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Special Act No. 21-23

AN ACT CONCERNING THE STAFFING AND RESOURCES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.

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

Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) Not later than January 15, 2022, the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall submit a report, in accordance with section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the environment. Such report shall consist of the following: (1) An accounting of each department or other public agency position, whether permanent, temporary, part-time or full-time, that is or was paid for from the revenues or moneys of the Passport to the Parks account established in section 23-15h of the general statutes; and (2) an assessment of the reasonably foreseeable impacts that retirements of eligible department personnel during the 2022 calendar year will have on the viability, functioning, efficacy and efficiency of each program of the department based, in part, upon a comparison of the reasonably foreseeable post-2022 staffing levels for each class of employee to perform the responsibilities of each program with the average number of employees within each class of employee undertaking the responsibilities of each program during the immediately preceding five-year period. Such assessment shall include, but not be limited to, an identification of any agency or programmatic function, responsibility or

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enforcement eliminated, reduced or not performed during such preceding five-year period as a direct result of reductions in personnel during the immediately preceding ten-year period. Additionally, such assessment shall include a description of any new department program or responsibility implemented or developed, or anticipated to be implemented or developed, as a consequence of any special or public act of the General Assembly or legislative proposal of the agency during the 2021 and 2022 regular legislative sessions and the reasonably foreseeable requisite personnel to perform each such new program or responsibility.

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