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PUBLIC ACT SUMMARY



**PA 11-249**—sHB 6262

*Environment Committee*

*Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee*

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE PERFORMANCE OF CERTAIN  
FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS BY THE CONNECTICUT MILK  
PROMOTION BOARD**

**SUMMARY:** This act requires the Connecticut Milk Promotion Board to undertake duties required by the federal Dairy Production Stabilization Act. In so doing, it requires the board to assess a fee of 10 cents per hundredweight (cwt.) of milk delivered by Connecticut milk producers or a fee commensurate with the credit allowed for producer contributions to state qualified programs under the federal law.

The act specifies that the fee is payable to the board by the last day of the month following the month in which the milk was produced. Dealers who purchase milk directly from producers must withhold from each Connecticut milk producer the fee on all milk produced and forward the fee to the board. Producer dealers must pay the board the fee.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2011

**BACKGROUND**

*Dairy Production Stabilization Act*

The Dairy Production Stabilization Act of 1983 (P.L. 98-180, Title I) authorized the Dairy Promotion Program, a national producer program for dairy product promotion, research, and nutrition education as part of a comprehensive strategy to increase human consumption of milk and dairy products. Dairy farmers fund this program through a mandatory 15-cent per cwt. assessment on all milk produced and marketed commercially. Dairy farmers can direct up to 10 cents of this assessment for contributions to qualified regional, state, or local dairy product promotion, research, or nutrition education programs.

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