which, prior to [the] any change [to a uniform] in a municipal election date for such municipality under section 9-164, as amended by this act, were elected for terms beginning approximately one year after the date of their election, the legislative body of such municipality may provide for such conforming changes in the beginning date of the terms of office as are designed to continue the rotation with regard to such office as it existed prior to such change, and in the absence of such action by such legislative body, the beginning date of the terms of such office shall be so changed by the clerk of the municipality in preparing the list provided for under section 9-254. With respect to any board or commission of a municipality with a rotating membership established under sections 8-1, 8-4a, 8-5 and 8-19, the authority empowered to prescribe the term of office of the members of such board or commission, if it is authorized under said sections to provide for an odd-numbered year term, may further provide for deferred terms by prescribing which terms are to begin approximately one year from the date on which the terms of municipal officers generally begin in such municipality.

Sec. 509. Section 9-164c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2022*):

[After January 1, 1970, any municipality may by charter, or by vote of the legislative body approved at a referendum of the electors to be held within thirty days thereafter, change the date of its municipal election by designating the alternate date specified in section 9-164 as the date of the municipal election, provided (1) no such charter provision adopted, nor such vote of such legislative body so approved, within six months prior to any municipal election may be effective with respect thereto, and (2) in changing from the November municipal election date specified in section 9-164 to the May municipal election date therein specified, the terms of incumbent municipal elected officials shall be diminished to conform to such change but for a period of not more than nine months and (3) in changing from the May municipal election date specified in section 9-164 to the November date therein specified, the terms of incumbent municipal elected officials shall be extended to conform to such change but for a period of not more than nine months.] On and after January 1, 2022, (1) any municipality may change the date of its municipal election in accordance with the provisions of section 9-164, as amended by this act, (2) in any municipality that changes from the November municipal election date specified in said section to the May municipal election date specified in said section, the terms of incumbent municipal elected officials shall be diminished to conform to such change but for a period of not more than nine months, and (3) in any municipality that changes from the May municipal election date specified in said section to the November date specified in said section, the terms of incumbent municipal election officials shall be extended to conform to such change but for a period of not more than nine months.

Sec. 510. Section 9-164e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2022*):

Before any action is taken under sections [9-164a] 9-164b to 9-164f, inclusive, as amended by this act, 9-187 and 9-187a, as amended by this act, such proposed action shall be submitted by the legislative body to the municipal attorney of the municipality taking such action for approval as to conforming to law.

Sec. 511. Section 9-164f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2022*):

Nothing in sections [9-164a] 9-164b to 9-164e, inclusive, as amended by this act, 9-187 and 9-187a, as amended by this act, shall affect the election of registrars of voters.

Sec. 512. Section 9-187a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2022*):

Except as provided in sections [9-164a] 9-164b to 9-164f, inclusive, as amended by this act, the term of each elected municipal official shall begin within seventy days after the municipal election at which such official is elected, on the day within such period prescribed by special act or charter provision, or, in the absence of such special act or charter provision, on the day within such period as is prescribed by action of the legislative body of such municipality, provided (1) in each municipality which holds its municipal election on the first Monday of May in the odd-numbered years, in the absence of such special act or charter provision, or action of the legislative body, such terms shall begin on the first day of July following the municipal election at which such official is elected, and (2) in each municipality which holds its municipal election on the Tuesday after the first Monday of November in the odd-numbered years, with the exception of the term of the town clerk, in the absence of such special act, or charter provision, or action of the legislative body, such term shall begin on the second Tuesday next following the day of the municipal election at which such official is elected, and (3) in each municipality which holds its municipal election on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November in the odd-numbered years, the term of the town clerk shall be two years from the first Monday of January next succeeding his election, unless otherwise provided by charter or special act. Whenever the beginning date of the terms of elected municipal officials is so determined or changed, within the limits hereinabove specified, the authority providing therefor may provide for the conforming diminution or extension of terms of incumbents.

Sec. 513. Section 9-164a of the general statutes is repealed. (*Effective January 1, 2022*)"

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 21	<i>from passage</i>	9-140b(a) to (c)
Sec. 501	<i>from passage</i>	9-264
Sec. 502	<i>from passage</i>	9-232(a)
Sec. 503	<i>from passage</i>	9-235d
Sec. 504	<i>from passage</i>	9-258(a) and (b)
Sec. 505	<i>from passage</i>	9-436(c)
Sec. 506	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 507	<i>January 1, 2022</i>	9-164(a)
Sec. 508	<i>January 1, 2022</i>	9-164b
Sec. 509	<i>January 1, 2022</i>	9-164c
Sec. 510	<i>January 1, 2022</i>	9-164e
Sec. 511	<i>January 1, 2022</i>	9-164f
Sec. 512	<i>January 1, 2022</i>	9-187a
Sec. 513	<i>January 1, 2022</i>	Repealer section

Remarking was Senator Sampson of the 16th.

