AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESS TO PUBLIC BEACHES.

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

That the general statutes be amended to prohibit any municipality or other local unit of government from (1) enacting ordinances, regulations or other rules that limit access to any public beach based on town residency of any potential visitor to such public beach, including when a municipal or local official determines that capacity concerns warrant limiting such access, (2) establishing a fee or access structure that disparately impacts any such potential visitors based on town residency, and (3) charging more for the issuance of any parking or access pass for any such public beach than the state charges for access to its public parks.

Statement of Purpose:
To prohibit municipalities and other local units of government from limiting the access of certain individuals to public beaches.