



General Assembly

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Substitute Bill No. 5438

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AN ACT CONCERNING ENTERPRISE ZONE REPORTING.

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

1 Section 1. Section 32-70a of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2006*):

3 (a) On or before [October 1, 1993] July 1, 2006, the Commissioner of
4 Economic and Community Development shall [adopt] establish goals
5 for enterprise zones designated under section 32-70. The commissioner
6 shall review such goals every five years and update them as necessary
7 and appropriate. Such goals shall include, but not be limited to,
8 increasing private investment, expanding the tax base, providing job
9 training and job creation for residents of enterprise zones and reducing
10 property abandonment and housing blight in enterprise zones.

11 (b) On or before [January 1, 1994] July 1, 2006, the Commissioner of
12 Economic and Community Development shall [adopt] establish
13 performance standards to measure the progress of municipalities with
14 enterprise zones in attaining the goals for enterprise zones established
15 under subsection (a) of this section. The commissioner shall review
16 and update such performance standards as appropriate and necessary.

17 (c) On or before [July 1, 1994] July 1, 2011, and [annually] every five
18 years thereafter, each municipality in which an enterprise zone is
19 located shall electronically submit, in a format determined by the

20 commissioner, a report to the commissioner evaluating the progress of
21 the municipality in meeting the performance standards established
22 under subsection (b) of this section. Each municipal report shall
23 include, but not be limited to, a list of all businesses certified within the
24 municipality's enterprise zone, which shall include, but not be limited
25 to:

26 (1) The name of the business;

27 (2) The enterprise zone address of each business;

28 (3) The date on which the business was first certified;

29 (4) The number of full-time jobs the business had at the time of
30 application;

31 (5) The number of part-time jobs the business had at the time of
32 application;

33 (6) The number of full-time jobs of the business filled by residents of
34 the enterprise zone as of June thirtieth of each year since certification;

35 (7) The number of part-time jobs of the business filled by residents
36 of the enterprise zone as of June thirtieth of each year since
37 certification;

38 (8) The number of full-time jobs the business had as of June thirtieth
39 of each year since certification;

40 (9) The number of part-time jobs the business had as of June
41 thirtieth of each year since certification;

42 (10) The average annual wage paid by the business to its full-time
43 employees as of June thirtieth of each year since certification;

44 (11) The average annual wage paid by the business to its part-time
45 employees as of June thirtieth of each year since certification;

46 (12) The number of employees of the business eligible for health

47 benefits as of June thirtieth of each year since certification;

48 (13) The per cent of average employee contribution to the health
49 plan of the business as of June thirtieth of each year since certification;

50 (14) The amount invested by the business in job training as of June
51 thirtieth of each year since certification;

52 (15) The amount of square footage of the building or buildings
53 residing at the enterprise zone address at the time of application;

54 (16) The amount of square footage of the building or buildings
55 residing at the enterprise zone address as of June thirtieth of each year
56 since certification;

57 (17) The amount invested by the business or property owner in the
58 building or buildings residing at the enterprise zone address as of June
59 thirtieth of each year since certification;

60 (18) The amount invested in personal property, excluding
61 machinery and equipment used in the manufacture of goods, as of
62 June thirtieth of each year since certification;

63 (19) The amount invested in machinery and equipment used in the
64 manufacture of goods as of June thirtieth of each year since
65 certification;

66 (20) The amount of the personal property tax abatement awarded to
67 the business as of June thirtieth of each year since certification;

68 (21) The amount of the real property tax abatement awarded to the
69 business as of June thirtieth of each year since certification;

70 (22) The amount of personal property tax actually paid by the
71 business to the municipality as of June thirtieth of each year since
72 certification; and

73 (23) The amount of real property tax actually paid by the business to
74 the municipality as of June thirtieth of each year since certification.

75 (d) On or before [January 1, 1995] February 1, 2011, the
76 commissioner shall assess the performance of each enterprise zone. In
77 making such assessment the commissioner shall consider the report
78 submitted under subsection (c) of this section by the municipality in
79 which the enterprise zone is located and any other information he
80 deems relevant. The commissioner shall [submit a copy of his
81 assessment to the municipality along with] report the findings of said
82 assessment and any recommendations for improvement in the
83 performance of the enterprise zone in the Department of Economic and
84 Community Development's annual report.

85 (e) On or before [January 1, 1998] January 1, 2013, the commissioner
86 shall assess the performance of each enterprise zone and [,
87 notwithstanding the provisions of section 32-70, may remove] may
88 recommend to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly
89 having cognizance of all matters relating to the Department of
90 Economic and Community Development, the Connecticut
91 Development Authority and Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated,
92 that the designation be removed if he determines that the enterprise
93 zone has not met performance standards established under subsection
94 (b) of this section. Upon such recommendation, the General Assembly
95 may remove the designation.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	32-70a

CE *Joint Favorable Subst.*