



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 5056**

February Session, 2024



**AN ACT FACILITATING THE EXPANSION OF SHARED MUNICIPAL SERVICES.**

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2024*) (a) As used in this section (1)  
2 "municipality" means any municipality, as defined in section 7-187 of  
3 the general statutes, any district, as defined in section 7-324 of the  
4 general statutes, any metropolitan district or any municipal district  
5 created under section 7-330 of the general statutes and located within  
6 the state, and (2) "regional council of governments" means any regional  
7 council of governments organized under the provisions of sections 4-  
8 124i to 4-124p, inclusive, of the general statutes.

9 (b) Any provision of a municipal charter, special act or home rule  
10 ordinance that prohibits or limits a municipality from sharing services  
11 through an agreement with one or more municipalities or regional  
12 councils of governments is hereby repealed, revoked and rescinded.

13 (c) If a municipality enters into or seeks to enter into an agreement  
14 with one or more municipalities or a regional council of governments to  
15 share public services, two or more collective bargaining units  
16 representing municipal employees covered by such agreement may  
17 enter into an agreement to establish a coalition bargaining unit to  
18 negotiate with such municipalities, regional council of governments or  
19 boards of education in such municipalities for the provision of such

20 public services on a regional basis, including, but not limited to,  
21 education, police services, fire-fighting services and emergency medical  
22 services. Such municipalities, regional council of governments or boards  
23 of education shall bargain with such coalition bargaining unit at the  
24 request of such coalition bargaining unit.

25 (d) If a municipality enters into or seeks to enter into an agreement  
26 with one or more municipalities or a regional council of governments to  
27 share public services, any collective bargaining unit representing  
28 municipal employees covered by such agreement may file a petition  
29 seeking a clarification or modification of an existing collective  
30 bargaining unit pursuant to subdivision (4) of section 7-471 of the  
31 general statutes, seeking to represent unrepresented employees  
32 performing shared public services covered by such agreement,  
33 notwithstanding the terms of any collective bargaining agreement  
34 covering represented municipal employees.

35 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2024*) (a) As used in this section (1)  
36 "municipality" means any municipality, as defined in section 7-187 of  
37 the general statutes, any district, as defined in section 7-324 of the  
38 general statutes, any metropolitan district or any municipal district  
39 created under section 7-330 of the general statutes and located within  
40 the state, and (2) "regional council of governments" means any regional  
41 council of governments organized under the provisions of sections 4-  
42 124i to 4-124p, inclusive, of the general statutes.

43 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of the general statutes or any  
44 special act, charter, special act charter, home rule ordinance or local law,  
45 any appointment that a municipality is authorized or required by law  
46 to make on its own behalf with respect to a municipal function may be  
47 made by a regional council of governments pursuant to an interlocal  
48 agreement for the joint performance of municipal functions pursuant to  
49 section 7-148cc of the general statutes or an agreement for regional  
50 services pursuant to section 8-31b of the general statutes. Such  
51 appointment shall (1) pertain jointly to each member municipality of  
52 such council that is a party to such agreement, and (2) be in lieu of any

53 individual appointment by any such member municipality.

54 (c) For the purposes of this section, a municipal function shall  
55 include, but not be limited to, administrative and regulatory activities  
56 described in chapters 93, 96a and 100, sections 7-148b, 7-148g, 7-148p, 8-  
57 3, 12-136, 22-331, 22-340, 22a-36 to 22a-45, inclusive, and 29-251 to 29-  
58 371, inclusive, of the general statutes and planning activities described  
59 in sections 8-23, 8-30j and 19a-181b of the general statutes.

60 (d) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may adopt  
61 regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the  
62 general statutes to implement the provisions of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section

**PD**      *Joint Favorable Subst.*