



General Assembly

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**Raised Bill No. 6637**

LCO No. 4458

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Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by:  
(ENV)

**AN ACT CONCERNING STORMWATER PERMITS AND THE  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.**

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 22a-430b of the general statutes is  
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
3 *1, 2009*):

4 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 54, a general permit  
5 shall be issued, renewed, modified, revoked or suspended in  
6 accordance with the standards and procedures specified for an  
7 individual permit, in accordance with section 22a-430 and any  
8 regulations adopted thereunder, except that (1) summary suspension  
9 may be ordered in accordance with subsection (c) of section 4-182; (2)  
10 any proposed or final general permit and notice thereof may address  
11 persons or municipalities which are or may be covered by the general  
12 permit as a group, describe the facilities which are or may be covered  
13 by the general permit in general terms; and (3) upon issuance of a  
14 proposed or final general permit, the commissioner shall publish  
15 notice thereof in a newspaper of substantial circulation in the affected  
16 area. General permits shall be issued for a term specified by the permit

17 and such terms shall be consistent with the federal Water Pollution  
18 Control Act and shall be subject to the provisions of section 22a-431.  
19 Such permits shall: [(1)] (A) Describe the category of discharge  
20 regulated by the general permit; [(2)] (B) specify the manner, nature  
21 and volume of discharge; [(3)] (C) require proper operation and  
22 maintenance of any pollution abatement facility required by such  
23 permit; [and (4)] (D) be subject to such other requirements and  
24 restriction as the commissioner deems necessary to fully comply with  
25 the purposes of this chapter, the federal Water Pollution Control Act  
26 and the federal Safe Drinking Water Act; and (E) identify any  
27 requirements or restrictions of such permit that differ from those  
28 contained in the federal Water Pollution Control Act and explain the  
29 reason for such difference. Any construction or modification of a  
30 pollution abatement facility or disposal system which is undertaken  
31 pursuant to and in accordance with a general permit shall not require  
32 submission of plans and specifications to or approval by the  
33 commissioner, unless required pursuant to the terms of the general  
34 permit.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2009	22a-430b(b)

**Statement of Purpose:**

To require the Commissioner of Environmental Protection to identify and explain any differences between the federal and state regulation of stormwater general permits.

*[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.]*