SENATOR WINFIELD OF THE 10TH IN THE CHAIR.

Senator Sampson of the 16th offered Senate Amendment Schedule "B" (LCO 9150) and moved adoption requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Remarking was Senator Flexer of the 29th.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 6:50 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	35
Necessary for Adoption	18
Those voting Yea	12
Those voting Nay	23
Those absent and not voting.....	1

On the roll call vote Senate Amendment Schedule “B” (LCO 9150) was rejected.

The following is the roll call vote:

N 1	JOHN W. FONFARA	N 19	CATHERINE A. OSTEN
N 2	DOUGLAS MCCRORY	Y 20	PAUL M. FORMICA
N 3	SAUD ANWAR	Y 21	KEVIN C. KELLY
N 4	STEVE CASSANO	N 22	MARILYN MOORE
N 5	DEREK SLAP	A 23	DENNIS BRADLEY
N 6	RICK LOPES	N 24	JULIE KUSHNER
Y 7	JOHN A. KISSEL	N 25	BOB DUFF
Y 8	KEVIN D. WITKOS	N 26	WILL HASKELL
N 9	MATTHEW L. LESSER	N 27	PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
N 10	GARY WINFIELD	Y 28	TONY HWANG
N 11	MARTIN M. LOONEY	N 29	MAE FLEXER
N 12	CHRISTINE COHEN	Y 30	CRAIG MINER
N 13	MARY ABRAMS	Y 31	HENRI MARTIN
N 14	JAMES MARONEY	Y 32	ERIC C. BERTHEL
N 15	JOAN V. HARTLEY	N 33	NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
Y 16	ROB SAMPSON	Y 34	PAUL CICARELLA
N 17	JORGE CABRERA	Y 35	DAN CHAMPAGNE
Y 18	HEATHER S. SOMERS	N 36	ALEX KASSER

The following is the Amendment.

In line 56, strike "except that the condition that an"

Strike lines 57 to 59, inclusive, in their entirety

In line 60, strike "program or other evidence acceptable to said commissioner"

In line 65, strike "Unless otherwise provided in this subparagraph, if" and insert in lieu thereof "If"

Strike lines 82 to 88, inclusive, in their entirety

In line 172, strike "except that the condition that an applicant"

Strike lines 173 to 175, inclusive, in their entirety

In line 176, strike "other evidence acceptable to the agency"

In line 181, strike "Unless otherwise provided in this subparagraph, if" and insert in lieu thereof "If"

Strike lines 196 to 201, inclusive, in their entirety

Senator Sampson of the 16th offered Senate Amendment Schedule “C” (LCO 9165), moved adoption and requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Remarking were Senators Flexer of the 29th, and Champagne of the 35th.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 7:08 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	35
Necessary for Adoption	18
Those voting Yea	12
Those voting Nay	23
Those absent and not voting.....	1

On the roll call vote Senate Amendment Schedule “C” (LCO 9165) was rejected.

The following is the roll call vote:

N 1 JOHN W. FONFARA	N 19 CATHERINE A. OSTEN
N 2 DOUGLAS MCCRORY	Y 20 PAUL M. FORMICA
N 3 SAUD ANWAR	Y 21 KEVIN C. KELLY
N 4 STEVE CASSANO	N 22 MARILYN MOORE
N 5 DEREK SLAP	A 23 DENNIS BRADLEY
N 6 RICK LOPES	N 24 JULIE KUSHNER
Y 7 JOHN A. KISSEL	N 25 BOB DUFF
Y 8 KEVIN D. WITKOS	N 26 WILL HASKELL
N 9 MATTHEW L. LESSER	N 27 PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
N 10 GARY WINFIELD	Y 28 TONY HWANG
N 11 MARTIN M. LOONEY	N 29 MAE FLEXER
N 12 CHRISTINE COHEN	Y 30 CRAIG MINER
N 13 MARY ABRAMS	Y 31 HENRI MARTIN
N 14 JAMES MARONEY	Y 32 ERIC C. BERTHEL
N 15 JOAN V. HARTLEY	N 33 NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
Y 16 ROB SAMPSON	Y 34 PAUL CICARELLA
N 17 JORGE CABRERA	Y 35 DAN CHAMPAGNE
Y 18 HEATHER S. SOMERS	N 36 ALEX KASSER

The following is the Amendment.

Strike section 7 in its entirety and substitute the following in lieu thereof:

"Sec. 7. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) The Secretary of the State shall distribute each year, on the fourth Tuesday of September, at each public high school in the state, information regarding eligibility for admission as an elector under subsection (a) or (b) of section 9-12 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, and procedures for applying for such admission. The Secretary and the principal of any such public high school shall determine the best means of distributing such information at such public high school."

