



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 58

LCO No. 70



Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by:
SEN. SOMERS, 18th Dist.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING RESIDENTS LIVING IN A FLOOD ZONE TO LAY UP TO TEN THOUSAND CUBIC YARDS OF LANDSCAPE FILL PER YEAR IN THEIR YARD AND ESTABLISHING A TAX DEDUCTION FOR THE COSTS OF SUCH FILL AND A GRANT PROGRAM FOR ROAD RAISING.

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

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to require (1) the Department
- 2 of Energy and Environmental Protection to establish a permit that
- 3 authorizes a resident living in a flood zone to lay up to ten thousand
- 4 cubic yards of landscaping fill around the foundation of their dwelling
- 5 per year; (2) the Department of Revenue Services to establish a tax
- 6 deduction for the cost of such landscaping fill; and (3) the Department
- 7 of Transportation to establish a grant program for road raising to
- 8 support climate resiliency whereby grants will be made available to
- 9 municipalities for climate resiliency projects that also meet the
- 10 requirements for the Local Capital Improvement Program.

Statement of Purpose:

To authorize the placement of landscape fill in flood zones and create a tax deduction for such flood prevention measures as well as a grant

program for road raising municipalities climate resiliency efforts by municipalities.