



CWVA Legislative Status Report

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANIES

Proposed S.B. No. 69 SEN. ANWAR, 3rd DIST. '**AN ACT CONCERNING A PROHIBITION ON PUBLICLY TRADED UTILITY COMPANIES**', to prohibit the stock of any public utility company from being traded on any stock exchange. REF. ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY

ENVIRONMENT

Proposed S.B. No. 9 SEN. ANWAR, 3rd DIST. '**AN ACT CONCERNING THE EFFECTS OF SODIUM CHLORIDE ON PRIVATE WELLS AND PUBLIC DRINKING WATER SUPPLIES**', to mitigate the environmental effects of sodium chloride that is used for ice and snow melt on road surfaces. REF. ENVIRONMENT

PFAS RELATED PROPOSALS

Proposed S.B. No. 11 SEN. ANWAR, 3rd DIST. '**AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF PFAS IN FIREFIGHTING FOAMS**', to prohibit the use of PFAS in firefighting foams and establish a take-back program for such chemicals. REF. ENVIRONMENT

Proposed S.B. No. 109 SEN. ANWAR, 3rd DIST. '**AN ACT CONCERNING PERFLUOROALKYL AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES**', to limit the public's exposure to perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances. REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed S.B. No. 111 SEN. ANWAR, 3rd DIST. '**AN ACT LIMITING THE USE OF PERFLUOROALKYL AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES AND EXPANDED POLYSTYRENE IN FOOD PACKAGING**', to limit the use of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances and expanded polystyrene in food packaging. REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed H.B. No. 5074 REP. PETIT, 22nd DIST. '**AN ACT CONCERNING PERFLUOROALKYL AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES**', to protect the public by limiting exposure to perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances. REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

WATER QUALITY

Proposed S.B. No. 118 SEN. ANWAR, 3rd DIST. '**AN ACT CONCERNING WATER QUALITY NOTIFICATION**', to require the owner of a property supplied by a public well or a well for semipublic use to notify each tenant and lessee of such property of the results of certain water quality tests. REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

WATER UTILITY CHARGES



Proposed S.B. No. 95 SEN. CHAMPAGNE, 35th DIST. '**AN ACT CONCERNING THE IMPOSITION OF LINE CHARGES FOR CERTAIN WATER LINES**', to prohibit water companies from imposing line charges on municipalities for certain water lines. REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

OPERATIONS

Proposed H.B. No. 5129 REP. DELNICKI, 14th DIST. '**AN ACT CONCERNING THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF HARTFORD COUNTY**', to make several changes relating to the organization and operations of the Metropolitan District of Hartford County. REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Proposed H.B. No. 5003 REP. PISCOPO, 76th DIST. '**AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A WATER LINE ON JACKSON STREET IN THE TOWN OF THOMASTON**', to construct a water line on Jackson Street in Thomaston. REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING

Proposed H.B. No. 5059 REP. DEVLIN, 134th DIST. '**AN ACT CONCERNING A PROPERTY OWNER'S LIABILITY FOR THE EXPENSES OF REMOVING A FALLEN TREE OR TREE LIMB**', to impose liability on an owner of private real property for the expenses of removing a tree or tree limb located on such real property that falls on adjoining private real property. REF. JUDICIARY

AGENCY PROPOSALS

AN ACT CONCERNING ENERGY SAVINGS & EFFICIENCY STANDARDS - To minimize consumers' energy costs from commonly-used products and appliances, protect Connecticut's businesses and residents from the repeal of federal lighting efficiency standards, and to establish and update state appliance and equipment energy and water efficiency standards.

AN ACT CONCERNING MINOR REVISIONS - This proposal amends section 22a-6f to establish authority to set annual fees for General Permits. As more individual permits move to general permits, the application fees become lower and the department loses annual fees which are intended to support the agency's costs for monitoring compliance with the terms and conditions of authorization. This proposal would allow annual fees to be established in the development of a general permit and would help cover the cost of compliance monitoring. In accordance with CGS Section 22a-6(b), municipalities seeking coverage under a general permit would pay 50% of the annual fee.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDIN VARIOUS REVISIONS TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH STATUTES - Includes the following water related provisions:

Sections 1 and 2. Amend Sections 73 and 74 of Public Act 19-117 to remove the population requirements for the replacement of an existing well. Currently, only a town in southeastern



Connecticut with a population between fifteen thousand and fifteen thousand three hundred, as enumerated by the 2010 federal decennial census, is eligible for such replacement well. The proposal expands this replacement well provision to include other wells in Connecticut. This would permit the installation of a replacement well that does not meet the sanitary radius and minimum setback requirements as specified in the regulations of Connecticut state agencies when such well is necessary for the water company to maintain and provide to its consumers a safe and adequate water supply.

Sections 3 and 4. Ensure that the Commissioner of Public Health receives electronic notification of 1) projects to change the regulations, boundaries or zoning district classifications that may have an impact on a public drinking water watershed or aquifer protection area; 2) regulated activity upon an inland wetland or watercourse within the watershed of a water company that may have an impact on a public drinking water watershed or aquifer protection area or is for commercial or industrial use. This proposal will streamline the notification process to ensure that DPH receives electronic notification of projects that may have a potential impact to public drinking water sources.

Section 6. Revises the definition of “private well” to add specificity to the population type served by a private well to reflect that it pertains to residential settings, and replace the term “private residential well” with the newly-defined term “private well” throughout the section.