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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 595

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(As Amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A")

**"AN ACT CONCERNING CLIMATE CHANGE."**

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1 Strike section 2 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:

2 "Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2004*) (a) It shall be the goal of the  
3 state to reduce emissions of greenhouse gas in order to make an  
4 appropriate contribution to achieving the regional goals of reducing  
5 emissions of greenhouse gas to those levels emitted in 1990, which  
6 reduction to occur not later than January 1, 2010, and to levels ten per  
7 cent below the 1990 levels not later than January 1, 2020. The  
8 Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall consult with the  
9 Conference of New England Governors and Eastern Canadian  
10 Premiers to establish a date for the long-term regional goal of reducing  
11 the emissions of greenhouse gas by seventy-five to eighty-five per cent  
12 below 2001 levels. If the Conference of New England Governors and

13 Eastern Canadian Premiers has not established a date for such long-  
14 term regional goal by January 1, 2007, the date for reaching such goal  
15 shall be 2050.

16 (b) Not later than January 1, 2005, the Governor's Steering  
17 Committee on Climate Change, established in November 2002, shall  
18 develop a multisector, comprehensive climate change action plan, with  
19 the opportunity for public comment, which plan shall contain the  
20 policies and programs necessary to achieve the state's goals for the  
21 reduction of greenhouse gas emissions by 2010 and 2020. Not later  
22 than January 1, 2008, the steering committee shall develop an amended  
23 climate change action plan, with the opportunity for public comment,  
24 for achieving the state's contribution towards reaching the long-term  
25 regional goal established pursuant to subsection (a) of this section.  
26 Both plans shall be submitted, in accordance with section 11-4a of the  
27 general statutes, to the joint standing committee of the General  
28 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the environment.  
29 The provisions of such plans shall take effect upon their adoption by  
30 all the members of the Conference of New England Governor's and  
31 Eastern Canadian Premiers and their approval by the General  
32 Assembly.

33 (c) Not later than December 1, 2005, and annually thereafter, the  
34 Commissioner of Environmental Protection, in collaboration with the  
35 commissioners of other state agencies and the steering committee, shall  
36 submit a report to the joint standing committee of the General  
37 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the environment on  
38 the progress made in achieving the goals established in subsection (a)  
39 of this section and to evaluate the appropriateness of the climate  
40 change action plans developed pursuant to subsection (b) of this  
41 section in achieving such goals."