



AN ACT CONCERNING GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2002*) (a) The Commissioner of
2 Public Works, in consultation with the United States Green Building
3 Council, shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of
4 chapter 54 of the general statutes, that are consistent with or exceed the
5 Silver Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design's Rating
6 System for New Construction building rating, as established by the
7 United States Green Building Council as of January 1, 2002, and
8 thereafter update such regulations as the commissioner deems
9 necessary.

10 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, any new
11 construction of a facility, for which not less than twenty-five per cent
12 of the costs are financed with state funds, shall comply with the
13 regulations adopted pursuant to subsection (a) of this section. The
14 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, in consultation with
15 the Commissioner of Public Works, may exempt any building from the
16 provisions of said subsection provided they both find that the cost of
17 compliance with said subsection significantly outweighs the benefits.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2002</i>

ENV *Joint Favorable Subst.*