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**Amendment**

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**"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A WATER PLANNING COUNCIL."**

1 Strike out subsection (b) in its entirety, and insert the following in  
2 lieu thereof:

3 "(b) The Water Planning Council shall conduct a study, in  
4 consultation with representatives of water companies, municipalities,  
5 agricultural groups, environmental groups and other water users, that  
6 shall include, but not be limited to, the following issues: (1) The  
7 financial viability, market structure, reliability of customer service and  
8 managerial competence of water companies; (2) fair and reasonable  
9 water rates; (3) protection and appropriate allocation of the state's  
10 water resources while providing for public water supply needs; (4) the  
11 adequacy and quality of the state's drinking water supplies to meet  
12 current and future needs; (5) an inventory of land and land use by  
13 water companies; (6) the status of current withdrawals, projected  
14 withdrawals, river flows and the future needs of water users; (7)  
15 methods for measurement and estimations of natural flows in

16 Connecticut waterways in order to determine standards for stream  
17 flows that will protect the ecology of the state's rivers and streams; (8)  
18 the status of river flows and available data for measuring river flows;  
19 (9) the streamlining of the water diversion permit process; (10)  
20 coordination between the Departments of Environmental Protection,  
21 Public Health and Public Utility Control in review of applications for  
22 water diversion; and (11) the procedure for coordination of planning of  
23 public water supply systems established in sections 25-33c to 25-33j,  
24 inclusive, of the general statutes. Such study shall be conducted on  
25 both a regional and state-wide level."