



Senate

General Assembly

File No. 210

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Senate Bill No. 880

Senate, March 25, 2015

The Committee on Planning and Development reported through SEN. OSTEN of the 19th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING RESPONSIBLE DEVELOPMENT.

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

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2015*) The Secretary of the
- 2 Office of Policy and Management shall conduct a study to evaluate
- 3 conservation and development in Connecticut.

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

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	New section
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Statement of Purpose:

To require the Office of Policy and Management to study responsible development.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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Joint Favorable

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 16 \$	FY 17 \$
Policy & Mgmt., Off.	GF - Potential Cost	Up to \$300,000	None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill requires the Office of Policy and Management (OPM) to conduct a study to evaluate conservation and development in Connecticut.

OPM is a lead agency for conservation and development policy in the state. However, depending on the exact scope and parameters of the study, OPM may need to hire consultants to conduct part or all of the study. Costs associated with hiring a consultant could be as high as \$300,000. It is anticipated that this would be a one-time cost.

The Out Years

There is no fiscal impact in the out years, as the study is anticipated to be a one-time cost.

OLR Bill Analysis

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AN ACT CONCERNING RESPONSIBLE DEVELOPMENT.

SUMMARY:

This bill requires the Office of Policy and Management secretary to conduct a study to evaluate conservation and development in Connecticut.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2015

COMMITTEE ACTION

Planning and Development Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 19 Nay 0 (03/13/2015)