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Public Act No. 16-202

**AN ACT CONCERNING SIGNAGE FOR SITES ON THE
CONNECTICUT ANTIQUES TRAIL.**

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

Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes or any municipal zoning ordinance or regulation, except those ordinances or regulations pertaining to the size of signage or flags, a business identified by the Department of Economic and Community Development as being on the Connecticut antiques trail, established pursuant to section 32-6u of the general statutes, as amended by this act, may display temporary signage or flags, for not more than sixteen hours each day, indicating that the business is on such trail.

Sec. 2. Section 32-6u of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

The Department of Economic and Community Development shall, within available appropriations, establish a Connecticut antiques trail to identify and market sites in the state where antiques are sold. The department shall develop criteria to identify (1) major antique dealers, (2) communities that feature a high concentration of antique dealers, [and] (3) auction houses that have annual sales in excess of one million

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dollars, and (4) antique dealers located within municipally designated antiques corridors for inclusion in the antiques trail. The department shall develop a program to promote the antiques trail, including, but not limited to, (A) directional and other signs and notices pertaining to the sites identified by the department, and (B) an Internet web site for the antiques trail.

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