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***AN ACT AUTHORIZING AND ADJUSTING BONDS OF THE STATE  
AND CONCERNING PROVISIONS RELATED TO STATE AND  
MUNICIPAL TAX ADMINISTRATION, GENERAL GOVERNMENT AND  
SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECTS.***

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) The State Bond Commission shall  
2 have power, in accordance with the provisions of this section and  
3 sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of this act, from time to time to authorize the  
4 issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal  
5 amounts in the aggregate not exceeding \$100,100,000.

6 Sec. 2. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) The proceeds of the sale of bonds  
7 described in sections 1 to 7, inclusive, of this act, to the extent hereinafter  
8 stated, shall be used for the purpose of acquiring, by purchase or  
9 condemnation, undertaking, constructing, reconstructing, improving or  
10 equipping, or purchasing land or buildings or improving sites for the

11 projects hereinafter described, including payment of architectural,  
12 engineering, demolition or related costs in connection therewith, or of  
13 payment of the cost of long-range capital programming and space  
14 utilization studies as hereinafter stated:

15 (a) For the Office of Legislative Management: Alterations,  
16 renovations and restoration of the State Capitol and Legislative Office  
17 Building, including interior and exterior restoration and compliance  
18 with the Americans with Disabilities Act, not exceeding \$45,000,000.

19 (b) For the Department of Administrative Services:

20 (1) Reimbursement for environmental remediation at the former  
21 Long Lane School in Middletown, in accordance with public act 99-26,  
22 not exceeding \$14,100,000;

23 (2) Renovations and improvements for an opportunity center, not  
24 exceeding \$1,000,000.

25 (c) For the Labor Department: Alterations, renovations and  
26 improvements to buildings and grounds, including utilities, mechanical  
27 systems and energy conservation projects, not exceeding \$5,000,000.

28 (d) For the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection: For  
29 programs to support solid waste reduction strategies, not exceeding  
30 \$10,000,000.

31 (e) For the Department of Correction: Alterations, renovations and  
32 improvements to the Manson Youth Institution in Cheshire, not  
33 exceeding \$5,000,000.

34 (f) For the Judicial Department: Acquisition and development of a  
35 secure residential treatment center, not exceeding \$20,000,000.

36 Sec. 3. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) All provisions of section 3-20 of the  
37 general statutes or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby  
38 which are not inconsistent with the provisions of sections 1 to 7,

39 inclusive, of this act are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds  
40 authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to sections 1 to 7,  
41 inclusive, of this act and temporary notes issued in anticipation of the  
42 money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may  
43 be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to time  
44 renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding  
45 twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or  
46 pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission  
47 authorizing such bonds.

48       Sec. 4. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) None of the bonds described in sections  
49 1 to 7, inclusive, of this act shall be authorized except upon a finding by  
50 the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request for  
51 such authorization, which is signed by the Secretary of the Office of  
52 Policy and Management or by or on behalf of such state officer,  
53 department or agency and stating such terms and conditions as said  
54 commission, in its discretion, may require.

55       Sec. 5. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) For the purposes of sections 1 to 7,  
56 inclusive, of this act, "state moneys" means the proceeds of the sale of  
57 bonds authorized pursuant to said sections 1 to 7, inclusive, or of  
58 temporary notes issued in anticipation of the moneys to be derived from  
59 the sale of such bonds. Each request filed as provided in section 4 of this  
60 act for an authorization of bonds shall identify the project for which the  
61 proceeds of the sale of such bonds are to be used and expended and, in  
62 addition to any terms and conditions required pursuant to said section  
63 4, shall include the recommendation of the person signing such request  
64 as to the extent to which federal, private or other moneys then available  
65 or thereafter to be made available for costs in connection with any such  
66 project should be added to the state moneys available or becoming  
67 available hereunder for such project. If the request includes a  
68 recommendation that some amount of such federal, private or other  
69 moneys should be added to such state moneys, then, if and to the extent  
70 directed by the State Bond Commission at the time of authorization of  
71 such bonds, such amount of such federal, private or other moneys then

72 available, or thereafter to be made available for costs in connection with  
73 such project, may be added to any state moneys available or becoming  
74 available hereunder for such project and shall be used for such project.  
75 Any other federal, private or other moneys then available or thereafter  
76 to be made available for costs in connection with such project shall,  
77 upon receipt, be used by the State Treasurer, in conformity with  
78 applicable federal and state law, to meet the principal of outstanding  
79 bonds issued pursuant to sections 1 to 7, inclusive, of this act, or to meet  
80 the principal of temporary notes issued in anticipation of the money to  
81 be derived from the sale of bonds theretofore authorized pursuant to  
82 said sections 1 to 7, inclusive, for the purpose of financing such costs,  
83 either by purchase or redemption and cancellation of such bonds or  
84 notes or by payment thereof at maturity. Whenever any of the federal,  
85 private or other moneys so received with respect to such project are used  
86 to meet the principal of such temporary notes or whenever principal of  
87 any such temporary notes is retired by application of revenue receipts  
88 of the state, the amount of bonds theretofore authorized in anticipation  
89 of which such temporary notes were issued, and the aggregate amount  
90 of bonds which may be authorized pursuant to section 1 of this act, shall  
91 each be reduced by the amount of the principal so met or retired.  
92 Pending use of the federal, private or other moneys so received to meet  
93 principal as hereinabove directed, the amount thereof may be invested  
94 by the State Treasurer in bonds or obligations of, or guaranteed by, the  
95 state or the United States or agencies or instrumentalities of the United  
96 States, shall be deemed to be part of the debt retirement funds of the  
97 state, and net earnings on such investments shall be used in the same  
98 manner as the moneys so invested.

99       Sec. 6. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) Any balance of proceeds of the sale of  
100 said bonds authorized for any project described in section 2 of this act  
101 in excess of the cost of such project may be used to complete any other  
102 project described in said section 2, if the State Bond Commission shall  
103 so determine and direct. Any balance of proceeds of the sale of said  
104 bonds in excess of the costs of all the projects described in said section 2

105 shall be deposited to the credit of the General Fund.

106       Sec. 7. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) The bonds issued pursuant to this section  
107 and sections 1 to 6, inclusive, of this act shall be general obligations of  
108 the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are  
109 pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds  
110 as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of  
111 the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts  
112 necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby  
113 made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as  
114 the same become due.

115       Sec. 8. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) The State Bond Commission shall have  
116 power, in accordance with the provisions of this section and sections 9  
117 to 15, inclusive, of this act, from time to time to authorize the issuance  
118 of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in  
119 the aggregate, not exceeding \$30,000,000.

120       Sec. 9. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) The proceeds of the sale of the bonds  
121 described in sections 8 to 15, inclusive, of this act shall be used for the  
122 purpose of providing grants-in-aid and other financing for the projects,  
123 programs and purposes hereinafter stated:

124       (a) For the Office of Policy and Management: For transit-oriented  
125 development and predevelopment activities, not exceeding \$2,000,000.

126       (b) For the Department of Economic and Community Development:  
127 Grants-in-aid to nonprofit organizations sponsoring cultural and  
128 historic sites, not exceeding \$12,000,000.

129       (c) For the Department of Housing: Grants-in-aid to nonprofit  
130 organizations for capital improvements to facilities that are used to  
131 house the homeless or provide services to the homeless pursuant to  
132 section 56 of this act, not exceeding \$15,000,000.

133       (d) For the Department of Aging and Disability Services: Grants-in-

134 aid for aging in place, not exceeding \$1,000,000.

135       Sec. 10. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) All provisions of section 3-20 of the  
136 general statutes or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby  
137 which are not inconsistent with the provisions of sections 8 to 15,  
138 inclusive, of this act are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds  
139 authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to sections 8 to 15,  
140 inclusive, of this act and temporary notes issued in anticipation of the  
141 money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may  
142 be issued in accordance with said sections 8 to 15, inclusive, and from  
143 time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not  
144 exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided  
145 in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond  
146 Commission authorizing such bonds.

147       Sec. 11. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) None of the bonds described in sections  
148 8 to 15, inclusive, of this act shall be authorized except upon a finding  
149 by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request  
150 for such authorization, which is signed by the Secretary of the Office of  
151 Policy and Management or by or on behalf of such state officer,  
152 department or agency and stating such terms and conditions as said  
153 commission, in its discretion, may require.

154       Sec. 12. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) For the purposes of sections 8 to 15,  
155 inclusive, of this act, "state moneys" means the proceeds of the sale of  
156 bonds authorized pursuant to said sections 8 to 15, inclusive, or of  
157 temporary notes issued in anticipation of the moneys to be derived from  
158 the sale of such bonds. Each request filed as provided in section 11 of  
159 this act for an authorization of bonds shall identify the project for which  
160 the proceeds of the sale of such bonds are to be used and expended and,  
161 in addition to any terms and conditions required pursuant to said  
162 section 11, include the recommendation of the person signing such  
163 request as to the extent to which federal, private or other moneys then  
164 available or thereafter to be made available for costs in connection with  
165 any such project should be added to the state moneys available or

166 becoming available under said sections 8 to 15, inclusive, for such  
167 project. If the request includes a recommendation that some amount of  
168 such federal, private or other moneys should be added to such state  
169 moneys, then, if and to the extent directed by the State Bond  
170 Commission at the time of authorization of such bonds, such amount of  
171 such federal, private or other moneys then available or thereafter to be  
172 made available for costs in connection with such project may be added  
173 to any state moneys available or becoming available hereunder for such  
174 project and be used for such project. Any other federal, private or other  
175 moneys then available or thereafter to be made available for costs in  
176 connection with such project upon receipt shall, in conformity with  
177 applicable federal and state law, be used by the State Treasurer to meet  
178 the principal of outstanding bonds issued pursuant to said sections 8 to  
179 15, inclusive, or to meet the principal of temporary notes issued in  
180 anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of bonds  
181 theretofore authorized pursuant to said sections 8 to 15, inclusive, for  
182 the purpose of financing such costs, either by purchase or redemption  
183 and cancellation of such bonds or notes or by payment thereof at  
184 maturity. Whenever any of the federal, private or other moneys so  
185 received with respect to such project are used to meet the principal of  
186 such temporary notes or whenever the principal of any such temporary  
187 notes is retired by application of revenue receipts of the state, the  
188 amount of bonds theretofore authorized in anticipation of which such  
189 temporary notes were issued, and the aggregate amount of bonds which  
190 may be authorized pursuant to section 8 of this act shall each be reduced  
191 by the amount of the principal so met or retired. Pending use of the  
192 federal, private or other moneys so received to meet the principal as  
193 directed in this section, the amount thereof may be invested by the State  
194 Treasurer in bonds or obligations of, or guaranteed by, the state or the  
195 United States or agencies or instrumentalities of the United States, shall  
196 be deemed to be part of the debt retirement funds of the state, and net  
197 earnings on such investments shall be used in the same manner as the  
198 moneys so invested.

199       Sec. 13. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) The bonds issued pursuant to sections  
200 8 to 15, inclusive, of this act shall be general obligations of the state and  
201 the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the  
202 payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same  
203 become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with  
204 the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for  
205 punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and  
206 the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same  
207 become due.

208       Sec. 14. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) In accordance with section 9 of this act,  
209 the state, through the state agencies specified in said section 9, may  
210 provide grants-in-aid and other financings to or for the agencies for the  
211 purposes and projects as described in said section 9. All financing shall  
212 be made in accordance with the terms of a contract at such time or times  
213 as shall be determined within authorization of funds by the State Bond  
214 Commission.

215       Sec. 15. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) In the case of any grant-in-aid made  
216 pursuant to subsection (a), (b), (c) or (d) of section 9 of this act that is  
217 made to any entity which is not a political subdivision of the state, the  
218 contract entered into pursuant to section 9 of this act shall provide that  
219 if the premises for which such grant-in-aid was made ceases, within ten  
220 years of the date of such grant, to be used as a facility for which such  
221 grant was made, an amount equal to the amount of such grant, minus  
222 ten per cent per year for each full year which has elapsed since the date  
223 of such grant, shall be repaid to the state and that a lien shall be placed  
224 on such land in favor of the state to ensure that such amount shall be  
225 repaid in the event of such change in use, provided if the premises for  
226 which such grant-in-aid was made are owned by the state, a  
227 municipality or a housing authority, no lien need be placed.

228       Sec. 16. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 4-66c of the 2024 supplement  
229 to the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in  
230 lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):



231 (a) For the purposes of subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond  
232 Commission shall have power, from time to time to authorize the  
233 issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal  
234 amounts not exceeding in the aggregate [two billion five hundred forty-  
235 four million four hundred eighty-seven thousand five hundred forty-  
236 four dollars, provided one hundred million dollars of said authorization  
237 shall be effective July 1, 2024] two billion six hundred forty-four million  
238 four hundred eighty-seven thousand five hundred forty-four dollars.  
239 All provisions of section 3-20, or the exercise of any right or power  
240 granted thereby, which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this  
241 section, are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by  
242 the State Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary  
243 notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any  
244 such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section  
245 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such  
246 time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as  
247 may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the  
248 State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds  
249 shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond  
250 Commission that there has been filed with it a request for such  
251 authorization, which is signed by or on behalf of the Secretary of the  
252 Office of Policy and Management and states such terms and conditions  
253 as said commission in its discretion may require. Said bonds issued  
254 pursuant to this section shall be general obligations of the state and the  
255 full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the  
256 payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same  
257 become due, and accordingly as part of the contract of the state with the  
258 holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for  
259 punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and  
260 the Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become  
261 due.

262 (b) (1) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent hereinafter  
263 stated, shall be used, subject to the provisions of subsections (c) and (d)

264 of this section, for the purpose of redirecting, improving and expanding  
265 state activities which promote community conservation and  
266 development and improve the quality of life for urban residents of the  
267 state as hereinafter stated: (A) For the Department of Economic and  
268 Community Development: Economic and community development  
269 projects, including administrative costs incurred by the Department of  
270 Economic and Community Development, not exceeding sixty-seven  
271 million [five hundred ninety-one thousand] eight hundred forty-one  
272 thousand six hundred forty-two dollars, one million dollars of which  
273 shall be used for a grant to the development center program and the  
274 nonprofit business consortium deployment center approved pursuant  
275 to section 32-411; (B) for the Department of Transportation: Urban mass  
276 transit, not exceeding two million dollars; (C) for the Department of  
277 Energy and Environmental Protection: Recreation development and  
278 solid waste disposal projects, not exceeding one million nine hundred  
279 ninety-five thousand nine hundred two dollars; (D) for the Department  
280 of Social Services: Child day care projects, elderly centers, shelter  
281 facilities for victims of domestic violence, emergency shelters and  
282 related facilities for the homeless, multipurpose human resource centers  
283 and food distribution facilities, not exceeding thirty-nine million one  
284 hundred thousand dollars, provided four million dollars of said  
285 authorization shall be effective July 1, 1994; (E) for the Department of  
286 Economic and Community Development: Housing projects, not  
287 exceeding three million dollars; (F) for the Department of Housing:  
288 Homeownership initiative in collaboration with one or more local  
289 community development financial institutions in qualified census tracts  
290 for the purpose of construction or redevelopment, performed by  
291 developers or nonprofit organizations residing in that municipality,  
292 which leads to new homeownership opportunities for residents of such  
293 qualified census tracts, not exceeding twenty million dollars; (G) for the  
294 Office of Policy and Management: (i) Grants-in-aid to municipalities for  
295 a pilot demonstration program to leverage private contributions for  
296 redevelopment of designated historic preservation areas, not exceeding  
297 one million dollars; (ii) grants-in-aid for urban development projects

298 including economic and community development, transportation,  
299 environmental protection, public safety, children and families and social  
300 services projects and programs, including, in the case of economic and  
301 community development projects administered on behalf of the Office  
302 of Policy and Management by the Department of Economic and  
303 Community Development, administrative costs incurred by the  
304 Department of Economic and Community Development, not exceeding  
305 [two billion four hundred nine million eight hundred thousand dollars]  
306 two billion five hundred nine million eight hundred thousand dollars,  
307 not more than two hundred fifty thousand dollars of which shall be used  
308 for a grant to the town of Cromwell for lights at a field used by Little  
309 League teams. For purposes of this subdivision, "local community  
310 development financial institution" means an entity that meets the  
311 requirements of 12 CFR 1805.201, and "qualified census tract" means a  
312 census tract designated as a qualified census tract by the Secretary of  
313 Housing and Urban Development in accordance with 26 USC  
314 42(d)(5)(B)(ii), as amended from time to time.

315 (2) (A) Five million dollars of the grants-in-aid authorized in  
316 subparagraph (G)(ii) of subdivision (1) of this subsection may be made  
317 available to private nonprofit organizations for the purposes described  
318 in said subparagraph (G)(ii). (B) Twelve million dollars of the grants-in-  
319 aid authorized in subparagraph (G)(ii) of subdivision (1) of this  
320 subsection may be made available for necessary renovations and  
321 improvements of libraries. (C) Five million dollars of the grants-in-aid  
322 authorized in subparagraph (G)(ii) of subdivision (1) of this subsection  
323 shall be made available for small business gap financing. (D) Ten million  
324 dollars of the grants-in-aid authorized in subparagraph (G)(ii) of  
325 subdivision (1) of this subsection may be made available for regional  
326 economic development revolving loan funds. (E) One million four  
327 hundred thousand dollars of the grants-in-aid authorized in  
328 subparagraph (G)(ii) of subdivision (1) of this subsection shall be made  
329 available for rehabilitation and renovation of the Black Rock Library in  
330 Bridgeport. (F) Two million five hundred thousand dollars of the grants-

331 in-aid authorized in subparagraph (G)(ii) of subdivision (1) of this  
332 subsection shall be made available for site acquisition, renovation and  
333 rehabilitation for the Institute for the Hispanic Family in Hartford. (G)  
334 Three million dollars of the grants-in-aid authorized in subparagraph  
335 (G)(ii) of subdivision (1) of this subsection shall be made available for  
336 the acquisition of land and the development of commercial or retail  
337 property in New Haven. (H) Seven hundred fifty thousand dollars of  
338 the grants-in-aid authorized in subparagraph (G)(ii) of subdivision (1)  
339 of this subsection shall be made available for repairs and replacement of  
340 the fishing pier at Cummings Park in Stamford. (I) Ten million dollars  
341 of the grants-in-aid authorized in subparagraph (G)(ii) of subdivision  
342 (1) of this subsection shall be made available for development of an  
343 intermodal transportation facility in northeastern Connecticut.

344 Sec. 17. Subsection (a) of section 8-37mm of the general statutes is  
345 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*  
346 *2024*):

347 (a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the  
348 State Bond Commission shall have the power, from time to time to  
349 authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in  
350 principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate [thirty million]  
351 eighteen million three hundred twenty-nine thousand nine hundred  
352 ninety-three dollars. [, provided fifteen million dollars of said  
353 authorization shall be effective July 1, 2016.]

354 Sec. 18. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 8-240b of the 2024  
355 supplement to the general statutes are repealed and the following is  
356 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

357 (a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the  
358 State Bond Commission shall have the power from time to time to  
359 authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in  
360 principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate one hundred twenty-  
361 five million dollars, provided seventy-five million dollars of said

362 authorization shall be effective July 1, 2024.

363 (b) The proceeds of the sale of such bonds, to the extent of the amount  
364 stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the Department  
365 of Energy and Environmental Protection for the purpose of financing  
366 and awarding grants for retrofitting projects for multifamily residences  
367 as provided in section 8-240a. Not more than twenty million dollars of  
368 the bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be utilized by said  
369 department for grants for such projects.

