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PUBLIC ACT SUMMARY



**PA 21-41—SB 700**

*Planning and Development Committee*

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE DISCLOSURE OF DAMS AND SIMILAR STRUCTURES BY SELLERS OF REAL PROPERTY**

**SUMMARY:** This act adds a question about dams to the standard written residential condition report that the law generally requires a seller of residential property to provide to a prospective buyer before the transaction occurs.

Under the act, the report must include a question about the presence of dams that have been, or must be, registered with the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP). (State law requires dams and similar structures that could endanger life or property if they fail to be registered with DEEP (CGS § 22a-409(b)).)

The act also requires the report to have a statement informing prospective buyers that they may obtain information on dam registration and categorization from DEEP. (State regulations classify dams by the hazard they would pose if they fail (Conn. Agencies Regs. § 22a-409-2).)

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** October 1, 2021