

**Public Safety and Security Committee
JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT**

Bill No.: SB-370

AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH PRIVATE INVESTIGATORS AND SECURITY GUARDS MAY PERFORM DUTIES WHILE

Title: LICENSE APPLICATIONS ARE PENDING.

Vote Date: 3/22/2022

Vote Action: Joint Favorable Substitute

PH Date: 3/17/2022

File No.:

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SPONSORS OF BILL:

Public Safety and Security Committee

REASONS FOR BILL:

Currently, there is a significant wait time for new security officers and private investigators to work at a job without direct supervision. The processing time is often 8 to 12 weeks. By eliminating the restrictions, the much-needed private investigators and security guard positions could be filled in a timelier manner. This will help security companies, applicants, businesses and the public have the security they need without the wait.

Proposed Sub. Language

Section 1 (d) revised from lines 34 to 42

RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION/AGENCY:

None Expressed

NATURE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT:

National Association of Security Companies (NASCO)

SB370/Section 2 is a common-sense, pro-employee, pro-business, pro-security provision that is needed in Connecticut at this time. This would eliminate the current unnecessary, job opportunity killing, business hurting, security shortage creating under C.G.A. Section 29-161q (h).

NATURE AND SOURCES OF OPPOSITION:

Connecticut Hospital Association

Connecticut Hospital Association is in opposition to Section 2 of SB370. The supervision of individuals working in hospitals as security officers while their license application is pending is essential to ensuring safety for patients, visitors and staff. The direct supervision of applicants for licensure by a licensed security guard will help ensure that the supervisor's wisdom and experience with an applicant will bridge the gap between experience and practice.

Reported by: Bonnie Gray, Asst. Clerk

Date: 3/31/2022