



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 219

February Session, 2026



AN ACT CONCERNING CIVIL PENALTIES FOR CERTAIN VIOLATIONS RELATING TO RENTAL SECURITY DEPOSITS.

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision (1) of subsection (j) of section 47a-21 of the 2026
2 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is
3 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2026*):

4 (j) (1) Except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, the
5 commissioner may receive and investigate complaints regarding any
6 alleged violation of [subsections] subsection (b), (d), (h) or (i) of this
7 section. For the purposes of such investigation, any person who is or
8 was a landlord shall be subject to the provisions of section 36a-17. If the
9 commissioner determines that any landlord has violated any provision
10 of this section over which the commissioner has jurisdiction, the
11 commissioner may, in accordance with [section] sections 36a-50 and
12 36a-52, order such [person to] landlord to pay a civil penalty, cease and
13 desist from such practices and [to] comply with the provisions of this
14 section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2026</i>	47a-21(j)(1)

BA *Joint Favorable Subst.*