Senator Sampson of the 16th offered Senate Amendment Schedule “D” (LCO 9151), moved adoption and requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Remarking was Senator Flexer of the 29th.

PRESIDENT IN THE CHAIR.

Remarking were Senators Champagne of the 35th, and Formica of the 20th.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 7:22 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	35
Necessary for Adoption	18
Those voting Yea	12
Those voting Nay	23
Those absent and not voting.....	1

On the roll call vote was Amendment Schedule “D” (LCO 9151) was rejected.

The following is the roll call vote:

N 1	JOHN W. FONFARA	N 19	CATHERINE A. OSTEN
N 2	DOUGLAS MCCRORY	Y 20	PAUL M. FORMICA
N 3	SAUD ANWAR	Y 21	KEVIN C. KELLY
N 4	STEVE CASSANO	N 22	MARILYN MOORE
N 5	DEREK SLAP	A 23	DENNIS BRADLEY
N 6	RICK LOPES	N 24	JULIE KUSHNER
Y 7	JOHN A. KISSEL	N 25	BOB DUFF
Y 8	KEVIN D. WITKOS	N 26	WILL HASKELL
N 9	MATTHEW L. LESSER	N 27	PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
N 10	GARY WINFIELD	Y 28	TONY HWANG
N 11	MARTIN M. LOONEY	N 29	MAE FLEXER
N 12	CHRISTINE COHEN	Y 30	CRAIG MINER
N 13	MARY ABRAMS	Y 31	HENRI MARTIN
N 14	JAMES MARONEY	Y 32	ERIC C. BERTHEL
N 15	JOAN V. HARTLEY	N 33	NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
Y 16	ROB SAMPSON	Y 34	PAUL CICARELLA
N 17	JORGE CABRERA	Y 35	DAN CHAMPAGNE
Y 18	HEATHER S. SOMERS	N 36	ALEX KASSER

The following is the Amendment.

Strike section 9 in its entirety and renumber the remaining sections and internal references accordingly

Senator Sampson of the 16th offered Senate Amendment Schedule “E” (LCO 9158), moved adoption and requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Remarking were Senators Kissel of the 7th, and Flexer of the 29th.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 7:50 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	35
Necessary for Adoption	18
Those voting Yea	12
Those voting Nay	23
Those absent and not voting.....	1

On the roll call vote Senate Amendment Schedule “E” (LCO 9158) was rejected.

The following is the roll call vote:

N 1	JOHN W. FONFARA	N 19	CATHERINE A. OSTEN
N 2	DOUGLAS MCCRORY	Y 20	PAUL M. FORMICA
N 3	SAUD ANWAR	Y 21	KEVIN C. KELLY
N 4	STEVE CASSANO	N 22	MARILYN MOORE
N 5	DEREK SLAP	A 23	DENNIS BRADLEY
N 6	RICK LOPES	N 24	JULIE KUSHNER
Y 7	JOHN A. KISSEL	N 25	BOB DUFF
Y 8	KEVIN D. WITKOS	N 26	WILL HASKELL
N 9	MATTHEW L. LESSER	N 27	PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
N 10	GARY WINFIELD	Y 28	TONY HWANG
N 11	MARTIN M. LOONEY	N 29	MAE FLEXER
N 12	CHRISTINE COHEN	Y 30	CRAIG MINER
N 13	MARY ABRAMS	Y 31	HENRI MARTIN
N 14	JAMES MARONEY	Y 32	ERIC C. BERTHEL
N 15	JOAN V. HARTLEY	N 33	NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
Y 16	ROB SAMPSON	Y 34	PAUL CICARELLA
N 17	JORGE CABRERA	Y 35	DAN CHAMPAGNE
Y 18	HEATHER S. SOMERS	N 36	ALEX KASSER

The following is the Amendment.

Strike sections 14 to 16, inclusive, in their entirety and renumber the remaining sections and internal references accordingly.

Senator Sampson of the 16th offered Senate Amendment Schedule “F” (LCO 9200), moved adoption and requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Remarking was Senator Flexer of the 29th.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 8:00 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	35
Necessary for Adoption	18
Those voting Yea	12
Those voting Nay	23
Those absent and not voting.....	1

On the roll call vote Senate Amendment Schedule “F” (LCO 9200) was rejected.

