



General Assembly

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**Committee Bill No. 5518**

LCO No. 3646

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Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by:  
(ENV)

***AN ACT ESTABLISHING A STATE-WIDE WATER USE PLAN.***

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

1 Section 1. Section 25-33o of the general statutes is amended by  
2 adding subsection (e) as follows (*Effective from passage*):

3 (NEW) (e) In addition to those duties established pursuant to  
4 subsection (b) of this section and any other provision of the general  
5 statutes, the Water Planning Council shall develop and supervise the  
6 implementation of a structured, comprehensive approach for state-  
7 wide water resource planning and allocation among users, including,  
8 but not limited to, conservation and recreation groups, businesses and  
9 agricultural interests. Such approach shall authorize the council to  
10 identify stream flow goals based on proper planning and scientifically  
11 quantifiable data, prioritize water apportionment among such users  
12 and oversee a water diversion permitting process to effectively allocate  
13 water resources.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

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Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	25-33o
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**Statement of Purpose:**

To require the development of a state-wide water use plan.

*[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.]*

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