



General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 521

LCO No. 6629



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Referred to Committee on PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Introduced by:
(PD)

AN ACT CONCERNING MIDDLETOWN AREA TRANSIT.

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

1 Section 1. Section 7-273c of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 (a) The affairs of the district shall be managed by a board of
4 directors chosen from among the electors of the constituent
5 municipalities as follows: Each municipality shall have at least one
6 director. Municipalities with a population, according to the most
7 recent federal census, from twenty-five thousand to one hundred
8 thousand, inclusive, shall have two directors. Municipalities with a
9 population over one hundred thousand shall have four directors. The
10 directors shall be appointed for terms of four years, except that, in
11 municipalities having more than one director, one-half of those first
12 appointed shall serve for two years and one-half for four years, their
13 successors to serve for four years each. Any municipality in respect to
14 which a vacancy on the board occurs shall fill it for the unexpired
15 portion of the term. Section 9-167a shall apply to the appointment of
16 the directors representing each municipality. The directors shall be

17 appointed by the elected chief executive of a city or borough, the board
18 of selectmen in the case of a municipality in which the legislative body
19 is a town meeting or by the board of selectmen of a town with the
20 approval of the legislative body. Notwithstanding the provisions of
21 this section, directors appointed from any municipality which is a
22 member, or becomes a member, of any transit district in existence on
23 May 18, 1972, shall be appointed by the legislative body of each
24 municipality or the board of selectmen in the case of a municipality in
25 which the legislative body is a town meeting. The population of each
26 municipality according to the most recent federal census shall be
27 divided by the number of directors representing such municipality.
28 Each member of the board of directors shall be entitled to cast that
29 number of voting units which is the multiple the population he
30 represents, rounded to the nearest one hundred, is of the smallest
31 population represented by a member, rounded to the nearest one
32 hundred. The directors shall meet at least four times annually or more
33 often on the call of the chairman and shall elect officers from among
34 their number. They may adopt bylaws and rules for the conduct of the
35 affairs of the district. They shall appoint and fix the salary of a district
36 manager, who shall be the chief executive officer of the district, and
37 such other employees as are required for district purposes. Each officer
38 or employee of such district who is the repository or custodian of any
39 funds of such district shall give such bond as is required by the board
40 of directors, with sufficient surety, conditioned on the faithful
41 discharge of his duties. The premium upon such bond shall be paid by
42 the district.

43 (b) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, any director of
44 the Middletown Area Transit district may be removed prior to the
45 expiration of such director's term by the appointing authority specified
46 in this section for such director, which removal shall create a vacancy
47 to be filled pursuant to this section.

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

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	7-273c
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Statement of Purpose:

To permit the respective municipal appointing authorities for Middletown Area Transit to remove directors prior to the expiration of such directors' terms.

[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.]

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