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Referred to Committee on Planning and Development

Introduced by:
(PD)

AN ACT CONCERNING SMART GROWTH AND STATE PLANNING.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2009*) (a) The Connecticut
2 Center for Economic Analysis at The University of Connecticut, within
3 available appropriations, shall conduct a tax incidence study. The
4 study shall include an analysis of federal, state and local tax burdens of
5 state taxpayers with different income levels in each municipality and
6 assess how changes in local and state taxes would affect income levels.

7 (b) The center shall submit the study to the General Assembly, in
8 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,
9 on or before July 1, 2010, and every two years thereafter.

10 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2009*) (a) As used in this section,
11 "build-out analysis" means an analysis showing the maximum extent
12 of development permitted in the state undercurrent land use laws and
13 regulations.

14 (b) The Connecticut Center for Economic Analysis at The University
15 of Connecticut, within available appropriations, shall conduct a state-

16 wide build-out analysis to develop strategies for land use and to
17 manage conservation and growth. Such analysis shall include the
18 development of informational materials that describe initial mapping
19 and source material requirements, geographic information system
20 methodology and local review procedures.

21 (c) The center shall submit the analysis to the General Assembly, in
22 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,
23 on or before July 1, 2010, and every two years thereafter.

24 Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2009*) (a) The Center for Land Use
25 Education and Research at The University of Connecticut, within
26 available appropriations, shall establish a program of state-wide
27 geographic system mapping that includes creation, maintenance and
28 dissemination of geographic information or imagery that may be used
29 to precisely identify certain locations or areas, or create maps or
30 information profiles in graphic or electronic form about particular
31 locations or areas. In establishing such capacity, the council shall
32 consult with municipalities, regional planning agencies, state agencies
33 and other users of geospatial information system technology. The
34 purpose of such mapping shall be to provide guidance or assistance to
35 municipal, regional and state officials in the areas of land use planning,
36 transportation, economic development, environmental, cultural and
37 natural resources management, the delivery of public services and
38 other areas, as necessary.

39 (b) The center shall submit a report of its activities under this
40 section, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the
41 general statutes, to the General Assembly on or before July 1, 2010, and
42 every two years thereafter.

43 Sec. 4. Section 4d-90 of the general statutes is repealed. (*Effective*
44 *October 1, 2009*)

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| 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 |
| Sec. 3 | <i>October 1, 2009</i> | New section |
| Sec. 4 | <i>October 1, 2009</i> | Repealer section |

Statement of Purpose:

To provide for comprehensive planning by requiring research centers at The University of Connecticut to conduct tax incidence, build-out analysis and geographic system mapping.

[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.]