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**Raised Bill No. 5208**

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Referred to Committee on HOUSING

Introduced by:  
(HSG)

***AN ACT CONCERNING HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR JUSTICE-IMPACTED PERSONS.***

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

1 Section 1. Section 46a-64b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2022*):

3 As used in sections 46a-51 to 46a-99, inclusive, as amended by this  
4 act:

5 (1) "Conviction" means a judgment entered by a court upon a plea of  
6 guilty, a plea of nolo contendere or a finding of guilty by a jury or the  
7 court, notwithstanding any pending appeal or habeas corpus  
8 proceeding arising from such judgment.

9 [(1)] (2) "Discriminatory housing practice" means any discriminatory  
10 practice specified in section 46a-64c, section 2 of this act or section 46a-  
11 81e.

12 [(2)] (3) "Dwelling" means any building, structure, mobile  
13 manufactured home park or portion thereof which is occupied as, or

14 designed or intended for occupancy as, a residence by one or more  
15 families, and any vacant land which is offered for sale or lease for the  
16 construction or location thereon of any such building, structure, mobile  
17 manufactured home park or portion thereof.

18 [(3)] (4) "Fair Housing Act" means Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of  
19 1968, as amended, and known as the federal Fair Housing Act (42 USC  
20 3600-3620).

21 [(4)] (5) "Family" includes a single individual.

22 [(5)] (6) "Familial status" means one or more individuals who have  
23 not attained the age of eighteen years being domiciled with a parent or  
24 another person having legal custody of such individual or individuals;  
25 or the designee of such parent or other person having such custody with  
26 the written permission of such parent or other person; or any person  
27 who is pregnant or is in the process of securing legal custody of any  
28 individual who has not attained the age of eighteen years.

29 [(6)] (7) "Housing for older persons" means housing: (A) Provided  
30 under any state or federal program that the Secretary of the United  
31 States Department of Housing and Urban Development determines is  
32 specifically designed and operated to assist elderly persons as defined  
33 in the state or federal program; or (B) intended for, and solely occupied  
34 by, persons sixty-two years of age or older; or (C) intended and operated  
35 for occupancy by at least one person fifty-five years of age or older per  
36 unit in accordance with the standards set forth in the Fair Housing Act  
37 and regulations developed pursuant thereto by the Secretary of the  
38 United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

39 (8) "Housing provider" means a landlord, an owner, an agent of such  
40 landlord or owner, a real estate agent, a property manager, a housing  
41 authority as created in section 8-40, a public housing agency or other  
42 entity that provides dwelling units to tenants or prospective tenants.

43 (9) "Landlord" means the owner, lessor or sublessor of the dwelling  
44 unit, the building of which it is a part or the premises.

45        [(7)] (10) "Mobile manufactured home park" means a plot of land  
46 upon which two or more mobile manufactured homes occupied for  
47 residential purposes are located.

48        (11) "Owner" means one or more persons, jointly or severally, in  
49 whom is vested (A) all or part of the legal title to a dwelling unit, the  
50 building of which it is a part or the premises, or (B) all or part of the  
51 beneficial ownership and a right to present use and enjoyment of the  
52 premises, including a mortgagee in possession.

53        [(8)] (12) "Physical or mental disability" includes, but is not limited to,  
54 intellectual disability, as defined in section 1-1g, and physical disability,  
55 as defined in subdivision (15) of section 46a-51, and also includes, but is  
56 not limited to, persons who have a handicap as that term is defined in  
57 the Fair Housing Act.

58        [(9)] (13) "Residential-real-estate-related transaction" means (A) the  
59 making or purchasing of loans or providing other financial assistance  
60 for purchasing, constructing, improving, repairing or maintaining a  
61 dwelling, or secured by residential real estate; or (B) the selling,  
62 brokering or appraising of residential real property.