370 Sec. 19. Subdivision (10) of subsection (a) of section 10a-109d of the  
371 2024 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is  
372 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

373 (10) To borrow money and issue securities to finance the acquisition,  
374 construction, reconstruction, improvement or equipping of any one  
375 project, or more than one, or any combination of projects, or to refund  
376 securities issued after June 7, 1995, or to refund any such refunding  
377 securities or for any one, or more than one, or all of those purposes, or  
378 any combination of those purposes, and to provide for the security and  
379 payment of those securities and for the rights of the holders of them,  
380 except that the amount of any such borrowing, the special debt service  
381 requirements for which are secured by the state debt service  
382 commitment, exclusive of the amount of borrowing to refund securities,  
383 or to fund issuance costs or necessary reserves, may not exceed the  
384 aggregate principal amount of (A) for the fiscal years ending June 30,  
385 1996, to June 30, 2005, inclusive, one billion thirty million dollars, (B) for  
386 the fiscal years ending June 30, 2006, to June 30, [2027] 2031, inclusive,  
387 three billion [two hundred eighty-three million nine hundred thousand  
388 dollars] nine hundred eight million nine hundred thousand dollars, and  
389 (C) such additional amount or amounts: (i) Required from time to time  
390 to fund any special capital reserve fund or other debt service reserve  
391 fund in accordance with the financing transaction proceedings, and (ii)  
392 to pay or provide for the costs of issuance and capitalized interest, if any;  
393 the aggregate amounts of subparagraphs (A), (B) and (C) of this

394 subdivision are established as the authorized funding amount, and no  
395 borrowing within the authorized funding amount for a project or  
396 projects may be effected unless the project or projects are included in  
397 accordance with subsection (a) of section 10a-109e;

398 Sec. 20. Subsection (a) of section 10a-109e of the general statutes is  
399 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*  
400 *2024*):

401 (a) The university may administer, manage, schedule, finance,  
402 further design and construct UConn 2000, to operate and maintain the  
403 components thereof in a prudent and economical manner and to reserve  
404 for and make renewals and replacements thereof when appropriate, it  
405 being hereby determined and found to be in the best interest of the state  
406 and the university to provide this independent authority to the  
407 university along with providing assured revenues therefor as the  
408 efficient and cost effective course to achieve the objective of avoiding  
409 further decline in the physical infrastructure of the university and to  
410 renew, modernize, enhance and maintain such infrastructure, the  
411 particular project or projects, each being hereby approved as a project of  
412 UConn 2000, and the presently estimated cost thereof being as follows:

T1	UConn 2000 Project	Phase I	Phase II	Phase III
T2		Fiscal Years	Fiscal Years	Fiscal Years
T3		1996-1999	2000-2005	2005- <del>2027</del> <u>2031</u>
T4				
T5	Academic and Research			
T6	Facilities			450,000,000
T7				
T8	Agricultural Biotechnology			
T9	Facility	9,400,000		
T10				
T11	Agricultural Biotechnology			
T12	Facility Completion		10,000,000	
T13				
T14	Alumni Quadrant			

		<b>Bill No.</b>		
T15	Renovations	14,338,000		
T16				
T17	Arjona and Monteith			
T18	(new classroom buildings)		66,100,000	
T19				
T20	Avery Point Campus			
T21	Undergraduate and			
T22	Library Building		35,000,000	
T23				
T24	Avery Point Marine			
T25	Science Research Center -			
T26	Phase I	34,000,000		
T27				
T28	Avery Point Marine			
T29	Science Research Center -			
T30	Phase II	16,682,000		
T31				
T32	Avery Point Renovation	5,600,000	15,000,000	
T33				
T34	Babbidge Library	0		
T35				
T36	Balancing Contingency	5,506,834		
T37				
T38	Beach Hall Renovations		10,000,000	
T39				
T40	Benton State Art Museum			
T41	Addition	1,400,000	3,000,000	
T42				
T43	Biobehavioral Complex			
T44	Replacement		4,000,000	
T45				
T46	Bishop Renovation		8,000,000	
T47				
T48	Budds Building			
T49	Renovation	2,805,000		
T50				
T51	Business School			
T52	Renovation	4,803,000		
T53				
T54	Chemistry Building	53,700,000		
T55				

T56	Commissary Warehouse		1,000,000
T57			
T58	Deferred Maintenance/		
T59	Code Compliance/		
T60	ADA Compliance/		
T61	Infrastructure		
T62	Improvements &		
T63	Renovation Lump Sum and		
T64	Utility, Administrative	39,332,000	[805,000,000]
T65	and Support Facilities		<u>863,500,000</u>
T66			
T67	Deferred Maintenance &		
T68	Renovation Lump Sum		
T69	Balance	104,668,000	
T70			
T71	East Campus North		
T72	Renovations	11,820,000	
T73			
T74	Engineering Building		
T75	(with Environmental		
T76	Research Institute)		36,700,000
T77			
T78	Equine Center	1,000,000	
T79			
T80	Equipment, Library		
T81	Collections &		
T82	Telecommunications	60,500,000	470,000,000
T83			
T84	Equipment, Library		
T85	Collections &		
T86	Telecommunications		
T87	Completion	182,118,146	
T88			
T89	Family Studies (DRM)		
T90	Renovation		6,500,000
T91			
T92	Farm Buildings Repairs/		
T93	Replacement		6,000,000
T94			
T95	Fine Arts Phase II		20,000,000
T96			



		<b>Bill No.</b>
T97	Floriculture Greenhouse	3,000,000
T98		
T99	Gant Building Renovations <u>and</u>	[34,000,000]
T100	<u>New Life Sciences Building</u>	<u>403,500,000</u>
T101		
T102	Gant Plaza Deck	0
T103		
T104	Gentry Completion	10,000,000
T105		
T106	Gentry Renovation	9,299,000
T107		
T108	Grad Dorm Renovations	7,548,000
T109		
T110	Gulley Hall Renovation	1,416,000
T111		
T112	<u>Harry A. Gampel Pavilion and</u>	<u>160,000,000</u>
T113	<u>Hugh S. Greer Field House</u>	
T114		
T115	Hartford Relocation	
T116	Acquisition/Renovation	56,762,020
T117		70,000,000
T118	Hartford Relocation Design	1,500,000
T119		
T120	Hartford Relocation	
T121	Feasibility Study	500,000
T122		
T123	Heating Plant Upgrade	10,000,000
T124		
T125	Hilltop Dormitory New	30,000,000
T126		
T127	Hilltop Dormitory	
T128	Renovations	3,141,000
T129		
T130	Ice Rink Enclosure	2,616,000
T131		
T132	Incubator Facilities	10,000,000
T133		
T134	International House	
T135	Conversion	800,000
T136		
T137	Intramural, Recreational	

T138	and Intercollegiate		
T139	Facilities		31,000,000
T140			
T141	Jorgensen Renovation		7,200,000
T142			
T143	Koons Hall Renovation/		
T144	Addition		7,000,000
T145			
T146	Lakeside Renovation		3,800,000
T147			
T148	Law School Renovations/		
T149	Improvements		15,000,000
T150			
T151	Library Storage Facility		5,000,000
T152			
T153	Litchfield Agricultural		
T154	Center - Phase I	1,000,000	
T155			
T156	Litchfield Agricultural		
T157	Center - Phase II	700,000	
T158			
T159	Manchester Hall		
T160	Renovation		6,000,000
T161			
T162	Mansfield Apartments		
T163	Renovation	2,612,000	
T164			
T165	Mansfield Training School		
T166	Improvements	27,614,000	29,000,000
T167			
T168	Natural History Museum		
T169	Completion		4,900,000
T170			
T171	North Campus Renovation	2,654,000	
T172			
T173	North Campus Renovation		
T174	Completion	21,049,000	
T175			
T176	North Hillside Road		
T177	Completion		11,500,000
T178			

T179	North Superblock Site		
T180	and Utilities	8,000,000	
T181			
T182	Northwest Quadrant		
T183	Renovation	2,001,000	
T184			
T185	Northwest Quadrant		
T186	Renovation		15,874,000
T187			
T188	Observatory		1,000,000
T189			
T190	Old Central Warehouse		18,000,000
T191			
T192	Parking Garage #3		78,000,000
T193			
T194	Parking Garage - North	10,000,000	
T195			
T196	Parking Garage - South		15,000,000
T197			
T198	Pedestrian Spinepath		2,556,000
T199			
T200	Pedestrian Walkways		3,233,000
T201			
T202	Psychology Building		
T203	Renovation/Addition		20,000,000
T204			
T205	Residential Life Facilities		162,000,000
T206			
T207	Roadways		10,000,000
T208			
T209	School of Business	20,000,000	
T210			
T211	School of Pharmacy/		
T212	Biology	3,856,000	
T213			
T214	School of Pharmacy/		
T215	Biology Completion		61,058,000
T216			
T217	Shippee/Buckley		
T218	Renovations		6,156,000
T219			

		<b>Bill No.</b>
T220	Social Science K Building	20,964,000
T221		
T222	South Campus Complex	13,127,000
T223		
T224	Stamford Campus	
T225	Improvements/Housing	13,000,000
T226		
T227	Stamford Downtown	
T228	Relocation - Phase I	45,659,000
T229		
T230	Stamford Downtown	
T231	Relocation - Phase II	17,392,000
T232		
T233	Storrs Hall Addition	4,300,000
T234		
T235	Student Health Services	12,000,000
T236		
T237	Student Union Addition	23,000,000
T238		
T239	Support Facility	
T240	(Architectural and	
T241	Engineering Services)	2,000,000
T242		
T243	Technology Quadrant -	
T244	Phase IA	38,000,000
T245		
T246	Technology Quadrant -	
T247	Phase IB	16,611,000
T248		
T249	Technology Quadrant -	
T250	Phase II	72,000,000
T251		
T252	Technology Quadrant -	
T253	Phase III	15,000,000
T254		
T255	Torrey Life Science	
T256	Renovation <u>and Demolition</u>	17,000,000
T257		<u>25,000,000</u>
T258	Torrey Renovation	
T259	Completion and Biology	
T260	Expansion	42,000,000

T261			
T262	Torrington Campus		
T263	Improvements		1,000,000
T264			
T265	Towers Renovation	17,794,000	
T266			
T267	UConn Products Store		1,000,000
T268			
T269	Undergraduate Education		
T270	Center	650,000	
T271			
T272	Undergraduate Education		
T273	Center		7,450,000
T274			
T275	Underground Steam &		
T276	Water Upgrade	3,500,000	
T277			
T278	Underground Steam &		
T279	Water Upgrade		
T280	Completion		9,000,000
T281			
T282	University Programs		
T283	Building - Phase I	8,750,000	
T284			
T285	University Programs		
T286	Building - Phase II		
T287	Visitors Center		300,000
T288			
T289	Waring Building		
T290	Conversion	7,888,000	
T291			
T292	Waterbury Downtown		
T293	Campus		3,000,000
T294			
T295	Waterbury Property		
T296	Purchase	325,000	
T297			
T298	West Campus Renovations		14,897,000
T299			
T300	West Hartford Campus		
T301	Renovations/		

T302	Improvements		25,000,000
T303			
T304	White Building Renovation	2,430,000	
T305			
T306	Wilbur Cross Building		
T307	Renovation	3,645,000	
T308			
T309	Young Building		
T310	Renovation/Addition		17,000,000
T311			
T312	HEALTH CENTER		
T313			
T314	CLAC Renovation		
T315	Biosafety Level 3 Lab		14,000,000
T316			
T317	Deferred Maintenance/ T318 Code Compliance/ADA T319 Compliance/Infrastructure T320 & Improvements T321 Renovation Lump Sum T322 and Utility, Administrative T323 and Support Facilities T324 - Health Center		86,000,000
T325			
T326	Dental School Renovation		5,000,000
T327			
T328	Equipment, Library T329 Collections and T330 Telecommunications - T331 Health Center		75,000,000
T332			
T333	Library/Student Computer T334 Center Renovation		5,000,000
T335			
T336	Main Building Renovation		125,000,000
T337			
T338	Medical School Academic T339 Building Renovation		9,000,000
T340			
T341	Parking Garage - Health T342 Center		8,400,000

T343			
T344	Research Tower		60,000,000
T345			
T346	Support Building		
T347	Addition/Renovation		4,000,000
T348			
T349	The University of		
T350	Connecticut		
T351	Health Center		
T352	New Construction and		
T353	Renovation		394,900,000
T354			
T355	Planning and Design Costs		25,000,000
T356			
T357	Total - Storrs and Regional		
T358	Campus Project List		[2,583,000,000]
T359			<u>3,196,000,000</u>
T360			
T361	Total - Health Center		
T362	Project List		786,300,000
T363			
T364	TOTAL	382,000,000	868,000,000 [3,394,300,000]
T365			<u>4,007,300,000</u>

413        Sec. 21. Section 10a-109f of the general statutes is repealed and the  
414 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

415        (a) The university may, when directed by vote of its board of trustees,  
416 borrow money and enter into financing transactions proceedings in  
417 anticipation of assured revenues, project revenues or other funding  
418 sources in the name of the university, on behalf of the state, and issue  
419 securities in connection with such proceedings, as follows: (1) To finance  
420 the cost of UConn 2000 or any one project thereof, or more than one, or  
421 any combination of projects thereof; (2) to refund securities issued  
422 pursuant to sections 10a-109a to 10a-109y, inclusive; and (3) to refund  
423 any such refunding borrowings. All securities issued in connection with  
424 assured revenues, project revenues, or other funding sources financing  
425 transaction proceedings entered into pursuant to this section shall be

426 authorized by a resolution approved by not less than a majority vote of  
427 its board of trustees. Nothing in this subsection shall increase the annual  
428 or aggregate cap on the amount of securities the special debt service  
429 requirements of which are secured by the state debt service commitment  
430 pursuant to section 10a-109g.

431 (b) The board of trustees shall submit each resolution for the issuance  
432 of securities approved pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, to the  
433 Governor accompanied by a summary report of the estimated total  
434 completion costs of projects that will not be completed within the  
435 issuance which is the subject of the resolution. The Governor may, not  
436 later than thirty days after such submission, disapprove such resolution  
437 by notifying the board in writing of his disapproval and the reasons for  
438 it. If the Governor does not act within such thirty-day period, the  
439 resolution is deemed approved.

440 (c) (1) For purposes of this subsection, "UConn 2000 philanthropic  
441 commitments and gifts" means commitments or gifts received by the  
442 university or the foundation of the university operating pursuant to  
443 section 4-37f designated to support the construction or renovation of a  
444 new life sciences building to replace the George Stafford Torrey Life  
445 Sciences Building, the North Wing of the Edward V. Gant Science  
446 Complex, the Harry A. Gampel Pavilion, the Hugh S. Greer Field House,  
447 the Volleyball Center, the Boathouse or the Tennis Courts, or to support  
448 operational expenses associated with departments or programs housed  
449 in such facilities. "UConn 2000 philanthropic commitments and gifts"  
450 shall not include more than twenty million dollars of commitments or  
451 gifts made prior to July 1, 2024.

452 (2) Not later than June 30, 2031, the university or the foundation of  
453 the university operating pursuant to section 4-37f shall raise one  
454 hundred million dollars of UConn 2000 philanthropic commitments and  
455 gifts, at least ten million dollars of which shall be endowed. At least sixty  
456 million dollars of such commitments and gifts shall be designated for  
457 construction or renovation expenses.



458 (3) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2025, to June 30, 2031,  
459 inclusive, if the cumulative amount of UConn 2000 philanthropic  
460 commitments and gifts received during a specified period in  
461 subdivision (4) of this subsection is less than the target milestone  
462 applicable to such period as set forth in subdivision (4) of this  
463 subsection, the total amount of securities requested by the board of  
464 trustees in resolutions during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, and  
465 each subsequent fiscal year through June 30, 2031, inclusive, pursuant  
466 to this subsection for such year, shall not exceed an amount which shall  
467 be calculated by:

468 (A) Taking the sum of the annual caps provided in subdivision (1) of  
469 subsection (a) of section 10a-109g for the fiscal years ending June 30,  
470 2025, to the then current fiscal year, inclusive, and

471 (B) Multiplying such sum by a fraction equal to the UConn 2000  
472 philanthropic commitments and gifts received during the specified  
473 period divided by the target milestone for the then current fiscal year.

474 (4) The university shall meet the following target milestones for  
475 UConn 2000 philanthropic commitments and gifts during the following  
476 periods:

<u>Fiscal Year</u> <u>Ending</u>	<u>Cumulative Target</u> <u>Milestone for UConn</u> <u>2000 Philanthropic</u> <u>Commitments and</u> <u>Gifts</u>	<u>Specified Period to Achieve</u> <u>Target Milestone</u>
T366 <u>June 30, 2025</u>	<u>\$20,000,000</u>	<u>July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2024</u>
T368 <u>June 30, 2026</u>	<u>\$31,500,000</u>	<u>July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2025</u>
T369 <u>June 30, 2027</u>	<u>\$43,000,000</u>	<u>July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2026</u>
T370 <u>June 30, 2028</u>	<u>\$54,500,000</u>	<u>July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2027</u>
T371 <u>June 30, 2029</u>	<u>\$66,000,000</u>	<u>July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2028</u>
T372 <u>June 30, 2030</u>	<u>\$77,500,000</u>	<u>July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2029</u>

T373	<u>June 30, 2031</u>	<u>\$89,000,000</u>	<u>July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2030</u>
T374	<u>June 30, 2032</u>	<u>\$100,000,000</u>	<u>July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2031</u>

477 (5) On or before September 1, 2024, and annually thereafter, the  
478 university shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of  
479 section 11-4a, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly  
480 having cognizance of matters relating to higher education and  
481 employment advancement and finance, revenue and bonding. Such  
482 report shall include the total amount of philanthropic commitments and  
483 gifts, including UConn 2000 philanthropic commitments and gifts,  
484 received during the prior fiscal year.

485 Sec. 22. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 10a-109g of the  
486 2024 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is  
487 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

488 (a) (1) The university is authorized to provide by resolution, at one  
489 time or from time to time, for the issuance and sale of securities, in its  
490 own name on behalf of the state, pursuant to section 10a-109f. The board  
491 of trustees of the university is hereby authorized by such resolution to  
492 delegate to its finance committee such matters as it may determine  
493 appropriate other than the authorization and maximum amount of the  
494 securities to be issued, the nature of the obligation of the securities as  
495 established pursuant to subsection (c) of this section and the projects for  
496 which the proceeds are to be used. The finance committee may act on  
497 such matters unless and until the board of trustees elects to reassume  
498 the same. The amount of securities the special debt service requirements  
499 of which are secured by the state debt service commitment that the  
500 board of trustees is authorized to provide for the issuance and sale in  
501 accordance with this subsection shall be capped in each fiscal year in the  
502 following amounts, provided, to the extent the board of trustees does  
503 not provide for the issuance of all or a portion of such amount in a fiscal  
504 year, all or such portion, as the case may be, may be carried forward to  
505 any succeeding fiscal year and provided further, the actual amount for

506 funding, paying or providing for the items described in subparagraph  
507 (C) of subdivision (10) of subsection (a) of section 10a-109d may be  
508 added to the capped amount in each fiscal year:

T375	Fiscal Year	Amount
T376		
T377	1996	\$112,542,000
T378	1997	112,001,000
T379	1998	93,146,000
T380	1999	64,311,000
T381	2000	130,000,000
T382	2001	100,000,000
T383	2002	100,000,000
T384	2003	100,000,000
T385	2004	100,000,000
T386	2005	100,000,000
T387	2006	79,000,000
T388	2007	89,000,000
T389	2008	115,000,000
T390	2009	140,000,000
T391	2010	0
T392	2011	138,800,000
T393	2012	157,200,000
T394	2013	143,000,000
T395	2014	204,400,000
T396	2015	315,500,000
T397	2016	312,100,000
T398	2017	240,400,000
T399	2018	200,000,000
T400	2019	200,000,000
T401	2020	197,200,000
T402	2021	260,000,000
T403	2022	215,500,000
T404	2023	125,100,000

T405	2024	84,700,000
T406	2025	[44,000,000]
T407		<u>122,000,000</u>
T408	2026	[14,000,000]
T409		<u>124,000,000</u>
T410	2027	[9,000,000]
T411		<u>116,000,000</u>
T412	<u>2028</u>	<u>103,500,000</u>
T413	<u>2029</u>	<u>101,500,000</u>
T414	<u>2030</u>	<u>100,000,000</u>
T415	<u>2031</u>	<u>25,000,000</u>

509       Sec. 23. Subsection (a) of section 10a-109n of the 2024 supplement to  
510 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
511 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

512       (a) For the period from July 1, 2001, to June 30, [2027] 2031, or until  
513 completion of the UConn 2000 infrastructure improvement program,  
514 whichever is later, the university shall have charge and supervision of  
515 the design, planning, acquisition, remodeling, alteration, repair,  
516 enlargement or demolition of any real asset or any other project on its  
517 campuses.

518       Sec. 24. Subsection (a) of section 10a-109x of the general statutes is  
519 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*  
520 *2024*):

521       (a) Not later than October 1, 1995, and semiannually thereafter, the  
522 university shall report to the Governor and the joint standing  
523 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
524 relating to the Department of Education, to finance, revenue and  
525 bonding, and to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies on the  
526 status and progress of UConn 2000. Each report shall include, but not be  
527 limited to: (1) Information on the number of projects and securities

528 authorized, approved and issued hereunder including, relative to such  
529 projects, project costs, timeliness of completion and any problems which  
530 have developed in implementation, and a schedule of projects  
531 remaining and their expected costs; (2) the amount of revenue available  
532 from all sources for such remaining projects and expected receipts for  
533 such remaining projects for the succeeding four quarters; (3) the amount  
534 of money raised from private sources for the capital and endowment  
535 programs and the progress made in the development and  
536 implementation of the fund-raising program; and (4) any cooperative  
537 activities with other public and independent institutions of higher  
538 education commenced in the preceding six months. Each such report  
539 shall, for the preceding six-month period, (A) specify the moneys  
540 credited to such fund on account of, or derived from, each source of state  
541 and federal revenue, (B) specify the amount of investment earnings  
542 from the fund, (C) specify the moneys from such fund applied and  
543 expended for (i) the payment of debt service requirements, (ii) the  
544 payment of the principal of and interest on securities issued hereunder  
545 and general obligation bonds of the state issued for university capital  
546 improvement purposes, and (iii) each budgeted account under the  
547 annual budget appropriation made to the university. The joint standing  
548 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
549 relating to finance, revenue and bonding may require the university to  
550 appear before the committee to present and comment on any report filed  
551 pursuant to this subsection.

552 Sec. 25. Subsection (b) of section 13b-74 of the general statutes is  
553 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*  
554 *2024*):

555 (b) The purposes for which special tax obligation bonds may be  
556 issued pursuant to sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, are as follows:

557 (1) Planning, acquisition, removal, construction, equipping,  
558 reconstruction, repair, rehabilitation and improvement of, and  
559 acquisition of easements and rights-of-way with respect to, state

560 highways and bridges;

561 (2) Payment of the state's share of the costs of planning, acquisition,  
562 removal, construction, equipping, reconstruction, repair, rehabilitation  
563 and improvement of, and acquisition of easements and rights-of-way  
564 with respect to, (A) state highways, (B) projects on the interstate  
565 highway system, (C) alternate highway projects in the interstate  
566 highway substitution program, commonly referred to as the interstate  
567 trade-in program, (D) state bridges, (E) mass transportation and transit  
568 facilities, (F) aeronautic facilities, excluding Bradley International  
569 Airport, and (G) waterway projects;

570 (3) Payment of the state's share of the costs of planning, acquisition,  
571 removal, construction, equipping, reconstruction, repair, rehabilitation  
572 and improvement of, and acquisition of easements and rights-of-way  
573 with respect to, the local bridge program established under sections 13a-  
574 175p to 13a-175u, inclusive, and payment of state contributions to the  
575 Local Bridge Revolving Fund established under section 13a-175r;

576 (4) Planning, acquisition, removal, construction, equipping,  
577 reconstruction, repair, rehabilitation and improvement of, and  
578 acquisition of easements and rights-of-way with respect to, the highway  
579 safety program, including the rail-highway crossing, hazard elimination  
580 and other highway safety programs on the state highway system;

581 (5) Planning, acquisition, removal, construction, equipping,  
582 reconstruction, repair, rehabilitation and improvement of, and  
583 acquisition of easements and rights-of-way with respect to, the  
584 maintenance garages and administrative facilities of the Department of  
585 Transportation;

586 (6) Planning, acquisition, removal, construction, equipping,  
587 reconstruction, repair, rehabilitation and improvement of, and  
588 acquisition of easements and rights-of-way with respect to, projects and  
589 purposes included in section 13b-57h;

590 (7) Payment of funds made available to towns, as provided in sections  
591 13a-175a to 13a-175e, inclusive, 13a-175i and 13a-175j, for the purposes  
592 set forth in sections 13a-175a, 13a-175d and 13a-175j; [and]

593 (8) Payment of funds to any municipality or local planning agency  
594 for transportation improvements pursuant to section 13a-98n; and

595 (9) Grants for commercial rail freight lines pursuant to section 13b-  
596 236.

597 Sec. 26. Section 13b-236 of the 2024 supplement to the general statutes  
598 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
599 *1, 2024*):

600 (a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the  
601 State Bond Commission shall have the power, from time to time to  
602 authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in  
603 principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate [twenty-seven]  
604 seventeen million five hundred thousand dollars.

