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POSITION STATEMENT ON RAISED BILL 1045

AN ACT CONCERNING MUNICIPAL PLANS OF CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT.

INTRODUCTION

The Connecticut Chapter of the American Planning Association has over 400 members who are governmental and consulting planners, land use attorneys, citizen planners, and other professionals engaged in planning and managing land use, economic development, housing, transportation, and conservation for local, regional, and State governments, private businesses and other entities.

OVERVIEW

Raised Bill 1045 would amend the enabling statute for municipal plans of conservation and development by (1) repealing obsolete four-year period of reprieve, and (2) requiring such plans to designate the existing and planned sewer service and avoidance areas within the municipality.

ANALYSIS

The proposal to require municipalities to designate existing and planned sewer service and avoidance areas within the municipality as part of the municipal Plan of Conservation and Development is a practical and logical addition to the existing requirements. Many towns already include this information because it is a critical factor in delineating future development and conservation areas. It is an important addition for towns that do not already include this information.

The proposal to repeal the obsolete four-year period of reprieve is a technical correction.

CCAPA POSITION ON RAISED BILL 1045

CCAPA supports the proposal to amend the enabling statute for municipal plans of conservation and development by (1) repealing obsolete four-year period of reprieve, and (2) requiring such plans to designate the existing and planned sewer service and avoidance areas within the municipality.