63        [(10)] (14) "To rent" includes to lease, to sublease, to let and to  
64 otherwise grant for a consideration the right to occupy premises not  
65 owned by the occupant.

66        Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2022*) (a) Except as provided in  
67 subsections (g) and (h) of this section, it shall be a discriminatory  
68 practice in violation of this section for a housing provider to refuse to  
69 rent after making a bona fide offer, or to refuse to negotiate for the rental  
70 of, or otherwise make unavailable or deny a dwelling unit or deny  
71 occupancy in a dwelling unit, to any person based on such person's  
72 criminal record, except for (1) a conviction for the commission of a  
73 misdemeanor described in subsection (b) of this section during the three  
74 years immediately preceding the rental application, or (2) a conviction  
75 for the commission of a felony described in subsection (b) of this section  
76 during the seven years immediately preceding the rental application.

77 (b) Within the three-year or seven-year period specified in subsection  
78 (a) of this section, before denying a rental application based on the  
79 criminal conviction of any applicant, a housing provider shall consider  
80 (1) the nature and severity of the crime, (2) the relationship, if any, the  
81 crime may have to the prospective tenancy of the convicted person, (3)  
82 information pertaining to the degree of rehabilitation of the convicted  
83 person, and (4) the time elapsed since the conviction.

84 (c) In ascertaining whether an applicant has committed a crime, a  
85 housing provider shall comply with all applicable laws, including, but  
86 not limited to, the Fair Credit Reporting Act, 15 USC 1681 et seq., as  
87 amended from time to time. An applicant's rental application may not  
88 be denied based on (1) an official or unofficial record of an arrest or a  
89 charge or other allegation of a criminal act not followed by a conviction,  
90 (2) a violation of a condition of probation or parole resulting from  
91 conduct that would not be criminal if it were not prohibited by such  
92 condition, (3) a record of a conviction that has been erased, or (4) a  
93 conviction for conduct that occurred when the applicant was a minor.

94 (d) Prior to denying a rental application under this section, a housing  
95 provider shall provide written notice to the applicant that the  
96 application requires further review due to the applicant's criminal  
97 conviction. The housing provider shall provide the applicant at least five  
98 business days in which to respond to such notice and present relevant  
99 mitigating information regarding the conviction and evidence that the  
100 applicant would be a suitable tenant. Such evidence may include, but is  
101 not limited to, the following factors: (1) The nature and severity of the  
102 criminal offense; (2) the facts or circumstances surrounding the criminal  
103 conduct; (3) the age of the applicant at the time of the offense; (4) the  
104 length of time elapsed since the offense; (5) evidence the applicant has  
105 maintained a good tenant history before or after the offense; (6) the  
106 applicant's employment status; (7) any volunteer or charitable activities  
107 the applicant has engaged in; (8) any information produced by the  
108 applicant, or produced on the applicant's behalf, in regard to the  
109 applicant's rehabilitation, good character or good conduct since the  
110 offense; and (9) any other evidence that the offense is unlikely to

111 reoccur. If, after consideration of evidence relevant to the factors set  
112 forth in this subsection, the housing provider rejects an applicant's  
113 rental application based on the conviction of a crime, the housing  
114 provider shall give a written explanation for such rejection and  
115 specifically state the evidence presented and reasons for rejection. The  
116 housing provider shall send a copy of such rejection by registered mail  
117 to the applicant at the address provided in the rental application and  
118 shall retain a copy of such rejection for at least two years from the time  
119 such rejection was sent.

120 (e) If a dwelling unit becomes unavailable after the housing provider  
121 has received an application but before the housing provider has  
122 determined whether to deny the application pursuant to subsections (b)  
123 to (d), inclusive, of this section, the housing provider shall evaluate the  
124 application to determine whether the application would have been  
125 denied pursuant to subsections (b) to (d), inclusive, of this section. If a  
126 denial of the application would violate the provisions of this section, the  
127 housing provider shall consider the applicant for the housing provider's  
128 next available dwelling unit. A housing provider shall retain any rental  
129 application received and records concerning how each was dealt with  
130 for not less than two years after receiving such application.

