



General Assembly

February Session, 2006

**Raised Bill No. 607**

LCO No. 2929



Referred to Committee on

**ENVIRONMENT**

Introduced by:  
(ENV)

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APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FOOD POLICY COUNCIL.**

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

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**Statement of Purpose:**

To maintain current operating levels of the Food Policy Council.

[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.]



Senate

CONNECTICUT STATE LIBRARY  
LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE SECTION

General Assembly

File No. 343

February Session, 2006

Senate Bill No. 607

Senate, April 4, 2006

The Committee on Environment reported through SEN. FINCH of the 22nd Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

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**ENV** Joint Favorable

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

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**OFA Fiscal Note****State Impact:**

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 07 \$	FY 08 \$
Department of Agriculture	GF - Cost	\$25,000	None

Note: GF=General Fund

**Municipal Impact:** None

**Explanation**

The bill appropriates \$25,000 to the Department of Agriculture from the General Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, to provide a grant to the Food Policy Council. HB 5007, the governor's recommended budget does not provide funds for this program.

**The Out Years**

None

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**OLR Bill Analysis****SB 607*****AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FOOD POLICY COUNCIL.*****SUMMARY:**

This bill appropriates \$25,000 from the General Fund to the Department of Agriculture in FY 07 to provide a grant to the Food Policy Council to maintain its current operating levels.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2006

**BACKGROUND*****Food Policy Council***

The council, created by the legislature in 1997, works to promote the development of a food policy for Connecticut and the coordination of state agencies involved with food security. "Food policy" means government actions that influence the availability, affordability, quality, and safety of the food supply. The council addresses such concerns as farmland preservation, urban agriculture, emergency food supply, transportation, markets for locally grown food, food education, child nutrition, and inner-city supermarkets.

Its goals are to recommend and support legislation that promotes food security, educate the public and policy makers about our food system, and promote the preservation of farming and farmland (CGS § 22-456).

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Environment Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 28 Nay 0 (03/16/2006)