



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 7000

LCO No. 4804

Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by:
(ENV)

AN ACT CONCERNING WATER DIVERSIONS.

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

1 Section 22a-368 of the general statutes is repealed and the following
2 is substituted in lieu thereof:

3 (a) Any person or municipality maintaining a diversion prior to or
4 on July 1, 1982, shall register on or before July 1, 1983, with the
5 commissioner on a form prescribed by [him] the commissioner the
6 location, actual capacity, actual frequency and actual rate of
7 withdrawals or discharges of said diversion and a description of the
8 water use and water system. Any such diversion which is not so
9 registered may be subject to the permit requirements of sections 22a-
10 365 to 22a-378, inclusive. On or after October 1, 2001, any person or
11 municipality maintaining such a diversion shall submit the
12 information listed in subdivisions (1) to (10), inclusive, of section 22a-
13 369 to the commissioner. On or after April 1, 2002, no person or
14 municipality may maintain such a diversion without first obtaining a
15 permit for such a diversion from the commissioner.

16 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of the general statutes or

17 any special act, [to the contrary,] no person or municipality shall, after
18 July 1, 1982, commence to divert water from the waters of the state
19 without first obtaining a permit for such diversion from the
20 commissioner.

21 (c) No permit shall be transferred to another person or municipality
22 without the written approval of the commissioner.

Statement of Purpose:

To update the state's water diversion records in order to more accurately determine the demands on the state's water resources and to require those persons or municipalities that maintained a water diversion prior to or on July 1, 1982, to obtain a permit to continue such diversion.

[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.]