



General Assembly

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**Amendment**

LCO No. 5582

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Offered by:  
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To: Subst. House Bill No. 6249      File No. 36      Cal. No. 42

**"AN ACT REQUIRING THE ADOPTION OF REGULATIONS FOR THE SITING OF WIND PROJECTS."**

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

3      "Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) The Connecticut Siting  
4      Council, in consultation with the Department of Public Utility Control  
5      and the Department of Environmental Protection, shall adopt  
6      regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the  
7      general statutes, concerning the siting of wind turbines. Such  
8      regulations shall include, but not be limited to, (a) specific criteria  
9      concerning (1) setbacks, including considerations of tower height and  
10     distance from neighboring properties; (2) flicker; (3) ice throw; (4)  
11     blade shear; (5) impact on natural resources; and (6) noise; and (b)  
12     requirements that a developer or owner to decommission a wind  
13     turbine facility at the end of its useful life. Such regulations may  
14     establish different requirements for projects of different sizes. The  
15     council shall hold a public hearing prior to rendering a decision related

16 to an application or petition for wind turbine projects. The siting  
 17 council shall implement policies and procedures that include specific  
 18 criteria for the items in subsection (a) of this section, not later than  
 19 October 1, 2011, while in the process of adopting regulations pursuant  
 20 to this section, provided notice of such policies and procedures are  
 21 published in the Connecticut Law Journal at least twenty days prior to  
 22 their implementation and such policies and procedures shall be valid  
 23 until the time final regulations are effective. Such policies and  
 24 procedures shall apply to applications or petitions pending as of the  
 25 effective date of this section."

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