

**Proposed Substitute
Bill No. 338**

LCO No. 2953

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF COMMUNITY INVESTMENT
ACCOUNT FUNDS FOR COMBATTING INVASIVE SPECIES.**

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 4-66aa of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
3 *October 1, 2018*):

4 (a) There is established, within the General Fund, a separate,
5 nonlapsing account to be known as the "community investment
6 account". The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be
7 deposited in the account. The funds in the account shall be distributed
8 every three months as follows: (1) Ten dollars of each fee credited to
9 said account shall be deposited into the agriculture sustainability
10 account established pursuant to section 4-66cc and, then, of the
11 remaining funds, (2) twenty-five per cent to the Department of
12 Economic and Community Development to use as follows: (A) Three
13 hundred eighty thousand dollars, annually, to supplement the
14 technical assistance and preservation activities of the Connecticut
15 Trust for Historic Preservation, established pursuant to special act 75-
16 93, and (B) the remainder to supplement historic preservation activities
17 as provided in sections 10-409 to 10-415, inclusive; (3) twenty-five per
18 cent to the Department of Housing to supplement new or existing
19 affordable housing programs; (4) twenty-five per cent to the
20 Department of Energy and Environmental Protection for municipal
21 open space grants and grants to lake authorities for the control of
22 invasive species, provided: (A) Any such grant to a lake authority for
23 such purposes shall not exceed one-third of the reasonable costs for

24 such control measures or project, (B) any such grant shall not exceed
25 twenty-five thousand dollars, and (C) any such lake shall have public
26 access; and (5) twenty-five per cent to the Department of Agriculture
27 to use as follows: (A) Five hundred thousand dollars annually for the
28 agricultural viability grant program established pursuant to section 22-
29 26j; (B) five hundred thousand dollars annually for the farm transition
30 program established pursuant to section 22-26k; (C) one hundred
31 thousand dollars annually to encourage the sale of Connecticut-grown
32 food to schools, restaurants, retailers and other institutions and
33 businesses in the state; (D) seventy-five thousand dollars annually for
34 the Connecticut farm link program established pursuant to section 22-
35 26l; (E) forty-seven thousand five hundred dollars annually for the
36 Seafood Advisory Council established pursuant to section 22-455; (F)
37 forty-seven thousand five hundred dollars annually for the
38 Connecticut Farm Wine Development Council established pursuant to
39 section 22-26c; (G) twenty-five thousand dollars annually to the
40 Connecticut Food Policy Council established pursuant to section 22-
41 456; and (H) the remainder for farmland preservation programs
42 pursuant to chapter 422. Each agency receiving funds under this
43 section may use not more than ten per cent of such funds for
44 administration of the programs for which the funds were provided.

45 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section,
46 fifty per cent of the moneys deposited in the community investment
47 account from January 1, 2016, until June 30, 2017, shall be credited
48 every three months to the resources of the General Fund, provided the
49 funds remaining in the account shall be distributed as provided in
50 subsection (a) of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2018</i>	4-66aa(a)