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"AN ACT CONCERNING WATER QUALITY AND THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Section 25-37d of the general statutes is repealed and the
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

5 Within two years after June 26, 1977, the commissioner shall adopt
6 regulations in accordance with chapter 54 for the review of permit
7 applications. Such procedure shall include a standard application
8 form, a public hearing and enforcement provisions. The commissioner
9 shall conduct a public hearing on each completed application. A
10 permit application shall be deemed complete if the commissioner does
11 not request additional information within forty-five days after the date
12 on which the application was submitted or, in the event that additional
13 information has been requested, upon the submission of such
14 information. The commissioner may request further information after

15 the application has been deemed complete if the need for such
16 information was not apparent within forty-five days after submission
17 of the application. If, in the judgment of the commissioner, the
18 proposed sale, lease, assignment or change in use of class II land may
19 have a significant adverse impact upon the applicant's water supply,
20 said commissioner may, within thirty days of his receipt of a complete
21 permit application, refer such application for detailed review to a
22 consultant chosen by the commissioner, with skills in the fields of
23 water supply, hydrology, aquatic biology, forestry, geology, planning
24 or other related fields. The commissioner shall notify the applicant of
25 such referral. The fee for such consultant shall be paid by the applicant.
26 If the commissioner does not refer the application to a consultant
27 pursuant to the provisions of this section, the commissioner shall refer
28 such application to a professional review team appointed by said
29 commissioner, consisting of a professional water supply engineer from
30 the staff of the Department of Public Utility Control; a professional
31 from the staff of the Department of Environmental Protection with
32 expertise in one of the following areas: Water supply, hydrology,
33 aquatic biology, forestry, geology or other related fields; a professional
34 planner recommended by the chief executive officer of the town or
35 towns in which the land proposed for disposition is located; a
36 professional planner from the staff of the Office of Policy and
37 Management; an appointee from the staff of the Department of Public
38 Health and up to three other experts in the public health field provided
39 nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent the commissioner
40 from referring such application to both a consultant and a professional
41 review team. No appointee or consultant shall serve at the time of his
42 appointment in the employ of the applicant. Such team or consultant
43 shall evaluate the impact of the proposed sale, lease, assignment or
44 change in use of land upon the purity and adequacy of the water
45 supply under the most severe climatic conditions and its ability to
46 meet current drinking water standards adopted by the Department of
47 Public Health."