



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 366

LCO No. 2107



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION
AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:
(GAE)

**AN ACT CONCERNING MINORITY REPRESENTATION ON CERTAIN
LEGISLATIVE BODIES.**

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 9-167a of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
3 *passage*):

4 (a) (1) Except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, the
5 maximum number of members of any board, commission, legislative
6 body, committee or similar body of the state or any political subdivision
7 thereof, whether elective or appointive, who may be members of the
8 same political party, shall be as specified in the following table:

T1	COLUMN I	COLUMN II
T2	Total Membership	Maximum from One Party
T3	3	2
T4	4	3

T5 5 4
T6 6 4
T7 7 5
T8 8 5
T9 9 6
T10 More than 9 Two-thirds of
T11 total membership

9 (2) The provisions of this section shall not apply (A) to any such
10 board, commission, committee or body, other than a legislative body,
11 whose members are elected wholly or partially on the basis of a
12 geographical division of the state or political subdivision, (B) to a
13 legislative body of a municipality [(i) having a town meeting as its
14 legislative body, [or (ii) for which the charter or a special act, on January
15 1, 1987, provided otherwise,] (C) to the city council of an unconsolidated
16 city within a town and the town council of such town if the town has a
17 town council and a representative town meeting, the town charter
18 provides for some form of minority representation in the election of
19 members of the representative town meeting, and the city has a city
20 council and a body having the attributes of a town meeting, or (D) to the
21 board of directors and other officers of any district, as defined in section
22 7-324, having annual receipts from all sources not in excess of two
23 hundred fifty thousand dollars.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	9-167a(a)

Statement of Purpose:

To impose minority representation requirements upon certain legislative bodies presently not subject to such requirements.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]