



General Assembly

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**Raised Bill No. 5143**

LCO No. 1442

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Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by:  
(ENV)

**AN ACT CONCERNING DESIGNATION OF THE LOWER FARMINGTON RIVER AND SALMON BROOK WITHIN THE NATIONAL WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS SYSTEM.**

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2008*) (a) It is declared to be the  
2 policy of the state of Connecticut that the portion of the Lower  
3 Farmington River and Salmon Brook which is the subject of the  
4 authorized study by the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook  
5 Wild and Scenic River Study Committee for purposes of designation as  
6 a national wild and scenic rivers system be preserved as provided for  
7 in the federal Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, Public Law 90-542, as  
8 amended.

9 (b) The Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall cooperate  
10 with all relevant federal, state and local agencies to provide for such  
11 designation and to implement any management plan developed in  
12 accordance with the federal Wild and Scenic Rivers Act. Upon the  
13 designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook by  
14 Congress, the commissioner shall notify the joint standing committee  
15 of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the

16 environment regarding any statutory changes necessary to implement  
17 the preservation and conservation of the Lower Farmington River and  
18 Salmon Brook in accordance with the federal Wild and Scenic Rivers  
19 Act. The commissioner shall cause a copy of this section to be  
20 delivered to all United States Representatives and Senators  
21 representing Connecticut in the Congress of the United States.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2008</i>	New section

**Statement of Purpose:**

To preserve the portion of Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook which is the subject of the authorized study by the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook Wild and Scenic River Study Committee as provided for in the federal Wild and Scenic Rivers Act.

*[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.]*