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To: House Bill No. 6515

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"AN ACT CONCERNING JOB CREATION AND HABITAT RESTORATION."

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- 1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
 - 2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Section 14-21e of the general statutes is repealed and the
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

5 (a) On and after January 1, 1993, the Commissioner of Motor
6 Vehicles shall issue Long Island Sound commemorative number plates
7 of a design to enhance public awareness of the state's effort to restore
8 and protect Long Island Sound. Said design shall be determined by
9 agreement between the Commissioner of Environmental Protection
10 and the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles. No use shall be made of
11 such plates except as official registration marker plates.

12 (b) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall establish, by
13 regulations adopted in accordance with chapter 54, a fee to be charged
14 for Long Island Sound commemorative number plates in addition to
15 the regular fee or fees prescribed for the registration of a motor vehicle.
16 The fee shall be for such number plates with letters and numbers
17 selected by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles. The Commissioner of
18 Motor Vehicles may establish a higher fee for: (1) Such number plates
19 which contain letters in place of numbers as authorized by section 14-
20 49, in addition to the fee or fees prescribed for plates issued under said
21 section; and (2) such number plates which are low number plates, in
22 accordance with section 14-160, in addition to the fee or fees prescribed
23 for plates issued under said section. The Commissioner of Motor
24 Vehicles shall establish, by regulations adopted in accordance with the
25 provisions of chapter 54, an additional voluntary lighthouse
26 preservation donation which shall be deposited in the Connecticut
27 Lighthouse Preservation account established under section 22a-27n.
28 All fees established and collected pursuant to this section shall be
29 deposited in the Long Island Sound account established pursuant to
30 section 22a-27v, as amended by this act.

31 (c) ~~[No]~~ Except as provided by subsection (d) of this section, no
32 additional renewal fee shall be charged for renewal of registration for
33 any motor vehicle bearing Long Island Sound commemorative number
34 plates which contain letters in place of numbers, or low number plates,
35 in excess of the renewal fee for Long Island Sound commemorative

36 number plates with letters and numbers selected by the Commissioner
37 of Motor Vehicles. No transfer fee shall be charged for transfer of an
38 existing registration to or from a registration with Long Island Sound
39 commemorative number plates.

40 (d) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles may request an additional
41 voluntary donation of fifteen dollars at the time of registration renewal
42 for any motor vehicle bearing a Long Island Sound commemorative
43 number plate. Five dollars of the donation may be dedicated to the
44 administrative costs of the Department of Motor Vehicles. Ten dollars
45 of such donation shall be deposited in the habitat restoration matching
46 subaccount, established pursuant to section 22a-27v, as amended by
47 this act.

48 ~~[(d)]~~ (e) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, in consultation with
49 the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, shall adopt
50 regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to
51 establish standards and procedures for the issuance, renewal and
52 replacement of Long Island Sound commemorative number plates.

53 Sec. 2. Section 22a-27v of the general statutes is repealed and the
54 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

55 (a) There is established an account to be known as the "Long Island
56 Sound account". The Long Island Sound account shall be a separate,
57 nonlapsing account of the General Fund. Any moneys required by law
58 to be deposited in the account shall be deposited in and credited to the
59 Long Island Sound account. The account shall be available to the
60 Commissioner of Environmental Protection for (1) (A) restoration and
61 rehabilitation of tidal wetlands in proximity to Long Island Sound, (B)
62 restoration and rehabilitation of estuarine embayments in proximity to
63 Long Island Sound, (C) acquisition of public access to Long Island
64 Sound, (D) propagation of and habitat protection for shellfish and
65 finfish, including anadromous fish, and (E) education and public
66 outreach programs to enhance the public's understanding of the need
67 to protect and conserve the natural resources of Long Island Sound; (2)

68 allocation of grants to agencies, institutions or persons, including, but
69 not limited to, the Long Island Sound Foundation, to conduct research
70 and to provide public education and public awareness to enhance
71 understanding and management of the natural resources of Long
72 Island Sound; (3) provision of funds for services which support the
73 protection and conservation of the natural resources of Long Island
74 Sound; or (4) reimbursement of the Department of Motor Vehicles for
75 the cost of producing, issuing, renewing and replacing Long Island
76 Sound commemorative number plates, including administrative
77 expenses, pursuant to section 14-21e, as amended by this act.

78 (b) The commissioner may receive private donations to the Long
79 Island Sound account and any such receipts shall be deposited in the
80 account.

81 (c) The commissioner may provide for the reproduction and
82 marketing of the Long Island Sound commemorative number plate
83 image for use on clothing, recreational equipment, posters,
84 mementoes, or other products or programs deemed by the
85 commissioner to be suitable as a means of supporting the Long Island
86 Sound account. Any funds received by the commissioner from such
87 marketing shall be deposited in the Long Island Sound account.

88 (d) Within the Long Island Sound account there shall be a
89 subaccount to be known as the "habitat restoration matching
90 subaccount". The subaccount shall contain donations required to be
91 deposited in the subaccount pursuant to section 14-21e, as amended by
92 this act. The subaccount may also contain moneys from public or
93 private sources, or from the federal government or a municipal
94 government. The subaccount shall be available to the Commissioner of
95 Environmental Protection to: (1) Match federal and private habitat
96 restoration and rehabilitation funds, (2) provide grants to
97 municipalities and nonprofit organizations for habitat restoration and
98 rehabilitation purposes within the Long Island Sound watershed, (3)
99 complete wildlife habitat acquisition, enhancement and management
100 projects, (4) promote public habitat restoration, rehabilitation and

101 acquisition outreach within the Long Island Sound watershed, and (5)
102 provide support to lobster fishermen adversely impacted by any
103 regulatory action deemed necessary to rebuild the Long Island Sound
104 lobster population. Nothing in this section shall prevent the
105 commissioner from obtaining or using funds from sources other than
106 the subaccount for the restoration and rehabilitation of habitats within
107 the Long Island Sound watershed."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	14-21e
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	22a-27v