



House of Representatives

General Assembly

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House Bill No. 5140

House of Representatives, March 17, 2026

The Committee on Aging reported through REP. GARIBAY of the 60th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF THE NEEDS OF SENIOR CITIZENS.

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The executive director of the
2 Commission on Women, Children, Seniors, Equity and Opportunity, in
3 consultation with the Commissioner of Aging and Disability Services,
4 shall study the needs of senior citizens in the state in order to ensure the
5 adequate allocation of resources.

6 (b) The study shall include, but need not be limited to, the needs of
7 senior citizens for (1) long-term care, (2) transportation, (3) housing
8 assistance, (4) nutritional assistance, and (5) opportunities for
9 socialization.

10 (c) On or before January 1, 2027, the executive director shall report
11 the results of the study, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-
12 4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committee of the General
13 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to aging.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

AGE *Joint Favorable*

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 27 \$	FY 28 \$
Commission on Women, Children, Seniors, Equity and Opportunity	GF - Cost	12,000	None

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill requires the Commission on Women, Children, Seniors, Equity and Opportunity to conduct a study on the needs of senior citizens resulting in a cost of \$12,000 in FY 27. To meet the requirements of the study the Commission will need to hire a graduate fellow from a Connecticut based institution in FY 27 to assist with the research, data collection, and drafting of the report.

The Out Years

None.

OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Aging Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 13 Nay 1 (03/05/2026)