

Judiciary Committee JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT

Bill No.: HB-6786

AN ACT CONCERNING SERVICE OF BANK EXECUTIONS, WAGE
EXECUTIONS AND TAX WARRANTS BY STATE MARSHALS AND

Title: AUTHORIZED SERVICE OF PROCESS BY INDIFFERENT PERSONS.

Vote Date: 3/28/2023

Vote Action: Joint Favorable Substitute

PH Date: 3/3/2023

File No.:

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SPONSORS OF BILL:

Judiciary Committee

REASONS FOR BILL:

Serving bank and wage executions as well as tax warrants lacks uniformity and has been a problem for marshals in Connecticut. This bill would provide uniformity and additionally clarity regarding serving executions and tax warrants.

SUBSTITUTE LANGUAGE:

The substitute language changes phrasing for clarity.

RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION/AGENCY:

None expressed.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT:

Brian Mezick, President, State Marshal Association of Connecticut: Brian opposes this bill, stating that favorable passage would serve to improve the quality of service that state marshals could offer in their roles as responsible public officials. He writes that the fair and effective administration of enforcing legal money judgments and the collection of local taxes relies on state marshals serving executions. He believes that a renewed process will provide a more efficient and equitable system in the handling of orders in association with this bill. He offers that clarifications in sections three and five of the bill will provide necessary updates

and section 4 will remove an archaic exception to issues challenging to the processes in general.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF OPPOSITION:

Art Corey, Fritz Conway, and Tom Mongellow, General Counsel Members, Connecticut Bankers Association: They neither support or oppose the bill but they state that clarification regarding the intent and implementation of the bill into the current processes will be required to gain the full support of financial institutions within the state. Furthermore, they make it a point to highlight that such clarification will be required to ensure the continuity of the execution process, in accordance with the expectations of community stakeholders.

Reported by: James McNealey

Date: April 5, 2023