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(As Amended)

**"AN ACT CONCERNING LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE  
PREMIUM RATE INCREASES."**

1      In line 61, after "Health" insert "and the Department of Energy and  
2      Environmental Protection"

3      After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and  
4      internal references accordingly:

5      "Sec. 501. Section 22a-610 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
6      following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):

7      (a) As used in this section:

8      (1) "Tier I information" means information in aggregate terms for  
9      hazardous chemicals in categories of health and physical hazards as set  
10     forth under the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 and  
11     regulations promulgated thereunder, including (A) an estimate, in  
12     ranges, of the maximum amount of hazardous chemicals in each

13 category present at the facility at any time during the preceding  
14 calendar year, (B) an estimate, in ranges, of the average daily amount  
15 of hazardous chemicals in each category present at the facility during  
16 the preceding calendar year and (C) the general location of hazardous  
17 chemicals in each category.

18 (2) "Tier II information" means information requested in accordance  
19 with subsection (c) for hazardous chemicals including, but not limited  
20 to, (A) the chemical name or common name of the chemical as  
21 provided on the material safety data sheet, (B) an estimate, in ranges,  
22 of the maximum amount of the hazardous chemicals present at the  
23 facility at any time during the preceding calendar year, (C) an estimate,  
24 in ranges, of the average daily amount of the hazardous chemicals  
25 present at the facility during the preceding calendar year, (D) a brief  
26 description of the manner of storage of the hazardous chemicals, (E)  
27 the location at the facility of the hazardous chemicals and (F) an  
28 indication of whether the owner elects to withhold location  
29 information of a specific chemical from disclosure to the public under  
30 Section 324 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-  
31 Know Act of 1986.

32 (3) "Hazardous chemical" means a chemical for which a material  
33 safety data sheet is required under the Occupational Safety and Health  
34 Act of 1970 (15 USC 651 et seq.) or a chemical on a list required to be  
35 filed under section 22a-609.

36 (b) On or before March 1, 1990, and annually thereafter, the owner  
37 or operator of any facility required to prepare or have available a  
38 material safety data sheet for a hazardous chemical under the  
39 Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 and regulations  
40 promulgated thereunder shall, for any such hazardous chemical  
41 present at the facility in an amount equal to or in excess of the  
42 minimum threshold level specified in Part 370 of Title 40 of the Code  
43 of Federal Regulations, as amended from time to time, prepare and  
44 submit an emergency and hazardous chemical inventory form  
45 containing tier I or tier II information to the appropriate local

46 emergency planning committee, the commission and the fire  
47 department with jurisdiction over the facility. The owner or operator  
48 may comply with this section by (1) providing information on the  
49 inventory form on each element or compound in the mixture which is  
50 a hazardous chemical or (2) providing information on the inventory  
51 form on the mixture itself.

52 (c) (1) The owner or operator of a facility submitting an emergency  
53 and hazardous chemical inventory form in accordance with subsection  
54 (b) of this section shall provide tier II information for a facility to the  
55 commission, a local emergency planning committee or a fire  
56 department with jurisdiction over the facility upon request of such  
57 commission, committee or department.

58 (2) Any state or municipal official may have access to tier II  
59 information submitted in accordance with subsection (b) of this section  
60 upon submitting a request to the commission or the local emergency  
61 planning committee. Upon request for such information, the  
62 commission or local committee shall request the owner or operator of  
63 the facility for the tier II information and make available such  
64 information to the official.

65 (d) The owner or operator of a facility which files an inventory form  
66 under this section shall, upon request of the fire department with  
67 jurisdiction over the facility, allow such fire department to conduct an  
68 on-site inspection of the facility and provide to the fire department  
69 specific location information on hazardous chemicals at the facility.

70 (e) For any such facility that the Department of Energy and  
71 Environmental Protection identifies as being located in an area at high  
72 risk of: (1) Flooding, (2) a severe weather event, or (3) a rise in sea  
73 level, as identified in sea level change scenarios published by the  
74 National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in Technical  
75 Report OAR CPO-1 and updated pursuant to subsection (b) of section  
76 25-68o, not later than January 1, 2019, the owner or operator of such  
77 facility shall update the hazard mitigation plan and any applicable

78 evacuation plan for such facility to address such risk. Any such  
79 updated hazard mitigation plan and evacuation plan shall be  
80 submitted to the applicable local emergency planning committee not  
81 later than sixty days after it is updated pursuant to this subsection.  
82 Each such local emergency planning committee shall review such  
83 submissions and determine any necessary changes to the applicable  
84 community plans for chemical emergencies, including, but not limited  
85 to, any enhanced community notification and emergency evacuation  
86 procedures.

