



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 5821**

January Session, 2009

\*        HB05821CE        031709        \*

**AN ACT CONCERNING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.**

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

1       Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2009*) As used in section 2 of  
2       this act:

3       (1) "Economic development project" means any project which is to  
4       be used or occupied by any person for (A) manufacturing, industrial,  
5       research, office or product warehousing or distribution purposes or  
6       hydroponic or aquaponic food production purposes and which the  
7       Connecticut Development Authority determines will tend to maintain  
8       or provide gainful employment, maintain or increase the tax base of  
9       the economy, or maintain, expand or diversify industry in the state, (B)  
10      controlling, abating, preventing or disposing land, water, air or other  
11      environmental pollution, including, without limitation, thermal,  
12      radiation, sewage, wastewater, solid waste, toxic waste, noise or  
13      particulate pollution, except resources recovery facilities, as defined in  
14      section 22a-219a of the general statutes, used for the principal purpose  
15      of processing municipal solid waste and which are not expansions or  
16      additions to resources recovery facilities operating on July 1, 1990, (C)  
17      the conservation of energy or utilization of cogeneration technology or  
18      solar, wind, hydro, biomass or other renewable sources to produce  
19      energy for any industrial or commercial application, or (D) any other  
20      purpose which the authority determines will materially contribute to

21 the economic base of the state by creating or retaining jobs, promoting  
22 the export of products or services beyond state boundaries,  
23 encouraging innovation in products or services, or otherwise  
24 contributing to, supporting or enhancing existing activities that are  
25 important to the economic base of the state.

26 (2) "Professional engineer" means a person who is qualified by  
27 reason of his knowledge of mathematics, the physical sciences and the  
28 principles of engineering, acquired by professional education and  
29 practical experience, to engage in engineering practice, including  
30 rendering or offering to render to clients any professional service such  
31 as consultation, investigation, evaluation, planning, design or  
32 responsible supervision of construction, in connection with any public  
33 or privately-owned structures, buildings, machines, equipment,  
34 processes, works or projects in which the public welfare or the  
35 safeguarding of life, public health or property is concerned or  
36 involved.

37 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2009*) Notwithstanding any  
38 provision of the general statutes, any professional engineer licensed in  
39 accordance with the provisions of chapter 391 of the general statutes  
40 may certify to a state agency with authority to issue a permit for an  
41 economic development project under any provision of the general  
42 statutes that such economic development project is in compliance with  
43 all requirements for issuance of a state permit by such state agency.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2009</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2009</i>	New section

**Statement of Legislative Commissioners:**

Section 2 was rewritten for consistency with the intent of the bill.

**CE**            *Joint Favorable Subst.*