



General Assembly

Amendment

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LCO No. 5474



Offered by:
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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 319

File No. 458

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"AN ACT CONCERNING BATTERY-POWERED LAWN EQUIPMENT FUNDING FOR MUNICIPALITIES, REGIONAL SCHOOLS AND COMMERCIAL LANDSCAPERS."

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2027*) The Department of
4 Energy and Environmental Protection shall reactivate the 2010 Lawn
5 Equipment Exchange Fund for municipalities and regional school
6 districts.

7 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2026*) Not later than January 31,
8 2028, the Connecticut Green Bank shall establish and administer a loan
9 program or financing product, for a period of not less than three years,
10 to assist state-registered commercial landscapers with the purchase or
11 lease of battery-operated lawn equipment. Upon completion of such
12 three-year period, the Connecticut Green Bank may, at its discretion,
13 discontinue such program or financing product or continue it as it
14 deems appropriate. The Connecticut Green Bank shall use existing

15 statutory authority and access to capital, as well as lending partnerships,
16 to create such loans or loan products."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2027</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2026</i>	New section