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**"AN ACT CONCERNING MINOR REVISIONS TO THE TIRE STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM."**

1 Strike lines 13 to 42, inclusive, in their entirety and insert the  
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "(e) The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall  
4 approve a plan for the establishment of a tire stewardship program,  
5 provided such plan meets the requirements of subsections (b) to (d),  
6 inclusive, of this section. Prior to making any such determination, the  
7 commissioner shall post the plan on the Department of Energy and  
8 Environmental Protection's Internet web site and solicit public  
9 comments on the plan. Such solicitation shall not be conducted pursuant  
10 to chapter 54. Not later than ninety days after submission of the plan  
11 pursuant to this section, the commissioner shall make a determination  
12 whether to approve the plan. In the event that the commissioner  
13 disapproves the plan because it does not meet the requirements of  
14 subsections (b) to (d), inclusive, of this section, the commissioner shall  
15 describe the reasons for the disapproval in a notice of determination that

16 the commissioner shall provide to the tire stewardship organization.  
17 Such tire stewardship organization shall revise and resubmit the plan to  
18 the commissioner not later than forty-five days after receipt of the  
19 commissioner's notice of disapproval. Not later than forty-five days  
20 after receipt of the revised plan, the commissioner shall review and  
21 approve or disapprove the revised plan and provide a notice of  
22 determination to the tire stewardship organization. Such stewardship  
23 organization may resubmit a revised plan to the commissioner for  
24 approval on not more than two occasions. If the tire stewardship  
25 organization fails to submit a plan that is acceptable to the commissioner  
26 because it does not meet the requirements of subsections (b) to (d),  
27 inclusive, of this section, the commissioner shall either approve the  
28 submitted plan with conditions or modify [a] the submitted plan to  
29 make it conform to the requirements of subsections (b) to (d), inclusive,  
30 of this section and approve it. In the event that the commissioner  
31 approves the submitted plan with conditions, the commissioner shall  
32 identify the conditions in a notice of determination that the  
33 commissioner shall provide to the tire stewardship organization. The  
34 tire stewardship organization shall comply with such conditions not  
35 later than forty-five days after receipt of the commissioner's notice of  
36 determination, unless the commissioner determines that additional time  
37 is needed. Not later than one hundred [twenty] eighty days after the  
38 approval of a plan pursuant to this section, the tire stewardship  
39 organization shall implement the tire stewardship program."

40 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and  
41 internal references accordingly:

42 "Sec. 501. Subsection (b) of section 22a-905i of the 2024 supplement to  
43 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
44 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

45 (b) On or before January 1, 2025, each producer, or such producer's  
46 designee, shall join a tire stewardship organization and such  
47 organization shall submit a plan, for the Commissioner of Energy and  
48 Environmental Protection's approval, to establish a state-wide tire

49 stewardship program, as described in this subsection. Any retailer may  
 50 participate in any such tire stewardship organization. Such tire  
 51 stewardship program shall, to the extent it is technologically feasible  
 52 and economically practical: (1) Establish and manage a state-wide  
 53 collection system utilizing covered entities; (2) provide access to the  
 54 collection system to the public, free of charge, for the drop-off of  
 55 discarded tires; (3) ensure discarded tires are picked up from the  
 56 collection system and transported for recycling; (4) ensure all discarded  
 57 tires collected in the collection system are resold or recycled; (5) provide  
 58 suitable storage containers for tires, as required, throughout the  
 59 collection system; (6) implement public promotion and education about  
 60 the program; (7) assist in market development, as needed, to achieve  
 61 performance goals; [and] (8) finance all program activities solely  
 62 through producer funding; and (9) ensure that all collectors and  
 63 processors are qualified to perform their respective functions pursuant  
 64 to such program and are in substantial compliance with the laws and  
 65 regulations of any state in which such collector or processor operates,  
 66 including, but not limited to, any financial assurance and closure plan  
 67 requirements."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	<i>from passage</i>	22a-905i(b)