



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 5241**

February Session, 2026



**AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TRIPLE BOTTOM LINE JUSTICE  
DEMONSTRATION PILOT PROGRAM.**

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2026*) (a) As used in this section:

2 (1) "Triple Bottom Line Justice" or "TBLJ" means the integration of  
3 evidence-based practice, rule of law and meaningful community  
4 engagement to tackle health, environmental and economic challenges  
5 faced by children, families and communities.

6 (2) "Environmental and climate stressors" means physical, chemical,  
7 biological or climate-related conditions in the external environment that  
8 adversely impact human physical and mental health, including, but not  
9 limited to, air, land and water pollution, extreme heat and severe  
10 weather events.

11 (3) "Brownfields to Healthfields" or "B2H" means the TBLJ  
12 methodology for community-led brownfield redevelopment in areas  
13 with pollution, disease, poverty and violence to transform contaminated  
14 properties into reuses that strengthen children, family and community  
15 physical and mental health, resiliency, equity and vitality.

16 (b) Not later than January 1, 2027, the Commissioner of Public Health,  
17 in collaboration with the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental

18 Protection, shall establish a Triple Bottom Line Justice demonstration  
19 pilot program to serve as a proof-of-concept for TBLJ programming  
20 relating to B2H that advances healthy, safe and vibrant communities.  
21 The commissioner shall establish such program in a city with a  
22 population of more than one hundred forty-eight thousand, as  
23 determined in accordance with the most recent decennial United States  
24 census and contract with an existing community-led redevelopment  
25 organization located in such city to administer the program.

26 (c) The goal of the program shall be to: (1) Delineate the methodology  
27 and outcomes for environmental remediation achieved through B2H to  
28 produce educational curriculum and programming for application to  
29 communities in the state; and (2) delineate the integrated  
30 environmental, health and economic benefits of B2H that strengthen  
31 children, family and community resiliency, equity and vitality and the  
32 potential cost savings to the state generated by federal and state  
33 brownfields funding.

34 (d) Not later than January 1, 2028, the Commissioner of Public Health,  
35 in collaboration with the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental  
36 Protection, shall issue a final report, in accordance with section 11-4a of  
37 the general statutes, to the joint standing committees of the General  
38 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public health, the  
39 environment and insurance regarding the findings and  
40 recommendations of the pilot program. The pilot program shall  
41 terminate on the date the commissioner issues such report or January 1,  
42 2028, whichever is later.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2026	New section

**APP** Joint Favorable Subst.