OLR Bill Analysis

SB 229

AN ACT PROHIBITING THE USE OF STYROFOAM TRAYS IN CONNECTICUT SCHOOLS.

SUMMARY

This bill prohibits school districts and regional school districts from entering into purchasing contracts for trays made of expanded polystyrene.

It also requires each district, by October 1, 2019, to develop a plan for discontinuing the use of expanded polystyrene trays. Each plan must require the district to discontinue the use of such trays by July 1, 2020.

Under the bill, “expanded polystyrene” means blown polystyrene and expanded and extruded foams that are thermoplastic petrochemical materials using a styrene monomer and processed by any number of techniques, including fusion of polymer spheres and injection, foam, or extrusion-blown molding.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

COMMITTEE ACTION

Environment Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 20  Nay 8  (03/18/2019)