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Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by:
(ENV)

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE REGULATION OF STORM WATER
FILTER TECHNOLOGY.**

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) On or before October 1,
2 2007, the Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall adopt
3 regulations, in accordance with chapter 54 of the general statutes, for
4 an approval process of all catch basin filters or other similar filter
5 device engineered for storm water filtering and develop criteria for the
6 effluent discharged from any catch basin filter or similar filter device
7 engineered for storm water filtering. Such regulations shall provide
8 that: (1) No such device shall contain moving parts or be powered by
9 electricity or fuel; (2) any device shall be certified by an independent
10 third party laboratory to have passed TCLP analysis by Method 1131
11 in accordance with 40 CFR 261.24; (3) any device that drains to a water
12 course or water body that the Department of Environmental Protection
13 has identified as having bacterial contamination shall have
14 antibacterial properties; and (4) all of the disposable elements of such a
15 device shall be required to meet both state and federal requirements
16 for disposal in landfills or incineration.

17 (b) On or after January 1, 2008, any new construction or expansion
18 of a paved area that exceeds five thousand square feet that collects
19 storm water runoff and discharges to a state or municipal storm water
20 collection system, water body or water course, except an expansion or
21 construction of a municipal or state highway, shall include the
22 installation of a catch basin filter or similar filter device engineered for
23 storm water filtering approved in accordance with subsection (a) of
24 this section.

25 (c) On or after July 1, 2008, any existing maintenance yard, outdoor
26 industrial operation, bus terminal, airport or fueling depot shall install
27 catch basin filters approved by the Department of Environmental
28 Protection in accordance with subsection (a) of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To require the Department of Environmental Protection to develop criteria for the approval of catch basin filters and to require that new construction or expansion of certain paved areas and certain existing properties install approved catch basin filters.

[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.]