



General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 59

LCO No. 3561



Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by:
(ENV)

AN ACT REQUIRING A PLAN FOR BENEFICIAL USE DREDGING.

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

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

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

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| Section 1 | <i>from passage</i> | New section |
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Statement of Purpose:

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

[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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