87 Sec. 502. Section 10-16b of the 2018 supplement to the general  
88 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof  
89 (*Effective October 1, 2018*):

90 (a) In the public schools the program of instruction offered shall  
91 include at least the following subject matter, as taught by legally  
92 qualified teachers, the arts; career education; consumer education;  
93 health and safety, including, but not limited to, human growth and  
94 development, nutrition, first aid, including cardiopulmonary  
95 resuscitation training in accordance with the provisions of section 10-  
96 16qq, disease prevention and cancer awareness, including, but not  
97 limited to, age and developmentally appropriate instruction in  
98 performing self-examinations for the purposes of screening for breast  
99 cancer and testicular cancer, community and consumer health,  
100 physical, mental and emotional health, including youth suicide  
101 prevention, substance abuse prevention, safety, which shall include the  
102 safe use of social media, as defined in section 9-601, and may include  
103 the dangers of gang membership, and accident prevention; language  
104 arts, including reading, writing, grammar, speaking and spelling;  
105 mathematics; physical education; science, which may include the  
106 climate change curriculum described in subsection (d) of this section;  
107 social studies, including, but not limited to, citizenship, economics,  
108 geography, government and history; computer programming  
109 instruction; and in addition, on at least the secondary level, one or  
110 more world languages and vocational education. For purposes of this  
111 subsection, world languages shall include American Sign Language,

112 provided such subject matter is taught by a qualified instructor under  
113 the supervision of a teacher who holds a certificate issued by the State  
114 Board of Education. For purposes of this subsection, the "arts" means  
115 any form of visual or performing arts, which may include, but not be  
116 limited to, dance, music, art and theatre.

117 (b) If a local or regional board of education requires its pupils to  
118 take a course in a world language, the parent or guardian of a pupil  
119 identified as deaf or hard of hearing may request in writing that such  
120 pupil be exempted from such requirement and, if such a request is  
121 made, such pupil shall be exempt from such requirement.

122 (c) Each local and regional board of education shall on September 1,  
123 1982, and annually thereafter at such time and in such manner as the  
124 Commissioner of Education shall request, attest to the State Board of  
125 Education that such local or regional board of education offers at least  
126 the program of instruction required pursuant to this section, and that  
127 such program of instruction is planned, ongoing and systematic.

128 (d) The State Board of Education shall make available curriculum  
129 materials and such other materials as may assist local and regional  
130 boards of education in developing instructional programs pursuant to  
131 this section. The State Board of Education, within available  
132 appropriations and utilizing available resource materials, shall assist  
133 and encourage local and regional boards of education to include: (1)  
134 Holocaust and genocide education and awareness; (2) the historical  
135 events surrounding the Great Famine in Ireland; (3) African-American  
136 history; (4) Puerto Rican history; (5) Native American history; (6)  
137 personal financial management, including, but not limited to, financial  
138 literacy as developed in the plan provided under section 10-16pp; (7)  
139 training in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of automatic  
140 external defibrillators; (8) labor history and law, including organized  
141 labor, the collective bargaining process, existing legal protections in the  
142 workplace, the history and economics of free market capitalism and  
143 entrepreneurialism, and the role of labor and capitalism in the  
144 development of the American and world economies; (9) climate

145 change consistent with the Next Generation Science Standards; and  
146 [(9)] (10) topics approved by the state board upon the request of local  
147 or regional boards of education as part of the program of instruction  
148 offered pursuant to subsection (a) of this section. The Department of  
149 Energy and Environmental Protection shall be available to each local  
150 and regional board of education for the development of curriculum on  
151 climate change as described in this subsection.

152 Sec. 503. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Not later than July 1, 2018,  
153 the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection, in  
154 consultation with the Commissioner of Consumer Protection, shall  
155 convene a working group of representatives of the apparel industry  
156 and the environmental community for the purpose of developing a  
157 consumer awareness and education program concerning the presence  
158 of synthetic microfibers in clothing. Such program shall include, but  
159 not be limited to, consumer oriented information that explains the  
160 process by which such microfibers are shed from clothing and are  
161 dispersed in the state's waterways, best practices for consumers to  
162 eliminate and reduce the disbursement of microfibers from clothing  
163 into the waterways of the state and information on efforts that  
164 members of the apparel industry, including, but not limited to, brand  
165 labels, are undertaking to reduce or eliminate microfibers in clothing.  
166 The working group shall include, but not be limited to, a  
167 representative of each of the following organizations: (1) The  
168 Sustainable Apparel Coalition, (2) the American Apparel and Footwear  
169 Association, (3) the American Apparel and Producer's Network, (4)  
170 Fashion Group International, (5) the National Retail Federation, (6) the  
171 Council of Fashion Designers of America, (7) Fashion Business, Inc.,  
172 and (8) the Outdoor Industry Association. Not later than January 1,  
173 2019, the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall,  
174 in accordance with section 11-4a of the general statutes, submit a  
175 report to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having  
176 cognizance of matters relating to the environment on the efforts of  
177 such working group and any related recommendations for legislation  
178 concerning such consumer awareness and education program and the

179 reduction of microfibers in our state's waterways."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	<i>October 1, 2018</i>	22a-610
Sec. 502	<i>October 1, 2018</i>	10-16b
Sec. 503	<i>from passage</i>	New section