605 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the amount  
606 stated in subsection (a) of this section and subdivision (3) of subsection  
607 (b) of section 46 of public act 23-205, as amended by section 55 of this  
608 act, shall be used by the Department of Transportation for a program of  
609 competitive grants for commercial rail freight lines operating in the state  
610 for improvements and repairs to, and the modernization of, existing rail,  
611 rail beds and related facilities. Such program shall include the following:  
612 (1) (A) Grants of one hundred per cent of the amount necessary to  
613 improve, repair or modernize state-owned rights of way, and (B) grants  
614 of seventy per cent of the amount necessary to improve, repair or  
615 modernize privately owned rail lines, provided the commissioner may  
616 waive the requirement for a thirty per cent matching grant if such  
617 improvement, repair or modernization demonstrably increases rail  
618 freight traffic; and (2) preference for grants shall be given to (A) freight  
619 rail projects that improve at-grade rail crossings to eliminate hazards or  
620 increase safety, (B) freight rail projects that provide connection to major

621 freight generators, (C) projects that further the goals and objectives of  
622 the Department of Transportation's Connecticut State Rail Plan, and (D)  
623 freight rail projects that improve freight rail infrastructure by increasing  
624 the capacity for rail freight traffic.

625 (c) All provisions of section 3-20, or the exercise of any right or power  
626 granted thereby, which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this  
627 section are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by  
628 the State Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary  
629 notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any  
630 such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section  
631 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such  
632 time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as  
633 may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the  
634 State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds  
635 shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond  
636 Commission that there has been filed with it a request for such  
637 authorization which is signed by or on behalf of the Secretary of the  
638 Office of Policy and Management and states such terms and conditions  
639 as said commission, in its discretion, may require. Said bonds issued  
640 pursuant to this section shall be general obligations of the state and the  
641 full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the  
642 payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same  
643 become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with  
644 the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for  
645 punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and  
646 the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same  
647 become due.

648 Sec. 27. Subsection (b) of section 17a-250 of the 2024 supplement to  
649 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
650 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

651 (b) The proceeds of the sale of such bonds, to the extent of the amount  
652 stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the



653 Commissioner of [Developmental Services] Housing for the grant-in-  
654 aid program established pursuant to section 17a-249, for supportive  
655 housing for persons with an intellectual disability or other  
656 developmental disabilities, including, but not limited to, autism  
657 spectrum disorder.

658 Sec. 28. Subdivision (1) of subsection (e) of section 29-1bb of the  
659 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
660 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

661 (e) (1) An eligible nonprofit organization may receive a grant of not  
662 more than fifty thousand dollars pursuant to this section, provided fifty  
663 per cent of such grant shall be made available to such eligible nonprofit  
664 organization when such eligible nonprofit organization presents to the  
665 commissioner a contract in which such eligible nonprofit organization  
666 will incur eligible expenses for security infrastructure, and fifty per cent  
667 of such grant shall be made available to such eligible nonprofit  
668 organization when such eligible nonprofit organization demonstrates to  
669 the commissioner that the eligible nonprofit organization has incurred  
670 all of the eligible expenses pursuant to such contract. Nothing in this  
671 section shall prohibit an eligible nonprofit organization from applying  
672 for a federal grant in addition to a grant pursuant to this section,  
673 provided such organization shall not receive both a federal grant and a  
674 grant pursuant to this section for the same project.

675 Sec. 29. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 32-39y of the general statutes  
676 are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
677 *1, 2024*):

678 (a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the  
679 State Bond Commission shall have the power from time to time to  
680 authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in  
681 principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate [sixty-four million]  
682 twenty million two hundred thousand dollars. [, provided (1) two  
683 hundred thousand dollars of such authorization shall be effective July

684 1, 2021, (2) thirteen million five hundred thousand dollars of such  
685 authorization shall be effective July 1, 2022, (3) twenty-three million five  
686 hundred thousand dollars of such authorization shall be effective July  
687 1, 2023, (4) thirteen million five hundred thousand dollars of such  
688 authorization shall be effective July 1, 2024, and (5) thirteen million five  
689 hundred thousand dollars of such authorization shall be effective July  
690 1, 2025.]

691 (b) The proceeds of the sale of such bonds, to the extent of the amount  
692 stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by (1) CTNext for  
693 [the purpose of recapitalizing the innovation place program established  
694 under section 32-39k for existing and new innovation places, provided  
695 (1) two hundred thousand dollars shall be used for] an economic  
696 feasibility study of certain lands in Trumbull in the fiscal year  
697 commencing July 1, 2021, and (2) [ten million dollars shall be deposited  
698 in the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2023, in] by CTNext, or the  
699 Department of Economic and Community Development as a successor  
700 agency to CTNext, for the CTNext Fund established under section 32-  
701 39i [for general operational purposes] and for the purposes described in  
702 said section.

703 Sec. 30. Subsection (b) of section 32-235 of the 2024 supplement to the  
704 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
705 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

706 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the amount  
707 stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the Department  
708 of Economic and Community Development (1) for the purposes of  
709 sections 32-220 to 32-234, inclusive, including economic cluster-related  
710 programs and activities, and for the Connecticut job training finance  
711 demonstration program pursuant to sections 32-23uu and 32-23vv,  
712 provided (A) three million dollars shall be used by said department  
713 solely for the purposes of section 32-23uu, (B) not less than one million  
714 dollars shall be used for an educational technology grant to the  
715 deployment center program and the nonprofit business consortium

716 deployment center approved pursuant to section 32-41l, (C) not less  
717 than two million dollars shall be used by said department for the  
718 establishment of a pilot program to make grants to businesses in  
719 designated areas of the state for construction, renovation or  
720 improvement of small manufacturing facilities, provided such grants  
721 are matched by the business, a municipality or another financing entity.  
722 The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall  
723 designate areas of the state where manufacturing is a substantial part of  
724 the local economy and shall make grants under such pilot program  
725 which are likely to produce a significant economic development benefit  
726 for the designated area, (D) five million dollars may be used by said  
727 department for the manufacturing competitiveness grants program, (E)  
728 one million dollars shall be used by said department for the purpose of  
729 a grant to the Connecticut Center for Advanced Technology, for the  
730 purposes of subdivision (5) of subsection (a) of section 32-7f, (F) fifty  
731 million dollars shall be used by said department for the purpose of  
732 grants to the United States Department of the Navy, the United States  
733 Department of Defense or eligible applicants for projects related to the  
734 enhancement of infrastructure for long-term, on-going naval operations  
735 at the United States Naval Submarine Base-New London, located in  
736 Groton, which will increase the military value of said base. Such projects  
737 shall not be subject to the provisions of sections 4a-60 and 4a-60a, (G)  
738 two million dollars shall be used by said department for the purpose of  
739 a grant to the Connecticut Center for Advanced Technology, Inc., for  
740 manufacturing initiatives, including aerospace and defense, and (H)  
741 four million dollars shall be used by said department for the purpose of  
742 a grant to companies adversely impacted by the construction at the  
743 Quinnipiac Bridge, where such grant may be used to offset the increase  
744 in costs of commercial overland transportation of goods or materials  
745 brought to the port of New Haven by ship or vessel, (2) for the purposes  
746 of the small business assistance program established pursuant to section  
747 32-9yy, provided fifteen million dollars shall be deposited in the small  
748 business assistance account established pursuant to said section 32-9yy,  
749 (3) to deposit twenty million dollars in the small business express

750 assistance account established pursuant to section 32-7h, (4) to deposit  
751 four million nine hundred thousand dollars per year in each of the fiscal  
752 years ending June 30, 2017, to June 30, 2019, inclusive, and June 30, 2021,  
753 and nine million nine hundred thousand dollars in the fiscal year ending  
754 June 30, 2020, in the CTNext Fund established pursuant to section 32-  
755 39i, which shall be used by CTNext to provide grants-in-aid to  
756 designated innovation places, as defined in section 32-39j, planning  
757 grants-in-aid pursuant to section 32-39l, and grants-in-aid for projects  
758 that network innovation places pursuant to subsection (b) of section 32-  
759 39m, provided not more than three million dollars be used for grants-  
760 in-aid for such projects, and further provided any portion of any such  
761 deposit that remains unexpended in a fiscal year subsequent to the date  
762 of such deposit may be used by CTNext for any purpose described in  
763 subsection (e) of section 32-39i, (5) to deposit two million dollars per  
764 year in each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2019, to June 30, 2021,  
765 inclusive, in the CTNext Fund established pursuant to section 32-39i,  
766 which shall be used by CTNext for the purpose of providing higher  
767 education entrepreneurship grants-in-aid pursuant to section 32-39g,  
768 provided any portion of any such deposit that remains unexpended in  
769 a fiscal year subsequent to the date of such deposit may be used by  
770 CTNext for any purpose described in subsection (e) of section 32-39i, (6)  
771 for the purpose of funding the costs of the Technology Talent Advisory  
772 Committee established pursuant to section 32-7p, provided not more  
773 than ten million dollars may be used on or after July 1, 2023, for such  
774 purpose, (7) to provide (A) a grant-in-aid to the Connecticut Supplier  
775 Connection in an amount equal to two hundred fifty thousand dollars  
776 in each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2017, to June 30, 2021,  
777 inclusive, and (B) a grant-in-aid to the Connecticut Procurement  
778 Technical Assistance Program in an amount equal to three hundred  
779 thousand dollars in each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2017, to June  
780 30, 2021, inclusive, (8) to deposit four hundred fifty thousand dollars per  
781 year, in each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2017, to June 30, 2021,  
782 inclusive, in the CTNext Fund established pursuant to section 32-39i,  
783 which shall be used by CTNext to provide growth grants-in-aid

784 pursuant to section 32-39g, provided any portion of any such deposit  
785 that remains unexpended in a fiscal year subsequent to the date of such  
786 deposit may be used by CTNext for any purpose described in subsection  
787 (e) of section 32-39i, (9) to transfer fifty million dollars to the Labor  
788 Department which shall be used by said department for the purpose of  
789 funding workforce pipeline programs selected pursuant to section 31-  
790 11rr, provided, notwithstanding the provisions of section 31-11rr, (A)  
791 not less than five million dollars shall be provided to the workforce  
792 development board in Bridgeport serving the southwest region, for  
793 purposes of such program, and the board shall distribute such money  
794 in proportion to population and need, and (B) not less than five million  
795 dollars shall be provided to the workforce development board in  
796 Hartford serving the north central region, for purposes of such program,  
797 (10) to transfer twenty million dollars to Connecticut Innovations,  
798 Incorporated, provided ten million dollars shall be used by Connecticut  
799 Innovations, Incorporated for the purpose of the proof of concept fund  
800 established pursuant to subsection (b) of section 32-39x and ten million  
801 dollars shall be used by Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated for the  
802 purpose of the venture capital fund program established pursuant to  
803 section 32-410o, (11) to provide a grant to The University of Connecticut  
804 of eight million dollars for the establishment, development and  
805 operation of a center for sustainable aviation pursuant to subsection (a)  
806 of section 10a-110o, and (12) for up to twenty million dollars in  
807 investments in federally designated opportunity zones through an  
808 impact investment firm including, subject to the approval of the  
809 Governor, funding from the Economic Assistance Revolving Fund,  
810 established pursuant to section 32-231. Not later than thirty days prior  
811 to any use of unexpended funds under subdivision (4), (5) or (8) of this  
812 subsection, the CTNext board of directors shall provide notice of and  
813 the reason for such use to the joint standing committees of the General  
814 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to commerce and  
815 finance, revenue and bonding.

816       Sec. 31. Section 1 of public act 13-239, as amended by section 214 of

817 public act 15-1 of the June special session, section 161 of public act 16-4  
818 of the May special session and section 491 of public act 17-2 of the June  
819 special session, is amended to read as follows (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

820 The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the  
821 provisions of this section and sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of public act 13-  
822 239, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in  
823 one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not  
824 exceeding [~~\$297,885,986~~] \$298,007,634.

825 Sec. 32. Subdivision (4) of subsection (l) of section 2 of public act 13-  
826 239, as amended by section 27 of public act 18-178, is amended to read  
827 as follows (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

828 (4) At Middlesex Community College: Renovations and additions to  
829 the Wheaton and Snow Classroom Buildings, not exceeding [~~\$4,800,000~~]  
830 \$4,921,648.

831 Sec. 33. Section 1 of public act 15-1 of the June special session, as  
832 amended by section 196 of public act 16-4 of the May special session,  
833 section 522 of public act 17-2 of the June special session and section 75  
834 of public act 20-1, is amended to read as follows (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

835 The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the  
836 provisions of this section and sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of public act 15-  
837 1 of the June special session, from time to time to authorize the issuance  
838 of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in  
839 the aggregate not exceeding [~~\$349,413,300~~] \$350,421,300.

840 Sec. 34. Subdivision (4) of subsection (n) of section 2 of public act 15-  
841 1 of the June special session, as amended by section 338 of public act 22-  
842 118, is amended to read as follows (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

843 (4) At Gateway Community College: For acquisition, design and  
844 construction of facilities for workforce development programs,  
845 including such programs for the transportation, alternative energy,

846 advanced manufacturing and health sectors, not exceeding [\$28,800,000]  
847 \$29,808,000;

848 Sec. 35. Section 20 of public act 15-1 of the June special session, as  
849 amended by section 207 of public act 16-4 of the May special session and  
850 section 534 of public act 17-2 of the June special session, is amended to  
851 read as follows (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

852 The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the  
853 provisions of this section and sections 21 to 26, inclusive, of public act  
854 15-1 of the June special session, from time to time to authorize the  
855 issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal  
856 amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding [\$275,372,176] \$276,583,746.

857 Sec. 36. Subdivision (5) of subsection (n) of section 21 of public act 15-  
858 1 of the June special session is amended to read as follows (*Effective July*  
859 *1, 2024*):

860 (5) At Asnuntuck Community College: Alterations renovations and  
861 improvements for expansion of library and student services, not  
862 exceeding [\$3,800,000] \$5,011,570.

863 Sec. 37. Section 377 of public act 17-2 of the June special session, as  
864 amended by section 75 of public act 21-111, is amended to read as  
865 follows (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

866 The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the  
867 provisions of this section and sections 378 to 383, inclusive, of public act  
868 17-2 of the June special session, from time to time to authorize the  
869 issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal  
870 amounts in the aggregate not exceeding [\$235,836,905] \$239,336,905.

871 Sec. 38. Subdivision (5) of subsection (i) of section 378 of public act  
872 17-2 of the June special session is amended to read as follows (*Effective*  
873 *July 1, 2024*):

874 (5) Norwalk Community College: Alterations, renovations and

875 improvements to the B wing building, not exceeding [\$18,600,000]  
876 \$22,100,000;

877 Sec. 39. Subsection (c) of section 397 of public act 17-2 of the June  
878 special session is amended to read as follows (*Effective from passage*):

879 (c) For the Military Department: Acquisition of property for  
880 development of readiness centers, [in Litchfield county,] not exceeding  
881 \$2,000,000.

882 Sec. 40. Section 407 of public act 17-2 of the June special session, as  
883 amended by section 35 of public act 18-178, section 81 of public act 21-  
884 111 and section 71 of public act 23-205, is amended to read as follows  
885 (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

886 The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the  
887 provisions of this section and sections 408 to 414, inclusive, of public act  
888 17-2 of the June special session, from time to time to authorize the  
889 issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal  
890 amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding [\$184,000,000] \$182,000,000.

891 Sec. 41. Subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 408 of public act  
892 17-2 of the June special session is repealed. (*Effective July 1, 2024*)

893 Sec. 42. Section 1 of public act 20-1, as amended by section 339 of  
894 public act 22-118, is amended to read as follows (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

895 The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the  
896 provisions of this section and sections [307 to 312] 2 to 7, inclusive, of  
897 [this act] public act 20-1, from time to time to authorize the issuance of  
898 bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the  
899 aggregate not exceeding [\$198,450,000] \$199,944,240.

900 Sec. 43. Subdivision (4) of subsection (j) of section 2 of public act 20-1  
901 is amended to read as follows (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

902 (4) Naugatuck Valley Community College: Design for the renovation



903 of Kinney Hall, not exceeding [\$6,000,000] \$7,494,240.

904 Sec. 44. Subdivision (2) of subsection (o) of section 2 of public act 23-  
905 205 is amended to read as follows (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

906 (2) Advanced manufacturing and emerging technology programs,  
907 including at Tunxis Community College, not exceeding \$4,000,000;

908 Sec. 45. Subdivision (4) of subsection (a) of section 13 of public act 23-  
909 205 is amended to read as follows (*Effective from passage*):

910 (4) Grants-in-aid for the development of an advanced manufacturing  
911 facility in the Hartford region, not exceeding \$15,000,000;

912 Sec. 46. Section 20 of public act 23-205 is amended to read as follows  
913 (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

914 The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the  
915 provisions of this section and sections 21 to 26, inclusive, of [this act]  
916 public act 23-205, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds  
917 of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the  
918 aggregate not exceeding [\$520,345,000] \$514,345,000.

919 Sec. 47. Subdivision (2) of subsection (l) of section 21 of public act 23-  
920 205 is amended to read as follows (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

921 (2) Advanced manufacturing and emerging technology programs,  
922 including at Tunxis Community College, not exceeding [\$3,000,000]  
923 \$7,000,000;

924 Sec. 48. Subdivision (4) of subsection (l) of section 21 of public act 23-  
925 205 is amended to read as follows (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

926 (4) All universities: Deferred maintenance, code compliance and  
927 infrastructure improvements, not exceeding [\$65,200,000] \$60,200,000;

928 Sec. 49. Subdivision (6) of subsection (l) of section 21 of public act 23-  
929 205 is amended to read as follows (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

930 (6) All community colleges: Deferred maintenance, code compliance  
931 and infrastructure improvements, not exceeding [\$27,600,000]  
932 \$22,600,000;

933 Sec. 50. Section 31 of public act 23-205 is amended to read as follows  
934 (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

935 The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the  
936 provisions of this section and sections 32 to 38, inclusive, of [this act]  
937 public act 23-205, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds  
938 of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the  
939 aggregate, not exceeding [\$306,000,000] \$321,000,000.

940 Sec. 51. Subdivision (6) of subsection (b) of section 32 of public act 23-  
941 205 is amended to read as follows (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

942 (6) Microgrid and resilience grant and loan pilot program, not  
943 exceeding [\$25,000,000] \$40,000,000;

944 Sec. 52. Section 45 of public act 23-205 is amended to read as follows  
945 (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

946 The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the  
947 provisions of this section and sections 46 to 50, inclusive, of [this act]  
948 public act 23-205, from time to time to authorize the issuance of special  
949 tax obligation bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal  
950 amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding [\$1,530,772,000] \$1,642,372,000.

951 Sec. 53. Subdivision (4) of subsection (a) of section 46 of public act 23-  
952 205 is amended to read as follows (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

953 (4) Environmental compliance, soil and groundwater remediation,  
954 hazardous materials abatement, demolition, salt shed construction and  
955 renovation, storage tank replacement and environmental emergency  
956 response at or in the vicinity of state-owned properties or related to  
957 Department of Transportation operations, including, but not limited to,  
958 the provision of a grant to the Department of Natural Resources and the

959 Environment at The University of Connecticut to conduct a study in  
960 accordance with section 63 of this act, not exceeding [\$17,065,000]  
961 \$18,665,000;

962 Sec. 54. Subdivision (7) of subsection (a) of section 46 of public act 23-  
963 205 is amended to read as follows (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

964 (7) Fix-it-First program to repair the state's bridges, not exceeding  
965 [\$62,250,000] \$162,250,000;

966 Sec. 55. Subsection (b) of section 46 of public act 23-205 is amended to  
967 read as follows (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

968 (b) For the Bureau of Public Transportation:

969 (1) Bus and rail facilities and equipment, including rights-of-way,  
970 other property acquisition and related projects, not exceeding  
971 \$273,450,000;

972 (2) Northeast Corridor Modernization Match Program, not exceeding  
973 \$438,175,000;

974 (3) Grants for commercial rail freight lines pursuant to section 13b-  
975 236 of the general statutes not exceeding \$10,000,000.

976 Sec. 56. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2024*) (a) For each fiscal year in which  
977 funding is available, the Department of Housing shall administer a  
978 program to provide grants to nonprofit organizations that own and  
979 operate facilities that are used to house or provide services to homeless  
980 individuals, including, but not limited to, shelters, day shelters,  
981 homeless hubs and other facilities, to make capital improvements. Such  
982 capital improvements may include, but need not be limited to,  
983 renovations, rehabilitations, architectural and engineering costs and any  
984 other related costs, but shall not include acquisitions, demolitions,  
985 purchases of land or buildings or capital improvements to permanent  
986 supportive housing.

987 (b) Not later than October 1, 2024, the department shall develop  
988 eligibility criteria to be used in selecting among applicants for such  
989 grants, develop application forms and deadlines and post in a  
990 conspicuous location on the department's Internet web site a description  
991 of the grant program that includes, but is not limited to, such criteria,  
992 forms and deadlines.

993 (c) Not later than January 1, 2026, and annually thereafter, the  
994 department shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of  
995 section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committees of  
996 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to housing  
997 and finance, revenue and bonding. Such report shall include  
998 information for the preceding calendar year on the number of  
999 applications for grants that were received, the number of grants that  
1000 were awarded and a list of the nonprofit organizations that received  
1001 grants and the amount of such grants.

1002 Sec. 57. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) (a) For the purposes described in  
1003 subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have the  
1004 power from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state  
1005 in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the  
1006 aggregate twenty-five million dollars.

1007 (b) The proceeds of the sale of such bonds, to the extent of the amount  
1008 stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the Department  
1009 of Energy and Environmental Protection for the purpose of a program  
1010 to provide rebates, at the point of sale, for the purchase of heat pumps  
1011 intended for heating systems in the state, pursuant to section 16 of  
1012 substitute house bill 5004 of the current session, as amended by House  
1013 Amendment Schedule "A".

1014 (c) All provisions of section 3-20 of the general statutes, or the exercise  
1015 of any right or power granted thereby, that are not inconsistent with the  
1016 provisions of this section are hereby adopted and shall apply to all  
1017 bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to this

1018 section. Temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived  
1019 from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in  
1020 accordance with section 3-20 of the general statutes and from time to  
1021 time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not  
1022 exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided  
1023 in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond  
1024 Commission authorizing such bonds. None of such bonds shall be  
1025 authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that  
1026 there has been filed with it a request for such authorization that is signed  
1027 by or on behalf of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management  
1028 and states such terms and conditions as said commission, in its  
1029 discretion, may require. Such bonds issued pursuant to this section shall  
1030 be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state  
1031 of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and  
1032 interest on such bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as  
1033 part of the contract of the state with the holders of such bonds,  
1034 appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such  
1035 principal and interest is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay  
1036 such principal and interest as the same become due.

