

General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 6248

LCO No. **4916**

Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by: (ENV)

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MORATORIUM ON FISHING FOR STRIPED BASS IN THE LOWER HOUSATONIC RIVER.

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

Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding any provision of chapter 26 of the general statutes, the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection shall establish a moratorium on the fishing of striped bass from the lower Housatonic River for a period until the population of such fish reaches a sustainable population to allow for such fishing. This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following

sections:

Section I from passage New section

Statement of Purpose:

To restore the population of striped bass in the lower Housatonic River.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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