



# House of Representatives

General Assembly

**File No. 517**

February Session, 2024

House Bill No. 5486

*House of Representatives, April 16, 2024*

The Committee on Judiciary reported through REP. STAFSTROM of the 129th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

## **AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF THE CIVIL LAWS IN THIS STATE.**

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) There is established a working group  
2 to study the civil laws of this state. Such study shall include, but not be  
3 limited to, a review of provisions set forth in various titles of the general  
4 statutes, including, but not limited to, titles 51 and 52 of the general  
5 statutes for the purpose of recommending needed changes to such  
6 provisions of the general statutes. The working group shall consist of  
7 the following members, who have familiarity with and expertise in the  
8 interpretation of the state's civil laws: (1) One appointed by the speaker  
9 of the House of Representatives; (2) one appointed by the president pro  
10 tempore of the Senate; (3) one appointed by the majority leader of the  
11 House of Representatives; (4) one appointed by the majority leader of  
12 the Senate; (5) one appointed by the minority leader of the House of  
13 Representatives; and (6) one appointed by the minority leader of the  
14 Senate. Not later than January 1, 2025, the working group shall submit

15 a report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing  
16 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
17 relating to the judiciary, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-  
18 4a of the general statutes. The working group shall terminate on the date  
19 that it submits such report or January 1, 2025, whichever is later.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

**JUD**      *Joint Favorable*

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**OFA Fiscal Note****State Impact:** None**Municipal Impact:** None**Explanation**

The bill, which creates a working group to study civil laws, is not anticipated to result in a fiscal impact to the state or to municipalities as working group members have expertise on the topic.

**The Out Years****State Impact:** None**Municipal Impact:** None

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**OLR Bill Analysis**

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**SUMMARY**

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Judiciary Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 33    Nay 2    (04/01/2024)