1037       Sec. 58. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) (a) For the purposes described in  
1038 subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have the  
1039 power from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state  
1040 in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the  
1041 aggregate ten million dollars.

1042       (b) The proceeds of the sale of such bonds, to the extent of the amount  
1043 stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the Department  
1044 of Energy and Environmental Protection for the purpose of providing  
1045 low interest loans for climate resiliency projects pursuant to section 59  
1046 of this act.

1047       (c) All provisions of section 3-20 of the general statutes, or the exercise  
1048 of any right or power granted thereby, that are not inconsistent with the  
1049 provisions of this section are hereby adopted and shall apply to all

1050 bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to this  
1051 section. Temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived  
1052 from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in  
1053 accordance with section 3-20 of the general statutes and from time to  
1054 time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not  
1055 exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided  
1056 in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond  
1057 Commission authorizing such bonds. None of such bonds shall be  
1058 authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that  
1059 there has been filed with it a request for such authorization that is signed  
1060 by or on behalf of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management  
1061 and states such terms and conditions as said commission, in its  
1062 discretion, may require. Such bonds issued pursuant to this section shall  
1063 be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state  
1064 of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and  
1065 interest on such bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as  
1066 part of the contract of the state with the holders of such bonds,  
1067 appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such  
1068 principal and interest is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay  
1069 such principal and interest as the same become due.

1070       Sec. 59. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2024*) (a) There is established a  
1071 revolving loan fund to be known as the "Climate Resiliency Revolving  
1072 Loan Fund". The fund may be funded from the proceeds of bonds issued  
1073 pursuant to section 58 of this act or from any moneys available to the  
1074 Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection or from other  
1075 sources. Investment earnings credited to the fund shall become part of  
1076 the assets of the fund. Any balance remaining in the fund at the end of  
1077 any fiscal year shall be carried forward in the fund for the next fiscal  
1078 year. Payments of principal or interest on a low interest loan made  
1079 pursuant to this section shall be paid to the State Treasurer for deposit  
1080 in the Climate Resiliency Revolving Loan Fund. The fund shall be used  
1081 to make low interest loans pursuant to this section and to pay reasonable  
1082 and necessary expenses incurred in administering loans under this

1083 section. The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection  
1084 may enter into contracts with nonprofit corporations to provide for the  
1085 administration of the Climate Resiliency Revolving Loan Fund by such  
1086 nonprofit corporations, provided no low interest loan shall be made  
1087 from the fund without the authorization of the commissioner as  
1088 provided in this section.

1089 (b) The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall  
1090 establish a program to provide low interest loans from the fund  
1091 established in subsection (a) of this section to municipalities and private  
1092 entities for infrastructure repairs and resiliency projects in response to  
1093 unplanned climate events. Such repairs and projects may not include  
1094 rehousing or temporary assistance costs. The commissioner shall  
1095 develop eligibility criteria and application forms to be used in selecting  
1096 among applicants for such loans. On and after October 1, 2024, the  
1097 commissioner, or any program administrator the commissioner may  
1098 designate, shall accept applications from any municipality or private  
1099 entity for such loans.

1100 (c) On or before January 1, 2025, and annually thereafter, the  
1101 Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall file a  
1102 report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general  
1103 statutes, with the joint standing committee of the General Assembly  
1104 having cognizance of matters relating to the environment regarding the  
1105 status of the program, including information on the number of loans  
1106 issued, the individual amount of each loan and the total amount of loans  
1107 issued and any recommendations for legislation related to the program.

1108 Sec. 60. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) (a) For the purposes described in  
1109 subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have the  
1110 power from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state  
1111 in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the  
1112 aggregate three million dollars.

1113 (b) The proceeds of the sale of such bonds, to the extent of the amount

1114 stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the Department  
1115 of Emergency Services and Public Protection for the purpose of  
1116 providing grants to municipalities to purchase unmanned aircraft,  
1117 accessories or both, pursuant to section 61 of this act.

1118 (c) All provisions of section 3-20 of the general statutes, or the exercise  
1119 of any right or power granted thereby, that are not inconsistent with the  
1120 provisions of this section are hereby adopted and shall apply to all  
1121 bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to this  
1122 section. Temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived  
1123 from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in  
1124 accordance with section 3-20 of the general statutes and from time to  
1125 time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not  
1126 exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided  
1127 in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond  
1128 Commission authorizing such bonds. None of such bonds shall be  
1129 authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that  
1130 there has been filed with it a request for such authorization that is signed  
1131 by or on behalf of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management  
1132 and states such terms and conditions as said commission, in its  
1133 discretion, may require. Such bonds issued pursuant to this section shall  
1134 be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state  
1135 of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and  
1136 interest on such bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as  
1137 part of the contract of the state with the holders of such bonds,  
1138 appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such  
1139 principal and interest is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay  
1140 such principal and interest as the same become due.

1141 Sec. 61. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2024*) (a) For purposes of this section:

1142 (1) "Accessories" means devices associated with an unmanned  
1143 aircraft, including, but not limited to, cameras with night vision, thermal  
1144 or infrared capabilities and other devices that are necessary for the  
1145 operation of the unmanned aircraft to fulfill its public safety mission;



1146 (2) "Municipality" has the same meaning as provided in section 7-148  
1147 of the general statutes; and

1148 (3) "Unmanned aircraft" means a powered aircraft that (A) uses  
1149 aerodynamic forces to provide vertical lift, (B) is operated remotely by  
1150 a pilot in command or is capable of autonomous flight, (C) does not  
1151 carry a human operator, and (D) can be expendable or recoverable.

1152 (b) (1) The Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection  
1153 shall, within available resources, administer a program to provide  
1154 grants to municipalities to purchase unmanned aircraft, accessories or  
1155 both. If state or federal law prohibits the purchase of a specific  
1156 unmanned aircraft based on the country of the unmanned aircraft's  
1157 manufacture, a municipality may not use a grant issued pursuant to this  
1158 section to purchase such unmanned aircraft.

1159 (2) Any such grant shall be for up to thirty-three per cent of the cost  
1160 of such purchase of such unmanned aircraft or accessories.

1161 (c) Not later than January 1, 2025, the department shall develop  
1162 technical standards for unmanned aircraft and accessories eligible for  
1163 grants, develop eligibility criteria to be used in selecting among  
1164 applicants for such grants, develop application forms and deadlines and  
1165 post in a conspicuous location on the department's Internet web site a  
1166 description of the grant program that includes, but is not limited to, such  
1167 standards, criteria, forms and deadlines.

1168 (d) Not later than January 1, 2026, and each year thereafter in which  
1169 grants are issued, the department shall submit a report, in accordance  
1170 with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint  
1171 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
1172 matters relating to public safety and security. Such report shall include  
1173 information for the preceding calendar year on the number of  
1174 applications for grants that were received, the number of grants that  
1175 were awarded and a list of the municipalities that received grants.

1176       Sec. 62. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2024*) Not later than September 1, 2024,  
1177 and every six months thereafter until September 1, 2026, the Department  
1178 of Housing shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of  
1179 section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committee of  
1180 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to finance,  
1181 revenue and bonding. Such report shall include for the prior fiscal year,  
1182 and the prior six months, the following information regarding funds  
1183 obtained by the department pursuant to bond authorizations in section  
1184 8-336n of the general statutes, sections 8 to 10, inclusive, and sections 27  
1185 to 29, inclusive, of public act 23-205, or any similar public act:

1186       (1) The specific programs for which the department used funds  
1187 obtained pursuant to said bond authorizations, and the amount from  
1188 each authorization used for each specific program;

1189       (2) A description of the department's activities that address  
1190 supportive housing under the programs described in subdivision (1) of  
1191 this section, and the amount of funds obtained from each authorization  
1192 used for such activities; and

1193       (3) The amount of funds obtained pursuant to each of said bond  
1194 authorizations that was provided by the department to the Connecticut  
1195 Housing Finance Authority for administration of programs related to  
1196 housing.

1197       Sec. 63. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) The Department of Transportation shall  
1198 provide a grant from available resources to the Department of Natural  
1199 Resources and the Environment at The University of Connecticut for the  
1200 purpose of studying the carbon sequestration by trees and other  
1201 vegetation along highways and other areas in the state. The Department  
1202 of Natural Resources and the Environment shall (1) submit an interim  
1203 report, not later than January 1, 2025, and a final report, not later than  
1204 July 1, 2025, concerning the department's findings and any  
1205 recommendations to the joint standing committees of the General  
1206 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to transportation and

1207 the environment, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of  
1208 the general statutes, and (2) present either or both such reports at a  
1209 hearing held jointly by said joint standing committees.

1210 Sec. 64. Section 8-240a of the 2024 supplement to the general statutes  
1211 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
1212 *October 1, 2024*):

1213 (a) As used in this section:

1214 (1) "Alliance district" has the same meaning as provided in section 10-  
1215 262u;

1216 (2) "Environmental justice community" has the same meaning as  
1217 provided in section 22a-20a; and

1218 (3) "Low-income resident" means, after adjustments for family size,  
1219 individuals or families whose income is not greater than (A) sixty per  
1220 cent of the state median income, [or] (B) eighty per cent of the area  
1221 median income for the area in which the resident resides, as determined  
1222 by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development,  
1223 or (C) any other definition of "low-income resident" included in any  
1224 program in the state that utilizes federal funding, as determined by the  
1225 Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection.

1226 (b) There is established a revolving loan and grant fund to be known  
1227 as the "Housing Environmental Improvement Revolving Loan and  
1228 Grant Fund". The fund may be funded from the proceeds of bonds  
1229 issued pursuant to section 8-240b or from any moneys available to the  
1230 Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection or from other  
1231 sources. Investment earnings credited to the fund shall become part of  
1232 the assets of the fund. Any balance remaining in the fund at the end of  
1233 any fiscal year shall be carried forward in the fund for the next fiscal  
1234 year. Payments of principal or interest on a low interest loan made  
1235 pursuant to this section shall be paid to the State Treasurer for deposit  
1236 in the Housing Environmental Improvement Revolving Loan and Grant

1237 Fund. The fund shall be used to make grants or low interest loans  
1238 pursuant to this section [and] to pay reasonable and necessary  
1239 [expenses] fees incurred in administering loans under this section. The  
1240 Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection may enter into  
1241 contracts with quasi-public agencies or nonprofit corporations to  
1242 provide for the administration of the Housing Environmental  
1243 Improvement Revolving Loan and Grant Fund by such [nonprofit  
1244 corporations] entity or entities, provided no grant or low interest loan  
1245 shall be made from the fund without the authorization of the  
1246 commissioner as provided in this section.

1247 (c) The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection, in  
1248 collaboration with the Commissioner of Housing, shall establish a pilot  
1249 program or programs to provide financing or grants from the fund  
1250 established in subsection (b) of this section for retrofitting projects for  
1251 multifamily residences located in environmental justice communities or  
1252 alliance districts that (1) improve the energy efficiency of such  
1253 residences, which may include, but need not be limited to, the  
1254 installation of heat pumps, solar power generating systems, improved  
1255 roofing, exterior doors and windows, improved insulation, air sealing,  
1256 improved ventilation, appliance upgrades and any electric system or  
1257 wiring upgrades necessary for such retrofit, (2) remediate health and  
1258 safety concerns that are barriers to any such retrofit, including, but not  
1259 limited to, mold, vermiculite, asbestos, lead and radon, or (3) provide  
1260 services to assist residents and building owners to access and implement  
1261 the programs established pursuant to this section or other available state  
1262 or federal programs that enable the implementation of energy efficiency  
1263 retrofitting.

1264 (d) On and after July 1, [2024] 2025, the Commissioner of Energy and  
1265 Environmental Protection, or any program administrator the  
1266 commissioner may designate, shall accept applications, in a form  
1267 specified by the commissioner, from any owner of a residential dwelling  
1268 unit for financing or a grant under the program or programs. Any such  
1269 financing or grant may be awarded to an owner of a residential dwelling

1270 unit, as defined in section 47a-1. [that is (1) not owner-occupied, and (2)  
1271 occupied by a tenant or, if vacant, to be occupied by a tenant not more  
1272 than one hundred eighty days after the award. If such dwelling unit is  
1273 not occupied within one hundred eighty days of the award, the owner  
1274 shall return any funds received by the owner to the commissioner.]

1275 (e) The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall  
1276 prioritize the awarding of financing or grants for projects that benefit  
1277 any resident or prospective resident who is a low-income resident.

1278 (f) The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall  
1279 exclude from the program or programs any owner of a residential  
1280 dwelling unit determined by the Commissioner of Housing to be in  
1281 violation of chapter 830.

1282 (g) On or before October 1, [2027] 2028, the Commissioner of Energy  
1283 and Environmental Protection shall file a report, in accordance with the  
1284 provisions of section 11-4a, with the joint standing committee of the  
1285 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to housing (1)  
1286 analyzing the success of the pilot program or programs, and (2)  
1287 recommending whether a permanent program should be established in  
1288 the state and, if so, any proposed legislation for such program.

1289 (h) The pilot program or programs established pursuant to this  
1290 section shall terminate on September 30, [2028] 2029.

1291 Sec. 65. Section 20 of house bill 5474 of the current session, as  
1292 amended by House Amendment Schedules "A", "B" and "C", is repealed.  
1293 (*Effective from passage*)

1294 Sec. 66. Section 7-294rr of the 2024 supplement to the general statutes  
1295 is repealed. (*Effective July 1, 2024*)

1296 Sec. 67. Section 12-204 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1297 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1298 (a) The commissioner shall, not later than three years after the due

1299 date for the filing of a return or not later than three years after the date  
1300 of receipt of such return by the commissioner, whichever period expires  
1301 later, examine [it] or reexamine such return and, in case any error is  
1302 disclosed by such examination or reexamination, shall, not later than  
1303 thirty days after such disclosure, notify the taxpayer of such error.

1304 (1) When it appears that any part of the deficiency for which a  
1305 deficiency assessment or reassessment is made is due to negligence or  
1306 intentional disregard of the provisions of this chapter or regulations  
1307 promulgated thereunder, there shall be imposed a penalty equal to ten  
1308 per cent of the amount of such deficiency assessment or reassessment,  
1309 or fifty dollars, whichever is greater.

1310 (2) When it appears that any part of the deficiency for which a  
1311 deficiency assessment or reassessment is made is due to fraud or intent  
1312 to evade the provisions of this chapter or regulations promulgated  
1313 thereunder, there shall be imposed a penalty equal to twenty-five per  
1314 cent of the amount of such deficiency assessment or reassessment. No  
1315 taxpayer shall be subject to more than one penalty under this section in  
1316 relation to the same tax period.

1317 (3) Not later than thirty days after the mailing of such notice, the  
1318 taxpayer shall pay to the commissioner, in cash or by check, draft or  
1319 money order drawn to the order of the Commissioner of Revenue  
1320 Services, any additional amount of tax shown to be due by the  
1321 examination or reexamination, or shall be paid by the State Treasurer,  
1322 upon order of the Comptroller, any amount shown to be due it by such  
1323 examination or reexamination. The failure of the taxpayer to receive any  
1324 notice required by this section shall not relieve the taxpayer of the  
1325 obligation to pay the tax or any interest or penalties thereon.

1326 (4) If, before the expiration of the time prescribed by this section for  
1327 the examination or reexamination of the return or the assessment or  
1328 reassessment of the tax, both the commissioner and the taxpayer consent  
1329 in writing to such examination, [or] reexamination, assessment or

1330 reassessment after such time, the return may be examined or  
1331 reexamined and the tax may be assessed or reassessed at any time prior  
1332 to the expiration of the period agreed upon. The period so agreed upon  
1333 may be extended by subsequent agreements in writing made before the  
1334 expiration of the period agreed upon. The commissioner may also in  
1335 such a case extend the period during which a claim for refund may be  
1336 made by such taxpayer.

1337 (b) To any taxes [which] that are assessed or reassessed under this  
1338 section, there shall be added interest at the rate of one per cent per  
1339 month or fraction thereof from the date when the original tax became  
1340 due and payable. The amount of any tax, penalty or interest due and  
1341 unpaid under the provisions of this chapter may be collected under the  
1342 provisions of section 12-35. The warrant therein provided for shall be  
1343 signed by the commissioner or [his] the commissioner's authorized  
1344 agent. The amount of any such tax, penalty or interest shall be a lien on  
1345 the real estate of the taxpayer from the thirty-first day of December next  
1346 preceding the due date of such tax until such tax is paid. The  
1347 commissioner may, at any time after such December thirty-first, record  
1348 such lien in the records of any town in which the real estate of such  
1349 company is situated, but no such lien shall be enforceable against a bona  
1350 fide purchaser or qualified encumbrancer of such real estate. When any  
1351 tax with respect to which a lien has been recorded under the provisions  
1352 of this section has been satisfied, the commissioner upon request of any  
1353 interested party, shall issue a certificate discharging such lien, which  
1354 certificate shall be recorded in the same office in which the lien was  
1355 recorded. Any action for the foreclosure of such lien shall be brought by  
1356 the Attorney General in the name of the state in the superior court for  
1357 the judicial district in which the property subject to such lien is situated,  
1358 or, if such property is located in two or more judicial districts, in the  
1359 superior court for any one such judicial district, and the court may limit  
1360 the time for redemption or order the sale of such property or make such  
1361 other or further decree as it judges equitable.

1362 Sec. 68. Subsection (a) of section 12-210 of the general statutes is

1363 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
1364 *passage*):

1365 (a) Each newly licensed insurance company incorporated by or  
1366 organized under the laws of any other state or foreign government shall  
1367 pay to the Commissioner of Revenue Services, [within forty-five] not  
1368 later than ninety days [of] after the effective date of such company's  
1369 initial license to transact business in this state, a tax on the net direct  
1370 premiums received by such company in the next five preceding  
1371 calendar years from policies written on property or risks located or  
1372 resident in this state, except ocean marine insurance, at the rate in effect  
1373 for each such calendar year.

1374 Sec. 69. Section 12-705 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1375 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2025, and*  
1376 *applicable to taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2025*):

1377 (a) (1) Each employer, as defined in section 12-707, maintaining an  
1378 office or transacting business within this state and making payment of  
1379 any wages taxable under this chapter to a resident or nonresident  
1380 individual shall deduct and withhold from such wages for each payroll  
1381 period a tax computed in such manner as to result, so far as practicable,  
1382 in withholding from the employee's wages during each calendar year  
1383 an amount substantially equivalent to the tax reasonably estimated to  
1384 be due from the employee under this chapter with respect to the amount  
1385 of such wages during the calendar year. The method of determining the  
1386 amount to be withheld shall be prescribed by regulations of the  
1387 Commissioner of Revenue Services adopted in accordance with chapter  
1388 54.

1389 (2) [Each] (A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this  
1390 subdivision, each payer, as defined in section 12-707, of distributions  
1391 from a profit-sharing plan, a stock bonus, a deferred compensation plan,  
1392 an individual retirement arrangement, an endowment or a life  
1393 insurance contract, or of pension payments or annuity distributions,



1394 that [(A)] maintains an office or transacts business within this state [,]  
1395 and [(B)] makes payment of any amounts taxable under this chapter to  
1396 a resident individual, shall, upon request by such individual, deduct  
1397 and withhold an amount from the taxable portion of any such  
1398 distribution. [a tax computed in such manner as to result, so far as  
1399 practicable, in withholding from the distributions paid during each  
1400 calendar year an amount substantially equivalent to the tax reasonably  
1401 estimated to be due from the payee, as defined in section 12-707, under  
1402 this chapter with respect to such distributions during the calendar year.  
1403 The method of determining the amount to be withheld from taxable  
1404 payments, other than lump sum distributions, shall be determined in  
1405 accordance with instructions provided by the commissioner. The  
1406 amount to be withheld from] Such request and the determination of the  
1407 amount to be withheld shall be made in accordance with regulations  
1408 promulgated by the commissioner for pension payments and annuity  
1409 distributions.

1410 (B) With respect to a lump sum distribution, [shall be equal to] if a  
1411 payee does not make a request to have an amount withheld from such  
1412 distribution, the payer shall withhold from the taxable portion of the  
1413 distribution [multiplied by] at the highest marginal rate, except that no  
1414 withholding shall be required if (i) any portion of the lump sum  
1415 distribution was previously subject to tax, or (ii) the lump sum  
1416 distribution is a rollover that is effected as a direct trustee-to-trustee  
1417 transfer or as a direct rollover in the form of a check made payable to  
1418 another qualified account. For purposes of this [section] subdivision,  
1419 "lump sum distribution" means a payment from a payer to a resident  
1420 payee of an amount exceeding fifty per cent of such resident payee's  
1421 entire account balance or more than five thousand dollars, whichever is  
1422 less, exclusive of any other tax withholding and any administrative  
1423 charges and fees.

1424 (3) In no event shall the requirements of this subsection result in  
1425 nonpayment of any distribution to a resident individual. For the  
1426 calendar year ending December 31, 2018, no taxpayer shall be assessed

1427 interest by the commissioner pursuant to section 12-722 solely on the  
1428 basis of a payer's failure to comply with the provisions of this  
1429 subsection.

1430 (b) The commissioner may, if such action is deemed necessary for the  
1431 protection of the revenue and under such regulations as the  
1432 commissioner may adopt in accordance with the provisions of chapter  
1433 54, require persons other than employers and payers (1) to deduct and  
1434 withhold taxes from payments made by such persons to residents of this  
1435 state, nonresidents and part-year residents, (2) to file a withholding  
1436 return as prescribed by the commissioner, and (3) to pay over to the  
1437 commissioner, or to a depository designated by the commissioner, the  
1438 taxes so required to be deducted and withheld, in accordance with a  
1439 schedule established in such regulations.

1440 (c) The commissioner may adopt regulations providing for  
1441 withholding from (1) remuneration for services performed by an  
1442 employee for his or her employer that does not constitute wages, (2)  
1443 wages paid to an employee by an employer not maintaining an office or  
1444 transacting business within this state, or (3) any other type of payment  
1445 with respect to which the commissioner finds that withholding would  
1446 be appropriate under the provisions of this chapter if the employer and  
1447 the employee, or, in the case of any other type of payment, the person  
1448 making and the person receiving such payment, agree to such  
1449 withholding. Such agreement shall be made in such form and manner  
1450 as the commissioner may prescribe by regulations adopted in  
1451 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54. For purposes of this  
1452 chapter, remuneration, wages or other payments with respect to which  
1453 such an agreement is made shall be regarded as if they were wages paid  
1454 to an employee by an employer maintaining an office or transacting  
1455 business within this state to the extent that such remuneration or wages  
1456 are paid or other payments are made during the period for which the  
1457 agreement is in effect.

