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sSB-452
AN ACT CONCERNING THE RELEASE OF LIGHTER-THAN-AIR BALLOONS.

AMENDMENT

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## *OFA Fiscal Note*

### *State Impact:*

| Agency Affected | Fund-Effect | FY 27 $ | FY 28 $ |
|---|---|---|---|
| Resources of the General Fund | GF - Potential Revenue Gain | Minimal | Minimal |

Note: GF=General Fund

***Municipal Impact:*** None

### *Explanation*

The amendment strikes the underlying bill and its associated fiscal impact resulting in the following impact.

**Section 1** prohibits the release of helium or other lighter-than-air gas balloons into the atmosphere and results in a minimal potential revenue gain to the state to the extent new offenses are committed and fines are collected.[1]

**Section 2** requires balloon retailers to attach a weight to balloons and allows the Department of Consumer Protection (DCP) to issue a civil penalty of up to $20 per violation resulting in a potential minimal revenue gain to the General Fund.

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[1]Between FY 22 and FY 25, no offenses were recorded under CGS § 26-25c.

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