The following is the roll call vote:

N 1	JOHN W. FONFARA	N 19	CATHERINE A. OSTEN
N 2	DOUGLAS MCCRORY	Y 20	PAUL M. FORMICA
N 3	SAUD ANWAR	Y 21	KEVIN C. KELLY
N 4	STEVE CASSANO	N 22	MARILYN MOORE
N 5	DEREK SLAP	A 23	DENNIS BRADLEY
N 6	RICK LOPES	N 24	JULIE KUSHNER
Y 7	JOHN A. KISSEL	N 25	BOB DUFF
Y 8	KEVIN D. WITKOS	N 26	WILL HASKELL

N 9	MATTHEW L. LESSER	N 27	PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
N 10	GARY WINFIELD	Y 28	TONY HWANG
N 11	MARTIN M. LOONEY	N 29	MAE FLEXER
N 12	CHRISTINE COHEN	Y 30	CRAIG MINER
N 13	MARY ABRAMS	Y 31	HENRI MARTIN
N 14	JAMES MARONEY	Y 32	ERIC C. BERTHEL
N 15	JOAN V. HARTLEY	N 33	NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
Y 16	ROB SAMPSON	Y 34	PAUL CICARELLA
N 17	JORGE CABRERA	Y 35	DAN CHAMPAGNE
Y 18	HEATHER S. SOMERS	N 36	ALEX KASSER

The following is the Amendment.

Strike section 20 in its entirety and substitute the following in lieu thereof:

"Sec. 20. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 9-140 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

(a) [Application] (1) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, application for an absentee ballot shall be made to the clerk of the municipality in which the applicant is eligible to vote or has applied for such eligibility. Any person who assists another person in the completion of an application shall, in the space provided, sign the application and print or type his name, residence address and telephone number. Such signature shall be made under the penalties of false statement in absentee balloting. The municipal clerk shall not invalidate the application solely because it does not contain the name of a person who assisted the applicant in the completion of the application. The municipal clerk shall not distribute with an absentee ballot application any material which promotes the success or defeat of any candidate or referendum question. The municipal clerk shall maintain a log of all absentee ballot applications provided under this subsection, including the name and address of each person to whom applications are provided and the number of applications provided to each such person. Each absentee ballot application provided by the municipal clerk shall be consecutively numbered and be stamped or marked with the name of the municipality issuing the application. The application shall be signed by the applicant under the penalties of false statement in absentee balloting on [(1)] (A) the form prescribed by the Secretary of the State pursuant to section 9-139a, [(2)] (B) a form provided by any federal department or agency if applicable pursuant to section 9-153a, or [(3)] (C) any of the special forms of application prescribed pursuant to section 9-150c, 9-153a, 9-153b, 9-153d, 9-153e, 9-153f or 9-158d, if applicable. Any such absentee ballot applicant who is unable to write may cause the application to be completed by an authorized agent who shall, in the spaces provided for the date and signature, write the date and name of the absentee ballot applicant followed by the word "by" and his own signature. If the ballot is to be mailed to the applicant, the applicant shall list the bona fide personal mailing address of the applicant in the appropriate space on the application.

[(b)] (2) A municipal clerk may transmit an application to a person under this subsection by facsimile machine or other electronic means, if so requested by the applicant. If a municipal clerk has a facsimile machine or other electronic means, an applicant may return a completed application to the clerk by such a machine or device, provided the applicant shall also mail the original of the completed application to the clerk, either separately or with the absentee ballot that is issued to the applicant. If the clerk does not receive such original application by the close of the polls on the day of the election, primary or referendum, the absentee ballot shall not be counted.

(b) On and after July 1, 2021:

(1) Application for an absentee ballot may also be made to the Secretary of the State through an online system established and maintained by the Secretary for such purpose if an applicant's signature is in a database described in subsection (b) of section 9-19k, such signature is capable of being imported into such online system and such online system is capable of generating such an application that contains a prominently displayed barcoded voter identification number that can

interface with and be verified against the state-wide centralized voter registration system described in section 9-50b.

(2) In order for an application for an absentee ballot to be submitted through the online system described in subdivision (1) of this subsection, the applicant's signature shall be obtained from a database described in subsection (b) of section 9-19k and the applicant shall, on an online form prescribed by the Secretary, (A) type his or her name, (B) indicate the municipality in which such applicant is eligible to vote or has applied for such eligibility, and (C) mark a box associated with the following statement:

"By clicking on the box below, I swear or affirm all of the following under penalty of false statement in absentee balloting:

1. I am the person whose name is provided on this form, and I desire to apply for an absentee ballot.

2. I am eligible to vote in the municipality provided on this form or have applied for such eligibility.

3. I authorize the Department of Motor Vehicles or other Connecticut state agency to transmit to the Connecticut Secretary of the State my signature that is on file with such agency and understand that such signature will be used by the Secretary on this online application for an absentee ballot as if I had signed this form personally."