131 (f) Except as provided in subsections (g) and (h) of this section, it shall  
132 be a discriminatory practice in violation of this section to (1)  
133 discriminate against any person in the terms, conditions or privileges of  
134 the rental of a dwelling unit, or in the provision of services or facilities  
135 in connection with the rental of such dwelling unit, because of such  
136 person's criminal conviction status; (2) make, print or publish, or cause  
137 to be made, printed or published, any notice, statement or  
138 advertisement with respect to the rental of a dwelling unit that indicates  
139 any preference, limitation or discrimination based on criminal  
140 conviction status, or an intention to make any such preference,  
141 limitation or discrimination; (3) represent to any person because of  
142 criminal conviction status that any dwelling unit is not available for  
143 inspection or rental if such dwelling unit is so available; and (4) inquire  
144 about an applicant's prior arrests, criminal charges or convictions on an

145 initial application for rental of a dwelling unit unless required to do so  
146 by federal law.

147 (g) The provisions of this section shall not apply to a person who  
148 applies for public housing who has a conviction for manufacture or  
149 production of methamphetamine on the premises of federally assisted  
150 housing, or to a person subject to a lifetime registration requirement  
151 under a state registration program pursuant to 24 CFR 960.204 and 24  
152 CFR 982.553. Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the  
153 applicability of 24 CFR 960.204 or 24 CFR 982.553 regarding a public  
154 housing authority.

155 (h) The provisions of this section shall not apply to (1) the rental of a  
156 room or rooms in a single-family dwelling if the owner maintains and  
157 occupies part of such unit as such owner's residence, or (2) a unit in a  
158 dwelling containing not more than four units if the owner maintains and  
159 occupies one of such other units as such owner's residence.

160 (i) Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the applicability  
161 of any reasonable statute or municipal ordinance restricting the  
162 maximum number of persons permitted to occupy a dwelling.

163 (j) Any person aggrieved by a violation of this section may file a  
164 complaint not later than one hundred eighty days after the alleged act  
165 of discrimination, pursuant to section 46a-82 of the general statutes, as  
166 amended by this act.

167 (k) Notwithstanding any other provision of chapter 814c of the  
168 general statutes, complaints alleging a violation of this section shall be  
169 investigated not later than one hundred days after filing and a final  
170 administrative disposition shall be made not later than one year after  
171 filing unless it is impracticable to do so. If the Commission on Human  
172 Rights and Opportunities is unable to complete its investigation or make  
173 a final administrative determination within such time frames, it shall  
174 notify the complainant and the respondent, in writing, of the reasons for  
175 not doing so.

176 (l) Not later than November 1, 2022, the Commission on Human  
177 Rights and Opportunities shall post, and thereafter update as necessary,  
178 a model form on its Internet web site for housing providers to use in  
179 evaluating evidence and other information received under subsection  
180 (c) of this section.

181 Sec. 3. Section 8-45a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
182 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2022*):

