



General Assembly

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**Raised Bill No. 7198**

LCO No. 5488



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Introduced by:  
(PS)

***AN ACT REQUIRING A STUDY ON HOW TO IMPROVE THE  
ASSIGNMENT OF CONSERVATION OFFICERS THROUGHOUT THE  
STATE.***

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioners of Emergency  
2 Services and Public Protection and Energy and Environmental  
3 Protection shall jointly conduct a study on how to improve the  
4 assignment of conservation officers appointed by the Commissioner of  
5 Energy and Environmental Protection pursuant to section 26-5 of the  
6 general statutes throughout the state. Such study shall include, but need  
7 not be limited to, an examination of (1) the feasibility of housing  
8 conservation officers within the barracks of the Division of State Police  
9 within the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection,  
10 and (2) ways to improve the ability of conservation officers to enforce  
11 the various provisions of the general statutes that conservation officers  
12 are required to enforce pursuant to section 26-6 of the general statutes.  
13 Not later than January 1, 2026, the Commissioners of Emergency  
14 Services and Public Protection and Energy and Environmental  
15 Protection shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of

16 section 11-4a of the general statutes, on the results of the study and any  
17 recommendations for legislative action as a result of such study to the  
18 joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance  
19 of matters relating to public safety and the environment.

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

**Statement of Purpose:**

To require the Commissioners of Emergency Services and Public Protection and Energy and Environmental Protection to conduct a study on how to improve the assignment of conservation officers throughout the state.

*[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.]*