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**OFA Bill Analysis**

**HB 5422**

***AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL PHENOMENA.***

**SUMMARY:**

The bill requires the Office of Legislative Management (OLM) to contract with a nonprofit that advises state government in the application of science and engineering to study unidentified aerial phenomena, within available resources.

The bill requires the organization to consult with the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Office of Military Affairs, and the director of the Connecticut chapter of the national nonprofit organization dedicated to the investigation of UFO sightings, abductions and other unexplained phenomena while conducting the study.

The study is required to include:

1. Benefits of establishing a state center for the study of unidentified aerial phenomena
2. Resources necessary to establish and operate such center.

The executive director of OLM is required to report the results of the study to the Public Safety, Environment, Military Affairs, and Appropriations Committees not later than July 1, 2027.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2026

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Appropriations Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 35 Nay 16 (4/1/2026)