



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 6722

January Session, 2023



AN ACT CONCERNING POLICE ASSISTANCE AGREEMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR AID.

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

1 Section 1. Section 7-277a of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

3 [(a) The chief executive officer of any municipality, or such chief
4 executive officer's designee may, whenever he or she determines it to
5 be necessary in order to protect the safety or well-being of the
6 municipality, request the chief executive officer of any other
7 municipality to furnish such police assistance as is necessary to meet
8 such situation and the chief executive officer, or chief of police or
9 board of police commissioners or other duly constituted authority with
10 the approval of the chief executive officer of the municipality receiving
11 such request may, notwithstanding any other provision or requirement
12 of state or local law, assign and make available for duty in such other
13 municipality, under the direction and command of an officer
14 designated for the purpose, such part of the police forces under his or
15 her control as he or she deems consistent with the safety and well-
16 being of the municipality. Any policeman so provided, while acting in
17 response to such request, shall have the same powers, duties,
18 privileges and immunities as are conferred on the policemen of the
19 municipality requesting assistance. Unless waived in writing by the

20 chief executive officer of the municipality supplying assistance
21 pursuant to a request under this section, such municipality shall be
22 reimbursed for all expenditures incurred in providing such assistance
23 by the municipality making such request, including payments for
24 death, disability or injury of employees and losses or damages to
25 supplies or equipment incurred in providing such assistance.]

26 (a) (1) Any municipality, upon the approval of the chief executive
27 officer and, where required by charter or ordinance, the governing
28 body of such municipality, may enter into an agreement with any
29 other municipality or municipalities, with respect to requesting and
30 supplying [such] police assistance and reimbursing or receiving
31 reimbursement for the same. Any such agreement shall (A) permit the
32 police chief, or such chief's designee, in each municipality to request
33 and provide such assistance, and (B) require each police chief, or such
34 chief's designee, that requests or provides such assistance to inform the
35 chief executive officer of the municipality served by such chief or
36 designee of such request or provision of assistance.

37 (2) Regardless of any agreement entered into pursuant to
38 subdivision (1) of this subsection and notwithstanding any provision
39 or requirement of state or local law, the chief of police of any
40 municipality, or such chief's designee may, whenever necessary to
41 respond to an emergency situation in the municipality, request the
42 chief of police, or such chief's designee, of any other municipality to
43 furnish for a period not to exceed twenty-four hours such police
44 assistance as is necessary to meet such situation and the chief of police
45 of the municipality receiving such request, or such chief's designee,
46 may assign and make available for duty in such other municipality,
47 under the direction and command of an officer designated for the
48 purpose, such part of the police forces under his or her control as he or
49 she deems consistent with the safety and well-being of the
50 municipality. The chief of police, or such chief's designee, of the
51 municipality supplying such assistance shall notify the chief executive
52 officer of such municipality of the request for and provision of

53 assistance pursuant to this subdivision. Unless otherwise provided in a
54 written agreement between the police chief, or chief's designee, of the
55 municipality supplying assistance and the police chief, or chief's
56 designee, of the municipality receiving assistance pursuant to this
57 subdivision, the municipality supplying such assistance shall bear the
58 costs for all expenditures incurred in providing such assistance,
59 including payments for death, disability or injury of employees and
60 losses or damages to supplies or equipment incurred in providing such
61 assistance.

62 (3) Any police officer providing police assistance pursuant to this
63 subsection shall have the same powers, duties, privileges and
64 immunities as are conferred on the police officers of the municipality
65 requesting assistance.

66 (b) The chief executive officer of any institution which maintains a
67 special police force, established under the provisions of section 10a-
68 156b, and the chief of police of the Office of State Capitol Police,
69 established under the provisions of section 2-1f, may enter into an
70 agreement with one or more municipalities to furnish or receive police
71 assistance under the same conditions and terms specified in subsection
72 (a) of this section for agreements between municipalities.

73 (c) The chief executive officer of any town, city or borough which
74 provides police protection solely by a constabulary force may enter
75 into an agreement with one or more municipalities to furnish or
76 receive police assistance under the conditions and terms specified in
77 subsection (a) of this section for agreements between municipalities.

78 (d) The chief executive officer of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe or
79 the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut, who has entered into a
80 memoranda of agreement pursuant to section 47-65c to establish the
81 authority of the tribe's police department and police officers to exercise
82 law enforcement powers pursuant to sections 7-294a to 7-294e,
83 inclusive, may enter into an agreement with one or more
84 municipalities to furnish or receive police assistance under the

85 conditions and terms specified in subsection (a) of this section for
86 agreements between municipalities, provided such memoranda of
87 agreement is in effect.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	7-277a

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In Subsec. (a)(2) "or such chief's designee" was inserted for consistency with the other provisions of the subsection.

PS *Joint Favorable Subst.*