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Proposed Bill No. 5221

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Referred to Committee on ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY

Introduced by:

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AN ACT CONCERNING NOISE LIMITS ON OFFSHORE WIND FACILITIES AND ENVIRONMENTAL AND JOB CREATION FACTORS IN THE PROCUREMENT OF WIND ENERGY.

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

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to: (1) Establish a maximum
- 2 noise level for offshore wind energy facilities constructed pursuant to a
- 3 power purchase agreement with an electric distribution company
- 4 regulated by the state; and (2) provide that the Commissioner of Energy
- 5 and Environmental Protection shall consider the degree of
- 6 environmental degradation and the number of jobs created as specific
- 7 factors in the ranking and scoring of bids in state solicitations of offshore
- 8 wind energy.

Statement of Purpose:

To establish noise limits for offshore wind facilities providing energy to Connecticut electric customers and require environmental and job creation standards in the state's procurement of wind energy.