1458 Sec. 70. Section 12-91 of the general statutes is repealed and the

1459 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1460 (a) All farm machinery, except motor vehicles, as defined in section  
1461 14-1, to the assessed value of one hundred thousand dollars, any horse  
1462 or pony [which] that is actually and exclusively used in farming, as  
1463 defined in section 1-1, when owned and kept in this state by, or when  
1464 held in trust for, any farmer or group of farmers operating as a unit, a  
1465 partnership or a corporation, a majority of the stock of which  
1466 corporation is held by members of a family actively engaged in farm  
1467 operations, shall be exempt from local property taxation; provided each  
1468 such farmer, whether operating individually or as one of a group,  
1469 partnership or corporation, shall qualify for such exemption in  
1470 accordance with the standards set forth in subsection (d) of this section  
1471 for the assessment year for which such exemption is sought. Only one  
1472 such exemption shall be allowed to each such farmer, group of farmers,  
1473 partnership or corporation. Subdivision (38) of section 12-81 shall not  
1474 apply to any person, group, partnership or corporation receiving the  
1475 exemption provided for in this subsection.

1476 (b) Any municipality, upon approval by its legislative body, may  
1477 provide an additional exemption from property tax for such machinery  
1478 to the extent of an additional assessed value of [one hundred] two  
1479 hundred fifty thousand dollars. Any such exemption shall be subject to  
1480 the same limitations as the exemption provided under subsection (a) of  
1481 this section and the application and qualification process provided in  
1482 subsection (d) of this section.

1483 (c) Any municipality, upon approval by its legislative body, may  
1484 provide an exemption from property tax for any building used actually  
1485 and exclusively in farming, as defined in section 1-1, or for any building  
1486 used to provide housing for seasonal employees of such farmer. The  
1487 municipality shall establish the amount of such exemption from the  
1488 assessed value, provided such amount may not exceed [one] five  
1489 hundred thousand dollars with respect to each eligible building. Such  
1490 exemption shall not apply to the residence of such farmer and shall be

1491 subject to the application and qualification process provided in  
1492 subsection (d) of this section.

1493 (d) Annually, on or before the first day of November or the extended  
1494 filing date granted by the assessor pursuant to section 12-42, each such  
1495 individual farmer, group of farmers, partnership or corporation shall  
1496 make written application for the exemption provided for in subsection  
1497 (a) of this section to the assessor or board of assessors in the town in  
1498 which such farm is located, including therewith a notarized affidavit  
1499 certifying that such farmer, individually or as part of a group,  
1500 partnership or corporation, derived at least fifteen thousand dollars in  
1501 gross sales from such farming operation, or incurred at least fifteen  
1502 thousand dollars in expenses related to such farming operation, with  
1503 respect to the most recently completed taxable year of such farmer prior  
1504 to the commencement of the assessment year for which such application  
1505 is made, on forms to be prescribed by the Commissioner of Agriculture.  
1506 Failure to file such application in said manner and form on or before the  
1507 first day of November shall be considered a waiver of the right to such  
1508 exemption for the assessment year. Any person aggrieved by any action  
1509 of the assessors shall have the same rights and remedies for appeal and  
1510 relief as are provided in the general statutes for taxpayers claiming to be  
1511 aggrieved by the doings of the assessors or board of assessment appeals.

1512 Sec. 71. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Any municipality may, upon  
1513 approval by its legislative body or, in a municipality where the  
1514 legislative body is a town meeting, by vote of the board of selectmen,  
1515 provide an exemption from property tax of not less than five per cent  
1516 and not more than thirty-five per cent of the assessed value, for owner-  
1517 occupied dwellings, including condominiums, as defined in section 47-  
1518 68a of the general statutes, and units in a common interest community,  
1519 as defined in section 47-202 of the general statutes, that are the primary  
1520 residences of such owners and consist of not more than two units.

1521 Sec. 72. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
1522 subdivision (76) of section 12-81 of the general statutes, any person

1523 otherwise eligible for a 2023 grand list exemption pursuant to said  
1524 subdivision (76) in the town of Litchfield, except that such person failed  
1525 to file the required exemption application within the time period  
1526 prescribed, shall be regarded as having filed said application in a timely  
1527 manner if such person files said application not later than thirty days  
1528 after the effective date of this section, and pays the late filing fee  
1529 pursuant to section 12-81k of the general statutes. Upon confirmation of  
1530 the receipt of such fee and verification of the exemption eligibility of the  
1531 machinery and equipment included in such application, the assessor  
1532 shall approve the exemption for such property. If taxes, interest or  
1533 penalties have been paid on the property for which such exemption is  
1534 approved, the town of Litchfield shall reimburse such person in an  
1535 amount equal to the amount by which such taxes, interest or penalties  
1536 exceed any taxes payable if the application had been filed in a timely  
1537 manner.

1538       Sec. 73. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
1539 section 12-89 of the general statutes, any person otherwise eligible for a  
1540 2021 grand list exemption pursuant to subdivision (58) of section 12-81  
1541 of the general statutes in the town of Manchester, except that such  
1542 person failed to file the required exemption application within the time  
1543 period prescribed, shall be regarded as having filed such application in  
1544 a timely manner if such person files such application not later than thirty  
1545 days after the effective date of this section and pays any applicable late  
1546 filing fee prescribed by the general statutes. Upon confirmation of the  
1547 receipt of such fee, if applicable, and verification of the exemption  
1548 eligibility of such property, the assessor shall approve the exemption for  
1549 such property. If taxes, interest or penalties have been paid on the  
1550 property for which such exemption is approved, the town of  
1551 Manchester shall reimburse such person in an amount equal to the  
1552 amount by which such taxes, interest and penalties exceed any taxes  
1553 payable if the application had been filed in a timely manner.

1554       Sec. 74. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
1555 subparagraph (A) of subdivision (7) of section 12-81 of the general

1556 statutes and section 12-87a of the general statutes, any person otherwise  
1557 eligible for a 2021 and 2022 grand list exemption pursuant to said  
1558 subdivision in the city of Meriden, except that such person failed to file  
1559 the required statements within the time period prescribed, shall be  
1560 regarded as having filed such statements in a timely manner if such  
1561 person files such statements not later than thirty days after the effective  
1562 date of this section and pays the late filing fees pursuant to section 12-  
1563 87a of the general statutes. Upon confirmation of the receipt of such fees  
1564 and verification of the exemption eligibility of such property, the  
1565 assessor shall approve the exemptions for such property. If taxes,  
1566 interest or penalties have been paid on the property for which such  
1567 exemptions are approved, the city of Meriden shall reimburse such  
1568 person in an amount equal to the amount by which such taxes, interest  
1569 and penalties exceed any taxes payable if the statements had been filed  
1570 in a timely manner.

1571       Sec. 75. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
1572 subsection (c) of subdivision (11) of section 12-81 of the general statutes  
1573 and section 12-87a of the general statutes, any person otherwise eligible  
1574 for a 2021 and 2022 grand list exemption in the town of Middletown,  
1575 except that such person failed to submit evidence of certification  
1576 pursuant to section 12-89a of the general statutes within the time period  
1577 prescribed by the assessor or board of assessors or failed to file the  
1578 required statements within the time period prescribed, or both, shall be  
1579 regarded as having filed such evidence of certification or statements in  
1580 a timely manner if such person files such evidence of certification or  
1581 statements, or both, as required by the assessor, not later than thirty  
1582 days after the effective date of this section and pays the late filing fees  
1583 pursuant to section 12-87a of the general statutes. Upon confirmation of  
1584 the receipt of such fees and verification of the exemption eligibility of  
1585 such property, the assessor shall approve the exemptions for such  
1586 property. If taxes, interest or penalties have been paid on the property  
1587 for which such exemptions are approved, the town of Middletown shall  
1588 reimburse such person in an amount equal to the amount by which such

1589 taxes, interest and penalties exceed any taxes payable if the evidence of  
1590 certification or statements, or both, had been filed in a timely manner.

1591       Sec. 76. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
1592 subdivision (76) of section 12-81 of the general statutes, any person  
1593 otherwise eligible for a 2022 grand list exemption pursuant to said  
1594 subdivision (76) in the town of Thomaston, except that such person  
1595 failed to file the required exemption application within the time period  
1596 prescribed, shall be regarded as having filed said application in a timely  
1597 manner if such person files said application not later than thirty days  
1598 after the effective date of this section and pays the late filing fee  
1599 pursuant to section 12-81k of the general statutes. Upon confirmation of  
1600 the receipt of such fee and verification of the exemption eligibility of the  
1601 machinery and equipment included in such application, the assessor  
1602 shall approve the exemption for such property. If taxes, interest or  
1603 penalties have been paid on the property for which such exemption is  
1604 approved, the town of Thomaston shall reimburse such person in an  
1605 amount equal to the amount by which such taxes, interest or penalties  
1606 exceed any taxes payable if the application had been filed in a timely  
1607 manner.

1608       Sec. 77. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
1609 subparagraph (A) of subdivision (7) of section 12-81 of the general  
1610 statutes and section 12-87a of the general statutes, any person otherwise  
1611 eligible for a 2021 grand list exemption pursuant to said subdivision in  
1612 the city of Waterbury, except that such person failed to file the required  
1613 statement within the time period prescribed, shall be regarded as having  
1614 filed such statement in a timely manner if such person files such  
1615 statement not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section  
1616 and pays the late filing fee pursuant to section 12-87a of the general  
1617 statutes. Upon confirmation of the receipt of such fee and verification of  
1618 the exemption eligibility of such property, the assessor shall approve the  
1619 exemption for such property. If taxes, interest or penalties have been  
1620 paid on the property for which such exemption is approved, the city of  
1621 Waterbury shall reimburse such person in an amount equal to the

1622 amount by which such taxes, interest and penalties exceed any taxes  
1623 payable if the statement had been filed in a timely manner.

1624       Sec. 78. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
1625 subsection (c) of subdivision (11) of section 12-81 of the general statutes  
1626 and section 12-87a of the general statutes, any person otherwise eligible  
1627 for a 2022 grand list exemption in the city of Waterbury, except that such  
1628 person failed to submit evidence of certification pursuant to section 12-  
1629 89a of the general statutes within the time period prescribed by the  
1630 assessor or board of assessors or failed to file the required statement  
1631 within the time period prescribed, or both, shall be regarded as having  
1632 filed such evidence of certification or statement in a timely manner if  
1633 such person files such evidence of certification or statement, or both, as  
1634 required by the assessor, not later than thirty days after the effective date  
1635 of this section and pays the late filing fee pursuant to section 12-87a of  
1636 the general statutes. Upon confirmation of the receipt of such fee and  
1637 verification of the exemption eligibility of such property, the assessor  
1638 shall approve the exemption for such property. If taxes, interest or  
1639 penalties have been paid on the property for which such exemption is  
1640 approved, the city of Waterbury shall reimburse such person in an  
1641 amount equal to the amount by which such taxes, interest and penalties  
1642 exceed any taxes payable if the evidence of certification or statement, or  
1643 both, had been filed in a timely manner.

1644       Sec. 79. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
1645 subdivision (76) of section 12-81 of the general statutes, any person  
1646 otherwise eligible for a 2023 grand list exemption pursuant to said  
1647 subdivision (76) in the city of West Haven, except that such person failed  
1648 to file the required exemption application within the time period  
1649 prescribed, shall be regarded as having filed said application in a timely  
1650 manner if such person files said application not later than thirty days  
1651 after the effective date of this section, and pays the late filing fee  
1652 pursuant to section 12-81k of the general statutes. Upon confirmation of  
1653 the receipt of such fee and verification of the exemption eligibility of the  
1654 machinery and equipment included in such application, the assessor



1655 shall approve the exemption for such property. If taxes, interest or  
1656 penalties have been paid on the property for which such exemption is  
1657 approved, the city of West Haven shall reimburse such person in an  
1658 amount equal to the amount by which such taxes, interest or penalties  
1659 exceed any taxes payable if the application had been filed in a timely  
1660 manner.

1661       Sec. 80. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
1662 section 12-62 of the general statutes or any municipal charter, special act  
1663 or home rule ordinance, the town of Derby may defer the  
1664 implementation of the revaluation of real property required for the  
1665 assessment year commencing October 1, 2024, until the assessment year  
1666 commencing October 1, 2025, provided such deferral is approved by the  
1667 legislative body of said town. The rate maker, as defined in section 12-  
1668 131 of the general statutes, in said town may prepare new rate bills  
1669 under the provisions of chapter 204 of the general statutes in order to  
1670 carry out the provisions of this section. Any required revaluation  
1671 subsequent to any deferred implementation of a revaluation pursuant  
1672 to this section shall recommence at the point in the schedule prescribed  
1673 pursuant to section 12-62 of the general statutes that said town was  
1674 following prior to such deferral.

1675       Sec. 81. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
1676 section 12-62 of the general statutes or any municipal charter, special act  
1677 or home rule ordinance, the town of Stratford may defer the  
1678 implementation of the revaluation of real property required for the  
1679 assessment year commencing October 1, 2024, until the assessment year  
1680 commencing October 1, 2025, provided such deferral is approved by the  
1681 legislative body of said town. The rate maker, as defined in section 12-  
1682 131 of the general statutes, in said town may prepare new rate bills  
1683 under the provisions of chapter 204 of the general statutes in order to  
1684 carry out the provisions of this section. Any required revaluation  
1685 subsequent to any deferred implementation of a revaluation pursuant  
1686 to this section shall recommence at the point in the schedule prescribed  
1687 pursuant to section 12-62 of the general statutes that said town was

1688 following prior to such deferral.

1689       Sec. 82. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2024*) (a) (1) On and after January 1,  
1690 2025, the general administration and responsibility for the proper  
1691 operation of the Policemen and Firemen Survivors' Benefit Fund under  
1692 part V of chapter 104 of the general statutes and the municipal  
1693 employees' retirement system under part II of chapter 113 of the general  
1694 statutes is vested in a board of trustees to be known as the Connecticut  
1695 Municipal Employees Retirement Commission. The Connecticut  
1696 Municipal Employees Retirement Commission shall constitute a  
1697 successor commission to the Connecticut State Employees Retirement  
1698 Commission, with respect to the provisions of part V of chapter 104 of  
1699 the general statutes and part II of chapter 113 of the general statutes, in  
1700 accordance with the provisions of sections 4-38d and 4-39 of the general  
1701 statutes. The Connecticut Municipal Employees Retirement  
1702 Commission shall be within the Retirement Services Division of the  
1703 office of the State Comptroller for administrative purposes only.

1704       (2) The Retirement Services Division shall (A) provide record  
1705 keeping, reporting and related administrative and clerical functions for  
1706 the Connecticut Municipal Employees Retirement Commission to the  
1707 extent deemed necessary by the State Comptroller, (B) disseminate for  
1708 said commission any required notices or rules or orders adopted,  
1709 amended or repealed by said commission, and (C) provide staff for said  
1710 commission subject to the provisions of subdivision (3) of subsection (a)  
1711 of section 4-38f of the general statutes. The office of the State  
1712 Comptroller shall include in its budget the Connecticut Municipal  
1713 Employees Retirement Commission's budgetary request, if any, as a  
1714 separate part of such budget, exactly as prepared and submitted to the  
1715 office by said commission.

1716       (3) The State Comptroller shall serve as secretary of the Connecticut  
1717 Municipal Employees Retirement Commission and provide secretariat  
1718 support to said commission. The Connecticut Municipal Employees  
1719 Retirement Commission shall meet at least monthly and shall report to

1720 the Governor in accordance with the provisions of section 4-60 of the  
1721 general statutes.

1722 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 4-9a of the general  
1723 statutes, the Connecticut Municipal Employees Retirement Commission  
1724 shall consist of the following:

1725 (1) The State Comptroller, or the State Comptroller's designee, who  
1726 shall be a nonvoting, ex-officio member and shall preside at meetings of  
1727 the Connecticut Municipal Employees Retirement Commission;

1728 (2) The State Treasurer, or the State Treasurer's designee, who shall  
1729 be a nonvoting, ex-officio member;

1730 (3) Four trustees who represent employees and shall be appointed by  
1731 the Governor from a list of four nominees submitted to the Governor by  
1732 a federation of labor organizations in the state that represent private and  
1733 public employees and workers in the building trades, (A) one of whom  
1734 shall be (i) a municipal public safety employee who is a member of the  
1735 municipal employees' retirement system, or (ii) an elected leader of a  
1736 labor organization representing such public safety employees, (B) two  
1737 of whom shall be (i) a municipal employee, other than a public safety  
1738 employee, who is a member of the municipal employees' retirement  
1739 system, or (ii) an elected leader of a labor organization representing such  
1740 municipal employees, and (C) one of whom shall be a retired member  
1741 of the municipal employees' retirement system;

1742 (4) Four trustees who represent government employers, who shall  
1743 not be required to represent or be in the active service of a participating  
1744 municipality, as defined in section 7-425 of the general statutes, (A) one  
1745 of whom shall represent a municipal employer and shall be appointed  
1746 by the Governor, with the advice and consent of an organization in the  
1747 state that represents small towns, (B) two of whom shall represent  
1748 municipal employers and shall be appointed by the Governor, with the  
1749 advice and consent of an organization in the state that represents  
1750 municipalities, and (C) one of whom shall represent municipal housing

1751 authorities in the state and shall be appointed by the Governor, with the  
1752 advice and consent of an organization in the state that represents  
1753 housing and redevelopment officials in the state;

1754 (5) Two trustees who shall be appointed by the State Comptroller,  
1755 with the approval by simple majority of the trustees appointed under  
1756 subdivisions (3) and (4) of this subsection, who possess expertise and  
1757 experience in financial management, actuarial science or pension  
1758 management; and

1759 (6) One neutral trustee who shall serve as the chairperson of the  
1760 Connecticut Municipal Employees Retirement Commission and be  
1761 appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the trustees  
1762 appointed under subdivisions (3) and (4) of this subsection. The  
1763 chairperson shall cast a vote on a matter before said commission only in  
1764 the event of a tie vote.

1765 (c) (1) All initial appointments to the Connecticut Municipal  
1766 Employees Retirement Commission shall be made not later than  
1767 October 1, 2024, and shall terminate, except as provided in subdivision  
1768 (2) of this subsection, on September 30, 2028, regardless of when the  
1769 initial appointment was made.

1770 (2) Two of the trustees appointed under subdivision (3) of subsection  
1771 (b) of this section, two of the trustees appointed under subdivision (4)  
1772 of subsection (b) of this section and one of the trustees appointed under  
1773 subdivision (5) of subsection (b) of this section, as selected by the  
1774 appointing authority, shall serve an initial term of two years, which shall  
1775 terminate on September 30, 2026, regardless of when the initial  
1776 appointment was made.

1777 (3) Subsequent terms shall be for four years. Any vacancy shall be  
1778 filled by the appointing authority in accordance with the provisions of  
1779 subsection (b) of this section. Any vacancy occurring other than by  
1780 expiration of term shall be filled for the balance of the unexpired term.

1781 (d) (1) Each trustee shall act as a fiduciary with respect to the  
1782 Policemen and Firemen Survivors' Benefit Fund and the municipal  
1783 employees' retirement system and the members of said fund and such  
1784 retirement system. The trustees shall discharge their duties solely in the  
1785 interest of the members and the beneficiaries and contingent annuitants  
1786 of said fund and such retirement system, for the exclusive purposes of  
1787 providing benefits to such members, beneficiaries and annuitants and  
1788 defraying reasonable expenses of administering said fund and such  
1789 retirement system.

1790 (2) Each trustee shall, not later than ten days after appointment, take  
1791 an oath of office that so far as it devolves upon the trustee, the trustee  
1792 will diligently and honestly administer the affairs of the Policemen and  
1793 Firemen Survivors' Benefit Fund and the municipal employees'  
1794 retirement system and will not knowingly violate or willingly permit to  
1795 be violated any provision of law applicable to said fund or such  
1796 retirement system.

1797 (e) The State Comptroller shall establish an orientation program and  
1798 fiduciary training for new trustees. Each trustee shall, not later than  
1799 thirty days after appointment, complete such program and training and  
1800 shall annually complete continuing education hours, as required by the  
1801 State Comptroller, in financial management, actuarial science or  
1802 pension management. The State Comptroller shall publish the activities  
1803 and courses the State Comptroller deems acceptable for purposes of  
1804 fulfilling the continuing education requirement under this subsection.

1805 (f) A majority of the members of the Connecticut Municipal  
1806 Employees Retirement Commission shall constitute a quorum for the  
1807 transaction of any business, the exercise of any power or the  
1808 performance of any duty authorized or imposed by law.

1809 (g) The trustees of the Connecticut Municipal Employees Retirement  
1810 Commission shall serve without compensation, but shall, within the  
1811 limits of available funds, be reimbursed for expenses necessarily

1812 incurred in the performance of their duties.

1813 (h) All assets of the Policemen and Firemen Survivors' Benefit Fund  
1814 and the municipal employees' retirement system shall be held in trust  
1815 by the State Treasurer, who shall act as a fiduciary of said fund and such  
1816 retirement system. The State Treasurer shall manage and control such  
1817 assets, except as the Connecticut Municipal Employees Retirement  
1818 Commission or a municipal retirement plan expressly may otherwise  
1819 provide. The State Treasurer shall discharge the State Treasurer's duties  
1820 solely in the interest of the members and the beneficiaries and  
1821 contingent annuitants of said fund and such retirement system, for the  
1822 exclusive purposes of providing benefits to such members, beneficiaries  
1823 and annuitants, by diversifying the investments of said fund and such  
1824 retirement system so as to minimize the risk of large losses, unless,  
1825 under the circumstances, it is clearly prudent not to do so.

1826 (i) The Connecticut Municipal Employees Retirement Commission  
1827 shall have general supervision of the operation of the Policemen and  
1828 Firemen Survivors' Benefit Fund and the municipal employees'  
1829 retirement system and shall conduct the business and activities of said  
1830 fund and such retirement system in accordance with the provisions of  
1831 part V of chapter 104 of the general statutes and part II of chapter 113 of  
1832 the general statutes, as applicable, and applicable law. The Connecticut  
1833 Municipal Employees Retirement Commission shall act, in conducting  
1834 the business of said fund and such retirement system, including said  
1835 commission's supervisory functions: (1) With the care, skill, prudence  
1836 and diligence under the circumstances then prevailing that a prudent  
1837 person acting in a like capacity and familiar with such matters would  
1838 use in the conduct of an enterprise of a like character and with like aims;  
1839 (2) in accordance with strict fiduciary standards and responsibilities;  
1840 and (3) in accordance with the provisions of the general statutes and  
1841 applicable collective bargaining agreements.

