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(As Amended by House Amendment Schedules "A" and "B")

"AN ACT RESTRICTING THE USE OF METHOPRENE."

1 Strike section 1 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:

2 "Section 1. Section 22a-45d of the general statutes is repealed and the
3 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

4 (a) The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection, in
5 consultation with the Commissioners of Public Health and Agriculture
6 and the Director of the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station,
7 shall establish a [contingency] plan, within available appropriations,
8 for the [spraying] use or application of larvicide to control mosquitoes,
9 [in the event of an outbreak of infectious disease in any human or
10 animal population due to mosquito infestation.]

11 (b) For the period commencing September 1, 2012, and ending
12 September 1, 2014, the plan described in subsection (a) of this section

13 shall be updated to: (1) Consider the state's Mosquito Management
14 Program and recommend alternative larvicides that are as effective as
15 methoprene, and (2) study the instances of mosquito-borne illnesses in
16 the state prior to amending such plan to include a ban on the use of
17 methoprene.

18 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of any updated plan described
19 in subsection (b) of this section, methoprene may be introduced into a
20 storm drain, wetland or other body of water where mosquito larvae
21 are found or suspected if such introduction is recommended by the
22 mosquito management coordinator at the Department of Energy and
23 Environmental Protection to prevent an increasing threat of mosquito-
24 borne disease, based on an evaluation of mosquito and mosquito
25 larvae surveillance by the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station
26 in accordance with the state's Mosquito Management Program."