



House of Representatives

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Substitute House Bill No. 5157

House of Representatives, March 19, 2026

The Committee on Environment reported through REP. PARKER of the 101st Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE TIRE STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM.

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

- 1 Section 1. Section 22a-905i of the general statutes is amended by
2 adding subsection (s) as follows (*Effective from passage*):
- 3 (NEW) (s) Notwithstanding any provision of this section, not later
4 than July 1, 2027, each retailer shall join a tire stewardship organization.

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

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	22a-905i(s)
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ENV Joint Favorable Subst.

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill extends, from January 1, 2025 to July 1, 2027, the requirement for tire retailers to join a stewardship organization, and does not result in a cost to the state or municipalities.

The Out Years

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

OLR Bill Analysis**sHB 5157*****AN ACT CONCERNING THE TIRE STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM.*****SUMMARY**

A 2023 law required the establishment of a statewide stewardship program to manage discarded tires (PA 23-62). Among other things, it required tire producers, by January 1, 2025, to join a stewardship organization and submit plans to implement the program to the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) for its approval.

This bill requires tire retailers to join a stewardship organization by July 1, 2027. Under current law, their participation in a tire stewardship organization is voluntary.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

BACKGROUND***Tire Stewardship Program Requirements***

Under existing law, the tire stewardship program must, to the extent technologically and economically practicable, establish and manage a statewide collection system for tires. This program must, among other things, provide for:

1. free public access to the collection system (i.e. drop-off) for discarded tires;
2. suitable storage containers for tires, as needed, throughout the collection system;
3. public promotion and education about the program; and
4. market development, as needed, to meet performance goals.

The program must be financed through producer funding and ensure that discarded tires are (1) picked up from the collection system and transported for recycling and (2) resold or recycled (CGS § 22a-905i). The DEEP commissioner may civilly enforce the program’s requirements under her existing authority, and the Attorney General, at the commissioner’s request, may bring an action in the New Britain superior court for an order to enjoin any act, practice, or omission in violation of the tire stewardship program requirements.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Environment Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 33 Nay 0 (03/04/2026)