



# Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection



# 2013 Legislative Overview

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# Background

- Legislative Long Session, January 9 – June 5



- The Air Bureau is currently tracking 75 bills



# Notable Deadlines

## Joint Favorable Deadlines

- Transportation, 3/27
  - Commerce, 3/28
  - Energy and Tech, 3/28
  - Environment, 4/3
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- If a bill originating in the Committee fails to receive a JF before the deadline then the bill is dead.



# Bureau Proposals

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H.B. 1019 – Streamlining, Public Hearing 3/15

- Radiation Changes, § 3-7
  - Amends the radiation enforcement provisions to authorize the Commissioner to use additional remedial measures, hearing processes, judicial remedies and fines
- Noise Program Changes, § 8-10
  - Removes the requirement for municipalities to obtain DEEP approval of local ordinances
  - Makes noise rule adoption discretionary



# Bureau Proposals

## S.B. 1008, More Streamlining, Public Hearing 3/7

- GHG Vehicle Labeling Repeal
  - EPA adopted a national label that exceeds CT's requirements
- General Permit for Emergency Engines and Corresponding Pilot Program Repeal
  - No sources applied for this general permit or pilot program
- Fixed Price CO<sub>2</sub> Allowance Sale for Long Term PPA Repeal
  - Intended to protect sources from price impacts if they were subject to a LT PPA before RGGI
  - No longer any eligible sources in CT.



# Other Bills of Note

- Stage II Decommissioning Bill, H.B. 6534, PH 3/7
  - Repeals Stage II requirement, establishes timeline for decommissioning of existing stage II systems by 2015
- School Bus Idling Bill, S.B. 976, PH 3/8
  - Would allow idling up to 32 degrees and allow idling for the performance of safety inspections
- Implementation of Comprehensive Energy Strategy, H.B. 6360, Hearing 3/9
  - § 4, amends 22a-174j to address RGGI import policy
  - § 17 amends 16-21a to require Ultra Low Sulfur heating oil on or after 7/1/13
  - Deletes multi-state trigger



# Other Bills of Note

- eRegulations, H.B. 6362 (Gov Bill), PH 2/25
  - Requires all state regulations after 1970 to be on-line in central location on Sec. of State website
  - Requires all agencies to create eRegulation records
- AAC Idling, H.B. 6049, PH 2/4/13
  - Would grant all police idling enforcement infraction authority
- Phase II EPA requirements for OWFs, H.B. 5818
  - Would require any OWF sold after October 1, 2013 to meet EPA phase II emissions requirements



# Questions?

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