



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 6707***

LCO No. 4378



Referred to Committee on HOUSING

Introduced by:  
(HSG)

***AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE AND  
APPROPRIATING STATE FUNDS FOR INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES  
AND AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER HOUSING PROGRAMS AND  
REENTRY CENTERS.***

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective July 1, 2023*) (a) For the purposes described in  
2 subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have the  
3 power from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state  
4 in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the  
5 aggregate five million dollars.

6 (b) The proceeds of the sale of such bonds, to the extent of the amount  
7 stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the Department  
8 of Developmental Services for the purpose of providing grants-in-aid to  
9 private nonprofit organizations for supportive housing for persons with  
10 intellectual disability or autism spectrum disorder, or both.

11 (c) All provisions of section 3-20 of the general statutes, or the exercise  
12 of any right or power granted thereby, that are not inconsistent with the  
13 provisions of this section are hereby adopted and shall apply to all

14 bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to this  
15 section. Temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived  
16 from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in  
17 accordance with section 3-20 of the general statutes and from time to  
18 time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not  
19 exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided  
20 in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond  
21 Commission authorizing such bonds. None of such bonds shall be  
22 authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that  
23 there has been filed with it a request for such authorization that is signed  
24 by or on behalf of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management  
25 and states such terms and conditions as said commission, in its  
26 discretion, may require. Such bonds issued pursuant to this section shall  
27 be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state  
28 of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and  
29 interest on such bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as  
30 part of the contract of the state with the holders of such bonds,  
31 appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such  
32 principal and interest is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay  
33 such principal and interest as the same become due.

34       Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2023*) (a) The Commissioner of  
35 Developmental Services shall, in collaboration with the Commissioners  
36 of Housing and Corrections and, within available appropriations, plan,  
37 develop and administer a comprehensive program for community-  
38 based group homes for persons with intellectual disabilities reentering  
39 society from the correctional system. Such program shall also provide  
40 supportive services for such persons, which may include, but need not  
41 be limited to, assistance with daily living tasks, transportation  
42 assistance, medical care and job training.

43       (b) The Commissioner of Developmental Services shall adopt  
44 regulations, in accordance with chapter 54 of the general statutes, to  
45 carry out the provisions of this section.

46       Sec. 3. (*Effective July 1, 2023*) The sum of \_\_\_\_ dollars is appropriated

47 to the Department of Developmental Services from the General Fund,  
48 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, for the planning and  
49 development of a program for community-based group homes for  
50 persons with intellectual disabilities reentering society from the  
51 correctional system.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2023</i>	New section
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	New section

**Statement of Purpose:**

To (1) provide funding for grants-in-aid to nonprofit organizations that provide supportive housing for persons with intellectual disability or autism spectrum disorder, and (2) establish and fund a program for group homes for persons with intellectual disabilities reentering society from the correctional system.

*[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.]*