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## Legislative Update - April 27, 2012

The legislative session adjourns *sine die* on May 9, 2012 – less than two weeks away. As of yesterday, the General Assembly has passed approximately 13 Public Acts; based on 2010 and 2008 short sessions, the number of new Public Acts this year will likely be near 190. In the next 12 days (counting likely weekend sessions) the General Assembly will be hard at work passing the remaining 170+ Public Acts (many of which have already passed one chamber or the other).

Of course, it is the content, not the number, of the new Public Acts that will concern those affected by them. The Table below contains a list of select bills related to the environment, energy, and land use (organized by committee of origin). If you would like more information on any of the bills listed below, you can follow the "Bill Status" link to get its text, a summary and fiscal note, and its current status.

Many of the bills will be amended between now and the end of the session so if you are tracking specific bills, now is the time to search the legislative database for those amendments. To check for called or uncalled amendments, go to the "Bill Status" page and look for links to amendments or search all amendments from the General Assembly's website search page: <http://search.cga.state.ct.us>. The drafting process continues through the final session day so new amendments may appear at any time. However, the reprinting process for amended bills changes for the final four days of the session because of the pace of action. Bills amended after May 5 are not required to be reprinted (although they may be) before final action. You may have to piece together the final language using the latest file copy and any adopted amendments.

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

Committee of Origin	Bill No.	Title	Bill Status Report	File Copy as of 4/27/12
<b>ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE</b>				
<a href="#">Environment</a>	84	AAC OUTDOOR WOOD FURNACES	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 196</a>
<a href="#">Environment</a>	347	AAC THE STATE'S OPEN SPACE PLAN	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 589</a>
<a href="#">Environment</a>	348	AAC CONCERNING WATER CONSERVATION	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 336</a>
<a href="#">Environment</a>	351	AAC CERTAIN CEMETERY EROSION MITIGATION EFFORTS WITHIN THE COASTAL BOUNDARY	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 277</a>
<a href="#">Environment</a>	375	AAC REIMBURSEMENT UNDER THE UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK PETROLEUM CLEAN-UP PROGRAM	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 373</a>

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<a href="#">Environment</a>	376	AAC THE COASTAL MANAGEMENT ACT AND SHORELINE FLOOD AND EROSION CONTROL STRUCTURES	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 282</a>
<a href="#">Environment</a>	5116	AA REQUIRING THE LABELING OF FOOD PACKAGING THAT CONTAINS BISPHENOL-A	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 306</a>
<a href="#">Environment</a>	5117	AAC GENETICALLY-ENGINEERED FOODS	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 307</a>
<a href="#">Environment</a>	5121	AAC THE USE OF ORGANIC PESTICIDES ON SCHOOL PROPERTY AND AUTHORIZING MUNICIPAL REGULATION OF THE USE OF PESTICIDES ON RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 308</a>
<a href="#">Environment</a>	5128	AAC CERTAIN REVISIONS TO THE COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT STATUTES	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 341</a>
<a href="#">Environment</a>	5129	AAC THE REGULATION OF CERTAIN LOW EMISSION VEHICLES, IONIZING RADIATION AND STREAM CHANNEL ENCROACHMENT LINES BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 210</a>
<a href="#">Environment</a>	5130	AAC THE DAM SAFETY PROGRAM	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 381</a>
<a href="#">Environment</a>	5256	AAC STATE FUNDED HOUSING RECONSTRUCTION WITHIN A FLOODPLAIN	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 139</a>
<a href="#">Environment</a>	5260	AA RESTRICTING THE USE OF METHOPRENE	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 386</a>
<b>ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE</b>				
<a href="#">Energy and Technology</a>	23	AA ENHANCING EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 401</a>
<a href="#">Energy and Technology</a>	415	AAC THE OPERATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COMMERCIAL PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY PROGRAM, WATER CONSERVATION AND THE OPERATIONS OF THE CLEAN ENERGY FINANCE AND INVESTMENT AUTHORITY.	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 456</a>
<a href="#">Energy and Technology</a>	416	AAC THE MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS OF THE HOLDING COMPANIES OF CERTAIN PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANIES	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 428</a>
<a href="#">Energy and Technology</a>	449	ACC MUNICIPAL WATER RATES	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 433</a>
<a href="#">Energy and Technology</a>	450	AAC ENERGY CONSERVATION AND RENEWABLE ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS, ENERGY EQUIPMENT EFFICIENCY, TREE TRIMMING AND ELECTRIC VEHICLE INFRASTRUCTURE	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 434</a>
<a href="#">Energy and Technology</a>	451	AAC THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A HEATING FURNACE AND BOILER REPLACEMENT PROGRAM	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 413</a>
<a href="#">Energy and Technology</a>	5271	AAC THE SITING COUNCIL	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 55</a>
<a href="#">Energy and Technology</a>	5272	AAC ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 56</a>