(3) Not later than twenty-four hours after receipt of any submitted application for an absentee ballot through the online system described in subdivision (1) of this subsection, the Secretary shall transmit such application to the clerk of the municipality indicated in such application."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 20	July 1, 2021	9-140(a) and (b)

Senator Sampson of the 16th offered Senate Amendment Schedule "G" (LCO 9160), moved adoption and requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Remarking was Senator Flexer of the 29th.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 8:13 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	35
Necessary for Adoption	18
Those voting Yea	12
Those voting Nay	23
Those absent and not voting.....	1

On the roll call vote Senate Amendment Schedule "G" (LCO 9160) was rejected.

The following is the roll call vote:

N 1 JOHN W. FONFARA	N 19 CATHERINE A. OSTEN
N 2 DOUGLAS MCCRORY	Y 20 PAUL M. FORMICA
N 3 SAUD ANWAR	Y 21 KEVIN C. KELLY
N 4 STEVE CASSANO	N 22 MARILYN MOORE
N 5 DEREK SLAP	A 23 DENNIS BRADLEY
N 6 RICK LOPES	N 24 JULIE KUSHNER
Y 7 JOHN A. KISSEL	N 25 BOB DUFF
Y 8 KEVIN D. WITKOS	N 26 WILL HASKELL
N 9 MATTHEW L. LESSER	N 27 PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
N 10 GARY WINFIELD	Y 28 TONY HWANG

N 11	MARTIN M. LOONEY	N 29	MAE FLEXER
N 12	CHRISTINE COHEN	Y 30	CRAIG MINER
N 13	MARY ABRAMS	Y 31	HENRI MARTIN
N 14	JAMES MARONEY	Y 32	ERIC C. BERTHEL
N 15	JOAN V. HARTLEY	N 33	NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
Y 16	ROB SAMPSON	Y 34	PAUL CICARELLA
N 17	JORGE CABRERA	Y 35	DAN CHAMPAGNE
Y 18	HEATHER S. SOMERS	N 36	ALEX KASSER

The following is the Amendment.

Strike section 21 in its entirety and substitute the following in lieu thereof:

"Sec. 21. Subsections (a) to (c), inclusive, of section 9-140b of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) An absentee ballot shall be cast at a primary, election or referendum only if: (1) It is mailed by (A) the ballot applicant, (B) a designee of a person who applies for an absentee ballot because of illness or physical disability, or (C) a member of the immediate family of an applicant who is a student, so that it is received by the clerk of the municipality in which the applicant is qualified to vote not later than the close of the polls; (2) it is returned by the applicant in person to the clerk by the day before a regular election, special election or primary or prior to the opening of the polls on the day of a referendum; (3) it is returned by a designee of an ill or physically disabled ballot applicant, in person, to said clerk not later than the close of the polls on the day of the election, primary or referendum; (4) it is returned by a member of the immediate family of the absentee voter, in person, to said clerk not later than the close of the polls on the day of the election, primary or referendum; (5) in the case of a presidential or overseas ballot, it is mailed or otherwise returned pursuant to the provisions of section 9-158g; or (6) it is returned with the proper identification as required by the Help America Vote Act, P.L. 107-252, as amended from time to time, if applicable, inserted in the outer envelope so such identification can be viewed without opening the inner envelope. A person returning an absentee ballot to the municipal clerk pursuant to subdivision (3) or (4) of this subsection shall present identification and, on the outer envelope of the absentee ballot, sign his name in the presence of the municipal clerk, and indicate his address, his relationship to the voter or his position, and the date and time of such return. As used in this section, "immediate family" means a dependent relative who resides in the individual's household or any spouse, child, [or] parent or sibling of the individual.

(b) As used in this section and section 9-150c, "designee" means (1) a person who is caring for the applicant because of the applicant's illness or physical disability, including but not limited to, a licensed physician or a registered or practical nurse, (2) a member of the applicant's family, who is designated by an absentee ballot applicant and who consents to such designation, or (3) [if no such person consents or is available, then] a police officer, registrar of voters, deputy registrar of voters or assistant registrar of voters in the municipality in which the applicant resides.

(c) (1) For purposes of this section, "mailed" means (A) sent by the United States Postal Service or any commercial carrier, courier or messenger service recognized and approved by the Secretary of the State, or (B) for the state election in 2020, and any election, primary or referendum held on or after the effective date of this section but prior to November 3, 2021, deposited in a secure drop box designated by the municipal clerk for such purpose, in accordance with instructions prescribed by the Secretary.

