

Environment, Energy & Land Use Legislative Update

JUNE 9, 2011

The 2011 legislative session adjourned on June 8, 2011. The table below is a list of new Public Acts regarding environment, energy, and land use that may be of interest. This is not intended to be a comprehensive list but rather a select list of Public Acts we have been monitoring during the session. The Acts are organized in the table by their committee of origin; the acts that started as "emergency certification" bills are listed under "other committees."

Many of the Acts passed in the closing days of the session do not have Public Act numbers yet; as the Public Act numbers become available, they will appear on the "Bill Status" page. If a bill was amended but did not receive a new file copy before final passage, then the most recent file copy is included in the table below along with links to each of the subsequent amendments (*e.g.*, House A; Senate A) adopted.

Now that the session has adjourned, the Governor has 15 days from the date of receipt of an engrossed bill to either sign or veto the bill. If after 15 days he has not signed or vetoed the bill, it automatically becomes law. If any Public Acts are vetoed, the legislature will hold a veto session to consider or attempt to override those vetoes.

Table 1: Environment, Energy, and Land Use Related Bills

				File Number or			
Committee of	Bill		Bill Status	Last Action			
Origin	No.	Title	Report	(as of 5/25/11)			
ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE							
Environment	210	AA PROHIBITING THE USE OF BISPHENOL-A IN THERMAL RECEIPT PAPER	Bill Status	File No. 669 Senate passed as Amended by Senate A			
Environment	212	AA SIMPLIFYING CERTAIN REPORTING REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE BOTTLE BILL	Bill Status	File No. 441 Senate and House passed			
Environment	227	AAC REMEDIATION STANDARDS UNDER A CONSENT ORDER	Bill Status	File No. 328 Senate and House passed			
Environment	5068	AA CREATING A REBUTTABLE PRESUMPTION FOR THE APPROVAL OF AN INLAND WETLANDS PERMIT FOR A DRY HYDRANT	Bill Status	File No. 877 House and Senate passed			
Environment	5508	AAC THE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT	Bill Status	File No. 401 House and Senate passed			
Environment	5526	AA REQUIRING A PERMIT FOR CERTAIN COMMERCIAL PROJECTS THAT INVOLVE QUARRYING	Bill Status	File No. 852 House and Senate passed			
<u>Environment</u>	6157	AAC STATE FORESTRY PROGRAMS	Bill Status	<u>File No. 555</u>			
Environment	6262	AAC THE COMMUNITY INVESTMENT ACCOUNT	Bill Status	File No. 706 House and Senate passed as Amended by House A			

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Environment	6263	AAC THE TRANSITION FROM THE TEN MILL PROGRAM	Bill Status	File No. 867 House and Senate passed as Amended by House A
		ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE		
Energy and Technology	6249	AA REQUIRING THE ADOPTION OF REGULATIONS FOR THE SITING OF WIND PROJECTS	Bill Status	File No. 848 House and Senate passed as Amended by Senate A
Energy and Technology	6250	AAC THE SITING COUNCIL	Bill Status	File No. 861 House and Senate passed
		PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTED	E	
Planning and Development	859	AA EXTENDING THE TIME OF EXPIRATION OF CERTAIN LAND USE PERMITS	Bill Status	P.A. No. 11-5
Planning and Development	860	AAC BONDS AND OTHER SURETY FOR APPROVED SITE PLANS AND SUBDIVISIONS	Bill Status	File No. 504 Senate and House passed as Amended by Senate A
Planning and Development	5178	AA AUTHORIZING NOTICE OF ZONE CHANGES TO BE SENT BY ELECTRONIC MAIL	Bill Status	File No. 672 House and Senate passed
Planning and Development	5697	AAC CHANGES TO THE MUNICIPAL ENERGY COOPERATIVE STATUTES	Bill Status	File No. 476 Senate and House passed
Planning and Development	5780	AAC INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS	Bill Status	File No. 823 House and Senate passed
Planning and Development	6100	AAC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS IN THE TOWN OF WINDSOR	Bill Status	File No. 894 House and Senate passed
	T	OTHER COMMITTEES		
Government Administration and Elections	1196	AAC THE CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN PARCELS OF STATE LAND	Bill Status	File No. 841 House and Senate passed as amended by Senate A
Judiciary	6341	AAC THE STATUTE OF REPOSE FOR ASBESTOS- RELATED PRODUCT LIABILITY CLAIMS	Bill Status	File No. 883 House and Senate passed
Commerce	6526	AAC BROWNFIELD REMEDIATION AND DEVELOPMENT AS AN ECONOMIC DRIVER	Bill Status	File No. 870 House and Senate passed

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Judiciary	6557	AAC LIABILITY FOR THE RECREATIONAL USE OF LANDS	Bill Status	File No. 709 House and Senate passed
Emergency Certification	1243	AAC THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND PLANNING FOR CONNECTICUT'S ENERGY FUTURE	Bill Status	New Bill Senate and House passed as Amended by Senate A
Emergency Certification	6652	AA IMPLEMENTING THE REVENUE ITEMS IN THE BUDGET AND MAKING BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS, DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS, CERTAIN REVISIONS TO BILLS OF THE CURRENT SESSION AND MISCELLANEOUS CHANGES TO THE GENERAL STATUTES (§ 67)	Bill Status	New Bill House and Senate passed as Amended by House A

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