



Senate

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Senate Bill No. 470

Senate, April 8, 2026

The Committee on Government Administration and Elections reported through SEN. FLEXER of the 29th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

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:

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2 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu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

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

12 Sec. 2. Section 10a-151i of the 2026 supplement to the general statutes

13 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
14 *passage*):

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

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

41 (a) Compensation payable to the conservator or guardian of any
42 person who is supported wholly or in part by the state in any humane
43 institution, or who is receiving benefits under any of the state's
44 programs of public assistance, shall be based upon services rendered
45 and shall not exceed five per cent of the gross income to the estate

46 during the period covered by any account. The conservator or guardian
47 shall be entitled to compensation of not less than fifty dollars for any
48 accounting period continuing for at least a year. If extraordinary
49 services are rendered by any conservator or guardian, the [court of
50 probate] Probate Court, upon petition and hearing, may authorize
51 reasonable additional compensation. No commission or compensation
52 shall be allowed on any moneys or other assets received from a prior
53 guardian or conservator nor upon any amount received from
54 liquidation of loans or other investments.

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

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

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

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

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2026	3-61b(a)
Sec. 2	from passage	10a-151i
Sec. 3	October 1, 2026	45a-594
Sec. 4	October 1, 2026	45a-649(a)(2)

GAE *Joint Favorable*

The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. In general, fiscal impacts are based upon a variety of informational sources, including the analyst's professional knowledge. Whenever applicable, agency data is consulted as part of the analysis, however final products do not necessarily reflect an assessment from any specific department.

OFA Fiscal Note**State Impact:** None**Municipal Impact:** None**Explanation**

The bill makes minor and technical revisions to certain government administration statutes, resulting in no fiscal impact to the state or municipalities.

The Out Years**State Impact:** None**Municipal Impact:** None

OLR Bill Analysis**SB 470*****AN ACT CONCERNING THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSIONERS' RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TECHNICAL AND MINOR REVISIONS TO THE GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION STATUTES.*****SUMMARY**

This bill allows certain contracts entered into or amended by a constituent unit of the state's higher education system on or after the bill's passage, instead of on or after July 1, 2026, to include either (1) the text required by the state's general nondiscrimination contract compliance law or (2) a specific nondiscrimination affirmation.

The bill also makes technical changes in various statutes affecting government administration.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2026, except the contract provision is effective upon passage.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Government Administration and Elections Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 19 Nay 0 (03/20/2026)