



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 317

February Session, 2026



AN ACT CONCERNING RESOURCE RECOVERY FACILITIES IN THE STATE.

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

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

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

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

ENV *Joint Favorable Subst.*