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LCO No. 1680



Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by:
(ENV)

***AN ACT CONCERNING REGULATORY AUTHORITY FOR
WASTEWATER PERMITTING PROGRAMS.***

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (j) of section 22a-430 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
3 *passage*):

4 (j) (1) The commissioner may exempt persons who or municipalities
5 which apply for permits for the following discharges from the
6 requirement to submit plans and specifications under subsection (b) of
7 this section:

8 (A) A discharge from a new treatment or disposal system which
9 system is substantially the same as a system that the applicant is
10 operating in compliance with a permit for said system issued by the
11 commissioner;

12 (B) The discharge is described in a general permit issued by the
13 commissioner pursuant to section 22a-430b;

14 (C) The discharge is from a system, the purpose of which, as
15 determined by the commissioner, is not to treat any toxic or hazardous
16 substances; or

17 (D) The discharge is exempt from public notice under subsection (b)
18 of this section and regulations adopted thereunder.

19 (2) The commissioner [shall] may adopt regulations, [not later than
20 February 1, 2015,] in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to
21 establish other categories of discharges which may be exempted from
22 the requirement to submit plans and specifications under subsection
23 (b) of this section. Such regulations may include, but not be limited to,
24 the following: (A) Minimum standards for the design and operation of
25 treatment systems for such discharges; and (B) requirements for
26 submission of information concerning such discharges.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	22a-430(j)

Statement of Purpose:

To make the adoption of regulations to exempt categories of wastewater discharges from the submission of certain engineering plans and details discretionary rather than mandatory following the issuance of certain general permits by the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection to streamline and expedite the permitting process.

[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.]