



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 59

LCO No. 69



Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by:
SEN. SOMERS, 18th Dist.

AN ACT REQUIRING A PLAN FOR BENEFICIAL USE DREDGING.

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

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to require the Department of
- 2 Energy and Environmental Protection to adopt a plan for beneficial use
- 3 dredging that identifies: (1) Navigable channels for such dredging, (2)
- 4 wetlands that may be best suited for the dredged sediment, and (3) a
- 5 projected cost and timeline for the plan. Not later than December 31,
- 6 2025, the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall
- 7 submit such plan to the joint standing committee of the General
- 8 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the environment.

Statement of Purpose:

To improve navigation in Connecticut's waterways and increase and improve coastal wetland habitat and water quality.