



General Assembly

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**Committee Bill No. 6414**

LCO No. 3568

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Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by:  
(ENV)

**AN ACT CONCERNING DESIGNATION OF THE EIGHTMILE RIVER  
WATERSHED WITHIN THE NATIONAL WILD AND SCENIC RIVER  
SYSTEM.**

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2005*) (a) It is declared to be the  
2 policy of the state of Connecticut that the portion of the Eightmile  
3 River watershed which is the subject of the authorized study by the  
4 Eightmile River Wild and Scenic River Study Committee for purposes  
5 of designation as a national wild and scenic rivers system be preserved  
6 as provided for in the federal Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, Public Law  
7 90-542, as amended.

8 (b) The Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall cooperate  
9 with all relevant federal, state and local agencies to provide for such  
10 designation and to implement any management plan developed in  
11 accordance with the federal Wild and Scenic Rivers Act. Upon the  
12 designation of the river watershed by Congress, the commissioner  
13 shall notify the joint standing committee of the General Assembly  
14 having cognizance of matters relating to the environment regarding  
15 any statutory changes necessary to implement the preservation and

16 conservation of the river watershed in accordance with the federal  
17 Wild and Scenic Rivers Act. The commissioner shall cause a copy of  
18 this section to be delivered to all United States Representatives and  
19 Senators representing Connecticut in the Congress of the United States.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2005	New section

**Statement of Purpose:**

To preserve the portion of the Eightmile River watershed which is the subject of the authorized study by the Eightmile River Wild and Scenic River Study Committee as provided for in the federal Wild and Scenic Rivers Act.

*[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.]*

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