(2) In the case of absentee ballots mailed under subparagraph (B) of subdivision (1) of this subsection, beginning on the twenty-ninth day before the state election in 2020, and any election, primary or referendum held on or after the effective date of this section but prior to November 3, 2021, and on each weekday thereafter until the close of the polls at such election, primary or referendum, the municipal clerk shall [(A)] retrieve from the secure drop box described in said subparagraph each such ballot deposited in such drop box, [, and (B) if the drop box is located outside a building other than the building where the clerk's office is located, arrange for the clerk or the clerk's designee to be escorted by a police officer during such retrieval.] "

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 21	<i>from passage</i>	9-140b(a) to (c)

Senator Sampson of the 16th offered Senate Amendment Schedule “H” (LCO 9177), moved adoption and requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Remarking was Senator Flexer of the 29th.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 8:27 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	35
Necessary for Adoption	18
Those voting Yea	12
Those voting Nay	23
Those absent and not voting.....	1

On the roll call vote Senate Amendment Schedule “H” (LCO 9177) was rejected.

The following is the roll call vote:

N 1	JOHN W. FONFARA	N 19	CATHERINE A. OSTEN
N 2	DOUGLAS MCCRORY	Y 20	PAUL M. FORMICA
N 3	SAUD ANWAR	Y 21	KEVIN C. KELLY
N 4	STEVE CASSANO	N 22	MARILYN MOORE
N 5	DEREK SLAP	A 23	DENNIS BRADLEY
N 6	RICK LOPES	N 24	JULIE KUSHNER
Y 7	JOHN A. KISSEL	N 25	BOB DUFF
Y 8	KEVIN D. WITKOS	N 26	WILL HASKELL
N 9	MATTHEW L. LESSER	N 27	PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
N 10	GARY WINFIELD	Y 28	TONY HWANG
N 11	MARTIN M. LOONEY	N 29	MAE FLEXER
N 12	CHRISTINE COHEN	Y 30	CRAIG MINER
N 13	MARY ABRAMS	Y 31	HENRI MARTIN
N 14	JAMES MARONEY	Y 32	ERIC C. BERTHEL
N 15	JOAN V. HARTLEY	N 33	NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
Y 16	ROB SAMPSON	Y 34	PAUL CICARELLA
N 17	JORGE CABRERA	Y 35	DAN CHAMPAGNE
Y 18	HEATHER S. SOMERS	N 36	ALEX KASSER

The following is the Amendment.

Strike section 27 in its entirety and renumber the remaining sections and internal references accordingly

Senator Sampson of the 16th offered Senate Amendment Schedule “I” (LCO 9178), moved adoption and requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Remarking was Senator Flexer of the 29th.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 8:36 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	35
Necessary for Adoption	18
Those voting Yea	12
Those voting Nay	23
Those absent and not voting	1

On the roll call vote Senate Amendment Schedule “I” (LCO 9178) was rejected.

The following is the roll call vote:

N 1 JOHN W. FONFARA	N 19 CATHERINE A. OSTEN
N 2 DOUGLAS MCCRORY	Y 20 PAUL M. FORMICA
N 3 SAUD ANWAR	Y 21 KEVIN C. KELLY
N 4 STEVE CASSANO	N 22 MARILYN MOORE
N 5 DEREK SLAP	A 23 DENNIS BRADLEY
N 6 RICK LOPES	N 24 JULIE KUSHNER
Y 7 JOHN A. KISSEL	N 25 BOB DUFF
Y 8 KEVIN D. WITKOS	N 26 WILL HASKELL
N 9 MATTHEW L. LESSER	N 27 PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
N 10 GARY WINFIELD	Y 28 TONY HWANG
N 11 MARTIN M. LOONEY	N 29 MAE FLEXER
N 12 CHRISTINE COHEN	Y 30 CRAIG MINER
N 13 MARY ABRAMS	Y 31 HENRI MARTIN
N 14 JAMES MARONEY	Y 32 ERIC C. BERTHEL
N 15 JOAN V. HARTLEY	N 33 NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
Y 16 ROB SAMPSON	Y 34 PAUL CICARELLA
N 17 JORGE CABRERA	Y 35 DAN CHAMPAGNE
Y 18 HEATHER S. SOMERS	N 36 ALEX KASSER

The following is the Amendment.

Strike section 40 in its entirety and renumber the remaining sections and internal references accordingly

Senator Sampson of the 16th offered Senate Amendment Schedule “J” (LCO 9249), moved adoption and requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Remarking were Senators Somers of the 18th, Champagne of the 35th, and Flexer of the 29th.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 8:52 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	35
Necessary for Adoption	18
Those voting Yea	12
Those voting Nay	23
Those absent and not voting	1

On the roll call vote Senate Amendment Schedule “J” (LCO 9249) was rejected.

