



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 296

LCO No. 1757



Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by:
(ENV)

***AN ACT CONCERNING A MINIMUM RECYCLED GLASS CONTENT
FOR WINE AND LIQUOR BOTTLES SOLD OR DISTRIBUTED IN THE
NORTHEAST REGION.***

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Not later than October 1,
2 2020, the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall
3 convene a collective of representatives of each New England state who
4 oversee solid waste management in their respective states for the
5 purpose of establishing a minimum recycled glass content for glass wine
6 and liquor bottles sold and distributed in such New England states on
7 and after October 1, 2021. Not later than December 1, 2020, the
8 commissioner, in accordance with section 11-4a of the general statutes,
9 shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the General
10 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the environment on
11 the result of such collective and shall include recommendations for any
12 legislative proposals in support of the work and recommendations of
13 such collective. In the event that the collective described in this section
14 does not agree upon such a minimum recycled glass content for such
15 glass wine and liquor bottles sold in the New England region, the

16 commissioner shall include in such report a recommendation for a
 17 minimum recycled glass content for such glass wine and liquor bottles
 18 sold or distributed in this state, a suggested implementation date for
 19 such requirement and any legislative recommendations for the
 20 implementation of an extended producer responsibility program to
 21 support the achievement and eventual increase of such minimum
 22 recycled glass content requirement.

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 Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection to convene a collective of New England states for the purpose of establishing a minimum recycled content for glass wine and liquor bottles sold in the region.

[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.]