

**Proposed Substitute  
Bill No. 422**

LCO No. 2975

**AN ACT CONCERNING RESIDENTIAL WATER RATES, PUBLIC  
DRINKING WATER SUPPLY EMERGENCIES AND SELLERS OF  
BOTTLED WATER.**

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) If the Commissioner of  
2 Public Health orders the implementation of water use restrictions  
3 during a public drinking water supply emergency declared pursuant  
4 to section 25-32b of the general statutes, said commissioner shall order  
5 that the sale of water to residential consumers be prioritized over the  
6 sale of water to commercial water bottling companies exporting water  
7 out of the state for the duration of such public drinking water supply  
8 emergency.

9 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding any  
10 provisions of the general statutes or any charter or special act, no  
11 municipality or entity shall charge the holder of a license for the  
12 business of bottling water issued pursuant to section 21a-136 of the  
13 general statutes a water rate less than any other consumer for the sale  
14 of such water.

15 Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding any  
16 provisions of the general statutes or any charter or special act, no  
17 municipality or entity shall charge the holder of a license for the

18 business of bottling water issued pursuant to section 21a-136 of the  
19 general statutes a clean water project charge rate less than the  
20 residential consumer clean water project charge rate charged by such  
21 municipality or entity.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 3	<i>from passage</i>	New section