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<a href="#">Energy and Technology</a>	5385	AAC ENERGY RETROFITS FOR CERTAIN BUILDINGS AND THE DISCLOSURE OF THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY OF CERTAIN BUILDINGS	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 445</a>
<a href="#">Energy and Technology</a>	5474	AAC THE AUTONOMY OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES REGULATORY AUTHORITY	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 450</a>
<a href="#">Energy and Technology</a>	5542	AAC CONSUMER PROTECTION FOR UTILITY CUSTOMERS	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 453</a>
<a href="#">Energy and Technology</a>	5543	AAC THE CREATION AND EXPANSION OF MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 454</a>
<b>PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE</b>				
<a href="#">Planning and Development</a>	263	AAC LIABILITY OF ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 49</a>
<a href="#">Planning and Development</a>	343	AAC INTERVENTION IN PERMIT PROCEEDINGS PURSUANT TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT OF 1971	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 369</a>
<a href="#">Planning and Development</a>	345	AAC MUNICIPAL FLOOD AND EROSION CONTROL BOARDS	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 371</a>
<a href="#">Planning and Development</a>	5155	AA MODIFYING THE BAN ON PESTICIDE APPLICATIONS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 15</a>
<a href="#">Planning and Development</a>	5159	AAC THE STATE PLAN OF CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 343</a>
<a href="#">Planning and Development</a>	5315	AA AUTHORIZING PLANNING COMMISSIONS TO NOTIFY REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCIES OF SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS BY ELECTRONIC MAIL	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 84</a>
<a href="#">Planning and Development</a>	5318	AAC THE REVISION OF MUNICIPAL CHARTERS	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 87</a>
<a href="#">Planning and Development</a>	5319	AA INCREASING FINES FOR VIOLATIONS OF MUNICIPAL BLIGHT ORDINANCES.	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 88</a>
<a href="#">Planning and Development</a>	5320	AAC BONDS AND OTHER SURETY FOR APPROVED SITE PLANS AND SUBDIVISIONS	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 349</a>
<a href="#">Planning and Development</a>	5454	AAC THE VALUATION OF REAL PROPERTY ACQUIRED BY EMINENT DOMAIN	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 353</a>
<a href="#">Planning and Development</a>	5492	AA PROVIDING MUNICIPAL STORMWATER AUTHORITIES WITH CERTAIN CORPORATE POWERS	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 356</a>
<b>OTHER COMMITTEES</b>				
<a href="#">Commerce</a>	220	AAC NAVIGATION, COASTAL ACCESS AND CLEAN MARINAS	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 19</a>
<a href="#">Finance, Revenue and Bonding</a>	413	AAC BONDING AUTHORITY FOR THE CONNECTICUT CLEAN ENERGY AUTHORITY	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 529</a>
<a href="#">Government Administration and Elections</a>	426	AAC GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS DATA SHARING	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 473</a>
<a href="#">Public Health</a>	5334	AAC THE SALE OR ABANDONMENT OF WATER SUPPLY SOURCES AND ASSOCIATED LAND	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 310</a>



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<a href="#">Commerce</a>	5340	AAC A STUDY ON THE WAIVER OF FINES AND PENALTIES FOR CERTAIN BUSINESS REGULATION VIOLATIONS	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 325</a>
<a href="#">Commerce</a>	5342	AAC REVISIONS TO THE STATE'S BROWNFIELD REMEDIATION AND DEVELOPMENT STATUTES	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 441</a>
<a href="#">Commerce</a>	5343	AAC ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT THROUGH STREAMLINED AND IMPROVED BROWNFIELD REMEDIATION PROGRAMS	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 389</a>
<a href="#">Commerce</a>	5344	AAC STREAMLINING THE STATE'S STORMWATER GENERAL PERMITTING PROCESS	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 311</a>
<a href="#">Commerce</a>	5465	AAC THE STATE'S REGULATORY AND PERMITTING PROCESS	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 317</a>
<a href="#">Judiciary</a>	5502	AAC STANDING TO APPEAL A ZONING DECISION AND ESTABLISH CRIMINAL PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF MUNICIPAL BLIGHT ORDINANCES	<a href="#">Bill Status</a>	<a href="#">File No. 545</a>

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