The following is the roll call vote:

N 1	JOHN W. FONFARA	N 19	CATHERINE A. OSTEN
N 2	DOUGLAS MCCRORY	Y 20	PAUL M. FORMICA
N 3	SAUD ANWAR	Y 21	KEVIN C. KELLY
N 4	STEVE CASSANO	N 22	MARILYN MOORE
N 5	DEREK SLAP	A 23	DENNIS BRADLEY
N 6	RICK LOPES	N 24	JULIE KUSHNER
Y 7	JOHN A. KISSEL	N 25	BOB DUFF
Y 8	KEVIN D. WITKOS	N 26	WILL HASKELL
N 9	MATTHEW L. LESSER	N 27	PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
N 10	GARY WINFIELD	Y 28	TONY HWANG
N 11	MARTIN M. LOONEY	N 29	MAE FLEXER
N 12	CHRISTINE COHEN	Y 30	CRAIG MINER
N 13	MARY ABRAMS	Y 31	HENRI MARTIN
N 14	JAMES MARONEY	Y 32	ERIC C. BERTHEL
N 15	JOAN V. HARTLEY	N 33	NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
Y 16	ROB SAMPSON	Y 34	PAUL CICARELLA
N 17	JORGE CABRERA	Y 35	DAN CHAMPAGNE
Y 18	HEATHER S. SOMERS	N 36	ALEX KASSER

The following is the Amendment.

Strike sections 507 to 513, inclusive, in their entirety and renumber remaining sections and internal references accordingly.

Remarking were Senators Sampson of the 16th, Haskell of the 26th, Slap of the 5th, Champagne of the 35th, Flexer of the 29th, Formica of the 20th, Duff of the 25th, and Looney of the 11th.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 9:32 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	35
Necessary for Adoption	18
Those voting Yea	25
Those voting Nay	10
Those absent and not voting	1

On the roll call vote Senate Bill No. 5 as amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A" (LCO 9130) was passed.

The following is the roll call vote:

Y 1	JOHN W. FONFARA	Y 19	CATHERINE A. OSTEN
Y 2	DOUGLAS MCCRORY	N 20	PAUL M. FORMICA
Y 3	SAUD ANWAR	N 21	KEVIN C. KELLY
Y 4	STEVE CASSANO	Y 22	MARILYN MOORE
Y 5	DEREK SLAP	A 23	DENNIS BRADLEY
Y 6	RICK LOPES	Y 24	JULIE KUSHNER
N 7	JOHN A. KISSEL	Y 25	BOB DUFF
Y 8	KEVIN D. WITKOS	Y 26	WILL HASKELL
Y 9	MATTHEW L. LESSER	Y 27	PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
Y 10	GARY WINFIELD	Y 28	TONY HWANG
Y 11	MARTIN M. LOONEY	Y 29	MAE FLEXER
Y 12	CHRISTINE COHEN	N 30	CRAIG MINER

Y 13 MARY ABRAMS	N 31 HENRI MARTIN
Y 14 JAMES MARONEY	N 32 ERIC C. BERTHEL
Y 15 JOAN V. HARTLEY	Y 33 NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
N 16 ROB SAMPSON	N 34 PAUL CICARELLA
Y 17 JORGE CABRERA	N 35 DAN CHAMPAGNE
N 18 HEATHER S. SOMERS	Y 36 ALEX KASSER

**BUSINESS ON THE CALENDAR
FAVORABLE REPORTS OF THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES
BILLS PASSED**

The following favorable reports were taken from the table, read the third time, the reports of the Committees accepted and the bills passed.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. H.B. No. **6105** (RAISED) (File Nos. 49 and 630) "AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESS TO ORIGINAL BIRTH CERTIFICATES BY ADULT ADOPTED PERSONS." (As amended by House Amendment Schedule "A").

Senator Cassano of the 4th explained the bill and moved passage.

Remarking were Senators Hwang of the 28th, Needleman of the 33rd, Somers of the 18th, Maroney of the 14th, Berthel of the 32nd, Duff of the 25th, Kelly of the 21st, and Looney of the 11th.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 10:35 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	35
Necessary for Adoption	18
Those voting Yea	27
Those voting Nay	8
Those absent and not voting	1

On the roll call vote House Bill No. 6105 as amended by House Amendment Schedule "A" (LCO 7078) was passed in concurrence with the House.

