

## Substitute House Bill No. 6422

Special Act No. 21-12

## AN ACT REQUIRING A STUDY OF THE OBSTACLES TO MERGING OR CONSOLIDATING MUNICIPAL FIRE DISTRICTS AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS.

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

Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, in consultation with municipal officials selected by the secretary and a representative of the Uniformed Professional Firefighters Association of Connecticut, shall conduct a study regarding the obstacles to merging or consolidating the fire districts or fire departments of two or more municipalities. Not later than January 1, 2022, the secretary shall submit a report on the findings of such study, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to planning and development.