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PREFACE

This pamphlet—available both separately and as part of *Family Law and Practice with Forms*—is designed to provide the reader with a convenient easy-to-use family law reference tool.

WHAT'S NEW

This product contains statutes current through the 2025 Regular Session of the Connecticut General Assembly. For the text of subsequently enacted legislation, see Connecticut Legislative Service Pamphlets.

This pamphlet includes new enactments or important amendments, if any, relating to:

- Provisions of General Application
- Municipalities
- Education and Culture
- Social and Human Services and Resources
- Social Services
- Public Health and Well-Being
- Labor
- The Banking Law of Connecticut
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- Probate Courts and Procedure
- Family Law
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GENERAL STATUTES OF CONNECTICUT REVISION OF 1958

The 1958 Revision of the General Statutes of Connecticut was prepared under the authority of Special Act 605 of 1957 and became effective on and after January 15, 1959.

Enactment of Revision as Public Statute Law

Section 9 of Public Act No. 13 of the 1957 Special Session provided that:

“On and after January 15, 1959, the revision of the general statutes of this state prepared in accordance with the provisions of number 605 of the special acts of 1957 and incorporating therein the public acts passed at the current special session shall be and remain the public statute laws of this state and shall be published under the title of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958.”

Public Act No. 3 of 1959, effective January 15, 1959, provided that: “The general statutes of the state, as corrected, revised, arranged, incorporated and published under the title, ‘General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958,’ by the legislative commissioner under the provisions of number 605 of the special acts of 1957, are adopted, ratified, confirmed and enacted.”

EFFECTIVE DATES OF ACTS

Sections 2–32 and 2–32a of the Connecticut General Statutes provide:

§ 2–32. Effective date of public and special acts

All public acts, except when otherwise therein specified, shall take effect on the first day of October following the session of the general assembly at which they are passed, and special acts, unless otherwise herein provided, from the date of their approval.

(1949 Rev., § 8891)

§ 2–32a. Effective date of public acts imposing state mandate

No public act which imposes a state mandate on any political subdivision of this state which requires the appropriation of funds for the budget of such political subdivision in order to comply with the provisions of such act shall be effective as to such political subdivision earlier than the first fiscal year of such political subdivision beginning after five months following the date of passage of such act.

(1972, P.A. 234, § 1, eff. May 14, 1972; 1993, P.A. 93–434, § 15, eff. June 30, 1993.)

23 Op. Atty. Gen. 148 (July 14, 1943) provided that a public act specifying an effective date takes effect from that date, and should be construed retrospectively when required by express command of the legislature or when necessary to give full effect to all provisions of the Act, and that where it was the will of the legislature that the Act be operative as of and from a date set forth therein, that is the effective date of the Act, though approved by the governor on a date subsequent to the effective date.

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