

General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5385



Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by: REP. BUMGARDNER, 41st Dist. SEN. SOMERS, 18th Dist.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE MYSTIC AQUARIUM ANIMAL RESCUE FUND.

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

1 That the general statutes be amended to establish the Mystic 2 Aquarium Animal Rescue Fund that shall be funded through annual 3 appropriations from the General Fund and used for supporting the 4 aquarium's rescue, rehabilitation and release of stranded marine 5 mammals, educational outreach programs and marine life and 6 conservation research.

Statement of Purpose:

To provide resources to the Mystic Aquarium Animal Rescue Program that enable it to rescue, rehabilitate and release marine animals in distress while advancing conservation educational and scientific research.