AN ACT IMPLEMENTING ADDITIONAL MEASURES TO PREVENT TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS AND EXPANDING THE COMPOSITION OF THE TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS COUNCIL.

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

Section 1. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2023) When offering or providing a room that includes sleeping accommodations, no operator of a hotel, motel or similar lodging may offer or provide a financial discount or benefit for such room that is based upon an hourly rate or an occupancy period that is for a term of twelve hours or less.

Sec. 2. Subsection (b) of section 46a-170 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 1, 2023):

(b) The council shall consist of the following members: (1) The Chief State's Attorney, or a designee; (2) the Chief Public Defender, or a designee; (3) the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection, or the commissioner's designee; (4) the Labor Commissioner, or the commissioner's designee; (5) the Commissioner of Social Services, or the commissioner's designee; (6) the Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's designee; (7) the Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services, or the commissioner's designee; (8) the
Substitute Senate Bill No. 1117

Commissioner of Children and Families, or the commissioner's designee; (9) the Commissioner of Consumer Protection, or the commissioner's designee; (10) the Commissioner of Developmental Services, or the commissioner's designee; (11) the director of the Basic Training Division of the Police Officer Standards and Training Council, or the director's designee; [(11)] (12) the Child Advocate, or the Child Advocate's designee; [(12)] (13) the Victim Advocate, or the Victim Advocate's designee; [(13)] (14) a chairperson of the Commission on Women, Children, Seniors, Equity and Opportunity, or the chairperson's designee; [(14)] (15) one representative of the Office of Victim Services of the Judicial Branch appointed by the Chief Court Administrator; [(15)] (16) a municipal police chief appointed by the Connecticut Police Chiefs Association, or a designee; [(16)] (17) the Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's designee; [(17)] (18) an adult victim of trafficking, appointed by the Governor; [(18)] (19) a judge of the Superior Court, appointed by the Chief Court Administrator; [(19)] (20) a state's attorney appointed by the Chief State's Attorney; [(20)] (21) a public defender appointed by the Chief Public Defender; and [(21)] (22) fifteen public members appointed as follows: The Governor shall appoint three members, one of whom shall represent victims of commercial exploitation of children, one of whom shall represent sex trafficking victims who are children and one of whom shall represent a coalition of children's advocacy centers and multidisciplinary teams that are dedicated to serving child abuse victims and their families, the president pro tempore of the Senate shall appoint two members, one of whom shall represent the Connecticut Alliance to End Sexual Violence and one of whom shall represent an organization that provides civil legal services to low-income individuals, the speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint two members, one of whom shall represent the Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence and one of whom shall represent the Connecticut Lodging Association, the majority leader of the Senate shall appoint two members, one of whom shall represent an organization that
Substitute Senate Bill No. 1117

deals with behavioral health needs of women and children and one of whom shall represent the Connecticut Coalition to End Homelessness, the majority leader of the House of Representatives shall appoint two members, one of whom shall represent an organization that advocates on social justice and human rights issues and one of whom shall represent the Connecticut Criminal Defense Lawyers Association, the minority leader of the Senate shall appoint two members, one of whom shall represent the Connecticut Immigrant and Refugee Coalition and one of whom shall represent massage therapists, and the minority leader of the House of Representatives shall appoint two members, one of whom shall represent the Motor Transport Association of Connecticut, Inc. and one of whom shall represent an organization that works with adult victims of trafficking.

Approved June 7, 2023