

General Assembly

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LCO No. 1724



Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by: (ENV)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE MULTIPLICITY OF AFFECTING FACILITIES IN CERTAIN CENSUS BLOCK GROUPS IN THE STATE.

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

- 1 Section 1. (Effective from passage) The Commissioner of Energy and
- 2 Environmental Protection shall consult with the Connecticut Equity and
- 3 Environmental Justice Council and not later than January 1, 2023,
- 4 submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the
- 5 general statutes, to the joint standing committee of the General
- 6 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the environment.
- 7 Such report shall include recommendations for revisions to section 22a-
- 8 20a of the general statutes to prevent the further multiplicity of affecting
- 9 facilities, as defined in said section, in: (1) Census block groups for
- which thirty per cent or more of the population consists of low income
- 11 persons who are not institutionalized and have an income below two
- 12 hundred per cent of the federal poverty level, and (2) distressed
- municipalities, as defined in subsection (b) of section 32-9p of the
- 14 general statutes.

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This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	from passage	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To require recommendations for revisions to the state's environmental justice law that would prevent the further citing of numerous affecting facilities in environmental justice communities.

[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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