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Special Act No. 26-25

AN ACT CONCERNING RESOURCE RECOVERY FACILITIES IN THE STATE.

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

Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall convene a working group within the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection to examine the need for and viability and impact of suspending, for a period not to exceed five consecutive fiscal years, the fee described in section 22a-232 of the general statutes for one or more resource recovery facilities in the state. Such examination may consider other means to meet any such identified need, including, but not limited to, the availability of state grant, tax abatement or financing programs. Such working group shall, at a minimum, consist of one member from each of the member towns of the Bristol Resource Recovery Facility Operating Committee, the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection, or the commissioner's designee, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the secretary's designee, the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, or the commissioner's designee, and any other member deemed necessary by the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection. Not later than January 1, 2027, the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of

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section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the environment on the nature and result of such examination, the identified need for such a suspension for any such resource recovery facility in the state, the availability of other state resources or programs to meet any such identified need and any legislative recommendations directly related to such examination.