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Testimony of the
NRG Energy
in opposition to
Section 1 (b)
**HB 5343 AAC Economic Development Through Streamlined and Improved Brownfield
Remediation Programs**
Commerce Committee
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While HB-5343 is well intentioned, NRG Energy strongly opposes subsection 1(b) of HB-5343, which as currently worded, could lead to the creation of a burdensome and unnecessary new spill reporting program. Under this subsection all spills of nearly any material and of any quantity in an industrial or commercial setting, including historical releases, would have to be reported to the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP).

This subsection would derail and indefinitely delay remediation efforts currently underway at our four Connecticut sites. It would add additional investigation, analysis and reporting costs to these already costly remediation projects.

Additionally, this subsection appears to conflict with the DEEP's own spill reporting and cleanup regulation revision process on going at this time.

Thank you for your time and consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,
NRG Energy, Inc.