



House of Representatives

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House Bill No. 5210

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The Committee on Public Health reported through REP. EBERLE of the 15th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING REGIONAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY JURISDICTION.

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

1 Section 1. Section 22a-518 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2002*):

3 [(a) The jurisdiction of an authority shall be congruent with the
4 outermost boundaries of its constituent municipalities.]

5 (a) An authority shall have jurisdiction over all or such portions of
6 the constituent municipalities as may be jointly agreed upon by such
7 municipalities.

8 (b) Any superior court located within a judicial district that includes
9 any area within the jurisdiction of an authority shall have jurisdiction
10 over any dispute involving an authority except actions commenced
11 pursuant to subsection (b) of section 22a-506.

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill provides that regional water pollution control authorities have jurisdiction only over the parts of the constituent municipalities agreed upon by the member towns. Currently, the jurisdiction of the authority matches the outermost boundaries of its member towns. No fiscal impact is anticipated from this change.

The bill could result in the transfer of cases between superior courts in different judicial districts. It is anticipated that few cases would be transferred under the bill. As such, the bill would have a negligible fiscal impact on superior court operations.

OLR Bill Analysis

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AN ACT CONCERNING REGIONAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY JURISDICTION**SUMMARY:**

This bill redefines the boundaries of a regional water pollution control authorities' jurisdiction. Under current law, the jurisdiction of an authority matches the outermost boundaries of its member towns. Under the bill an authority has jurisdiction only over areas agreed upon by the member towns. It specifies that a Superior Court within a judicial district that includes an area within the authority's boundaries has jurisdiction over an authority dispute.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2002

COMMITTEE ACTION

Environment Committee

Joint Favorable Change of Reference
Yea 24 Nay 0

Public Health Committee

Joint Favorable Report
Yea 24 Nay 0