



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 6241

LCO No. 3174



Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by:
REP. FOSTER, 57th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE AGRICULTURE INDUSTRY IN
CONNECTICUT.**

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

1 That the general statutes be amended to: (1) Exempt from the
2 personal property tax farm machinery, horses and ponies from having
3 a value of between one hundred thousand dollars and five hundred
4 thousand dollars, (2) establish a Connecticut farmer investment tax
5 credit that allows farmers to produce agriculture products at a more
6 affordable price, (3) limit the liability of farmers for agrotourism such as
7 farm tours, pick-your-own produce or animal encounters that have
8 inherent risks, (4) establish a state fund for farmers that is used for
9 repairing and cleaning up a farm after a natural disaster declaration, (5)
10 authorize grocery beer permit holders to sell hard cider, (6) require
11 science-based state and federal agencies to have exclusive jurisdiction
12 over the regulation of pesticides and herbicides, and (7) raise the
13 quarterly payroll threshold above which an employer would be
14 required to pay unemployment taxes from twenty thousand dollars to
15 thirty thousand dollars annually.

Statement of Purpose:

To implement measures designed to assist farmers financially and enable the state's agricultural industry to sustain.