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BILL NUMBER: HB 5623
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AMENDMENTS:

TITLE: "AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONNECTICUT MIGRATORY BIRD CONSERVATION STAMP PROGRAM"

FAVORABLY REPORTED BY Environment, Finance, Revenue and Bonding

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon Passage

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT - BILL NUMBER HB 5623

STATE IMPACT Future Revenue Loss and Savings (Conservation Fund), Future Revenue Gain and Cost (Migratory Bird Conservation Fund), Minimal Cost, Can be Absorbed (General Fund), see explanation below

MUNICIPAL IMPACT Delay of Minimal Revenue and Minimal Cost, see explanation below

STATE AGENCY(S) Environmental Protection

EXPLANATION OF ESTIMATES:

STATE IMPACT: Passage of this bill would delay by one year (from 7/1/92 to 7/1/93) any increase in revenue to the State due to the issuance of Ct. Migratory Bird Conservation Stamps to waterfowl hunters and the sale of prints. The bill would also require that any revenue generated be deposited in a separate Migratory Bird Conservation Fund and not the Conservation Fund per PA 91-308. It was anticipated that if the State were to charge \$5 a stamp, \$60,000 in revenue a year would be generated and at \$10 a stamp, \$120,000 would be generated. It was also anticipated that prints could be sold for \$100 and over, and could generate as much as a million dollars if 10,000 are sold. Since no upfront costs to the DEP were anticipated (the marketing company would take a percentage of the profits to cover their costs), the delay has no fiscal impact on costs to DEP. It is anticipated that the citizens' advisory board will have a minimal impact on DEP.

MUNICIPAL IMPACT: Passage of this bill would delay by one year, the minimal increase in costs to towns for the issuance of stamps as well as delay the minimal revenue increase due to the retention of a 50 cent fee. No net impact is anticipated.