



Senate Bill No. 470

Public Act No. 26-118

AN ACT CONCERNING THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSIONERS' RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TECHNICAL AND MINOR REVISIONS TO THE GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION STATUTES.

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

Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 3-61b of the 2026 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2026*):

(a) Any property held pursuant to a funeral service contract that is in effect on or after July 1, 2025, for the purposes of this part, shall be considered payable or distributable on the earliest of: (1) When the holder has received affirmative notification of the death of a beneficiary associated with a funeral [services] service contract for which the holder is maintaining an escrow account; (2) the date the beneficiary would have attained the age of one hundred ten years; or (3) seventy-five years after the funeral service contract was executed.

Sec. 2. Section 10a-151i of the 2026 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

For any qualified contract described in subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 10a-151f, and any revenue contract or nonmonetary

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contract that is not a qualified contract, as such terms are defined in section 10a-151f, that is entered into or amended on or after [July 1, 2026] the effective date of this section, by the chief executive officer of the Board of Regents for Higher Education or the chief executive officer of an institution within the jurisdiction of the Board of Regents for Higher Education or by the chief executive officer of The University of Connecticut, the chief executive officer shall require such contract to either (1) comply with the provisions of subsection (d) of section 4a-60, and set forth the full text of subdivisions (1) to (5), inclusive, of subsection (b) of section 4a-60, or (2) set forth the following affirmation: "Each party agrees, as required by section 4a-60 of the Connecticut General Statutes, not to discriminate against any person on the basis of race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, status as a veteran, status as a victim of domestic violence, intellectual disability, mental disability or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by such party that such disability prevents performance of the work involved. Each party agrees to comply with all applicable federal and state of Connecticut nondiscrimination and affirmative action laws, including, but not limited to, section 4a-60 of the Connecticut General Statutes."

Sec. 3. Section 45a-594 of the 2026 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2026*):

(a) Compensation payable to the conservator or guardian of any person who is supported wholly or in part by the state in any humane institution, or who is receiving benefits under any of the state's programs of public assistance, shall be based upon services rendered and shall not exceed five per cent of the gross income to the estate during the period covered by any account. The conservator or guardian shall be entitled to compensation of not less than fifty dollars for any

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accounting period continuing for at least a year. If extraordinary services are rendered by any conservator or guardian, the [court of probate] Probate Court, upon petition and hearing, may authorize reasonable additional compensation. No commission or compensation shall be allowed on any moneys or other assets received from a prior guardian or conservator nor upon any amount received from liquidation of loans or other investments.

(b) Compensation payable to the conservator or guardian of any veteran or other beneficiary of the United States Department of Veterans Affairs for administering moneys paid by the United States through the department, or revenue or profit from any property wholly or partially acquired therewith, shall be based upon services rendered and shall not exceed five per cent of the amount of moneys received during the period covered by the account. If extraordinary services are rendered by any conservator or guardian, the [Court of Probate] Probate Court, upon petition and hearing, may authorize reasonable additional compensation. A copy of the petition and notice of hearing shall be given to the proper office of the United States Department of Veterans Affairs in the manner provided for hearing on other petitions or pleadings filed by such conservators or guardians. No commission or compensation shall be allowed on the moneys or other assets received from a prior guardian nor upon the amount received from liquidation of loans or other investments.

Sec. 4. Subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 45a-649 of the 2026 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2026*):

(2) (A) The court shall direct that personal service of the citation be made, by a state marshal, constable or an indifferent person, upon the respondent and the respondent's spouse, if any, if the spouse is not the applicant. (B) Except for the respondent, if the address of any other person entitled to personal service is unknown, or if personal service or

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service at the person's usual place of abode cannot be reasonably effected within the state, or if the person is out of the state, the judge or the clerk of the court shall order notice be given by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, or by publication not less than ten days before the date of the hearing. Any such publication shall be in a newspaper of general circulation in the place of the last known address of the person to be notified, whether within or without this state, or if no such address is known, in the place where the petition has been filed. (C) Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, in cases where the application is for involuntary representation pursuant to section 17b-456 or in cases where notice is provided pursuant to subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, the court shall further order notice by certified mail to the children of the respondent, and if none, the parents of the respondent, and if none, the brothers and sisters of the respondent or their representatives, and if none, the next of kin of such respondent.