



General Assembly

February Session, 2016

**Raised Bill No. 5384**

LCO No. 1505



Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by:  
(ENV)

**AN ACT CONCERNING FUNDING FOR THE TURN IN POACHERS  
AND LOBSTER RESTORATION PROGRAMS OF THE DEPARTMENT  
OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.**

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

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2016*) (a) Notwithstanding any  
2 provision of chapter 490 of the general statutes, any charitable  
3 contribution paid in lieu of a fine for any hunting or inland waters  
4 fishing violation shall be remitted to the Department of Energy and  
5 Environmental Protection for the purpose of funding the Turn in  
6 Poachers program administered by the wildlife division of the  
7 Department of Energy and Environmental Protection.
- 8 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of chapter 490 of the general  
9 statutes, any charitable contribution paid in lieu of a fine for any  
10 marine waters fishing violation shall be remitted to the Department of  
11 Energy and Environmental Protection for the purpose of funding the  
12 lobster restoration program established pursuant to section 26-157d of  
13 the general statutes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2016</i>	New section

**Statement of Purpose:**

To direct charitable contributions paid in lieu of certain hunting and fishing fines to be used for the purpose of funding the Turn in Poachers and lobster restoration programs of the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection.

*[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.]*