

Judiciary Committee
JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT

Bill No.: HB-6895

Title: AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF THE CRIMINAL LAWS OF THIS STATE.

Vote Date: 3/31/2023

Vote Action: Joint Favorable

PH Date: 3/22/2023

File No.:

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SPONSORS OF BILL:

Judiciary Committee

REASONS FOR BILL:

This was a Judiciary Committee contingency reserve bill to study the criminal laws of this state.

RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION/AGENCY:

Deborah Del Prete-Sullivan, Legal Counsel, Office of Chief Public Defender (OCPD):

Ms. Del Prete-Sullivan writes in support of this bill. OCPD should be included in the membership of this study, as they have substantial knowledge and experience in Connecticut courts. Their experience gives them valuable insight and feels that DCJ would also be a valuable member of the study.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT:

Jess Zaccagnino, Policy Counsel, American Civil Liberties Union of Connecticut (ACLU-CT)

Ms. Zaccagnino writes in support of this bill. The ACLU-CT is dedicated to ending mass incarceration and eliminating systemic racism in the criminal justice system. This bill will provide the opportunity to modernize and prune our criminal justice statutes. They feel that former incarcerated people should also be represented when conducting the review.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF OPPOSITION:

None expressed.

Reported by: Bonnie Gray

Date: April 6, 2023