



General Assembly

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**Committee Bill No. 598**

LCO No. 4461



Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by:  
(ENV)

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE PRODUCTION OF HEMP IN CONNECTICUT.**

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of  
2 Agriculture shall adopt regulations in accordance with chapter 54 of  
3 the general statutes to establish a licensing program for the growing,  
4 cultivation, production and processing of industrial hemp in the state.  
5 Such licensing program shall be consistent with federal law. Such  
6 regulations shall establish fees for any such license and provide, at a  
7 minimum, for the tracking and inspection of property used for any  
8 such growing, cultivation, production or processing, the testing of  
9 plants and products and processes for the disposal of plants and  
10 products that exceed requisite levels of tetrahydrocannabinol.  
11 Additionally, such regulations shall provide for the renewal,  
12 suspension and revocation of such licenses and include provision for a  
13 hearing upon any such action to suspend or revoke such a license by  
14 the commissioner.

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

**Statement of Purpose:**

To authorize the production of hemp in Connecticut.

*[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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