1842 (j) The Connecticut Municipal Employees Retirement Commission  
1843 may, by resolution or regulation, allocate fiduciary responsibilities and

1844 various administrative duties to committees or subcommittees of said  
1845 commission and may delegate such responsibilities and duties to the  
1846 Retirement Services Division of the office of the State Comptroller or to  
1847 other individuals the Connecticut Municipal Employees Retirement  
1848 Commission deems appropriate or necessary, provided such delegation  
1849 is consistent with the provisions of this section.

1850 (k) The Connecticut Municipal Employees Retirement Commission  
1851 may hold hearings when said commission deems them necessary in the  
1852 performance of its duties. The hearings shall be governed by rules and  
1853 regulations adopted by said commission and said commission shall not  
1854 be bound by technical rules of evidence.

1855 (l) The Connecticut Municipal Employees Retirement Commission  
1856 may hire a general counsel who shall serve at the pleasure of said  
1857 commission, have offices in the Retirement Services Division of the  
1858 office of the State Comptroller and perform duties as directed by said  
1859 commission. The Connecticut Municipal Employees Retirement  
1860 Commission may obtain such additional legal advice and assistance as  
1861 it deems advisable.

1862 (m) (1) All municipal retirement plans, descriptions and reports and  
1863 all legal, financial and actuarial documents dealing with the general  
1864 operations of the Policemen and Firemen Survivors' Benefit Fund and  
1865 the municipal employees' retirement system shall be available for  
1866 inspection and copying by members of said fund or such retirement  
1867 system, as applicable, and their representatives. The cost of any copying  
1868 shall be borne by the member or representative but shall not exceed  
1869 twenty-five cents per page.

1870 (2) The Connecticut Municipal Employees Retirement Commission  
1871 shall notify members of any substantial statutory amendments to the  
1872 Policemen and Firemen Survivors' Benefit Fund or to the municipal  
1873 employees' retirement system, not later than two hundred ten days after  
1874 the effective date of such amendments.

1875 (3) Not later than December 31, 2025, and annually thereafter, the  
1876 State Treasurer shall publish and forward to the Connecticut Municipal  
1877 Employees Retirement Commission a consolidated report showing the  
1878 fiscal transactions of the Policemen and Firemen Survivors' Benefit  
1879 Fund and the municipal employees' retirement system for the preceding  
1880 fiscal year, including gain or loss by category of security, a reconciliation  
1881 of assets showing the progression of the funds of said fund and such  
1882 retirement system from one year to the next, the amount of the  
1883 accumulated cash and securities of said fund and such retirement  
1884 system and the last balance sheet showing the financial condition of said  
1885 fund and such retirement system by means of an actuarial valuation of  
1886 their assets and liabilities. Assets shall be shown at book and market  
1887 value and by type or term of investment. Gain or loss shall be reported  
1888 by category of security type. The reporting requirement under this  
1889 subdivision shall be satisfied if the State Treasurer completes an Internal  
1890 Revenue Service form 5500 and submits it to the Connecticut Municipal  
1891 Employees Retirement Commission, provided the information included  
1892 therein is sufficient to allow the computation of the investment yields of  
1893 the funds of said fund and such retirement system on an annual basis.

1894 (n) The Connecticut Municipal Employees Retirement Commission  
1895 may adopt such regulations, in accordance with the provisions of  
1896 chapter 54 of the general statutes, as are necessary to carry out the  
1897 provisions of part V of chapter 104 of the general statutes and part II of  
1898 chapter 113 of the general statutes and may establish rules and  
1899 regulations that said commission deems necessary or desirable to  
1900 facilitate the proper administration of the Policemen and Firemen  
1901 Survivors' Benefit Fund and the municipal employees' retirement  
1902 system. Rules and regulations established by the Connecticut Municipal  
1903 Employees Retirement Commission shall be binding upon all parties  
1904 dealing with said commission and all persons claiming any benefits  
1905 from said fund or such retirement system.

1906 Sec. 83. Subsection (a) of section 7-438 of the general statutes is  
1907 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*



1908 *passage*):

1909 (a) Any member retired under this part who again accepts  
1910 employment from the state or from any municipality of the state other  
1911 than a participating municipality, shall continue to receive his or her  
1912 retirement allowance while so employed, and shall be eligible to  
1913 participate, and shall be entitled to credit, in the state retirement system  
1914 or such retirement system of such municipality, as applicable, for the  
1915 period of such [state] employment. [, but he or she shall not be eligible  
1916 to participate or be entitled to credit in any municipal retirement system  
1917 for the period of such municipal employment.]

1918 Sec. 84. Subsection (a) of section 7-459b of the 2024 supplement to the  
1919 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
1920 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1921 (a) On or after July 1, 2025, the Retirement Commission may create a  
1922 deferred retirement option plan [and prescribe the manner in which  
1923 such option plan may be offered to] for members [by] of a municipality  
1924 participating in the Municipal Employees' Retirement Fund. Any plan  
1925 created shall permit members of the Municipal Employees' Retirement  
1926 Fund who are eligible for a service retirement allowance to elect  
1927 participation in such plan.

1928 Sec. 85. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) On or after July 1, 2025, the  
1929 State Comptroller shall create a municipal defined contribution  
1930 retirement plan and prescribe the manner in which such retirement plan  
1931 may be adopted by any municipality, as defined in section 7-425 of the  
1932 general statutes.

1933 (b) Any such retirement plan shall provide that a municipality that  
1934 adopts such plan shall have the option to transfer to such plan the  
1935 accounts and assets of any defined contribution retirement plan  
1936 previously adopted by such municipality. Payroll deductions for each  
1937 member of the defined contribution plan created under this section shall  
1938 be made by the appropriate municipal employer.

1939 (c) The State Comptroller shall serve as the administrator of the  
1940 retirement plan created under this section. The State Comptroller may  
1941 (1) enter into contractual agreements on behalf of the state with  
1942 members of such plan to defer any portion of such member's  
1943 compensation from the adopting municipality, (2) make deposits or  
1944 payments to such plan, subject to the terms of such plan, and (3) contract  
1945 with a private corporation or private institution for the provision of  
1946 consolidated billing services and other administrative services for such  
1947 plan.

1948 Sec. 86. Subsections (a) to (c), inclusive, of section 5-155a of the  
1949 general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
1950 thereof (*Effective January 1, 2025*):

1951 (a) The general administration and responsibility for the proper  
1952 operation of the state employees retirement system is vested in a single  
1953 board of trustees to be known as the Connecticut State Employees  
1954 Retirement Commission. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 4-  
1955 9a, the Retirement Commission shall consist of the following: (1) The  
1956 Treasurer or a designee, who shall be a nonvoting, ex-officio member;  
1957 (2) the Comptroller or a designee, who shall be a nonvoting, ex-officio  
1958 member; (3) six trustees representing employees who shall (A) be  
1959 appointed by the bargaining agents in accordance with the provisions  
1960 of applicable collective bargaining agreements, (B) serve three-year  
1961 terms, and (C) not be members of the same bargaining unit; (4) six  
1962 management trustees who shall (A) be members of the state employees  
1963 retirement system, (B) serve three-year terms, and (C) be appointed by  
1964 the Governor; (5) two actuarial trustees who shall (A) be enrolled  
1965 actuaries and Fellows of the Society of Actuaries, (B) serve three-year  
1966 terms, and (C) be appointed by the Governor. One actuarial trustee shall  
1967 be nominated by the management trustees and one shall be nominated  
1968 by the trustees representing employees; and (6) one neutral trustee who  
1969 shall be chairman of the commission and who shall (A) be enrolled in  
1970 the National Academy of Arbitrators, (B) serve a two-year term, and (C)  
1971 be nominated by the employee and management trustees and appointed

1972 by the Governor. If a vacancy occurs in the office of a trustee, the  
1973 vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as the  
1974 office was previously filled. The trustees, with the exception of the  
1975 chairman and the actuarial trustees, shall serve without compensation  
1976 but shall be reimbursed in accordance with the standard travel  
1977 regulations for all necessary expenses that they may incur through  
1978 service on the commission. The chairman and the actuarial trustees shall  
1979 be compensated at their normal and usual per diem fee, plus travel  
1980 expenses, from the funds of the retirement system for each day of service  
1981 to the commission. Each trustee shall, within ten days after appointment  
1982 or election, take an oath of office that so far as it devolves upon the  
1983 trustee, the trustee will diligently and honestly administer the affairs of  
1984 the commission, and will not knowingly violate or willingly permit to  
1985 be violated any of the provisions of law applicable to the state retirement  
1986 system. Each trustee's term shall begin from the date the trustee takes  
1987 such an oath. [The trustees shall appoint a representative from among  
1988 the municipalities that have accepted the provisions of part II of chapter  
1989 113, who shall serve as a municipal liaison to the commission, at the  
1990 commission's pleasure and under such terms and conditions as the  
1991 commission may prescribe.] Each trustee shall be entitled to one vote on  
1992 the commission. A majority of the commission shall constitute a quorum  
1993 for the transaction of any business, the exercise of any power or the  
1994 performance of any duty authorized or imposed by law. The State  
1995 Employee Retirement Commission shall be within the Retirement  
1996 Division of the office of the Comptroller for administrative purposes  
1997 only. The Comptroller shall be the secretary of the commission and shall  
1998 provide secretariat support to the commission.

1999 (b) The Retirement Commission shall meet at least monthly and shall  
2000 report to the Governor as provided in section 4-60.

2001 (c) The Retirement Commission shall administer this retirement  
2002 system [ the municipal employees' retirement system established by  
2003 part II of chapter 113] and all other state retirement and pension plans  
2004 except the Teachers' Retirement Fund. The Retirement Commission

2005 shall have general supervision of the operation of the retirement system,  
2006 shall conduct the business and activities of the system, in accordance  
2007 with this chapter and applicable law and each trustee shall be a fiduciary  
2008 with respect to the retirement system and its members. The Retirement  
2009 Commission shall authorize the participation in an alternate retirement  
2010 program by the eligible unclassified employees of the constituent units  
2011 of the state system of higher education and the central office staff of the  
2012 Board of Regents for Higher Education. Such program may be  
2013 underwritten by a life insurance company licensed to do business in this  
2014 state. In conducting the business of the system, including its oversight  
2015 functions, the Retirement Commission shall act: (1) With the care, skill,  
2016 prudence and diligence under the circumstances then prevailing that a  
2017 prudent person acting in a like capacity and familiar with such matters  
2018 would use in the conduct of an enterprise of a like character and with  
2019 like aims; (2) in accordance with strict fiduciary standards and  
2020 responsibilities; and (3) in accordance with the provisions of the general  
2021 statutes and applicable collective bargaining agreements.

2022 Sec. 87. Section 7-323a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2023 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2025*):

2024 As used in this part: "Municipality" and "legislative body" shall each  
2025 have the same meaning ascribed to it in section 7-425; "participating  
2026 municipality" means any municipality which votes to accept the  
2027 provisions of this part; "fund" means the Policemen and Firemen  
2028 Survivors' Benefit Fund established by this part; "Retirement  
2029 Commission" means the [State Retirement Commission created by  
2030 chapter 66] Connecticut Municipal Employees Retirement Commission  
2031 established under section 82 of this act; "member" means any active  
2032 uniformed policeman or active uniformed fireman receiving pay from a  
2033 participating municipality who has been included by such municipality  
2034 under the provisions of this part, and "compensation" means one-  
2035 twelfth of the annual rate of pay of a full-time paid policeman or fireman  
2036 of a participating municipality who is in active service and one-twelfth  
2037 of the annual rate of pay immediately prior to the retirement of a full-

2038 time paid policeman or fireman of a participating municipality who is  
2039 retired.

2040 Sec. 88. Subdivision (4) of section 7-425 of the 2024 supplement to the  
2041 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
2042 thereof (*Effective January 1, 2025*):

2043 (4) "Retirement Commission" means the [State Retirement  
2044 Commission created by chapter 66] Connecticut Municipal Employees  
2045 Retirement Commission established under section 82 of this act;

2046 Sec. 89. Subdivision (2) of section 7-452 of the general statutes is  
2047 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January*  
2048 *1, 2025*):

2049 (2) "Commission" means the [State] Connecticut Municipal  
2050 Employees Retirement Commission established under section 82 of this  
2051 act;

2052 Sec. 90. Section 7-439f of the general statutes is repealed. (*Effective*  
2053 *from passage*)

2054 Sec. 91. Section 12-15 of the 2024 supplement to the general statutes  
2055 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
2056 *October 1, 2024*):

2057 (a) No officer or employee, including any former officer or former  
2058 employee, of the state or of any other person who has or had access to  
2059 returns or return information in accordance with subdivision (12) of  
2060 subsection (b) of this section shall disclose or inspect any return or  
2061 return information, except as provided in this section.

2062 (b) The commissioner may disclose:

2063 (1) [returns] Returns or return information to (A) an authorized  
2064 representative of another state agency or office, upon written request by  
2065 the head of such agency or office, when required in the course of duty

2066 or when there is reasonable cause to believe that any state law is being  
2067 violated, or (B) an authorized representative of an agency or office of the  
2068 United States, upon written request by the head of such agency or office,  
2069 when required in the course of duty or when there is reasonable cause  
2070 to believe that any federal law is being violated, provided no such  
2071 agency or office shall disclose such returns or return information, other  
2072 than in a judicial or administrative proceeding to which such agency or  
2073 office is a party pertaining to the enforcement of state or federal law, as  
2074 the case may be, in a form which can be associated with, or otherwise  
2075 identify, directly or indirectly, a particular taxpayer except that the  
2076 names and addresses of jurors or potential jurors and the fact that the  
2077 names were derived from the list of taxpayers pursuant to chapter 884  
2078 may be disclosed by the Judicial Branch;

2079 (2) [returns] Returns or return information to the Auditors of Public  
2080 Accounts, when required in the course of duty under chapter 23;

2081 (3) [returns] Returns or return information to tax officers of another  
2082 state or of a Canadian province or of a political subdivision of such other  
2083 state or province or of the District of Columbia or to any officer of the  
2084 United States Treasury Department or the United States Department of  
2085 Health and Human Services, authorized for such purpose in accordance  
2086 with an agreement between this state and such other state, province,  
2087 political subdivision, the District of Columbia or department,  
2088 respectively, when required in the administration of taxes imposed  
2089 under the laws of such other state, province, political subdivision, the  
2090 District of Columbia or the United States, respectively, and when a  
2091 reciprocal arrangement exists;

2092 (4) [returns] Returns or return information in any action, case or  
2093 proceeding in any court of competent jurisdiction, when the  
2094 commissioner or any other state department or agency is a party, and  
2095 when such information is directly involved in such action, case or  
2096 proceeding;

2097 (5) [returns] Returns or return information to a taxpayer or its  
2098 authorized representative, upon written request for a return filed by or  
2099 return information on such taxpayer;

2100 (6) [returns] Returns or return information to a successor, receiver,  
2101 trustee, executor, administrator, assignee, guardian or guarantor of a  
2102 taxpayer, when such person establishes, to the satisfaction of the  
2103 commissioner, that such person has a material interest which will be  
2104 affected by information contained in such returns or return information;

2105 (7) [information] Information to the assessor or an authorized  
2106 representative of the chief executive officer of a Connecticut  
2107 municipality, when the information disclosed is limited to (A) a list of  
2108 real or personal property that is or may be subject to property taxes in  
2109 such municipality, or (B) a list containing the name of each person who  
2110 is issued any license, permit or certificate which is required, under the  
2111 provisions of this title, to be conspicuously displayed and whose  
2112 address is in such municipality;

2113 (8) [real] Real estate conveyance tax return information or controlling  
2114 interest transfer tax return information to the town clerk or an  
2115 authorized representative of the chief executive officer of a Connecticut  
2116 municipality to which the information relates;

2117 (9) [estate] Estate tax returns and estate tax return information to the  
2118 Probate Court Administrator or to the court of probate for the district  
2119 within which a decedent resided at the date of the decedent's death, or  
2120 within which the commissioner contends that a decedent resided at the  
2121 date of the decedent's death or, if a decedent died a nonresident of this  
2122 state, in the court of probate for the district within which real estate or  
2123 tangible personal property of the decedent is situated, or within which  
2124 the commissioner contends that real estate or tangible personal property  
2125 of the decedent is situated;

2126 (10) [returns] Returns or return information to the (A) Secretary of the  
2127 Office of Policy and Management for purposes of subsection (b) of

2128 section 12-7a, and (B) Office of Fiscal Analysis for purposes of, and  
2129 subject to the provisions of, subdivision (2) of subsection (f) of section  
2130 12-7b;

2131 (11) [return] Return information to the Jury Administrator or Clerk of  
2132 the United States District Court for the District of Connecticut, when the  
2133 information disclosed is limited to the names, addresses, federal Social  
2134 Security numbers and dates of birth, if available, of residents of this  
2135 state, as defined in subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 12-701;

2136 (12) [returns] Returns or return information to any person to the  
2137 extent necessary in connection with the processing, storage,  
2138 transmission or reproduction of such returns or return information, and  
2139 the programming, maintenance, repair, testing or procurement of  
2140 equipment, or the providing of other services, for purposes of tax  
2141 administration;

2142 (13) [without] Without written request and unless the commissioner  
2143 determines that disclosure would identify a confidential informant or  
2144 seriously impair a civil or criminal tax investigation, returns and return  
2145 information which may constitute evidence of a violation of any civil or  
2146 criminal law of this state or the United States to the extent necessary to  
2147 apprise the head of such agency or office charged with the responsibility  
2148 of enforcing such law, in which event the head of such agency or office  
2149 may disclose such return information to officers and employees of such  
2150 agency or office to the extent necessary to enforce such law;

2151 (14) [names] Names and addresses of operators, as defined in section  
2152 12-407, to tourism districts, as defined in section 10-397;

2153 (15) [names] Names of each licensed dealer, as defined in section 12-  
2154 285, and the location of the premises covered by the dealer's license;

2155 (16) [to] To a tobacco product manufacturer that places funds into  
2156 escrow pursuant to the provisions of subsection (a) of section 4-28i,  
2157 return information of a distributor licensed under the provisions of



2158 chapter 214 or chapter 214a, provided the information disclosed is  
2159 limited to information relating to such manufacturer's sales to  
2160 consumers within this state, whether directly or through a distributor,  
2161 dealer or similar intermediary or intermediaries, of cigarettes, as  
2162 defined in section 4-28h, and further provided there is reasonable cause  
2163 to believe that such manufacturer is not in compliance with section 4-  
2164 28i;

2165 (17) [returns] Returns or return information to the State Elections  
2166 Enforcement Commission, upon written request by said commission,  
2167 when necessary to investigate suspected violations of state election  
2168 laws;

2169 (18) [returns] Returns or return information for purposes of, and  
2170 subject to the conditions of, subsection (e) of section 5-240;

2171 (19) [to] To the extent allowable under federal law, return  
2172 information to another state agency or to support a data request  
2173 submitted through CP20 WIN, established in section 10a-57g, in  
2174 accordance with the policies and procedures of CP20 WIN for the  
2175 purposes of evaluation or research, provided the recipient of such data  
2176 enters into a data sharing agreement pursuant to section 4-67aa if such  
2177 recipient is not a state agency; and

2178 (20) [return] Return information to the Connecticut Health Insurance  
2179 Exchange pursuant to section 12-156.

2180 (c) Any federal returns or return information made available to the  
2181 commissioner in accordance with a written agreement between the  
2182 commissioner and the Internal Revenue Service concerning exchange of  
2183 information for tax administration purposes, shall not be open to  
2184 inspection by or disclosed to any individual or disclosed in any manner  
2185 other than as permitted under the provisions of Section 6103 of the  
2186 Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding  
2187 internal revenue code of the United States, as from time to time  
2188 amended.

2189 (d) (1) The commissioner may, upon request, verify whether or not  
2190 any license, permit or certificate required under the provisions of this  
2191 title to be conspicuously displayed has been issued by the commissioner  
2192 to any particular person.

2193 (2) The commissioner may make public the names and municipality  
2194 of residence or postal district of persons entitled to tax refunds for  
2195 purposes of notifying them when the commissioner, after reasonable  
2196 effort and lapse of time, has been unable to locate such persons.

2197 (e) The commissioner may refuse to open to inspection or disclose to  
2198 any person any returns or return information made available to the  
2199 commissioner by any tax officer of another state, a Canadian province  
2200 or political subdivision of such other state or province or of the District  
2201 of Columbia or by any officer of the United States Treasury Department  
2202 or the United States Department of Health and Human Services in  
2203 accordance with a written agreement between this state and such other  
2204 state, province, political subdivision, the District of Columbia or  
2205 department, respectively, which agreement provides that the disclosure  
2206 of such returns or return information by the commissioner is prohibited.  
2207 In addition, he may refuse to open to inspection or disclosure to any  
2208 state or United States agency or office described in subdivision (1) of  
2209 subsection (b) of this section, returns or return information unless such  
2210 agency or office shall have:

2211 (1) Established and maintained, to the satisfaction of the  
2212 commissioner, a permanent system of standardized records with  
2213 respect to any request, the reason for such request, and the date of such  
2214 request made by or of it and any disclosure or inspection of returns or  
2215 return information made by or to it;

2216 (2) [~~established~~] Established and maintained, to the satisfaction of the  
2217 commissioner, a secure area or place in which such returns or return  
2218 information shall be stored;

2219 (3) [~~restricted~~] Restricted, to the satisfaction of the commissioner,

2220 access to the returns or return information only to persons whose duties  
2221 or responsibilities require access and to whom disclosure may be made  
2222 under this section or by whom inspection may be made under this  
2223 section;

2224 (4) [~~provided~~] Provided such other safeguards which the  
2225 commissioner prescribes as necessary or appropriate to protect the  
2226 confidentiality of the returns or return information;

2227 (5) [~~furnished~~] Furnished a report to the commissioner, at such time  
2228 and containing such information as the commissioner may prescribe,  
2229 which describes the procedures established and utilized by such agency  
2230 or office for ensuring the confidentiality of returns and return  
2231 information required by this subsection; and

2232 (6) [~~upon~~] Upon completion of use of such returns or return  
2233 information, returned to the commissioner such returns or return  
2234 information, along with any copies made therefrom, or makes such  
2235 returns or return information undisclosable in such manner as the  
2236 commissioner may prescribe and furnishes a written report to the  
2237 commissioner identifying the returns or return information that were  
2238 made undisclosable.

