



General Assembly

Amendment

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Offered by:

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To: House Bill No. **7287**

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(As Amended)

***"AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATE BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM
ENDING JUNE 30, 2027, AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS
THEREFOR, AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO REVENUE AND
OTHER ITEMS IMPLEMENTING THE STATE BUDGET."***

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

3 "Sec. 501. Subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 5-278 of the
4 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
5 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

6 (b) (1) Any agreement reached by the negotiators shall be reduced to
7 writing. The agreement, together with a request for funds necessary to
8 fully implement such agreement and for approval of any provisions of
9 the agreement which are in conflict with any statute or any regulation
10 of any state agency, and any arbitration award, issued in accordance
11 with section 5-276a, together with a statement setting forth the amount

12 of funds necessary to implement such award, shall be filed by the
13 bargaining representative of the employer with the clerks of the House
14 of Representatives and the Senate within ten days after the date on
15 which such agreement is reached or such award is distributed. The
16 General Assembly may approve any such agreement as a whole by a
17 majority vote of each house or may reject such agreement as a whole by
18 a majority vote of either house. The General Assembly [may] shall reject
19 any such award as a whole [by a two-thirds vote of either house] if it
20 determines that there are insufficient funds for full implementation of
21 the award.

22 Sec. 502. Subsection (b) of section 7-474 of the general statutes is
23 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*
24 *2025*):

25 (b) Any agreement reached by the negotiators shall be reduced to
26 writing. Except where the legislative body is the town meeting, a request
27 for funds necessary to implement such written agreement and for
28 approval of any provisions of the agreement which are in conflict with
29 any charter, special act, ordinance, rule or regulation adopted by the
30 municipal employer or its agents, such as a personnel board or civil
31 service commission, or any general statute directly regulating the hours
32 of work of policemen or firemen or any general statute providing for the
33 method or manner of covering or removing employees from coverage
34 under the Connecticut municipal employees' retirement system or
35 under the Policemen and Firemen Survivors' Benefit Fund shall be
36 submitted by the bargaining representative of the municipality within
37 fourteen days of the date on which such agreement is reached to the
38 legislative body which may approve or reject such request as a whole
39 by a majority vote of those present and voting on the matter; but, if
40 rejected, the matter shall be returned to the parties for further
41 bargaining. The legislative body shall reject any such request if it
42 determines that there are insufficient funds for full implementation of
43 the award. Failure by the bargaining representative of the municipality
44 to submit such request to the legislative body within such fourteen-day

45 period shall be considered to be a prohibited practice committed by the
46 municipal employer. Such request shall be considered approved if the
47 legislative body fails to vote to approve or reject such request within
48 thirty days of the end of the fourteen-day period for submission to said
49 body. Where the legislative body is the town meeting, approval of the
50 agreement by a majority of the selectmen shall make the agreement
51 valid and binding upon the town and the board of finance shall
52 appropriate or provide whatever funds are necessary to comply with
53 such collective bargaining agreement."

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

Sec. 501	<i>July 1, 2025</i>	5-278(b)(1)
Sec. 502	<i>July 1, 2025</i>	7-474(b)