



Substitute Senate Bill No. 1017

Public Act No. 07-94

AN ACT CONCERNING THE EMERGENCY PLANS OF OPERATIONS OF SHORELINE COMMUNITIES AND THE DESIGNATION OF LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS HAZARD AND SECURITY ZONES.

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

Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 28-7 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2007*):

(a) Each town or city of the state shall establish a local organization for civil preparedness in accordance with the state civil preparedness plan and program, provided any two or more towns or cities may, with the approval of the commissioner, establish a joint organization for civil preparedness. The authority of such local or joint organization for civil preparedness shall not supersede that of any regularly organized police or fire department. No town or city of the state shall be eligible for any state or federal benefits under this chapter until such town or city has submitted to the commissioner an emergency plan of operations approved by the local director of civil preparedness and the local chief executive which is subsequently approved by the commissioner. The emergency plan of operations of every town or city situated on the shoreline of the state shall contain provisions

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addressing an emergency caused by any existing liquefied natural gas terminal located on the Long Island Sound and every town or city situated on the shoreline of the state shall submit such plan to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public safety, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, and the commissioner to obtain approval. The committee shall hold a public hearing regarding such plan not later than thirty days after receiving the plan. Not later than five days after the hearing, the committee shall (1) hold a roll-call vote to approve or reject the plan, and (2) forward the plan and a record of the committee's vote to the General Assembly.

Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2007*) (a) The Attorney General, in consultation with the Commissioner of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, shall make written recommendations to the United States Coast Guard regarding the designation of a hazard zone in relation to a liquefied natural gas terminal located or proposed to be located on Long Island Sound that will impact Connecticut waters or land, and shall submit such recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly in accordance with section 11-4a of the general statutes.

(b) The Governor and the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the environment and public safety shall approve the designation of a hazard zone in relation to a liquefied natural gas terminal located or proposed to be located on Long Island Sound that will impact Connecticut waters or land prior to such designation by the United States Coast Guard taking effect.

(c) The Attorney General shall file, in writing, notice of the United States Coast Guard's designation of such a hazard zone with the clerks of the House of Representatives and the Senate and the office of the Governor.

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(d) Not later than five days after receiving such notice, the clerks of the House of Representatives and the Senate shall refer the notice to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public safety and the environment. The committees shall hold a joint public hearing regarding such notice not later than thirty days after receiving the notice. Not later than five days after the hearing, the committees shall each (1) hold a roll-call vote to approve or reject the notice, and (2) forward the notice and a record of the committee's vote to the General Assembly.

(e) Not later than fifteen days after receiving such notice the General Assembly may approve or reject the notice. The notice shall be approved in whole, by a majority vote of each house. If one house fails to approve, the notice shall be rejected. If the General Assembly fails to vote during such fifteen-day period, the notice shall be deemed rejected. If the notice is submitted when the General Assembly is not in session, the notice shall be deemed rejected if the General Assembly fails to convene to consider the notice by the thirtieth day after it receives the notice from the committee. The clerks of the House of Representatives and the Senate shall notify the United States Coast Guard, in writing, by registered mail of any approval or rejection pursuant to this subsection.

(f) The Governor shall approve or reject the notice of the United States Coast Guard's designation of such a hazard zone and shall notify the United States Coast Guard, in writing, by registered mail of such approval or rejection.

Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2007*) (a) No private security service shall operate on the waters of the state, without receiving prior legislative and executive approval of such operation in accordance with this section.

(b) Any private security service shall file, in writing, such service's

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notice of intent to operate on the waters of this state with the clerks of the House of Representatives and the Senate and the office of the Governor.

(c) Not later than five days after receiving such notice, the clerks of the House of Representatives and the Senate shall refer the notice of intent to operate to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public safety. The committee shall hold a public hearing regarding such notice not later than thirty days after receiving the notice. Not later than five days after the hearing, the committee shall (1) hold a roll-call vote to approve or reject the notice, and (2) forward the notice and a record of the committee's vote to the General Assembly.

(d) Not later than fifteen days after receiving such notice the General Assembly may approve or reject the notice of intent to operate. The notice shall be approved in whole, by a majority vote of each house. If one house fails to approve, the notice of intent shall be rejected. If the General Assembly fails to vote during such fifteen-day period, the notice shall be deemed rejected. If the notice is submitted when the General Assembly is not in session, the notice shall be deemed rejected if the General Assembly fails to convene to consider the notice by the thirtieth day after it receives the notice from the committee. The clerks of the House of Representatives and the Senate shall notify the security service, in writing, by registered mail of any approval or rejection pursuant to this subsection.

(e) The Governor shall approve or reject the notice of intent to operate, and shall notify the security service, in writing, by registered mail of such approval or rejection.

(f) For the purposes of this section, "security service" means any person, firm, association or corporation that, for consideration, provides to another person, firm, association or corporation one or

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more of the following: (1) The prevention or detection of intrusion, entry, larceny, vandalism, abuse, fire or trespass on the property the security service was hired to protect; (2) the prevention, observation or detection of any unauthorized activity on property the security service was hired to protect; (3) the protection of patrons and persons authorized to be on the premises of a person, firm, association or corporation that the security service was hired to protect; or (4) the provision of patrol services. "Security service" does not include a person, firm, association or corporation that provides (A) private security within the port limits, including, but not limited to, designated anchorage areas and lightering zones, or (B) private security escort or watch services that may be required for a vessel traversing Long Island Sound where such vessel is destined for a terminal, anchorage area or lightering zone that handles refined petroleum products that are liquid at ambient temperatures.

Sec. 4. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2007*) (a) The Attorney General, in consultation with the Commissioner of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, shall make written recommendations to the federal government regarding the designation of a security zone in relation to a liquefied natural gas terminal located or proposed to be located on Long Island Sound that will impact Connecticut waters or land, and shall submit such recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly in accordance with section 11-4a of the general statutes.

(b) The Governor and the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the environment and public safety shall approve the designation of a security zone in relation to a liquefied natural gas terminal located or proposed to be located on Long Island Sound that will impact Connecticut waters or land prior to such designation by the federal government taking effect.

(c) The Attorney General shall file, in writing, notice of the federal

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government's designation of such a security zone with the clerks of the House of Representatives and the Senate and the office of the Governor.

(d) Not later than five days after receiving such notice, the clerks of the House of Representatives and the Senate shall refer the notice to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public safety and the environment. The committees shall hold a joint public hearing regarding such notice not later than thirty days after receiving the notice. Not later than five days after the hearing, the committees shall each (1) hold a roll-call vote to approve or reject the notice, and (2) forward the notice and a record of the committee's vote to the General Assembly.

(e) Not later than fifteen days after receiving such notice the General Assembly may approve or reject the notice. The notice shall be approved in whole, by a majority vote of each house. If one house fails to approve, the notice shall be rejected. If the General Assembly fails to vote during such fifteen-day period, the notice shall be deemed rejected. If the notice is submitted when the General Assembly is not in session, the notice shall be deemed rejected if the General Assembly fails to convene to consider the notice by the thirtieth day after it receives the notice from the committee. The clerks of the House of Representatives and the Senate shall notify the federal government, in writing, by registered mail of any approval or rejection pursuant to this subsection.

(f) The Governor shall approve or reject the notice of the federal government's designation of such a security zone, and shall notify the federal government, in writing, by registered mail of such approval or rejection.

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