



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5351

LCO No. 1865



Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by:
(ENV)

AN ACT STUDYING THE NEED FOR AN EXTENDED PRODUCER RESPONSIBILITY PROGRAM FOR CARPETS.

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 conduct a study of the need to establish
3 an extended producer responsibility program for carpets that are sold
4 and distributed in this state. Such study shall include, but not be limited
5 to, an identification of any labeling necessary for such carpets, an
6 assessment of any requirements concerning the exclusion of PFAS, as
7 defined in section 22a-255h of the general statutes, from the
8 manufacturing of such carpets, a description of the producers who shall
9 be required to participate in any such extended producer responsibility
10 program, including, but not limited to, any manufacturer or renovator
11 of carpets sold and distributed in this state, a listing of the requirements
12 for any such stewardship organization and attendant stewardship plan,
13 identification of the best methods and general locations for collection of
14 such carpets throughout the state, a determination of the collection and
15 recycling goals of any such stewardship program and a description of
16 any other component for such a stewardship program that the

17 commissioner determines to be necessary or relevant. Not later than
18 January 1, 2025, the commissioner, in accordance with the provisions of
19 section 11-4a of the general statutes, shall submit a report to the joint
20 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
21 matters relating to the environment on the result of such study and any
22 recommendations concerning the establishment of such an extended
23 producer responsibility program.

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

To study the need to establish an extended producer responsibility program for carpets that are sold and distributed in this state.

[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.]