



House of Representatives

File No. 791

General Assembly

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Substitute House Bill No. 6908
As Amended by House Amendment
Schedule "A"

Approved by the Legislative Commissioner
May 20, 2005

AN ACT CONCERNING A CONNECTICUT CLEAN CAR INCENTIVE PROGRAM.

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Commissioner of
2 Environmental Protection, in consultation with the chairpersons and
3 ranking members of the joint standing committee of the General
4 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the environment,
5 the United States Environmental Protection Agency, the Governor's
6 Steering Committee on Climate Change, representatives from the
7 state's business community, representatives from environmental
8 organizations, representatives of public health interests, and
9 representatives from the automotive industry, shall develop a plan for
10 the implementation of a decrease of the sales tax by not more than
11 three per cent for new motor vehicles that have low emissions of
12 greenhouse gases, as defined in section 22a-200 of the general statutes,
13 and an increase of the sales tax by not more than three per cent for new
14 motor vehicles that have high emissions of such gases.

15 (b) Not later than January 1, 2006, the commissioner shall submit the

16 plan to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having
17 cognizance of matters relating to the environment, in accordance with
18 the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

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-Effect	FY 06 \$	FY 07 \$
Department of Environmental Protection	GF - None	None	None
Various	GF - None	None	None

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

Assuming that there will be continued work by the North East States for Coordinated Air Use Management (NESCAUM) in this area, it is anticipated that the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and the consulting agencies and committees can develop a plan for a decrease in the sales tax for low emission new motor vehicles and an increase for high emission vehicles within their current budgetary resources. The DEP staff is currently working with NESCAUM concerning low emission vehicles.

House "A" changes the composition of those consulting with the DEP and the study and has no fiscal impact.

OLR Bill Analysis

sHB-6908 (as Amended by House "A") *

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SUMMARY:

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Environment Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

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