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Substitute Senate Bill No. 1022

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The Committee on Planning and Development reported through SEN. FONFARA of the 1st Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PILOT PROGRAM TO FUND ANTILITTER PROGRAMS IN THE CITY OF HARTFORD.

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

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2003*) (a) As used in this section:
- 2 (1) "Eating establishment" means a place where meals are sold and
3 includes a restaurant, cafeteria, grinder shop, pizzeria, drive-in, fast
4 food outlet, ice cream truck, hot dog cart, refreshment stand, sandwich
5 shop, private or social club, cocktail lounge, tavern, diner, snack bar or
6 hotel or boarding house which furnishes both lodging and meals to its
7 guests;
- 8 (2) "Litter" means any discarded, used or unconsumed substance or
9 waste material, whether made of aluminum, glass, plastic, rubber,
10 paper or other natural or synthetic material, or any combination
11 thereof, including, but not limited to, any bottle, jar or can, or any top,
12 cap or detachable tab of any bottle, jar or can, any unlighted cigarette,

13 cigar, match or any flaming or glowing material or any garbage, trash,
14 refuse, debris, rubbish, grass clippings or other lawn or garden waste,
15 newspaper, magazines, glass, metal, plastic or paper containers or
16 other packaging or construction material which has not been deposited
17 in a litter receptacle; and

18 (3) "Meal" means food products which are sold and which are
19 furnished, prepared or served in such a form and in such portions that
20 they are ready for immediate consumption, and includes food
21 products which are actually packaged or wrapped.

22 (b) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall establish a pilot
23 program, for the fiscal years commencing July 1, 2003, July 1, 2004, and
24 July 1, 2005, in the city of Hartford for the purpose of providing
25 revenue to said city for expenses related to the removal or disposal of
26 litter.

27 (c) For the period of the pilot program, the city of Hartford may
28 impose a fee on each eating establishment where meals are sold for
29 take out or on a to-go basis. Any funds received by the city of Hartford
30 under this section shall be deposited in a special fund and used for
31 expenses related to the removal or disposal of litter. Such funds shall
32 not be used to supplant any local, state or federal funds otherwise
33 available for removal or disposal of litter.

34 (d) The city of Hartford shall submit an interim report on the pilot
35 program to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly
36 having cognizance of matters relating to planning and development
37 not later than June 30, 2004, and a final report not later than January 1,
38 2005.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	July 1, 2003

PD Joint Favorable Subst.

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:

Agency Affected	Fund-Type	FY 04 \$	FY 05 \$
Consumer Protection, Dept.	GF - Uncertain	See Below	See Below

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact:

Municipalities	Effect	FY 04 \$	FY 05 \$
Hartford	Uncertain	See Below	See Below

Explanation

State Impact

The fiscal impact to the Department of Consumer Protection cannot be determined because the bill does not specify a revenue source or the responsibilities the agency will have related to the pilot program.

Municipal Impact

The fiscal impact to the City of Hartford cannot be determined because the bill does not specify: 1) how the City would elect to impose fees, 2) a fee range, 3) how fees would be collected, 4) procedures for failure to pay fees by eating establishments.

OLR Bill Analysis

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**AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PILOT PROGRAM TO FUND
ANTILITTER PROGRAMS IN THE CITY OF HARTFORD****SUMMARY:**

This bill requires the Department of Consumer Protection to establish a pilot program in Hartford for the next three fiscal years to provide revenue to the city for expenses related to litter removal or disposal. Under the program, the city can impose a fee (no amount is specified) on eating establishments that sell meals for take out or to go. The money must be deposited in a special fund to pay litter removal or disposal expenses. It cannot be used to replace any local, state, or federal funds available for these purposes. The city must submit an interim report to the Planning and Development Committee by June 30, 2004 and a final report by January 1, 2005.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2003

DEFINITIONS

Under the bill, meals are food products sold and provided in such a form and in such portions that they are ready to eat, including food products that are packaged or wrapped. An eating establishment is a place where meals are sold. This includes restaurants, cafeterias, fast food outlets, hot dog carts, cocktail lounges, private or social clubs, hotels that serve meals to guests, and several other types of establishments. Litter includes discarded, used, or unconsumed items made out of various materials. It includes such things as bottles, cans, garbage, newspapers, and containers that have not been deposited in a litter receptacle, among other things.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Planning and Development Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 16 Nay 2

