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Amendment

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"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE CONCERNING THE REGULATION ADOPTION PROCESS."

After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
 internal references accordingly:

"Sec. 501. Section 4-173b of the general statutes is repealed and the
following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2025*):

5 (a) The Secretary of the State shall establish and maintain the eRegulations System, which shall include a compilation of the 6 7 regulations of Connecticut state agencies adopted by all state agencies 8 subsequent to October 27, 1970. Such compilation may be a revision of 9 the most current compilation published by the Commission on Official 10 Legal Publications. The Commission on Official Legal Publications 11 shall, within available appropriations, provide any assistance requested 12 by the Secretary of the State in the creation of the eRegulations System. 13 On and after the certification date the eRegulations System shall also 14 include the official electronic regulation-making record described in section 4-168b. On and after the date the Secretary of the State certifies 15

16 the eRegulations System as sufficient pursuant to this section, the 17 regulations of Connecticut state agencies published by the Secretary on 18 said system shall be the official compilation of the regulations of 19 Connecticut state agencies for all purposes, including all legal and 20 administrative proceedings. The Secretary of the State shall update the 21 compilation of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies published 22 on the eRegulations System at least monthly. The eRegulations System 23 shall be easily accessible to and searchable by the public and shall enable 24 members of the public to request and receive an electronic notification 25 when an agency posts a notice of intent to adopt regulations in 26 accordance with section 4-168. The Secretary of the State may specify the 27 format in which state agencies shall submit the final approved version 28 of such regulations and all other documents required pursuant to this 29 section and sections 4-167, 4-168, 4-170 and 4-172, and all state agencies 30 shall follow the instructions of the Secretary of the State with respect to 31 agency submissions to the Secretary.

32 (b) The Secretary of the State shall post on the eRegulations System 33 all effective regulations of Connecticut state agencies as provided by the 34 Commission on Official Legal Publications and any updates thereto. The 35 Secretary of the State shall designate such posting as an unofficial 36 version of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies until such time 37 as the Secretary certifies in writing that the compilation of the 38 regulations of Connecticut state agencies published on the eRegulations 39 System is technologically sufficient to serve as the official compilation 40 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies and the electronic 41 repository for the regulation-making record. Such certification shall be 42 published on the Secretary's Internet web site and in the Connecticut 43 Law Journal. Until such time as the Secretary makes such certification 44 concerning the official compilation: (1) The Secretary, upon receipt of 45 the certified electronic copy of an approved regulation in accordance 46 with section 4-172, shall forward an electronic copy of such regulation 47 to the Commission on Official Legal Publications for publication in 48 accordance with this section, (2) the Commission on Official Legal 49 Publications shall continue to publish the regulations of Connecticut

state agencies, and (3) such published version shall be the officialversion of said regulations.

52 (c) The Secretary of the State shall establish an online portal as part of 53 the eRegulations system that will enable members of the public to 54 submit requests for changes or the elimination of provisions of the 55 regulations of Connecticut state agencies. The system shall transmit 56 such requests to the applicable agency and the standing legislative 57 regulation review committee.

[(c)] (d) Each agency and quasi-public agency with regulatory authority shall post a conspicuous web site link to the eRegulations System on the agency's or quasi-public agency's Internet web site and shall, if practicable, link to the specific provisions of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies that concern the agency's or quasi-public agency's particular programs.

[(d)] (e) Not later than January 1, 2014, the Secretary of the State shall
develop and implement a plan to maintain a paper copy at the office of
the Secretary of the State of all of the regulations of Connecticut state
agencies posted on the eRegulations System."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Sec. 501	October 1, 2025	4-173b