

**State Historic Preservation Officer**

**Citation:** SA 23-15 sec. 1

**Effective Date:** 06/26/23

**Termination Date:** February 1st, 2024 (Or date of report submission, whichever is later)

**Composition:** 19 Members

[Special Act No. 23-15](#)

**Working Group Purpose:** To study the State Historic Preservation Officer's role in administering historic preservation review processes related to sections 22a-1 to 22a-1h, inclusive, of the general statutes and the regulations adopted thereunder, and to make recommendations concerning changes to such statutes and regulations. The study shall include, but need not be limited to, the development of recommendations concerning (1) the historic preservation consultation process; (2) timelines for historic preservation reviews; (3) definitions of the roles of parties involved in the historic preservation review process; (4) an outline of the steps in the historic preservation review process; (5) specific goals and outcomes of the historic preservation review process; and (6) an appeals process for municipalities to appeal determinations made by the State Historic Preservation Officer pursuant to sections 22a1 to 22a-1h, inclusive, of the general statutes and the regulations adopted thereunder, concerning the renovation or rehabilitation of historic buildings or properties.

**Report Info:** Not later than January 1, 2024, the working group shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.

**Chair Info:** The chairpersons of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to commerce shall be the chairpersons of the working group. Such chairpersons shall schedule the first meeting of the working group, which shall be held not later than ninety days after the effective date of this section. All initial appointments to the working group shall be made not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority.

**Terms:** Not later than February 1, 2024, the working group shall submit a report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to commerce, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes. The working group shall terminate on the date that it submits such report or February 1, 2024, whichever is later.

No.	Appointing Authority	Specific Qualifications (SHPO)	Appointee
1	Sen. Hartley Sen. Meskers	The chairpersons of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to commerce	Sen. Hartley
2	Sen. Hartley Sen. Meskers	The chairpersons of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to commerce	Rep. Meskers
3	Sen. Hartley Sen. Meskers	The ranking members of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to commerce, or the ranking members' designees	Sen. Martin
4	Sen. Hartley Sen. Meskers	The ranking members of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to commerce, or the ranking members' designees	Rep. Harrison
5	Sen. Hartley Sen. Meskers	The State Historic Preservation Officer, or the officer's designee	Jonathan Kinney
6	Sen. Hartley Sen. Meskers	The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, or the commissioner's designee	Elizabeth Shapiro
7	Sen. Hartley Sen. Meskers	The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the secretary's designee	Bruce Wittchen
8	GOV	A representative of the Office of the Governor, who has expertise overseeing the administration of sections 22a-1 to 22a-1h, inclusive, of the general statutes and the regulations adopted thereunder, who shall be appointed by the Governor	Matthew Brokman
9	GOV	A representative of the Council on Environmental Quality, who shall be appointed by the Governor	Denise Rodosevich
10	Sen. Hartley Sen. Meskers	A representative of an organization that advocates on behalf of municipalities in the state	Randy Collins
11	Sen. Hartley Sen. Meskers	A representative of an organization that advocates on behalf of small towns and communities in the state	Elizabeth "Betsy" Gara
12	Sen. Hartley Sen. Meskers	A representative of an organization that advocates for revitalizing historic commercial districts and downtowns in the state	Michelle McCabe
13	Sen. Hartley Sen. Meskers	A representative of a municipal historic preservation commission	Tod Bryant
14	Sen. Hartley Sen. Meskers	A representative of an association representing businesses and industries in the state	Ashley Zane
15	Sen. Hartley Sen. Meskers	Two municipal economic development officers	Felix Reyes
16	Sen. Hartley Sen. Meskers	Two municipal economic development officers,	Tommy Hyde
17	Sen. Hartley Sen. Meskers	A representative of a property development organization, who has expertise in construction and renovations	David Kooris
18	Sen. Hartley Sen. Meskers	A representative of the brownfields working group established pursuant to section 32-770 of the general statutes	Ann Catino
19	Sen. Hartley Sen. Meskers	Native American Representative Eastern Pequot Tribal Nation	Brenda Geer