



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 5580

February Session, 2014



**AN ACT CONCERNING THE PESTICIDE ADVISORY COUNCIL AND
THE ELIMINATION OF A MUNICIPAL MANDATE.**

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (d) of section 22a-65 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
3 *October 1, 2014*):

4 (d) The commissioner shall establish a Pesticide Advisory Council
5 consisting of, but not limited to, the director of the Agricultural
6 Experiment Station, the Commissioner of Agriculture, the
7 Commissioner of Public Health, and the dean of the college of
8 agriculture of The University of Connecticut or their respective
9 designees. The council shall meet at least annually and the
10 commissioner may consult with the Pesticide Advisory Council on
11 technical matters involving the application and use of pesticides, the
12 determination of imminent hazards and the unreasonable adverse
13 effects on the environment before promulgating regulations or orders
14 in carrying out this part, subsection (a) of section 23-61a and sections
15 23-61b and 23-61f. The council shall, on an ongoing basis, review all
16 new pesticides for safety and effectiveness and report the results of
17 such review to the commissioner for consideration in adopting
18 regulations. The commissioner shall, in consultation with the council,
19 create, publish and regularly update a report on best practices

20 regarding the safe and effective use of synthetic and organic pesticides
21 for use by municipalities.

22 Sec. 2. Section 22a-65 of the general statutes is amended by adding
23 subsection (e) as follows (*Effective October 1, 2014*):

24 (NEW) (e) The commissioner shall establish a regional purchasing
25 program through which municipalities may purchase pesticides for a
26 reduced price.

27 Sec. 3. (*Effective October 1, 2014*) The Commissioner of Energy and
28 Environmental Protection shall, in consultation with the Pesticide
29 Advisory Council established pursuant to section 22a-65 of the general
30 statutes, as amended by this act, review the integrated pest
31 management monitoring Internet web site maintained by the state of
32 Massachusetts for the purpose of determining whether to create a
33 similar resource in the state of Connecticut.

34 Sec. 4. Subsection (a) of section 7-163e of the general statutes is
35 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
36 *October 1, 2014*):

37 (a) The legislative body of a municipality, or in any municipality
38 where the legislative body is a town meeting or representative town
39 meeting, the board of selectmen, shall conduct a public hearing on the
40 sale, lease or transfer of real property owned by the municipality prior
41 to final approval of such sale, lease or transfer. Notice of the hearing
42 shall be published on the Internet web site of the municipality or in a
43 newspaper or other publicly available weekly print publication having
44 a general circulation in such municipality where the real property that
45 is the subject of the hearing is located at least twice, at intervals of not
46 less than two days, the first not more than fifteen days or less than ten
47 days and the last not less than two days before the date set for the
48 hearing. The municipality shall also post a sign conspicuously on the
49 real property that is the subject of the public hearing.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2014</i>	22a-65(d)
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2014</i>	22a-65
Sec. 3	<i>October 1, 2014</i>	New section
Sec. 4	<i>October 1, 2014</i>	7-163e(a)

APP *Joint Favorable Subst.*