



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5107

LCO No. 447



Referred to Committee on ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY

Introduced by:
REP. MICHEL, 146th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING SMALL CELL SITING AND SMART METER
OPT-IN.**

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

1 That title 16 of the general statutes be amended to: (1) Provide that,
2 with regard to any small cell installation within a municipality, such
3 municipality shall (A) conduct the siting for such installation, (B) allow
4 the Connecticut Siting Council to conduct such siting, or (C) conduct
5 such siting in conjunction with said council, but may override any
6 decision of said council relating to such siting only if the municipality
7 demonstrates that the reason for such override is based on persuasive
8 and reliable environmental information; and (2) prohibit electric
9 distribution companies from installing an advanced metering system on
10 a customer's premises unless the customer affirmatively opts in to such
11 installation.

Statement of Purpose:

To give municipalities different options in conducting the siting for small cell installations and to prohibit electric utilities from installing

smart meters if the customer does not opt in and consent to the installation.