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Referred to Committee on Planning and Development

Introduced by:
(PD)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATE PLAN OF CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT.

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

1 Section 1. Section 16a-27 of the 2010 supplement to the general
2 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
3 (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

4 (a) The secretary, after consultation with all appropriate state,
5 regional and local agencies and other appropriate persons, shall, prior
6 to March 1, 2011, complete a revision of the existing plan and enlarge it
7 to include, but not be limited to, policies relating to transportation,
8 energy and air.

9 (b) Any revision made after May 15, 1991, shall identify the major
10 transportation proposals, including proposals for mass transit,
11 contained in the master transportation plan prepared pursuant to
12 section 13b-15.

13 (c) Any revision made after July 1, 1995, shall take into
14 consideration the conservation and development of greenways that

15 have been designated by municipalities and shall recommend that
16 state agencies coordinate their efforts to support the development of a
17 state-wide greenways system. The Commissioner of Environmental
18 Protection shall identify state-owned land for inclusion in the plan as
19 potential components of a state greenways system.

20 [(b)] (d) Any revision made after August 20, 2003, shall take into
21 account (1) economic and community development needs and patterns
22 of commerce, and (2) linkages of affordable housing objectives and
23 land use objectives with transportation systems.

24 [(c)] (e) Any revision made after March 1, 2006, shall (1) take into
25 consideration risks associated with natural hazards, including, but not
26 limited to, flooding, high winds and wildfires; (2) identify the potential
27 impacts of natural hazards on infrastructure and property; and (3)
28 make recommendations for the siting of future infrastructure and
29 property development to minimize the use of areas prone to natural
30 hazards, including, but not limited to, flooding, high winds and
31 wildfires.

32 [(d)] (f) Any revision made after July 1, 2005, shall describe the
33 progress towards achievement of the goals and objectives established
34 in the previously adopted state plan of conservation and development
35 and shall identify (1) areas where it is prudent and feasible (A) to have
36 compact, transit accessible, pedestrian-oriented mixed-use
37 development patterns and land reuse, and (B) to promote such
38 development patterns and land reuse, (2) priority funding areas
39 designated under section 16a-35c, and (3) corridor management areas
40 on either side of a limited access highway or a rail line. In designating
41 corridor management areas, the secretary shall make
42 recommendations that (A) promote land use and transportation
43 options to reduce the growth of traffic congestion; (B) connect
44 infrastructure and other development decisions; (C) promote
45 development that minimizes the cost of new infrastructure facilities
46 and maximizes the use of existing infrastructure facilities; and (D)

47 increase intermunicipal and regional cooperation.

48 [(e)] (g) Any revision made after October 1, 2008, shall (1) for each
49 policy recommended (A) assign a priority; (B) estimate funding for
50 implementation and identify potential funding sources; (C) identify
51 each entity responsible for implementation; and (D) establish a
52 schedule for implementation; and (2) for each growth management
53 principle, determine three benchmarks to measure progress in
54 implementation of the principles, one of which shall be a financial
55 benchmark.

56 [(f)] (h) Any revision made after October 1, 2009, shall take into
57 consideration the protection and preservation of Connecticut Heritage
58 Areas.

59 [(g)] (i) Thereafter on or before March first in each revision year the
60 secretary shall complete a revision of the plan of conservation and
61 development.

62 Sec. 2. Section 16a-28 of the 2010 supplement to the general statutes
63 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
64 *October 1, 2010*):

65 (a) The secretary shall present a draft of the revised plan of
66 conservation and development for preliminary review to the
67 continuing legislative committee on state planning and development
68 prior to September first in 2010 and prior to September first in each
69 prerevision year thereafter.

70 (b) After December first in 2010 and after December first in each
71 prerevision year thereafter the secretary shall proceed with such
72 further revisions of the draft of the revised plan of conservation and
73 development as [he] the secretary deems appropriate. The secretary
74 shall, by whatever means [he] the secretary deems advisable, publish
75 said plan and disseminate it to the public on or before March first in
76 revision years. The secretary shall post the plan on the Internet web

77 site of the state.

78 (c) Not later than five months after publication of said revised plan
79 the secretary shall hold public hearings, in cooperation with regional
80 planning agencies, to solicit comments on said plan.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2010</i>	16a-27
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2010</i>	16a-28

Statement of Purpose:

To revise the statutes concerning the state plan of conservation and development.

[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.]