



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 151

LCO No. 1005



Referred to Committee on PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Introduced by:
(PD)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE WORKING GROUP TO STUDY THE IMPLEMENTATION OF FEDERAL TITLE IX PROTECTIONS FOR ALL MUNICIPAL RECREATION AREAS AND SCHOOL SPORTS FACILITIES.

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

1 Section 1. Special act 23-18 is amended to read as follows (*Effective*
2 *from passage*):

3 (a) There is established a working group to examine the feasibility of
4 implementing an assessment of all municipal recreation areas and
5 facilities used for the organized playing of sports and any sports
6 facilities maintained by each public school in the state to determine the
7 compliance of such areas and facilities with Title IX of the Elementary
8 and Secondary Education Act of 1972, 20 USC 1681 et seq. The working
9 group shall consider information including, but not limited to, the
10 nature and composition of organized sports teams that utilize such areas
11 or facilities and whether such teams may be prohibited from utilizing
12 such areas or facilities.

13 (b) The working group shall consist of the following members:

14 (1) One appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, who is
15 a member of the General Assembly who represents a municipality with
16 a population of more than eighty thousand;

17 (2) One appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives,
18 who is a member of a nonprofit organization that represents an
19 association of schools;

20 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who is a
21 parent of a public school student who identifies as a female;

22 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of
23 Representatives, who is a member of the General Assembly who
24 represents a municipality with a population of less than eighty
25 thousand;

26 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, who is a
27 parent of a public school student who identifies as a male;

28 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of
29 Representatives, who is a member of an interscholastic athletic
30 conference organization;

31 (7) One appointed by the Commissioner of Education, who is an
32 experienced Title IX coordinator;

33 (8) One appointed by the Commission on Women, Children, Seniors,
34 Equity and Opportunity;

35 (9) One appointed by the Connecticut Interscholastic Athletic
36 Conference;

37 (10) One appointed by the Connecticut Recreation and Parks
38 Association; and

39 (11) Two appointed by the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities,

40 both of whom are the chief executive officer of a municipality in the
41 state.

42 (c) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro
43 tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the working group
44 from among the members of the working group. Such chairpersons shall
45 schedule the first meeting of the working group, which shall be held not
46 later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

47 (d) All initial appointments to the working group shall be made not
48 later than thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy
49 shall be filled by said chairpersons.

50 (e) Any member of the working group appointed under subsection
51 (b) of this section may be a member of the General Assembly.

52 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
53 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to planning
54 and development shall serve as administrative staff of the working
55 group.

56 (g) Not later than January 1, [2024] 2025, the working group shall
57 submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the
58 general statutes, on its findings and recommendations to the joint
59 standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of
60 matters relating to education and planning and development. The
61 working group shall terminate on the date that it submits such report or
62 January 1, [2024] 2025, whichever is later.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	SA 23-18

PD *Joint Favorable*