

***CONNECTICUT PUBLIC TRUST
LEGISLATIVE ACTION PACKET
SPRING 2002***

SUPPORT BILL 5483

It's a good start and would impose a dock moratorium along the lower river until suitable regulations can be enacted. Immediate actions are necessary because the legislative session ends May 8 and decisions are being made right now about what will get considered. That's why it's crucial that you contact the legislative leaders today.

The Bill: (Approved by the Joint Environmental Committee by a vote of 22-6 on March 18,2002)

AN ACT CONCERNING PERMITS FOR MARINE STRUCTURES IN THE GATEWAY REGION OF THE CONNECTICUT RIVER.

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

Section 1. (NEW) (***Effective from passage***) The Commissioner of Environmental Protection, in accordance with chapter 54 of the general statutes, shall adopt regulations for the issuing of permits for marine structures in the Gateway Region of the Connecticut River. Such regulations shall include, but not be limited to, a consideration of the environmental impacts of such structure and the preservation of the natural habitat of such area including the **historical nature** of such area or the **scenic quality** of such area. **No permit** for a marine structure in the Gateway Region of the Connecticut River shall be issued **until such regulations are adopted**.



**Make the Calls on the
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This Week Will Be Crucial
Top Priority- Call these 8 People Today-they will be most responsible
for whether the Bill makes it to the floor for a vote

TIPS:

If they aren't available (which is likely), ask to speak to an aid or someone in their office. Tell them:

- You hope they will support HB 5483 which would require DEP to come up with dock regulations to protect the scenic and historic beauty of the lower CT river
- The issue has received extensive media coverage in the Courant, NY Times and numerous other papers due to the threat posed by projects like the large dock right below Gillette Castle.
- You hope they will make sure the bill is brought to the floor and approved this session. Add any thoughts you might want about how and why the need for this legislation is urgent (i.e. Schaller, "Last Great Place," etc.) and needs to be addressed *THIS* session.
- Check off the calls you make.
- When you are done, you will feel GREAT!!!

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Next:
Call the following people
if you have the time

If you have time, then call the following persons:

Other Supportive and Influential Environment Committee Members:

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