The following is the roll call vote:

Y 1 JOHN W. FONFARA	Y 19 CATHERINE A. OSTEN
Y 2 DOUGLAS MCCRORY	Y 20 PAUL M. FORMICA
Y 3 SAUD ANWAR	N 21 KEVIN C. KELLY
Y 4 STEVE CASSANO	Y 22 MARILYN MOORE
Y 5 DEREK SLAP	A 23 DENNIS BRADLEY
Y 6 RICK LOPES	Y 24 JULIE KUSHNER
Y 7 JOHN A. KISSEL	Y 25 BOB DUFF
Y 8 KEVIN D. WITKOS	Y 26 WILL HASKELL
Y 9 MATTHEW L. LESSER	Y 27 PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
Y 10 GARY WINFIELD	Y 28 TONY HWANG
Y 11 MARTIN M. LOONEY	Y 29 MAE FLEXER
Y 12 CHRISTINE COHEN	N 30 CRAIG MINER
N 13 MARY ABRAMS	N 31 HENRI MARTIN
Y 14 JAMES MARONEY	N 32 ERIC C. BERTHEL

Y 15 JOAN V. HARTLEY
N 16 ROB SAMPSON
Y 17 JORGE CABRERA
N 18 HEATHER S. SOMERS

Y 33 NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
N 34 PAUL CICARELLA
Y 35 DAN CHAMPAGNE
Y 36 ALEX KASSER

FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING. Substitute for H.B. No. **6451** (COMM) (File Nos. 384 and 709) "AN ACT CONCERNING THE AUTHORIZATION, LICENSING AND REGULATION OF ONLINE CASINO GAMING, RETAIL AND ONLINE SPORTS WAGERING, FANTASY CONTESTS, KENO AND ONLINE SALE OF LOTTERY TICKETS." (As amended by House Amendment Schedule "A").

Senator Osten of the 19th explained the bill and moved passage.

Remarking were Senators Champagne of the 35th, and Anwar of the 3rd.

Senator Anwar of the 3rd offered Senate Amendment Schedule "A" (LCO 9125) and moved adoption.

On a voice vote the amendment was rejected.

The following is the Amendment.

Strike sections 25 and 26 in their entirety and renumber the remaining sections and internal references accordingly

Remarking were Senators Hwang of the 28th, and Witkos of the 8th.

SENATOR LOONEY OF THE 11TH IN THE CHAIR

Remarking was Senator Kissel of the 7th.

PRESIDENT IN THE CHAIR

Remarking were Senators Osten of the 19th, Flexer of the 29th, Formica of the 20th, Duff of the 25th, Kelly of the 21st, and Looney of the 11th.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 11:57 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	34
Necessary for Adoption	18
Those voting Yea	28
Those voting Nay	6
Those absent and not voting.....	2

On the roll call vote House Amendment Schedule "A" (LCO 9125) was passed in concurrence with the House.

The following is the roll call vote:

Y 1 JOHN W. FONFARA
Y 2 DOUGLAS MCCRORY

Y 19 CATHERINE A. OSTEN
Y 20 PAUL M. FORMICA

	N 3 SAUD ANWAR	Y	21 KEVIN C. KELLY
Y	4 STEVE CASSANO	Y	22 MARILYN MOORE
	N 5 DEREK SLAP	A	23 DENNIS BRADLEY
Y	6 RICK LOPES	Y	24 JULIE KUSHNER
	N 7 JOHN A. KISSEL	Y	25 BOB DUFF
Y	8 KEVIN D. WITKOS	Y	26 WILL HASKELL
A	9 MATTHEW L. LESSER	N	27 PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
Y	10 GARY WINFIELD	N	28 TONY HWANG
Y	11 MARTIN M. LOONEY	Y	29 MAE FLEXER
Y	12 CHRISTINE COHEN	N	30 CRAIG MINER
Y	13 MARY ABRAMS	Y	31 HENRI MARTIN
Y	14 JAMES MARONEY	Y	32 ERIC C. BERTHEL
Y	15 JOAN V. HARTLEY	Y	33 NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
Y	16 ROB SAMPSON	Y	34 PAUL CICARELLA
Y	17 JORGE CABRERA	Y	35 DAN CHAMPAGNE
Y	18 HEATHER S. SOMERS	Y	36 ALEX KASSER

**SUSPENSION OF THE RULES
IMMEDIATE TRANSMITTAL TO THE GOVERNOR**

On motion of Senator Duff of the 25th, the rules were suspended for immediate transmittal to the Governor:

Substitute for H.B. No. **6451** (COMM) (File Nos. 384 and 709) "AN ACT CONCERNING THE AUTHORIZATION, LICENSING AND REGULATION OF ONLINE CASINO GAMING, RETAIL AND ONLINE SPORTS WAGERING, FANTASY CONTESTS, KENO AND ONLINE SALE OF LOTTERY TICKETS." (As amended by House Amendment Schedule "A").

**BUSINESS ON THE CALENDAR
MATTER REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON
JUDICIARY**

On motion of Senator Duff of the 25th, the following matter was referred to the Committee on Judiciary

S.B. No. **1002** AN ACT CONCERNING LABOR ISSUES RELATED TO COVID-19, PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT AND OTHER STAFFING MATTERS.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Senator Duff of the 25th, the Senate at 11:58 p.m. adjourned subject to the call of the chair.