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Raised Bill No. 193

LCO No. 1476

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Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by:
(ENV)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE SULFUR CONTENT OF HOME HEATING OIL AND OFF-ROAD DIESEL FUEL.

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

1 Section 1. Section 16a-21a of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 (a) [The] On and after the effective date of this act, the amount of
4 [sulphur] sulfur content of the following fuels sold, offered for sale,
5 distributed or used in this state shall not exceed the following
6 percentages by weight: (1) For number two heating oil, three-tenths of
7 one per cent, and (2) for number two off-road diesel fuel, three-tenths
8 of one per cent.

9 (b) On and after June 1, 2008, the sulfur content of number two
10 heating oil sold, offered for sale, distributed or used in this state shall
11 not exceed one thousand five hundred parts per million.

12 (c) On and after January 1, 2010, the sulfur content of number two
13 heating oil sold, offered for sale, distributed or used in this state shall
14 not exceed one thousand two hundred fifty parts per million.

15 (d) On and after January 1, 2014, the sulfur content of number two
16 heating oil sold, offered for sale, distributed or used in this state shall
17 not exceed five hundred parts per million.

18 (e) On and after June 1, 2008, the sulfur content of number two off-
19 road diesel fuel sold, offered for sale, distributed or used in this state
20 shall not exceed five hundred parts per million.

21 [(b)] (f) The Commissioner of Environmental Protection may
22 suspend the requirements of [subsection (a)] subsections (a) to (e),
23 inclusive of this section if [he] the commissioner finds that the physical
24 availability of fuel which complies with such requirements is
25 inadequate to meet the needs of residential, commercial or industrial
26 users in this state and that such inadequate physical availability
27 constitutes an emergency provided [he] the commissioner shall specify
28 in writing the period of time such suspension shall be in effect.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	16a-21a

Statement of Purpose:

To reduce sulfur emissions in the state of Connecticut by reducing the sulfur content of home heating oil and off-road diesel fuel.

[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.]