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To: Subst. House Bill No. 6441 File No. 88 Cal. No. 86

"AN ACT CONCERNING THE DAM SAFETY PROGRAM."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and internal references accordingly:

"Sec. 501. Section 22a-45b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection may make regulations and orders concerning the elimination of mosquitoes and mosquito-breeding places, and said commissioner or his agent may enter upon any land, tidal wetland, inland wetland or watercourse to ascertain if mosquitoes breed thereon or to survey, drain, fill or otherwise treat, or make any excavation or structure necessary to eliminate mosquito breeding on such land. When funds
have been provided by appropriation by the state for the elimination
of mosquitoes or mosquito-breeding places, said commissioner may
conduct or cause the conducting of such work provided no filling,
draining, excavation, installation or erection of any structure, or any
other permanent alteration of private property shall be conducted
without the consent of the landowner on whose property such work is
to be conducted. The commissioner may take and hold, by purchase,
condemnation or otherwise, any real property or interest in real
property as he determines is necessary to abate a threat of disease to
humans or animals from insect vectors. Whenever the commissioner is
unable to agree with the owner of any such property as to the
compensation to be paid for the taking thereof, the commissioner may
bring condemnation proceedings in accordance with the procedure
provided by part I of chapter 835 for condemnation by municipal
corporations generally. In such case, the court may permit immediate
possession of such property by the commissioner in accordance with
the procedure provided by said part I of chapter 835.

(b) The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection, in
coordination with the Commissioner of Public Health and local health
departments, shall survey land, tidal wetlands, inland wetlands or
watercourses in any municipality with a population over one hundred
thousand where there has been a documented death of a human from
West Nile virus, to ascertain if mosquitoes breed thereon and may
conduct any work, as provided for in subsection (a) of this section,
necessary to eliminate mosquito breeding on such land.

(c) No private property, in any municipality with a population over
one hundred thousand where there has been a documented death of a
human from West Nile virus, may contain standing water that the
Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection determines, in
consultation with the Commissioner of Public Health and local health
departments, creates a risk of mosquito-borne illness. The
Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall enforce
the provisions of this subsection.
(d) The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection, in coordination with the Commissioner of Public Health and local health departments, shall encourage public outreach programs instructing residents and private property owners of the risks of standing water and the signs and symptoms of West Nile virus."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

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