



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 219

LCO No. 1012

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Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by:
(ENV)

**AN ACT REDUCING THE SULFUR CONTENT OF HOME HEATING OIL
AND OFF-ROAD DIESEL FUEL.**

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

1 Section 1. Section 16a-21a of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2004*):

3 (a) The amount of [sulphur] sulfur content of the following fuels
4 used in this state shall not exceed the following percentages by weight:
5 (1) For number two heating oil, three-tenths of one per cent, and (2) for
6 number two off-road diesel fuel, three-tenths of one per cent. On and
7 after June 1, 2006, the amount of sulfur content of the following fuels
8 used in this state shall not exceed the following percentages by weight:
9 (A) For number two heating oil, five one-hundredths of one per cent,
10 and (B) for number two off-road diesel fuel, five one-hundredths of
11 one per cent.

12 (b) The Commissioner of Environmental Protection may suspend
13 the requirements of subsection (a) of this section if [he] the
14 commissioner finds that the availability of fuel which complies with
15 such requirements is inadequate to meet the needs of residential,

16 commercial or industrial users in this state and that such inadequate
17 availability constitutes an emergency provided [he] the commissioner
18 shall specify in writing the period of time such suspension shall be in
19 effect.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2004</i>

Statement of Purpose:

To further reduce sulfur emissions in the state by reducing the sulfur content of home heating oil and off-road diesel fuel.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]