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Committee Bill No. 6468

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Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION
AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:
(GAE)

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE REVIEW OF EXISTING REGULATIONS
OF CONNECTICUT STATE AGENCIES.**

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

1 Section 1. Section 4-189i of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2023*):

3 (a) Not later than [July 1, 2017] June 30, 2024, and not later than every
4 seven years thereafter, each [committee of cognizance, in consultation
5 with each agency that is within the cognizance of the committee, shall
6 establish the date by which each such agency shall submit a review of
7 its existing regulations and shall notify the administrator of the
8 regulation review committee of each such date and any extension
9 thereof. In establishing such date, or any extension of the date that may
10 be requested by the agency, the committee of cognizance (1) shall
11 consider the volume and complexity of such regulations and the
12 personnel and other resources of the agency that would be available to
13 undertake the review within the agency's available appropriations, and
14 (2) may establish a schedule of dates for the review of various portions
15 of such regulations upon the agreement of the committee of cognizance

16 and the administrative head of the agency.

17 (b) Not later than the date specified by the committee of cognizance
18 pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, each such agency shall submit
19 to the committee of cognizance and to the administrator of the
20 regulation review committee] agency shall conduct a review of its
21 existing regulations, which shall include, but need not be limited to: (1)
22 The agency's recommendations on how it may substantially reduce the
23 number and length of its existing regulations; (2) the agency's
24 determination of whether each of its existing regulations (A) is obsolete,
25 (B) has not been used within the preceding seven years, (C) is
26 inconsistent with any provision of the general statutes, federal law or
27 any regulation adopted under the general statutes or federal law, (D)
28 has been the subject of written complaints, and (E) is otherwise no
29 longer effective; and (3) the agency's recommendation, if any, regarding
30 any extraordinary circumstances in which waivers from its existing
31 regulations may be appropriate. The agency shall post the status of such
32 review on the eRegulations System.

33 (b) Not later than January 1, 2025, and not later than every seven years
34 thereafter, each agency shall submit a summary of the results of the
35 review conducted under subsection (a) of this section to the committee
36 having cognizance over such agency and to the administrator of the
37 regulation review committee, in accordance with the provisions of
38 section 11-4a.

39 (c) Upon receipt of an agency's review, the committee of cognizance
40 shall schedule a public hearing, which shall be held not later than ninety
41 days following such receipt. The committee of cognizance shall make
42 copies of the review available to the public at least fifteen days prior to
43 the hearing.

44 (d) Following the public hearing: (1) The committee of cognizance
45 may request the agency to initiate the process under chapter 54 to carry
46 out a recommendation of the agency under subsection [(b)] (a) of this
47 section to amend or repeal an existing regulation which, in the

48 determination of the committee of cognizance, does not require the
49 enactment of authorizing legislation, and (2) the committee of
50 cognizance shall consider any recommendation by the agency under
51 subsection [(b)] (a) of this section which, in the determination of the
52 committee of cognizance, would require the enactment of authorizing
53 legislation.

54 (e) If an agency fails to submit a review of its regulations to the
55 committee of cognizance and the administrator of the regulation review
56 committee as required by subsection (b) of this section or if the
57 committee of cognizance determines that the agency has not conducted
58 a satisfactory review of its regulations as required by said subsection,
59 the committee of cognizance may: (1) Conduct a review of the existing
60 regulations of the agency, as described in subsection [(b)] (a) of this
61 section, (2) request the agency to initiate the process under chapter 54 to
62 carry out a recommendation of the committee of cognizance pursuant
63 to such review to amend or repeal an existing regulation which, in the
64 determination of the committee of cognizance, does not require the
65 enactment of authorizing legislation, and (3) introduce legislation to
66 authorize the agency to amend or repeal existing regulations. If the
67 agency fails to initiate the process to amend or repeal an existing
68 regulation pursuant to subdivision (2) of this subsection, the committee
69 of cognizance may introduce legislation requiring the agency to initiate
70 such process.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2023	4-189i

Statement of Purpose:

To make modifications to the process for reviewing agency regulations to determine whether they are obsolete, inconsistent or ineffective and change the deadlines for such review.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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