



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 1135

LCO No. 4877

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Referred to Committee on Energy and Technology

Introduced by:

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AN ACT CONCERNING ENERGY EFFICIENCY INVESTMENTS IN UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) The Department of Public
2 Utility Control shall require the Energy Conservation Management
3 Board, The Renewable Energy Investments Board and electric
4 distribution companies to establish a program for energy conservation
5 and load management projects specifically in underserved
6 communities. Such program shall provide for program funding at a
7 level equivalent to three per cent of the total moneys collected for the
8 Energy Conservation and Load Management Fund pursuant to section
9 16-245m of the general statutes, which funding shall be derived (1)
10 initially from the Energy Conservation and Load Management and
11 Renewable Energy Investments Funds; and (2) from funds made
12 available to the state for such purposes from the federal American
13 Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Said program shall include a
14 job training component for existing or potential minority business
15 enterprises, as defined in section 4a-60g of the general statutes. For the
16 purposes of this section, "underserved communities" means any

17 municipality meeting the criteria set forth in subsection (a) of section
18 32-70 of the general statutes. The department shall report, in
19 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,
20 to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having
21 cognizance of matters relating to energy on or before February 1, 2010,
22 and annually thereafter, regarding the program established pursuant
23 to this section.

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

Statement of Purpose:

To dedicate funds for energy efficiency and load management projects in underserved communities.

[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.]