183 A housing authority, as defined in subsection (b) of section 8-39, in  
184 determining eligibility for the rental of public housing units may  
185 establish criteria and consider relevant information concerning (1) an  
186 applicant's or any proposed occupant's history of criminal activity  
187 involving: (A) Crimes of physical violence to persons or property, (B)  
188 crimes involving the illegal manufacture, sale, distribution or use of, or  
189 possession with intent to manufacture, sell, use or distribute, a  
190 controlled substance, as defined in section 21a-240, or (C) other criminal  
191 acts which would adversely affect the health, safety or welfare of other  
192 tenants, (2) an applicant's or any proposed occupant's abuse, or pattern  
193 of abuse, of alcohol when the housing authority has reasonable cause to  
194 believe that such applicant's or proposed occupant's abuse, or pattern of  
195 abuse, of alcohol may interfere with the health, safety or right to  
196 peaceful enjoyment of the premises by other residents, and (3) an  
197 applicant or any proposed occupant who is subject to a lifetime  
198 registration requirement under section 54-252 on account of being  
199 convicted or found not guilty by reason of mental disease or defect of a  
200 sexually violent offense. In evaluating any such information, the  
201 housing authority shall give consideration to the time, nature and extent  
202 of the applicant's or proposed occupant's conduct and to factors which  
203 might indicate a reasonable probability of favorable future conduct such  
204 as evidence of rehabilitation and evidence of the willingness of the  
205 applicant, the applicant's family or the proposed occupant to participate  
206 in social service or other appropriate counseling programs and the  
207 availability of such programs. Except as otherwise provided by law, a  
208 housing authority shall limit its consideration of an applicant's or  
209 proposed occupant's history of criminal activity to the applicable time

210 periods established under subsection (a) of section 2 of this act.

211 Sec. 4. Subdivision (8) of section 46a-51 of the 2022 supplement to the  
212 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
213 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2022*):

214 (8) "Discriminatory practice" means a violation of section 4a-60, 4a-  
215 60a, 4a-60g, 31-40y, subparagraph (C) of subdivision (15) of section 46a-  
216 54, subdivisions (16) and (17) of section 46a-54, section 46a-58, 46a-59,  
217 46a-60, 46a-64, 46a-64c, section 2 of this act, section 46a-66, 46a-68, 46a-  
218 68c to 46a-68f, inclusive, or 46a-70 to 46a-78, inclusive, subsection (a) of  
219 section 46a-80 or sections 46a-81b to 46a-81o, inclusive;

220 Sec. 5. Subdivision (8) of section 46a-51 of the 2022 supplement to the  
221 general statutes, as amended by section 10 of public act 21-32, is  
222 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January*  
223 *1, 2023*):

224 (8) "Discriminatory practice" means a violation of section 4a-60, 4a-  
225 60a, 4a-60g, 31-40y, subsection (b), (d), (e) or (f) of section 31-51i,  
226 subparagraph (C) of subdivision (15) of section 46a-54, subdivisions (16)  
227 and (17) of section 46a-54, section 46a-58, 46a-59, 46a-60, 46a-64, 46a-64c,  
228 section 2 of this act, section 46a-66, 46a-68, 46a-68c to 46a-68f, inclusive,  
229 or 46a-70 to 46a-78, inclusive, subsection (a) of section 46a-80 or sections  
230 46a-81b to 46a-81o, inclusive, and sections 46a-80b to 46a-80e, inclusive,  
231 and sections 46a-80k to 46a-80m, inclusive;

232 Sec. 6. Subdivision (14) of section 46a-54 of the 2022 supplement to  
233 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
234 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2022*):

235 (14) To require the posting, by any respondent or other person subject  
236 to the requirements of section 46a-64, 46a-64c, section 2 of this act,  
237 section 46a-81d or 46a-81e, of such notices of statutory provisions as it  
238 deems desirable;

239 Sec. 7. Section 46a-74 of the 2022 supplement to the general statutes



240 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
241 *October 1, 2022*):

242 No state department, board or agency may permit any  
243 discriminatory practice in violation of section 46a-59, 46a-64, [or] 46a-  
244 64c or section 2 of this act.

245 Sec. 8. Section 46a-74 of the 2022 supplement to the general statutes,  
246 as amended by section 29 of public act 21-32, is repealed and the  
247 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2023*):

248 No state department, board or agency may permit any  
249 discriminatory practice in violation of section 46a-59, 46a-64, 46a-64c,  
250 section 2 of this act, section 46a-80b to 46a-80e, inclusive, or 46a-80k to  
251 46a-80m, inclusive.

