



Senate

General Assembly

File No. 211

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Senate Bill No. 99

Senate, March 30, 2022

The Committee on Commerce reported through SEN. HARTLEY of the 15th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A WORKING GROUP TO STUDY REMOTE NOTARIAL ACTS AND THE REVISED UNIFORM LAW ON NOTARIAL ACTS.

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The chairpersons of the joint
2 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
3 matters relating to commerce shall convene a working group to examine
4 and make recommendations regarding whether to adopt the Revised
5 Uniform Law on Notarial Acts and whether remote notarial acts should
6 be permitted in connection with real estate and trusts and estates
7 transactions.

8 (b) Appointments to the working group shall include, but need not
9 be limited to, the Secretary of the State, or the Secretary's designee, a
10 representative from the General Assembly who is an attorney having
11 experience in real estate transactions, representatives from the joint
12 standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of
13 matters relating to commerce, government administration and the

14 judiciary, the Judicial Branch, the office of the Secretary of the State, the
 15 Connecticut State Library, the Connecticut Town Clerks Association, the
 16 Uniform Law Commission, state or regional bar associations, notary
 17 associations and the title insurance industry and the mortgage industry.
 18 All appointments to the working group shall be made not later than
 19 thirty days after the effective date of this section.

20 (c) The Secretary of the State, or the Secretary's designee, and the
 21 representative from the General Assembly who is an attorney having
 22 experience in real estate transactions shall be the chairpersons of the
 23 working group. The chairpersons of the working group shall schedule
 24 the first meeting of the working group, which shall be held not later than
 25 sixty days after the effective date of this section. The working group
 26 shall meet at least monthly thereafter, until it submits its report
 27 pursuant to subsection (d) of this section.

28 (d) Not later than January 1, 2023, the working group shall submit a
 29 report on its findings and recommendations pursuant to subsection (a)
 30 of this section to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly
 31 having cognizance of matters relating to commerce, government
 32 administration and the judiciary, in accordance with the provisions of
 33 section 11-4a of the general statutes. The working group shall terminate
 34 on the date that it submits such report or on January 1, 2023, whichever
 35 is later.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

CE *Joint Favorable*

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OFA Fiscal Note**State Impact:** None**Municipal Impact:** None**Explanation**

The bill establishes a working group to examine and make recommendations regarding whether to adopt the Revised Uniform Law on Notarial Acts and whether remote notarial acts should be permitted in connection with real estate and trusts and estates transactions. This bill has no fiscal impact.

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OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMERCE COMMITTEE

Commerce Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 23 Nay 0 (03/17/2022)