



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5517

LCO No. 1960

Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by:
REP. ROJAS, 9th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE SPEED OF VESSELS THAT TRAVEL ON
THE RIVERS OF THE STATE.**

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

- 1 That section 15-16 of the general statutes be amended to provide
- 2 that vessels less than twenty-two feet in hull length, wholly or partially
- 3 propelled by power, may travel at more than slow, no wake speeds or
- 4 twenty miles per hour on weekdays and thirty miles per hour on
- 5 weekends when approaching, passing and being within seventy-five
- 6 feet of any wharf, pier or dock in the city of Hartford between the
- 7 railroad bridge north of Bulkeley Bridge over the Connecticut River
- 8 and the southern limits of Hartford. Also, to redefine the term "pier" to
- 9 exclude bridge abutments that are in a waterway.

Statement of Purpose:

To create consistency between the laws and regulations that exist for
vessels that travel on lakes in this state and vessels that travel on the
rivers of this state.