2239 (f) Returns and return information shall, without written request, be  
2240 open to inspection by or disclosure to: (1) Officers and employees of the  
2241 Department of Revenue Services whose official duties require such  
2242 inspection or disclosure for tax administration purposes; (2) officers or  
2243 employees of an agency or office in accordance with subdivision (1) or  
2244 (13) of subsection (b) of this section whose official duties require such  
2245 inspection; and (3) officers or employees of any person in accordance  
2246 with subdivision (12) of subsection (b) of this section, whose duties  
2247 require such inspection or disclosure.

2248 (g) Any person who violates any provision of this section shall be  
2249 fined not more than one thousand dollars or imprisoned not more than  
2250 one year, or both.

2251 (h) For purposes of this section:

2252 (1) "Return" means any tax or information return, declaration of  
2253 estimated tax, claim for refund, license application, permit application,  
2254 registration application or other application required by, or provided  
2255 for or permitted under, the provisions of this or any other title which is  
2256 filed with the commissioner by, on behalf of, or with respect to any  
2257 person, and any amendment or supplement thereto, including  
2258 supporting schedules, attachments, or lists which are supplemental to,  
2259 or part of, the return so filed.

2260 (2) "Return information" means a taxpayer's identity, the nature,  
2261 source, or amount of the taxpayer's income, payments, receipts,  
2262 deductions, exemptions, credits, assets, liabilities, net worth, tax  
2263 liability, tax collected or withheld, tax underreportings, tax  
2264 overreportings, or tax payments, whether the taxpayer's return was, is  
2265 being, or will be examined or subjected to other investigation or  
2266 processing, or any other data received by, recorded by, prepared by,  
2267 furnished to, or collected by the commissioner with respect to a return  
2268 or with respect to the determination of the existence, or possible  
2269 existence, of liability of any person for any tax, penalty, interest, fine,  
2270 forfeiture, or other imposition, or offense. "Return information" does not  
2271 include data in a form which cannot be associated with, or otherwise  
2272 identify, directly or indirectly, a particular taxpayer. Nothing in the  
2273 preceding sentence, or in any other provision of law, shall be construed  
2274 to require the disclosure of standards used or to be used for the selection  
2275 of returns for examination, or data used or to be used for determining  
2276 such standards or the disclosure of the identity of a confidential  
2277 informant, whether or not a civil or criminal tax investigation has been  
2278 undertaken or completed.

2279 (3) "Disclosure" means the making known to any person, in any  
2280 manner whatever, a return or return information.

2281 (4) "Inspection" means any examination of a return or return

2282 information.

2283 (5) "Tax administration" means the administration, management,  
2284 conduct, direction and supervision of the execution and application of  
2285 the tax laws of this state, and the development and formulation of tax  
2286 policy relating to existing or proposed tax laws of this state, and includes  
2287 assessment, collection, enforcement, litigation, publication and  
2288 statistical gathering functions under such laws.

2289 Sec. 92. Subsection (h) of section 12-62r of the general statutes is  
2290 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October*  
2291 *1, 2024*):

2292 (h) Nothing in this section shall change the assessment of apartment  
2293 property created or converted by the Capital Region Development  
2294 Authority created pursuant to section [20-601] 32-601. Such apartment  
2295 property shall continue to be assessed as residential property.

2296 Sec. 93. Subsection (h) of section 12-170aa of the general statutes is  
2297 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October*  
2298 *1, 2024*):

2299 (h) Any person who is the owner of a residential dwelling on leased  
2300 land, including any such person who is a sublessee under terms of the  
2301 lease agreement applicable to such land, shall be entitled to claim tax  
2302 relief under the provisions of this section, subject to all requirements  
2303 therein except as provided in this subsection, with respect to property  
2304 taxes paid by such person on the assessed value of such dwelling,  
2305 provided (1) the dwelling is such person's principal place of residence,  
2306 (2) such lease or sublease requires that such person as the lessee or  
2307 sublessee, whichever is applicable, pay all property taxes related to the  
2308 dwelling, and (3) such lease or sublease is recorded in the land records  
2309 of the town.

2310 Sec. 94. Subdivision (1) of subsection (d) of section 12-217qq of the  
2311 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu

2312 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2024*):

2313 (d) (1) A qualified small business may apply to the commissioner in  
2314 accordance with the provisions of subdivision (2) of this subsection to  
2315 exchange any credit allowed under subsection (b) of this section for a  
2316 credit refund equal to the value of the credit. Any amount of credit  
2317 refunded under this subsection shall be refunded to the qualified small  
2318 business in accordance with the provisions of this chapter or chapter  
2319 207, as applicable. No interest shall be allowed or paid on any amount  
2320 of credit refunded under this subsection. Any amount of credit refunded  
2321 under this subsection shall be subject to the provisions of section [12-  
2322 39h] 12-39g.

2323 Sec. 95. Subdivision (5) of subsection (a) of section 12-217zz of the  
2324 2024 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is  
2325 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2024*):

2326 (5) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (2) of this  
2327 subsection, for income years commencing on or after January 1, 2024,  
2328 the aggregate amount allowable of tax credits and any remaining credits  
2329 available under section 12-217j or 12-217n or subparagraph (B) of  
2330 subdivision (4) of subsection (b) of section 12-217x, after tax credits are  
2331 utilized in accordance with [said] subdivision (2) of this subsection shall  
2332 not exceed seventy per cent of the amount of tax due from such taxpayer  
2333 under this chapter with respect to any such income year of the taxpayer  
2334 prior to the application of such credit or credits.

2335 Sec. 96. Section 12-263x of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2336 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2024*):

2337 The amount of any tax, penalty, interest or fee, due and unpaid under  
2338 the provisions of sections 12-263q to 12-263v, inclusive, may be collected  
2339 under the provisions of section 12-35. The warrant [provided under  
2340 section 12-35] therein provided for shall be signed by the commissioner  
2341 or the commissioner's authorized agent. The amount of any such tax,  
2342 penalty, interest or fee shall be a lien on the real estate of the taxpayer

2343 from the last day of the month next preceding the due date of such tax  
2344 until such tax is paid. The commissioner may record such lien in the  
2345 records of any town in which the real estate of such taxpayer is situated  
2346 but no such lien shall be enforceable against a bona fide purchaser or  
2347 qualified encumbrancer of such real estate. When any tax or fee with  
2348 respect to which a lien has been recorded under the provisions of this  
2349 subsection has been satisfied, the commissioner shall, upon request of  
2350 any interested party, issue a certificate discharging such lien, which  
2351 certificate shall be recorded in the same office in which the lien was  
2352 recorded. Any action for the foreclosure of such lien shall be brought by  
2353 the Attorney General in the name of the state in the superior court for  
2354 the judicial district in which the property subject to such lien is situated,  
2355 or, if such property is located in two or more judicial districts, in the  
2356 superior court for any one such judicial district, and the court may limit  
2357 the time for redemption or order the sale of such property or make such  
2358 other or further decree as it judges equitable. For purposes of section 12-  
2359 39g, a fee under this section shall be treated as a tax.

2360 Sec. 97. Subsections (d) to (f), inclusive, of section 12-294 of the  
2361 general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
2362 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2024*):

2363 (d) Failure of the commissioner to mail the notice referred to in  
2364 subsection (c) of this section shall release the successor or assignee from  
2365 any further obligation to withhold the purchase price as provided in  
2366 subsection (b) of this section. The period within which the obligation of  
2367 the successor or assignee may be enforced shall commence on the date  
2368 the distributor or dealer sells out his or her business or stock of goods  
2369 or quits the business or on the date [that] the assessment against such  
2370 distributor or dealer becomes final, whichever event occurs later, and  
2371 shall end three years after such date.

2372 (e) The certificate provided for in subsection (c) of this section may be  
2373 issued after the payment of all amounts due under this chapter,  
2374 according to the records of the department as of the date of the

2375 certificate, or after the payment of the amounts is secured to the  
2376 satisfaction of the commissioner.

2377 (f) The obligation of the successor or assignee shall be enforced by  
2378 serving a notice of successor liability on the successor or assignee. [The]  
2379 Any such notice shall be [served in the manner prescribed under section  
2380 12-309 for service of a notice of assessment,] issued not later than three  
2381 years after the date the commissioner is notified by the successor or  
2382 assignee of the purchase of the business or stock of goods. The successor  
2383 or assignee may protest the assessment in the manner provided in  
2384 section 12-311. [Sixty days after the date on which a notice of assessment  
2385 is mailed, an assessment shall become final except for any amount as to  
2386 which the successor or assignee has filed a written protest with the  
2387 commissioner, as provided in section 12-311] Upon the issuance of an  
2388 order by the commissioner pursuant to section 12-311, the successor or  
2389 assignee may appeal such order in accordance with the provisions of  
2390 section 12-312.

2391 Sec. 98. Subsection (a) of section 12-309 of the general statutes is  
2392 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October*  
2393 *1, 2024*):

2394 (a) (1) Each distributor and each dealer shall keep complete and  
2395 accurate records of all cigarettes manufactured, produced, purchased  
2396 and sold. Such records shall be of such kind and in such form as the  
2397 Commissioner of Revenue Services may prescribe and shall be safely  
2398 preserved for three years in such manner as to [insure] ensure  
2399 permanency and accessibility for inspection by the commissioner and  
2400 [his] the commissioner's authorized agents. The commissioner and [his]  
2401 the commissioner's authorized agents may examine the books, papers  
2402 and records of any distributor or dealer in this state for the purpose of  
2403 determining whether the tax imposed by this chapter has been fully  
2404 paid, and may investigate and examine the stock of cigarettes in or upon  
2405 any premises where such cigarettes are possessed, stored or sold for the  
2406 purpose of determining whether the provisions of this chapter are being



2407 obeyed.

2408       (2) If, after an examination of the invoices, books and records of a  
2409 licensed distributor or dealer, or if, from any other information obtained  
2410 by [him or his] the commissioner or the commissioner's authorized  
2411 agents, the commissioner determines that the report of any licensed  
2412 distributor or licensed dealer is incorrect, and that the licensed  
2413 distributor or licensed dealer has not purchased sufficient stamps to  
2414 cover [his] such distributor's or dealer's receipts and sales or other  
2415 disposition of unstamped cigarettes, [he] the commissioner shall  
2416 thereupon assess the deficiency in tax. Such amount shall bear interest  
2417 at the rate of one per cent per month or fraction thereof from the date  
2418 when the original tax was due and payable. In any case where a licensed  
2419 distributor or licensed dealer cannot produce evidence of sufficient  
2420 stamp purchases to cover the receipt of unstamped cigarettes, it shall be  
2421 presumed that such cigarettes were sold without having the proper  
2422 stamps affixed.

2423       (3) When it appears that any part of the deficiency for which a  
2424 deficiency assessment is made is due to negligence or intentional  
2425 disregard of the provisions of this chapter or regulations promulgated  
2426 thereunder, there shall be imposed a penalty equal to ten per cent of the  
2427 amount of such deficiency assessment, or fifty dollars, whichever is  
2428 greater. When it appears that any part of the deficiency for which a  
2429 deficiency assessment is made is due to fraud or intent to evade the  
2430 provisions of this chapter or regulations promulgated thereunder, there  
2431 shall be imposed a penalty equal to twenty-five per cent of the amount  
2432 of such deficiency assessment. No taxpayer shall be subject to more than  
2433 one penalty under this subsection in relation to the same tax period.

2434       (4) The amount of any tax, penalty or interest due and unpaid under  
2435 the provisions of this chapter may be collected under the provisions of  
2436 section 12-35. The warrant therein provided for shall be signed by the  
2437 commissioner or [his] the commissioner's authorized agent. The amount  
2438 of any such tax, penalty and interest shall be a lien, from the last day of

2439 the month next preceding the due date of such tax until discharged by  
2440 payment, against all real estate of the taxpayer within the state, and a  
2441 certificate of such lien signed by the commissioner may be filed for  
2442 record in the office of the clerk of any town in which such real estate is  
2443 situated, provided no such lien shall be effective as against any bona  
2444 fide purchaser or qualified encumbrancer of any interest in any such  
2445 property. When any tax with respect to which a lien has been recorded  
2446 under the provisions of this section has been satisfied, the  
2447 commissioner, upon request of any interested party, shall issue a  
2448 certificate discharging such lien, which certificate shall be recorded in  
2449 the same office in which the lien is recorded. Any action for the  
2450 foreclosure of such lien shall be brought by the Attorney General in the  
2451 name of the state in the superior court for the judicial district in which  
2452 the property subject to such lien is situated, or, if such property is  
2453 located in two or more judicial districts, in the superior court for any one  
2454 such judicial district, and the court may limit the time for redemption or  
2455 order the sale of such property or make such other or further decree as  
2456 it judges equitable.

2457 Sec. 99. Section 12-311 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2458 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2024*):

2459 Any person aggrieved by any action under this chapter of the  
2460 commissioner or [his] the commissioner's authorized agent, for which  
2461 hearing is not elsewhere provided, may apply to the commissioner for  
2462 a hearing, in writing, [within] not later than sixty days after the notice  
2463 of such action is delivered or mailed to [him, for a hearing] such person,  
2464 setting forth the reasons why such hearing should be granted and the  
2465 manner of relief sought. The commissioner shall promptly consider each  
2466 such application and may grant or deny the hearing requested. If the  
2467 hearing is denied, the applicant shall be notified thereof forthwith; if it  
2468 is granted, the commissioner shall notify the applicant of the time and  
2469 place fixed for such hearing. After such hearing, the commissioner may  
2470 make such order in the premises as appears to [him] the commissioner  
2471 just and lawful and shall furnish a copy of such order to the applicant.

2472 The commissioner may, by notice in writing, at any time, order a hearing  
2473 on [his] the commissioner's own initiative and require the taxpayer or  
2474 any other individual whom [he] the commissioner believes to be in  
2475 possession of information concerning any manufacture, importation or  
2476 sale of cigarettes [which] that have escaped taxation to appear before  
2477 [him or his] the commissioner or the commissioner's authorized agent  
2478 with any specific books of account, papers or other documents, for  
2479 examination relative thereto.

2480 Sec. 100. Subdivision (5) of subsection (e) of section 12-410 of the  
2481 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
2482 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2024*):

2483 (5) For purposes of subdivision (1) of this subsection, the sale of  
2484 services described in subdivision (37) of subsection (a) of section 12-407  
2485 shall be considered a sale for resale if such services are subsequently  
2486 resold as an integral, inseparable component part of digital goods sold  
2487 by the purchaser of the services to an ultimate consumer of the digital  
2488 goods. The purchaser of the services described in subdivision (37) of  
2489 subsection (a) of section 12-407 for resale shall maintain, in such form as  
2490 the commissioner requires, records that substantiate: (A) From whom  
2491 the services described in subdivision (37) of subsection (a) of section 12-  
2492 407 were purchases and to whom the digital goods were sold, licensed,  
2493 or leased, (B) the purchase prices of the services described in subdivision  
2494 (37) of subsection (a) of section 12-407, and (C) the nature of the  
2495 transaction with the ultimate consumer.

2496 Sec. 101. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 12-418 of the  
2497 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
2498 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2024*):

2499 (a) (1) Any person against whom an assessment or a reassessment is  
2500 made under section 12-414a, 12-415, 12-416 or 12-424 or any person  
2501 directly interested may file a written protest not later than sixty days  
2502 after service upon such person of notice thereof. If a [petition for

2503 reassessment] written protest is not filed within the sixty-day period,  
2504 the assessment or reassessment becomes final at the expiration of the  
2505 period.

2506 Sec. 102. Subsection (f) of section 12-699 of the 2024 supplement to the  
2507 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
2508 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2024*):

2509 (f) (1) Each person that is subject to the tax imposed under chapter  
2510 229 and is a member of an affected business entity shall be entitled to a  
2511 credit against the tax imposed under said chapter, other than the [tax]  
2512 liability imposed [under] by section 12-707. Such credit shall be in an  
2513 amount equal to such person's direct and indirect share of the tax due  
2514 and paid under this section by any affected business entity of which  
2515 such person is a member multiplied by eighty-seven and one-half per  
2516 cent. If the amount of the credit allowed pursuant to this subdivision  
2517 exceeds such person's tax liability for the tax imposed under said  
2518 chapter, the commissioner shall treat such excess as an overpayment  
2519 and, except as provided in section 12-739 or 12-742, shall refund the  
2520 amount of such excess, without interest, to such person.

2521 (2) Each person that is subject to the tax imposed under chapter 229  
2522 as a resident or a part-year resident of this state and is a member of an  
2523 affected business entity shall also be entitled to a credit against the tax  
2524 imposed under said chapter, other than the [tax] liability imposed  
2525 [under] by section 12-707, for such person's direct and indirect share of  
2526 taxes paid to another state of the United States or the District of  
2527 Columbia, on income of any affected business entity of which such  
2528 person is a member that is derived therefrom, provided the taxes paid  
2529 to another state of the United States or the District of Columbia results  
2530 from a tax that is substantially similar to the tax imposed under this  
2531 section. Any such credit shall be calculated in a manner consistent with  
2532 the provisions of section 12-704.

2533 Sec. 103. Subdivisions (7) and (8) of section 7-425 of the 2024

2534 supplement to the general statutes are repealed and the following is  
2535 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2024*):

2536 (7) "Fund" [and] or "fund B" means the Connecticut Municipal  
2537 Employees' Retirement Fund B;

2538 (8) "Continuous service" [and] or "service" means active service as a  
2539 member, or active service prior to becoming a member if such service  
2540 (A) was in a department for which participation was subsequently  
2541 accepted and not subsequently withdrawn, (B) was continuous to the  
2542 date of becoming a member except service for which credit is granted  
2543 pursuant to section 7-436a, and (C) would have been as a member if the  
2544 department had then been participating, all subject to the provisions of  
2545 section 7-434;

2546 Sec. 104. Subsection (c) of section 7-436 of the 2024 supplement to the  
2547 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
2548 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2024*):

2549 (c) On and after January 1, 2002, except as provided in subsection (h)  
2550 of this section, the following formula shall be used for the purpose of  
2551 calculating the monthly allowance of each member covered by the Old  
2552 Age and Survivors Insurance System on the first of the month after such  
2553 member attains the age at which such member first becomes eligible to  
2554 receive Social Security benefits or qualifies for a Social Security  
2555 disability award, if earlier: One-twelfth of one and one-half per cent of  
2556 such member's average annual pay for the three highest-paid years of  
2557 service up to the breakpoint for the year in which such member  
2558 separated from service, plus one-twelfth of two per cent of such  
2559 member's final average annual pay in excess of the breakpoint for the  
2560 year in which such member separated from service, multiplied by such  
2561 member's years of retirement credit and fractions thereof. Such  
2562 allowance shall be reduced in recognition of any optional form of  
2563 retirement income elected in accordance with section 7-439g. For the  
2564 purposes of this section, "breakpoint" has the same meaning as "year's

2565 breakpoint" as provided in section 5-192f.

2566 Sec. 105. Subparagraph (G) of subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of  
2567 section 7-439b of the 2024 supplement to the general statutes is repealed  
2568 and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2024*):

2569 (G) Each member of the Municipal Employees' Retirement Fund who  
2570 retires on or after July 1, 2029, shall receive a cost of living adjustment  
2571 beginning on the first July first following the completion of twelve  
2572 months of retirement and on each subsequent July first. If the national  
2573 consumer price index for urban wage earners and clerical workers  
2574 increases by two per cent or less for the twelve-month period  
2575 immediately preceding any such adjustment, such adjustment shall  
2576 equal the actual percentage change in such index. If the national  
2577 consumer price index for urban wage earners and clerical workers  
2578 increases by more than two per cent for the twelve-month period  
2579 immediately preceding any such adjustment, such adjustment shall be  
2580 equal to the higher of [(1)] (i) two per cent, or [(2)] (ii) sixty per cent of  
2581 the amount of such increase for the first six per cent plus seventy-five  
2582 per cent of the amount of such increase over six per cent, provided any  
2583 such adjustment shall not exceed seven and one-half per cent. In the  
2584 event a member who retires on or after July 1, 2029, becomes deceased,  
2585 such cost of living adjustment shall be applied to the allowance of the  
2586 annuitant, if any.

2587 Sec. 106. Subdivision (2) of subsection (m) of section 45a-107 of the  
2588 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
2589 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2024*):

2590 (2) If a tax return or a copy of a tax return required under  
2591 subparagraph (D) of subdivision (3) of subsection (b) of section 12-392  
2592 is not filed with a Probate Court by the due date for such return or copy  
2593 under subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 12-392 or by the date  
2594 an extension under subdivision [(4)] (6) of subsection (b) of section 12-  
2595 392 expires, the fees that would have been due under this section if such

2596 return or copy had been filed by such due date or expiration date shall  
2597 bear interest at the rate of one-half of one per cent per month or portion  
2598 thereof from the date that is thirty days after such due date or expiration  
2599 date, whichever is later, until paid. If a return or copy is filed with a  
2600 Probate Court on or before such due date or expiration date, whichever  
2601 is later, the fees assessed shall bear interest as provided in subdivision  
2602 (1) of this subsection. No interest shall accrue under this subdivision on  
2603 any portion of the fees that are based on damages recovered for injuries  
2604 resulting in death;

2605 Sec. 107. Subsection (a) of section 1-2a of the general statutes is  
2606 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
2607 *passage*):

2608 (a) For purposes of sections 1-206, [3-114i,] 4-147, 9-23g, 9-153b, 9-311,  
2609 9-608, 10-183g, 12-146, 20-429, 31-241, 31-248, 31-249a, 33-603, 33-663, 33-  
2610 929, 33-1003, 33-1053, 33-1219, 38a-716 and 42-243 (1) any reference to  
2611 the United States mail or a postmark shall be treated as including a  
2612 reference to any delivery service designated by the Secretary of the  
2613 Treasury of the United States pursuant to Section 7502 of the Internal  
2614 Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal  
2615 revenue code of the United States, as from time to time amended, (2)  
2616 any reference to a postmark made by the United States Postal Service  
2617 shall be treated as including a reference to any date recorded or marked  
2618 in the manner described in said Section 7502 of said Internal Revenue  
2619 Code by a designated delivery service, and (3) any equivalent of  
2620 registered or certified mail designated by the Secretary of the Treasury  
2621 of the United States pursuant to said Section 7502 of said Internal  
2622 Revenue Code shall be included within the meaning of registered or  
2623 certified mail.

