

**Sec. 46a-54-12a. Fact-finding hearings; notice of hearing**

(a) When the commission votes to conduct a fact-finding hearing, the commission may provide notice of the hearing in the Connecticut Law Journal and by any other means intended to apprise the public of the hearing. The notice shall include, at a minimum, the following information:

- (1) The date, time and place of the hearing;
- (2) The purpose or purposes of the hearing;
- (3) The general rules of conduct or procedures to be observed at the hearing, such as the length of time witnesses will be allowed to speak;
- (4) The means by which persons unable to attend the hearing may submit testimony, documents or other materials related to the purpose of the hearing;
- (5) The name and address of the commission representative to contact regarding special needs concerning the hearing, such as voice synthesizer, sign language, interpreters, or other special needs; and
- (6) Such other information as the commission may determine.

(b) A fact-finding hearing shall constitute a public meeting of the commission, except that the commission may conduct an executive session for any purpose allowed by law.

(c) The commission, acting through a designated commissioner, the commission counsel, or the Attorney General, may issue subpoenas to compel the attendance and testimony of witnesses and to require the production for examination of any books and papers relating to any matter under investigation or in question at the fact-finding hearing.

(d) The commission, acting through the commission's designee, may administer oaths and take the testimony of witnesses, under oath or affirmation, relating to any matter under investigation or in question at the fact-finding hearing.

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