252 Sec. 9. Subsection (a) of section 46a-82 of the 2022 supplement to the  
253 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
254 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2022*):

255 (a) Any person claiming to be aggrieved by an alleged discriminatory  
256 practice, except for an alleged violation of section 4a-60g or 46a-68 or the  
257 provisions of sections 46a-68c to 46a-68f, inclusive, may, by himself or  
258 herself or by such person's attorney, file with the commission a  
259 complaint in writing under oath, except that a complaint that alleges a  
260 violation of section 46a-64c or section 2 of this act need not be notarized.  
261 The complaint shall state the name and address of the person alleged to  
262 have committed the discriminatory practice, provide a short and plain  
263 statement of the allegations upon which the claim is based and contain  
264 such other information as may be required by the commission. After the  
265 filing of a complaint, the commission shall provide the complainant  
266 with a notice that: (1) Acknowledges receipt of the complaint; and (2)  
267 advises of the time frames and choice of forums available under this  
268 chapter.

269 Sec. 10. Subsections (a) to (c), inclusive, of section 46a-83 of the  
270 general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu

271 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2022*):

272 (a) Not later than fifteen days after the date of filing of any  
273 discriminatory practice complaint pursuant to subsection (a) or (b) of  
274 section 46a-82, as amended by this act, or an amendment to such  
275 complaint adding an additional respondent, the commission shall serve  
276 the respondent as provided in section 46a-86a with the complaint and a  
277 notice advising of the procedural rights and obligations of a respondent  
278 under this chapter. The respondent shall either (1) file a written answer  
279 to the complaint as provided in subsection (b) of this section, or (2) not  
280 later than ten days after the date of receipt of the complaint, provide  
281 written notice to the complainant and the commission that the  
282 respondent has elected to participate in pre-answer conciliation, except  
283 that a discriminatory practice complaint alleging a violation of section  
284 46a-64c or 46a-81e shall not be subject to pre-answer conciliation. A  
285 complaint sent by first class mail shall be considered to be received not  
286 later than two days after the date of mailing, unless the respondent  
287 proves otherwise. The commission shall conduct a pre-answer  
288 conciliation conference not later than thirty days after the date of  
289 receiving the respondent's request for pre-answer conciliation.

290 (b) Except as provided in this subsection, not later than thirty days  
291 after the date (1) of receipt of the complaint, or (2) on which the  
292 commission determines that the pre-answer conciliation conference was  
293 unsuccessful, the respondent shall file a written answer to the  
294 complaint, under oath, with the commission. The respondent may  
295 request, and the commission may grant, one extension of time of not  
296 more than fifteen days within which to file a written answer to the  
297 complaint. An answer to any amendment to a complaint shall be filed  
298 within twenty days of the date of receipt to such amendment. The  
299 answer to any complaint alleging a violation of section 46a-64c, section  
300 2 of this act or section 46a-81e shall be filed not later than ten days after  
301 the date of receipt of the complaint.

302 (c) Not later than sixty days after the date of the filing of the  
303 respondent's answer, the executive director or the executive director's

304 designee shall conduct a case assessment review to determine whether  
305 the complaint should be retained for further processing or dismissed  
306 because (1) it fails to state a claim for relief or is frivolous on its face, (2)  
307 the respondent is exempt from the provisions of this chapter, or (3) there  
308 is no reasonable possibility that investigating the complaint will result  
309 in a finding of reasonable cause. The case assessment review shall  
310 include the complaint, the respondent's answer and the responses to the  
311 commission's requests for information, and the complainant's  
312 comments, if any, to the respondent's answer and information  
313 responses. The executive director or the executive director's designee  
314 shall send notice of any action taken pursuant to the case assessment  
315 review in accordance with section 46a-86a. For any complaint dismissed  
316 pursuant to this subsection, the executive director or the executive  
317 director's designee shall issue a release of jurisdiction allowing the  
318 complainant to bring a civil action under section 46a-100. This  
319 subsection and subsection (e) of this section shall not apply to any  
320 complaint alleging a violation of section 46a-64c, section 2 of this act or  
321 section 46a-81e. The executive director shall report the results of the case  
322 assessment reviews made pursuant to this subsection to the commission  
323 quarterly during each year.

