



Senate

General Assembly

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Substitute Senate Bill No. 442

Senate, April 16, 2014

The Committee on Appropriations reported through SEN. BYE of the 5th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT PROVIDING FUNDS FOR THE GARBAGE MUSEUM IN STRATFORD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 22a-219d of the general statutes is repealed and
2 the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

3 (a) There is established a fund to be known as the "Municipal
4 Tipping Fee Fund". The purpose of the Municipal Tipping Fee Fund
5 shall be to provide for the payment of grants to municipalities
6 pursuant to section 22a-219b or 22a-219c. The fund shall contain any
7 moneys required by law to be deposited in the fund and shall be held
8 in trust separate and apart from all other moneys, funds and accounts.
9 Investment earnings credited to the assets of said fund shall become
10 part of the assets of said fund. Any balance remaining in said fund at
11 the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in said fund for the
12 fiscal year next succeeding.

13 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section,

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: See Below

Municipal Impact: See Below

Explanation

The bill allows the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) to make grants, up to \$100,000, to the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority (CRRA) from the Municipal Tipping Fee Fund for CRRA's garbage museum.

It is unclear (1) where revenue for the Municipal Tipping Fee Fund is derived from, (2) how, if any, expenditures are made, and (3) whether the Department of Revenue Services or DEEP administers the fund. As such, it is uncertain how grants to CRRA from DEEP would be made.

In FY 13, CRRA spent \$89,626 for garbage museum operations.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above, if any, would continue into the future subject to the amount of grant awards made.

OLR Bill Analysis**sSB 442*****AN ACT PROVIDING FUNDS FOR THE GARBAGE MUSEUM IN STRATFORD.*****SUMMARY:**

This bill allows the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) to award a grant of up to \$100,000 to the Connecticut Resource Recovery Authority (CRRA) to fund the operation of the Garbage Museum in Stratford. The grant funds come from the Municipal Tipping Fee Fund (see BACKGROUND).

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2014

BACKGROUND***Municipal Tipping Fee Fund***

DEEP provides grants to municipalities from the Municipal Tipping Fee Fund to support solid waste removal and recovery services.

Legislative History

The Environment Committee referred the bill to the Appropriations Committee, which favorably reported a substitute that limited the DEEP grant to CRRA to no more than \$100,000.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Environment Committee

Joint Favorable Change of Reference
Yea 22 Nay 5 (03/21/2014)

Appropriations Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute
Yea 36 Nay 11 (04/01/2014)