



Connecticut Law Revision Commission

2010 Annual Report

CONNECTICUT LAW REVISION COMMISSION

The Connecticut Law Revision Commission assists the Connecticut General Assembly by recommending revisions of Connecticut law to ensure its responsiveness to current needs and recent case law. The commission undertakes revisions at the request of the Judiciary Committee or other legislative committees, as well as legislative leaders, state agencies, the Judicial Department, the Connecticut Bar Association, law school professors, and private practitioners. Statutory authority for the Connecticut Law Revision Commission is found in sections 2-85 to 2-88, inclusive, of the Connecticut General Statutes.

The Governor, the President Pro Tempore, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives each appoint members to the Commission. The President Pro Tempore, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Minority Leader of the Senate, the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, and the Chairpersons and Ranking Members of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the judiciary also sit as members on the Commission or may designate individuals to serve as members in their place. Any designee of a Chairperson or Ranking Member of the Judiciary Committee must be a current member of the Judiciary Committee.

Since 2003, the state budget has not included funding for commission staff. Pursuant to Section 2-88 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the commission has requested assistance in the performance of its responsibilities from the Legislative Commissioners' Office. Assistance is also provided by other staff offices within the Connecticut General Assembly. Pursuant to Section 2-88 of the Connecticut General Statutes, additional assistance may be provided from any other source.

COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2010

Representative Arthur J. O'Neill, Chairman

Hon. Julia L. Aurigemma

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Professor Colin C. Tait

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PROPOSED LEGISLATIVE DRAFTS - 2010

There were no legislative proposals submitted to the General Assembly by the Law Revision Commission during the 2010 session. However, most provisions of Public Act 09-225, An Act Concerning Amendments to the Uniform Common Interest Ownership Act, took effect July 1, 2010. Public Act 09-225 was the result of recommendations of a study committee of the Law Revision Commission chaired by commission member Attorney William Breetz during the 2009 legislative session.

RESEARCH AND PROJECTS INITIATED, PENDING OR COMPLETED DURING 2010

On October 26, 2010, the Law Revision Commission convened a study committee to evaluate proposed amendments to Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code and recommend to the commission such statutory changes as the study committee deems appropriate. The study committee held four meetings on the proposed amendments during the 2010 calendar year. Those meetings were on November 4, 2010, November 18, 2010, November 30, 2010, and December 16, 2010.

ITEMIZED EXPENDITURES - 2010

There were no expenditures attributed to the Law Revision Commission during the 2010 calendar year.