324       Sec. 11. Subdivision (2) of subsection (g) of section 46a-83 of the  
325 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
326 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2022*):

327       (2) If the investigator makes a finding that there is reasonable cause  
328 to believe that a violation of section 46a-64c or section 2 of this act has  
329 occurred, the complainant and the respondent shall have twenty days  
330 from sending of the reasonable cause finding to elect a civil action in lieu  
331 of an administrative hearing pursuant to section 46a-84. If either the  
332 complainant or the respondent requests a civil action, the commission,  
333 through the Attorney General or a commission legal counsel, shall  
334 commence an action pursuant to subsection (b) of section 46a-89, as  
335 amended by this act, not later than ninety days after the date of receipt  
336 of the notice of election. If the Attorney General or a commission legal  
337 counsel believes that injunctive relief, punitive damages or a civil

338 penalty would be appropriate, such relief, damages or penalty may also  
339 be sought. The jurisdiction of the Superior Court in an action brought  
340 under this subdivision shall be limited to such claims, counterclaims,  
341 defenses or the like that could be presented at an administrative hearing  
342 before the commission, had the complaint remained with the  
343 commission for disposition. A complainant may intervene as a matter  
344 of right in a civil action without permission of the court or the parties. If  
345 the Attorney General or commission legal counsel, as the case may be,  
346 determines that the interests of the state will not be adversely affected,  
347 the complainant or attorney for the complainant shall present all or part  
348 of the case in support of the complaint. If the Attorney General or a  
349 commission legal counsel determines that a material mistake of law or  
350 fact has been made in the finding of reasonable cause, the Attorney  
351 General or a commission legal counsel may decline to bring a civil action  
352 and shall remand the file to the investigator for further action. The  
353 investigator shall complete any such action not later than ninety days  
354 after receipt of such file.

355 Sec. 12. Subsection (c) of section 46a-86 of the general statutes is  
356 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October*  
357 *1, 2022*):

358 (c) In addition to any other action taken under this section, upon a  
359 finding of a discriminatory practice prohibited by section 46a-58, 46a-  
360 59, 46a-64, 46a-64c, section 2 of this act, section 46a-81b, 46a-81d or 46a-  
361 81e, the presiding officer shall determine the damage suffered by the  
362 complainant, which damage shall include, but not be limited to, the  
363 expense incurred by the complainant for obtaining alternate housing or  
364 space, storage of goods and effects, moving costs and other costs  
365 actually incurred by the complainant as a result of such discriminatory  
366 practice and shall allow reasonable attorney's fees and costs. The  
367 amount of attorney's fees allowed shall not be contingent upon the  
368 amount of damages requested by or awarded to the complainant.

369 Sec. 13. Subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 46a-89 of the  
370 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu

371 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2022*):

372 (b) (1) Whenever a complaint filed pursuant to section 46a-82, as  
373 amended by this act, alleges a violation of section 46a-64, 46a-64c,  
374 section 2 of this act, section 46a-81d or 46a-81e, and the commission  
375 believes that injunctive relief is required or that the imposition of  
376 punitive damages or a civil penalty would be appropriate, the  
377 commission may bring a petition in the superior court for the judicial  
378 district in which the discriminatory practice which is the subject of the  
379 complaint occurred or the judicial district in which the respondent  
380 resides.

381 Sec. 14. Subsection (b) of section 46a-90a of the general statutes is  
382 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October*  
383 *1, 2022*):

384 (b) When the presiding officer finds that the respondent has engaged  
385 in any discriminatory practice prohibited by section 46a-60, 46a-64, 46a-  
386 64c, section 2 of this act, section 46a-81c, 46a-81d or 46a-81e and grants  
387 relief on the complaint, requiring that a temporary injunction remain in  
388 effect, the executive director may, through the procedure outlined in  
389 subsection (a) of section 46a-95, petition the court which granted the  
390 original temporary injunction to make the injunction permanent.

