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**Committee Bill No. 6028**

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by:  
(JUD)

**AN ACT ESTABLISHING A WIND TURBINE PILOT PROGRAM AT A  
CORRECTIONAL FACILITY.**

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2009*) (a) The Commissioner of  
2 Correction shall apply for a grant pursuant to section 16a-38n of the  
3 general statutes to enable the commissioner to conduct a pilot program  
4 to install and operate wind turbines, including small wind turbines if  
5 appropriate, at an appropriate correctional facility. The commissioner  
6 shall determine the appropriate correctional facility after considering  
7 the nature of the inmate population, the topography of the area of the  
8 facility, the impact on the municipality where the correctional facility  
9 is located and the impact on local wildlife. Any energy produced by  
10 the wind turbines shall be allocated to the correctional facility, and any  
11 excess energy shall be allocated for the benefit of the municipality  
12 where the correctional facility is located.

13 (b) Not later than one year after wind turbines established pursuant  
14 to subsection (a) of this section are operational, the Commissioner of  
15 Correction shall submit a report on the pilot program to the joint  
16 standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of

17 matters relating to energy, judiciary and appropriations. The report  
18 shall indicate the amount of energy produced by the wind turbines,  
19 the amount of energy costs savings, an estimate of the energy benefit  
20 to the municipality where the correctional facility is located, and a  
21 summary of feedback received by the commissioner concerning the  
22 wind turbines. The report shall be submitted in accordance with  
23 section 11-4a of the general statutes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2009	New section

**Statement of Purpose:**

To require the Commissioner of Correction to establish a pilot program for the use of wind turbines at an appropriate correctional facility in order to produce energy for the benefit of the correctional facility and the municipality where the correctional facility is located.

*[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.]*

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