



General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 72

LCO No. 3846



Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by:
(ENV)

**AN ACT REQUIRING LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION'S
EVICTION OF FARMERS CONDUCTING FARMING ON STATE-
OWNED PROPERTY.**

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

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding any
2 provision of the general statutes, any lease renewed or entered into after
3 the effective date of this section between the Commissioner of
4 Agriculture or the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental
5 Protection and a farmer for the lease of state property for agricultural
6 purposes shall provide that any eviction of such farmer from such
7 property shall not be permitted unless such eviction is approved by a
8 vote of both chambers of the General Assembly.

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

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

To protect farmers who permissibly farm on state-owned land.

[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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