

General Assembly

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Offered by:

SEN. SAMPSON, 16th Dist.

To: Subst. House Bill No. 7259

File No. 953

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(As Amended)

"AN ACT CONCERNING REVISIONS TO VARIOUS STATUTES CONCERNING CRIMINAL JUSTICE."

- 1 Strike sections 4 and 6 in their entirety and renumber the remaining
- 2 sections and internal references accordingly
- 3 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
- 4 internal references accordingly:
- 5 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2025) (a) A person is guilty of
- 6 interfering with a federal immigration authority when such person (1)
- 7 is a municipal or state official, and (2) obstructs, resists, hinders or
- 8 endangers any federal immigration authority in the performance of
- 9 such federal immigration authority's duties.
- 10 (b) Interfering with a federal immigration authority is a class A
- 11 misdemeanor, except that, if such violation causes the death or serious
- 12 physical injury of another person, such person shall be guilty of a class

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- 13 D felony.
- 14 (c) For purposes of this section, "federal immigration authority" 15 means any officer, employee or other person otherwise paid by or acting 16 as an agent of the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement 17 or any successor agency thereto or any division thereof or any officer, 18 employee or other person otherwise paid by or acting as an agent of the 19 United States Department of Homeland Security or any successor 20 agency thereto who is charged with enforcement of the civil provisions 21 of the Immigration and Nationality Act.
- 22 Sec. 502. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2025) A municipal or state official 23 may be subject to an action by any aggrieved person for injunctive or 24 declaratory relief, including a determination of past violations, if such 25 municipal or state official violates the provisions of section 501 of this 26 act. Such action may be brought in the superior court for the judicial 27 district of the municipality that the municipal official serves in the case 28 of an action against a municipal official or in the superior court for the 29 judicial district of Hartford in the case of an action against a state official. 30 If an aggrieved person prevails in an action under this section and an 31 order of injunctive relief is issued, such aggrieved person may be 32 entitled to recover court costs and reasonable attorney's fees associated 33 only with an action or that portion of an action concerning a request and 34 order for injunctive relief. An action under this section shall be 35 privileged with respect to assignment for trial.
- Sec. 503. Section 10a-11i of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
 - (a) Any information contained in a Free Application for Federal Student Aid or a state application for student financial aid and personally identifiable information contained in applications for admission to institutions of higher education, including applications under the Connecticut Automatic Admissions Program established pursuant to section 10a-11h, held by any department, board, commission, public institution of higher education or any other agency

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45 of the state, or any local or regional board of education or state-

- 46 administered school system shall not be deemed to be a public record
- 47 for purposes of the Freedom of Information Act, as defined in section 1-
- 48 200, and shall not be subject to disclosure under the provisions of section
- 49 1-210.
- 50 (b) Any confidential information about an individual, including, but
- 51 not limited to, information from an individual's application for
- 52 admission, application for financial aid or immigration status, that
- becomes known to an officer, employee or agent of a local or regional
- 54 board of education or an institution of higher education in the state may
- be disclosed to a federal immigration authority [, as defined in section
- 56 54-192h,] only if such disclosure is:
- 57 (1) Authorized in writing by the individual to whom the information
- 58 pertains, or by the parent or guardian of such individual if the
- 59 individual is a minor or not legally competent to consent to such
- 60 disclosure;
- 61 (2) Necessary in furtherance of a criminal investigation of terrorism;
- 62 or
- 63 (3) Otherwise required by state or federal law or in compliance with
- 64 a judicial warrant or court order issued by a judge or magistrate of the
- state or federal judicial branches.
- (c) For purposes of this section, "federal immigration authority" has
- 67 the same meaning as provided in section 501 of this act.
- Sec. 504. Section 54-192h of the general statutes is repealed. (*Effective*
- 69 from passage)"

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following
sections:

Sec. 501	October 1, 2025	New section
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Sec. 503	from passage	10a-11i

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Sec. 504	from passage	Repealer section