



General Assembly

**Amendment**

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Offered by:  
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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 410                      File No. 390                      Cal. No. 582

(As Amended)

**"AN ACT CONCERNING FARM LAND PRESERVATION, LAND PROTECTION, AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION."**

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- 1            Strike section 6 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:
- 2            "Sec. 6. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2005*) There is established, within the
- 3            General Fund, a separate, nonlapsing account to be known as the "land
- 4            protection, affordable housing and historic preservation account". The
- 5            account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in
- 6            the account. The funds in the account shall be distributed every three
- 7            months as follows: (1) Twenty-five per cent to the Connecticut
- 8            Commission on Culture and Tourism to use as follows: (A) Two
- 9            hundred thousand dollars, annually, to supplement the technical
- 10           assistance and preservation activities of the Connecticut Trust for
- 11           Historic Preservation, established pursuant to special act 75-93, and (B)
- 12           the remainder to supplement historic preservation activities as
- 13           provided in sections 10-409 to 10-415, inclusive, of the general statutes;

14 (2) ten per cent to the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority to  
15 supplement new or existing affordable housing programs; (3) twenty-  
16 five per cent to the Department of Environmental Protection for  
17 municipal open space grants; and (4) forty per cent to the Department  
18 of Agriculture to use as follows: (A) Five hundred thousand dollars  
19 annually for the agricultural viability grant program established  
20 pursuant to section 2 of this act; (B) five hundred thousand dollars,  
21 annually for the Farm Transition Program established pursuant to  
22 section 3 of this act; (C) one hundred thousand dollars annually to  
23 encourage the sale of Connecticut Grown food to schools, restaurants,  
24 retailers, and other institutions and businesses in the state; (D) seventy-  
25 five thousand dollars annually for the Connecticut farm link program  
26 established pursuant to section 4 of this act; and (E) the remainder for  
27 farmland preservation programs pursuant to chapter 422 of the  
28 general statutes. Each agency receiving funds under this section may  
29 use not more than ten per cent of such funds for administration of the  
30 programs for which the funds were provided."