

General Assembly

February Session, 2022

Raised Bill No. 328

LCO No. **1753**

Referred to Committee on PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Introduced by: (PD)

AN ACT CONCERNING ALTERNATE MEMBERS OF MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSIONS.

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

Section 1. Section 8-19a of the general statutes is repealed and the
following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2022*):

3 Any municipality, in addition to such powers as it has under the 4 provisions of the general statutes or any special act, shall have the power 5 to provide by ordinance for the appointment or election of alternate 6 members to its planning commission. Such alternate members shall be 7 electors, and, when seated as herein provided, have all the powers and 8 duties set forth in the general statutes or any special act relating to such 9 municipality for such commission and its members. Such alternate 10 members [shall be electors and shall not be members of the zoning 11 commission or zoning board of appeals. Such alternates] may attend all 12 meetings and executive sessions of said commission. Any alternate 13 member who also serves or served on the zoning commission or zoning 14 board of appeals in such municipality shall recuse himself or herself 15 from participation in any appeal before the zoning board of appeals

- 16 from a decision of the zoning commission or zoning board of appeals, if
- 17 such alternate member participated in such decision. Such ordinance
- 18 shall provide for the manner of designating alternates to act.

This act shal sections:	l take effect as follow	vs and shall amend the following
Section 1	October 1, 2022	8-19a

Statement of Purpose:

To permit members of municipal zoning commissions and municipal boards of appeals to serve as alternate members of municipal planning commissions.

[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.]