



House Bill No. 7284

Special Act No. 25-14

AN ACT CONVEYING A PARCEL OF STATE LAND TO THE TOWN OF PRESTON.

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

Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the Commissioner of Administrative Services, on behalf of the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, shall convey to the town of Preston a parcel of land located in the town of Preston, and any improvements thereon, at a cost equal to the administrative costs of making such conveyance. Said parcel of land has an area of approximately 1.98 acres and is identified as Lot 20 in Block 117 of town of Preston Tax Assessor's Map 23, is located at 20 Route 117 and contains the former Norwich State Hospital. The conveyance shall be subject to the approval of the State Properties Review Board.

(b) The town of Preston shall use said parcel of land and improvements for open space, recreational or farmers' market purposes. If the town of Preston:

(1) Does not use said parcel and improvements for any of said purposes;

(2) Does not retain ownership of all of said parcel and improvements;
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(3) Leases all or any portion of said parcel and improvements,
the parcel and improvements shall revert to the state of Connecticut.

(c) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of the conveyance of said parcel of land and improvements not later than thirty days after it receives a proposed agreement from the Department of Administrative Services, on behalf of the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services. The land and improvements shall remain under the care and control of the state until a conveyance is made in accordance with the provisions of this section. The State Treasurer shall execute and deliver any deed or instrument necessary for a conveyance under this section, which deed or instrument shall include provisions to carry out the purposes of subsection (b) of this section. The Commissioner of Administrative Services shall have the sole responsibility for all other incidents of such conveyance.

Governor's Action:
Approved June 24, 2025