

General Assembly

January Session, 2023



AN ACT CREATING A CONNECTICUT NUCLEAR ENERGY ADVISORY COUNCIL..

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) There is established a 2 Connecticut Nuclear Energy Advisory Council, which shall: (1) Meet 3 not less than four times each year for the purpose of planning for the 4 advancement of nuclear energy in the state; (2) collaborate with state 5 and federal agencies, institutions of higher education, businesses, 6 nonprofit organizations and other stakeholders to organize the state's 7 resources related to nuclear energy; (3) advise the General Assembly, 8 the Governor and communities in the state on nuclear energy issues; 9 (4) provide public information about nuclear energy and related 10 educational and job opportunities; and (5) support regional 11 partnerships that promote nuclear energy research and expansion. The 12 council shall be an independent body within the Legislative 13 Department for administrative purposes only.

14 (b) The council shall consist of the following members:

(1) The chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing
committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
relating to energy and technology, or their designees;

18 (2) A representative of a nuclear power generating facility in the 19 state, who shall be appointed by the speaker of the House of 20 Representatives;

(3) A representative of the United States Naval Submarine BaseNew London, who shall be appointed by the president pro tempore of
the Senate;

(4) A representative of a manufacturer of nuclear-powered
submarines, who shall be appointed by the majority leader of the
House of Representatives;

(5) A representative of an engineering firm in the state that provides
services in the field of nuclear engineering, who shall be appointed by
the minority leader of the House of Representatives;

30 (6) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who has31 expertise in spent nuclear fuel storage; and

(7) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, who hasexpertise in the supply chain of the state's nuclear industry.

34 (c) All initial appointments to the council shall be made not later
35 than thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy
36 shall be filled by the appointing authority.

(d) The members of the council shall select the chairperson of the
council from among the members of the council. Until such selection,
the speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro
tempore of the Senate shall select an acting chairperson of the council
from among the members of the council. Such acting chairperson shall
schedule the first meeting of the council, which shall be held not later
than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

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Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In Section 1(a), "Connecticut Nuclear Advisory Council" was changed to "Connecticut Nuclear Energy Advisory Council" for accuracy; and the title was changed.

ET Joint Favorable Subst. -LCO