



General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 5503

LCO No. 5668



Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION

Introduced by:
(TRA)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE NAME OF THE THAMES RIVER.

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioners of
2 Transportation and Energy and Environmental Protection shall (1)
3 consult with the Eastern Pequot Tribe, the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe
4 and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut with regards to
5 restoring the name of the Thames River to a former name that honors
6 the heritage of such river, and (2) in the event of an agreement of said
7 tribes concerning a former name, apply to the United States Board on
8 Geographic Names to restore the name of the Thames River to such
9 former name.

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 require the Commissioners of Transportation and Energy and Environmental Protection to (1) consult with the Eastern Pequot Tribe, the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe and the Mohegan Tribe of Indians of

Connecticut with regards to restoring the name of the Thames River to a former name, and (2) apply for federal approval of such former name.

[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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