



General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 5189

LCO No. 2340



Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by:
(ENV)

AN ACT INCREASING THE MAXIMUM FINE FOR LITTERING.

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 22a-250 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
3 *October 1, 2016*):

4 (b) (1) Any person who violates any provision of subsection (a) of
5 this section shall be fined not more than one [hundred ninety-nine]
6 thousand dollars. One-half of any fine collected pursuant to this
7 subsection shall be payable to the state and one-half of such fine shall
8 be payable to the municipality in which the arrest was made unless the
9 arrest was made by a conservation officer, special conservation officer
10 or patrolman appointed by the Commissioner of Energy and
11 Environmental Protection under authority of section 26-5, in which
12 case one-half of such fine shall be payable to the Department of Energy
13 and Environmental Protection.

14 (2) Whenever any person is convicted of a violation of subdivision
15 (2) of subsection (a) of this section, the court shall, in addition to
16 imposing the fine authorized by subdivision (1) of this subsection,

17 impose a surcharge in an amount equal to fifty per cent of such fine.
18 Any such surcharge collected pursuant to this subdivision shall be
19 payable to the municipality in which the arrest was made unless the
20 arrest was made by a conservation officer, special conservation officer
21 or patrolman appointed by the Commissioner of Energy and
22 Environmental Protection under authority of section 26-5, in which
23 case such surcharge shall be payable to the Department of Energy and
24 Environmental Protection.

25 (3) When any such material or substances are thrown, blown,
26 scattered or spilled from a vehicle, the operator thereof shall be
27 deemed prima facie to have committed such offense.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2016	22a-250(b)

Statement of Purpose:

To increase the maximum penalty for illegal littering from one hundred ninety-nine dollars to one thousand dollars.

[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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