391 Sec. 15. Section 46a-98a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
392 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2022*):

393 Any person claiming to be aggrieved by a violation of section 46a-  
394 64c, section 2 of this act or section 46a-81e or by a breach of a conciliation  
395 agreement entered into pursuant to this chapter, may bring an action in  
396 the Superior Court, or the housing session of said court if appropriate  
397 within one year of the date of the alleged discriminatory practice or of a  
398 breach of a conciliation agreement entered into pursuant to this chapter.  
399 No action pursuant to this section may be brought in the Superior Court  
400 regarding the alleged discriminatory practice after the commission has  
401 obtained a conciliation agreement pursuant to section 46a-83, as  
402 amended by this act, or commenced a hearing pursuant to section 46a-

403 84, except for an action to enforce the conciliation agreement. The court  
 404 shall have the power to grant relief, by injunction or otherwise, as it  
 405 deems just and suitable. The court may grant any relief which a  
 406 presiding officer may grant in a proceeding under section 46a-86, as  
 407 amended by this act, or which the court may grant in a proceeding  
 408 under section 46a-89, as amended by this act. The commission, through  
 409 commission legal counsel or the Attorney General, may intervene as a  
 410 matter of right in any action brought pursuant to this section without  
 411 permission of the court or the parties.

412 Sec. 16. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 47a-23c of the  
 413 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
 414 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2022*):

415 (a) (1) Except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, this  
 416 section applies to any tenant who resides in a building or complex  
 417 consisting of five or more separate dwelling units or who resides in a  
 418 mobile manufactured home park and who is either: (A) Sixty-two years  
 419 of age or older, or whose spouse, sibling, parent or grandparent is sixty-  
 420 two years of age or older and permanently resides with that tenant, or  
 421 (B) a person with a physical or mental disability, as defined in  
 422 subdivision [(8)] (12) of section 46a-64b, as amended by this act, or  
 423 whose spouse, sibling, child, parent or grandparent is a person with a  
 424 physical or mental disability who permanently resides with that tenant,  
 425 but only if such disability can be expected to result in death or to last for  
 426 a continuous period of at least twelve months.

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| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: |                        |             |
| Section 1   | <i>October 1, 2022</i> | 46a-64b     |
| Sec. 2  | <i>October 1, 2022</i> | New section |
| Sec. 3  | <i>October 1, 2022</i> | 8-45a       |
| Sec. 4  | <i>October 1, 2022</i> | 46a-51(8)   |
| Sec. 5  | <i>January 1, 2023</i> | 46a-51(8)   |
| Sec. 6  | <i>October 1, 2022</i> | 46a-54(14)  |
| Sec. 7  | <i>October 1, 2022</i> | 46a-74      |
| Sec. 8  | <i>January 1, 2023</i> | 46a-74      |

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| Sec. 9  | <i>October 1, 2022</i> | 46a-82(a)        |
| Sec. 10 | <i>October 1, 2022</i> | 46a-83(a) to (c) |
| Sec. 11 | <i>October 1, 2022</i> | 46a-83(g)(2)     |
| Sec. 12 | <i>October 1, 2022</i> | 46a-86(c)        |
| Sec. 13 | <i>October 1, 2022</i> | 46a-89(b)(1)     |
| Sec. 14 | <i>October 1, 2022</i> | 46a-90a(b)       |
| Sec. 15 | <i>October 1, 2022</i> | 46a-98a          |
| Sec. 16 | <i>October 1, 2022</i> | 47a-23c(a)(1)    |

**Statement of Purpose:**

To prohibit housing providers from considering a prospective tenant's criminal conviction after certain time periods.

*[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.]*