2624 Sec. 108. Section 17b-10b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2625 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

2626 The Commissioner of Social Services, pursuant to section 17b-10, may

2627 implement policies and procedures necessary to administer the  
2628 provisions of sections [3-114r,] 17b-321, 17b-340a and 17b-340b, while in  
2629 the process of adopting such policies and procedures in regulation form,  
2630 provided the commissioner prints notice of intent to adopt regulations  
2631 in the Connecticut Law Journal not later than twenty days after the date  
2632 of implementation. Such policies and procedures shall remain valid for  
2633 three years following the date of publication in the Connecticut Law  
2634 Journal unless otherwise provided for by the General Assembly.  
2635 Notwithstanding the time frames established in subsection (c) of section  
2636 17b-10, the commissioner shall submit such policies and procedures in  
2637 proposed regulation form to the legislative regulation review committee  
2638 not later than three years following the date of publication of its intent  
2639 to adopt regulations as provided for in this subsection. In the event that  
2640 the commissioner is unable to submit proposed regulations prior to the  
2641 expiration of the three-year time period as provided for in this  
2642 subsection, the commissioner shall submit written notice, not later than  
2643 thirty-five days prior to the date of expiration of such time period, to the  
2644 legislative regulation review committee and the joint standing  
2645 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
2646 relating to human services and appropriations and the budgets of state  
2647 agencies indicating that the department will not be able to submit the  
2648 proposed regulations on or before such date and shall include in such  
2649 notice (1) the reasons why the department will not submit the proposed  
2650 regulations by such date, and (2) the date by which the department will  
2651 submit the proposed regulations. The legislative regulation review  
2652 committee may require the department to appear before the committee  
2653 at a time prescribed by the committee to further explain such reasons  
2654 and to respond to any questions by the committee about the policy. The  
2655 legislative regulation review committee may request the joint standing  
2656 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
2657 relating to human services to review the department's policy, the  
2658 department's reasons for not submitting the proposed regulations by the  
2659 date specified in this section and the date by which the department will  
2660 submit the proposed regulations. Said joint standing committee may



2661 review the policy, such reasons and such date, may schedule a hearing  
2662 thereon and may make a recommendation to the legislative regulation  
2663 review committee.

2664 Sec. 109. Sections 3-114i and 3-114p to 3-114r, inclusive, of the general  
2665 statutes are repealed. (*Effective from passage*)

2666 Sec. 110. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2025*) (a) As used in this section, (1)  
2667 "eligible organization" means a nonprofit youth sports organization that  
2668 provides sports programs and sports activities primarily for children  
2669 and young adults under eighteen years of age residing in a distressed  
2670 municipality, and (2) "distressed municipality" has the same meaning as  
2671 provided in section 32-9p of the general statutes.

2672 (b) (1) There is established a youth sports grant program to provide  
2673 grants to distressed municipalities for the support of eligible  
2674 organizations in such municipalities. Such grants shall be disbursed by  
2675 a distressed municipality to be used by eligible organizations for the  
2676 expenses of operating sports programs and sports activities in such  
2677 municipality, including, but not limited to, personnel, equipment,  
2678 insurance, permits, training and facility fees, renovation of sports  
2679 facilities and refurbishment of playing fields and to help defray or  
2680 eliminate participant registration fees.

2681 (2) Priority for grants under the program shall be given to sports  
2682 programs and sports activities that (A) provide adaptive sports for  
2683 children and young adults with disabilities, or (B) seek to foster  
2684 improved outcomes in (i) mental health through social and emotional  
2685 skills development, (ii) educational achievements through increased  
2686 attendance and attainment, or (iii) community cohesion by  
2687 strengthening cooperation, teamwork and leadership.

2688 (3) Commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, and  
2689 annually thereafter, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and  
2690 Management shall notify the chief elected official of each distressed  
2691 municipality of the application period for grants under the program to

2692 be awarded in such fiscal year. Any such official may apply to the  
2693 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management for a grant, provided  
2694 a new application shall be required each year such official wishes to  
2695 apply. The application shall be in such form and manner as prescribed  
2696 by the secretary and shall include information sufficient to allow the  
2697 secretary to consider the priority criteria set forth in subdivision (2) of  
2698 this subsection.

2699 (4) Each distressed municipality that is awarded a grant under this  
2700 section shall, at the close of the fiscal year during which such grant was  
2701 awarded, submit to the secretary a summary of each eligible  
2702 organization to which program funds were disbursed and a description  
2703 of the sports program or sports activity and related expenses for which  
2704 such funds were used.

2705 (c) Not later than January 1, 2029, and biennially thereafter, the  
2706 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall submit a report,  
2707 in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,  
2708 to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having  
2709 cognizance of matters relating to children, education and finance,  
2710 revenue and bonding, on the youth sports grant program for the  
2711 preceding two fiscal years. The report shall include, but need not be  
2712 limited to, for each fiscal year, (1) the amounts deposited in the youth  
2713 sports grant account pursuant to subsection (a) of section 12-867 of the  
2714 general statutes, (2) the municipalities that applied for a grant, the  
2715 municipalities that were awarded a grant and the total amount of grants  
2716 awarded, and (3) the summaries provided to the secretary under  
2717 subdivision (4) of subsection (b) of this section.

2718 (d) There is established an account to be known as the "youth sports  
2719 grant account" which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the  
2720 General Fund. The account shall contain any moneys required by law to  
2721 be deposited in the account and may accept gifts, grants and donations  
2722 from public or private sources. Moneys in the account shall be expended  
2723 by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management for the

2724 purposes of providing grants to distressed municipalities in accordance  
2725 with the provisions of this section.

2726 Sec. 111. Subsection (a) of section 12-867 of the general statutes is  
2727 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October*  
2728 *1, 2024*):

2729 (a) (1) A master wagering licensee, if licensed to operate online sports  
2730 wagering or retail sports wagering pursuant to section 12-852 or 12-853,  
2731 shall pay to the state for deposit in the General Fund: Thirteen and three-  
2732 quarters per cent of the gross gaming revenue from online or retail  
2733 sports wagering authorized under section 12-852 or 12-853, as  
2734 applicable. Each such licensee shall commence payments under this  
2735 subsection not later than the fifteenth day of the month following the  
2736 month that the operation of online or retail sports wagering commences  
2737 under section 12-852 or 12-853, as applicable, and shall make payments  
2738 not later than the fifteenth day of each succeeding month, while such  
2739 retail or online sports wagering is conducted.

2740 (2) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2025, the  
2741 commissioner shall deposit into the youth sports grant account  
2742 established pursuant to section 110 of this act two per cent of the  
2743 amounts received by the state under this section.

2744 Sec. 112. Subdivision (4) of subsection (a) of section 12-217 of the 2024  
2745 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is  
2746 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

2747 (4) Notwithstanding any provision of this section:

2748 (A) Any excess of the deductions provided in this section for any  
2749 income year commencing on or after January 1, 1973, over the gross  
2750 income for such year or the amount of such excess apportioned to this  
2751 state under the provisions of this chapter, shall be an operating loss of  
2752 such income year and shall be deductible as an operating loss carry-over  
2753 for operating losses incurred prior to income years commencing January

2754 1, 2000, in each of the five income years following such loss year; [, and]  
2755 for operating losses incurred in income years commencing on or after  
2756 January 1, 2000, and prior to January 1, 2025, in each of the twenty  
2757 income years following such loss year; [,] and for operating losses  
2758 incurred in income years commencing on or after January 1, 2025, in  
2759 each of the thirty income years following such loss; except that:

2760 (i) For income years commencing prior to January 1, 2015, the portion  
2761 of such operating loss that may be deducted as an operating loss carry-  
2762 over in any income year following such loss year shall be limited to the  
2763 lesser of (I) any net income greater than zero of such income year  
2764 following such loss year, or in the case of a company entitled to  
2765 apportion its net income under the provisions of this chapter, the  
2766 amount of such net income that is apportioned to this state pursuant  
2767 thereto, or (II) the excess, if any, of such operating loss over the total of  
2768 such net income for each of any prior income years following such loss  
2769 year, such net income of each of such prior income years following such  
2770 loss year for such purposes being computed without regard to any  
2771 operating loss carry-over from such loss year allowed under this  
2772 subparagraph and being regarded as not less than zero, and provided  
2773 further the operating loss of any income year shall be deducted in any  
2774 subsequent year, to the extent available for such deduction, before the  
2775 operating loss of any subsequent income year is deducted;

2776 (ii) For income years commencing on or after January 1, 2015, the  
2777 portion of such operating loss that may be deducted as an operating loss  
2778 carry-over in any income year following such loss year shall be limited  
2779 to the lesser of (I) fifty per cent of net income of such income year  
2780 following such loss year, or in the case of a company entitled to  
2781 apportion its net income under the provisions of this chapter, fifty per  
2782 cent of such net income that is apportioned to this state pursuant  
2783 thereto, or (II) the excess, if any, of such operating loss over the  
2784 operating loss deductions allowable with respect to such operating loss  
2785 under this subparagraph for each of any prior income years following  
2786 such loss year, such net income of each of such prior income years

2787 following such loss year for such purposes being computed without  
2788 regard to any operating loss carry-over from such loss year allowed  
2789 under this subparagraph and being regarded as not less than zero, and  
2790 provided further the operating loss of any income year shall be  
2791 deducted in any subsequent year, to the extent available for such  
2792 deduction, before the operating loss of any subsequent income year is  
2793 deducted; and

2794 (iii) If a combined group so elects, the combined group shall  
2795 relinquish fifty per cent of its unused operating losses incurred prior to  
2796 the income year commencing on or after January 1, 2015, and before  
2797 January 1, 2016, and may utilize the remaining operating loss carry-over  
2798 without regard to the limitations prescribed in subparagraph (A)(ii) of  
2799 this subdivision. The portion of such operating loss carry-over that may  
2800 be deducted shall be limited to the amount required to reduce a  
2801 combined group's tax under this chapter, prior to surtax and prior to the  
2802 application of credits, to two million five hundred thousand dollars in  
2803 any income year commencing on or after January 1, 2015. Only after the  
2804 combined group's remaining operating loss carry-over for operating  
2805 losses incurred prior to income years commencing January 1, 2015, has  
2806 been fully utilized, will the limitations prescribed in subparagraph  
2807 (A)(ii) of this subdivision apply. The combined group, or any member  
2808 thereof, shall make such election on its return for the income year  
2809 beginning on or after January 1, 2015, and before January 1, 2016, by the  
2810 due date for such return, including any extensions. Only combined  
2811 groups with unused operating losses in excess of six billion dollars from  
2812 income years beginning prior to January 1, 2013, may make the election  
2813 prescribed in this clause; and

2814 (B) Any net capital loss, as defined in the Internal Revenue Code  
2815 effective and in force on the last day of the income year, for any income  
2816 year commencing on or after January 1, 1973, shall be allowed as a  
2817 capital loss carry-over to reduce, but not below zero, any net capital  
2818 gain, as so defined, in each of the five following income years, in order  
2819 of sequence, to the extent not exhausted by the net capital gain of any of

2820 the preceding of such five following income years; and

2821 (C) Any net capital losses allowed and carried forward from prior  
2822 years to income years beginning on or after January 1, 1973, for federal  
2823 income tax purposes by companies entitled to a deduction for dividends  
2824 paid under the Internal Revenue Code other than companies subject to  
2825 the gross earnings taxes imposed under chapters 211 and 212, shall be  
2826 allowed as a capital loss carry-over.

2827 Sec. 113. Section 3 of house bill 5232 of the current session, as  
2828 amended by House Amendment Schedule "A", is repealed and the  
2829 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

2830 (a) As used in this section, "solar canopy" means an outdoor, shade-  
2831 providing structure that hosts solar photovoltaic panels located above a  
2832 parking or driving area, pedestrian walkway, courtyard, canal or other  
2833 utilized surface that is installed in a manner that maintains the function  
2834 of the area beneath the structure. "Solar canopy" includes any carport.

2835 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of any municipal charter or  
2836 ordinance, the planning commission, zoning commission or combined  
2837 planning and zoning commission of each municipality [shall] may  
2838 amend any regulations adopted pursuant to subsection (a) of section 8-  
2839 2 of the general statutes to establish a simplified approval process for  
2840 any application to build a solar canopy in such municipality.

2841 (c) Notwithstanding any provision of any municipal charter or  
2842 ordinance, the planning commission, zoning commission or combined  
2843 planning and zoning commission of each municipality [shall] may  
2844 approve or deny any land use application to build a solar canopy in such  
2845 municipality not later than six months after the filing date of such  
2846 application.

2847 Sec. 114. Section 12-117a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2848 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

2849 (a) (1) Any person, including any lessee of real property whose lease  
2850 has been recorded as provided in section 47-19 and who is bound under  
2851 the terms of [his] such person's lease to pay real property taxes, claiming  
2852 to be aggrieved by the action of the board of tax review or the board of  
2853 assessment appeals, as the case may be, in any town or city may [,  
2854 within] make application, not later than two months [from] after the  
2855 date of the mailing of notice of such action, [make application,] in the  
2856 nature of an appeal therefrom to the superior court for the judicial  
2857 district in which such town or city is situated, which shall be  
2858 accompanied by a citation to such town or city to appear before [said]  
2859 such court. Such citation shall be signed by the same authority and such  
2860 appeal shall be returnable at the same time and served and returned in  
2861 the same manner as is required in case of a summons in a civil action.  
2862 The authority issuing the citation shall take from the applicant a bond  
2863 or recognizance to such town or city, with surety, to prosecute the  
2864 application to effect and to comply with and conform to the orders and  
2865 decrees of the court in the premises. Any such application shall be a  
2866 preferred case, to be heard, unless good cause appears to the contrary,  
2867 at the first session, by the court or by a committee appointed by the  
2868 court. The pendency of such application shall not suspend an action by  
2869 such town or city to collect not more than seventy-five per cent of the  
2870 tax so assessed or not more than ninety per cent of such tax with respect  
2871 to any real property for which the assessed value is five hundred  
2872 thousand dollars or more, and upon which such appeal is taken. If,  
2873 during the pendency of such appeal, a new assessment year begins, the  
2874 applicant may amend [his] the application as to any matter therein,  
2875 including an appeal for such new year, [which] that is affected by the  
2876 inception of such new year and such applicant need not appear before  
2877 the board of tax review or board of assessment appeals, as the case may  
2878 be, to make such amendment effective.

2879 (2) For any application made on or after July 1, 2022, under  
2880 subdivision (1) of this subsection, if the assessed value of the real  
2881 property that is the subject of such application is one million dollars or

2882 more and the application concerns the valuation of such real property,  
2883 the applicant shall file with the court, not later than one hundred twenty  
2884 days after making such application, an appraisal of the real property  
2885 that is the subject of the application. Such appraisal shall be completed  
2886 by an individual or a company licensed to perform real estate appraisals  
2887 in the state. The court may extend the one-hundred-twenty-day period  
2888 for good cause. If such appraisal is not timely filed, the court may  
2889 dismiss the application, except that for any application made on or after  
2890 July 1, 2022, but prior to July 1, 2024, that was dismissed due to such  
2891 appraisal having been submitted to the assessor of the town or city in  
2892 which such real property is situated rather than the court, the applicant  
2893 may make another application with the court, provided the applicant  
2894 (A) had provided notice to the court of such submission to the assessor,  
2895 and (B) makes such application not later than September 1, 2024.

2896 (b) The court shall have power to grant such relief as to justice and  
2897 equity appertains, upon such terms and in such manner and form as  
2898 appear equitable, and, if the application appears to have been made  
2899 without probable cause, may tax double or triple costs, as the case  
2900 appears to demand; and, upon all such applications, costs may be taxed  
2901 at the discretion of the court. If the assessment made by the board of tax  
2902 review or board of assessment appeals, as the case may be, is reduced  
2903 by [said] the court, the applicant shall be reimbursed by the town or city  
2904 for any overpayment of taxes, together with interest and any costs  
2905 awarded by the court, or, at the applicant's option, shall be granted a tax  
2906 credit for such overpayment, interest and any costs awarded by the  
2907 court. Upon motion, [said] the court shall, in event of such overpayment,  
2908 enter judgment in favor of such applicant and against such city or town  
2909 for the whole amount of such overpayment, less any lien recording fees  
2910 incurred under sections 7-34a and 12-176, together with interest and any  
2911 costs awarded by the court. The amount to which the assessment is so  
2912 reduced shall be the assessed value of such property on the grand lists  
2913 for succeeding years until the tax assessor finds that the value of the  
2914 applicant's property has increased or decreased.



2915 Sec. 115. Section 22a-284d of the 2024 supplement to the general  
2916 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof  
2917 (*Effective from passage*):

2918 The funds possessed by the Materials Innovation and Recycling  
2919 Authority, established pursuant to section 22a-260a, shall not constitute  
2920 surplus revenues and shall be deemed necessary to provide support for  
2921 the authority's properties systems and facilities, including any  
2922 environmental remediation of such properties, systems and facilities.  
2923 Such funds shall not be distributed or redistributed to the users of the  
2924 authority's services. Users of the authority's services shall be liable for  
2925 the environmental remediation costs of the authority's properties,  
2926 systems and facilities if, and to the extent, any funds were distributed or  
2927 redistributed by the authority to such users on or after January 1, 2023.  
2928 For the period commencing upon the effective date of this section and  
2929 ending on June 30, 2026, not more than six million dollars of any such  
2930 funds expended for the purpose of tipping fee stabilization shall be  
2931 reimbursed through the issuance of state bonds, provided the total  
2932 issuance of state bonds for such funds shall not exceed thirteen million  
2933 five hundred thousand dollars. On and after July 1, 2026, no such funds  
2934 shall be utilized for the purpose of tipping fee stabilization.

2935 Sec. 116. Subsection (a) of section 29-252 of the general statutes is  
2936 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
2937 *passage*):

2938 (a) (1) The State Building Inspector and the Codes and Standards  
2939 Committee shall, jointly, with the approval of the Commissioner of  
2940 Administrative Services and in accordance with the provisions of  
2941 section 29-252b, adopt and administer a State Building Code based on a  
2942 nationally recognized model building code for the purpose of regulating  
2943 the design, construction and use of buildings or structures to be erected  
2944 and the alteration of buildings or structures already erected and make  
2945 such amendments thereto as they, from time to time, deem necessary or  
2946 desirable. Such amendments shall be limited to administrative matters,

2947 geotechnical and weather-related portions of said code, amendments to  
2948 said code necessitated by a provision of the general statutes and any  
2949 other matter which, based on substantial evidence, necessitates an  
2950 amendment to said code. The code shall be revised as deemed necessary  
2951 to incorporate any subsequent revisions to the code not later than  
2952 eighteen months following the date of first publication of such  
2953 subsequent revisions to the code. The purpose of said Building Code  
2954 shall also include, but not be limited to, promoting and ensuring that  
2955 such buildings and structures are designed and constructed in such a  
2956 manner as to conserve energy and, wherever practicable, facilitate the  
2957 use of renewable energy resources, including provisions for electric  
2958 circuits capable of supporting electric vehicle charging in any newly  
2959 constructed residential garage in any code adopted after July 8, 2013.  
2960 Said Building Code includes any code, rule or regulation incorporated  
2961 therein by reference. As used in this subsection, "geotechnical" means  
2962 any geological condition, such as soil and subsurface soil condition,  
2963 which may affect the structural characteristics of a building or structure.

2964 (2) In adopting amendments to the State Building Code pursuant to  
2965 subdivision (1) of this subsection, the State Building Inspector, the  
2966 Codes and Standards Committee and the Commissioner of  
2967 Administrative Services shall consider that the housing shortage in the  
2968 state compromises the safety of residents who cannot afford a safe  
2969 home, and any such amendments shall encourage production of  
2970 buildings that include safe housing and can be constructed at a  
2971 reasonable cost.

2972 Sec. 117. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) The State Building Inspector  
2973 and the Codes and Standards Committee shall, jointly, with the  
2974 approval of the Commissioner of Administrative Services, in  
2975 accordance with the provisions of section 29-252b of the general statutes,  
2976 include in the amendments to the State Building Code next adopted  
2977 after the effective date of this section, and the State Fire Marshal and the  
2978 Codes and Standards Committee shall, in accordance with section 29-  
2979 292a of the general statutes, include in the amendments to the Fire Safety

2980 Code next adopted after the effective date of this section, provisions  
2981 that:

2982 (1) Allow additional residential occupancies to be served safely by a  
2983 single exit stairway, in such a way as to:

2984 (A) Be consistent with safe occupancy and egress;

2985 (B) Consider the experience of the cities of Seattle, New York City and  
2986 Honolulu in implementing similar provisions;

2987 (C) Apply to municipalities in which the fire service is sufficient to  
2988 maintain safe occupancy and egress under such additional occupancies,  
2989 if appropriate;

2990 (D) Promote the inclusion of units with three or more bedrooms in  
2991 building designs to promote construction of family-sized units,  
2992 especially on smaller lots; and

2993 (E) Allow additional stories above grade plane to be served by a  
2994 single exit stairway in a building with an automatic sprinkler system,  
2995 under such conditions as to ensure safe occupancy and egress. Such  
2996 conditions may include, but need not be limited to, additional levels of  
2997 fire and smoke separation and any features necessary to allow for  
2998 firefighters to ascend a stair as occupants descend; and

2999 (2) Encourage construction of safe three-unit and four-unit residential  
3000 buildings, which shall:

3001 (A) Be consistent with safe occupancy and egress; and

3002 (B) Include three-unit and four-unit residential buildings in the  
3003 International Residential Code portion of the Connecticut State Building  
3004 Code, or otherwise provide for requirements for three-unit and four-  
3005 unit residential buildings in the International Building Code portion of  
3006 the Connecticut State Building Code similar to those for one-unit and  
3007 two-unit residential buildings in the International Residential Code

3008 portion of the Connecticut State Building Code, under such conditions  
3009 as to ensure safe occupancy and egress.

3010 Sec. 118. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) It is hereby declared that  
3011 there exists concentrated poverty in the state that exacts a critical toll on  
3012 poor and nonpoor residents of communities that house areas of  
3013 concentrated poverty, which create lifelong and persistent  
3014 disadvantages across generations by lowering the quality of educational  
3015 and employment opportunities, limiting health care access and  
3016 diminishing health outcomes, increasing exposure to crime, reducing  
3017 available choices for affordable and properly maintained housing and  
3018 imposing obstacles to wealth-building and economic mobility. It is  
3019 further declared that the development and implementation of the ten-  
3020 year plan under this section to eradicate concentrated poverty in the  
3021 state are necessary and for the public benefit, as a matter of legislative  
3022 determination.

3023 (b) There is established an Office of Neighborhood Investment and  
3024 Community Engagement within the Department of Economic and  
3025 Community Development. Said office shall carry out the provisions of  
3026 this section, overseeing the implementation of the ten-year plan  
3027 developed pursuant to this subsection, monitoring the state's progress  
3028 in reducing concentrated poverty in the state and serving as the  
3029 facilitator to coordinate communication between the various parties and  
3030 disseminate information in a timely and efficient manner.

3031 (c) (1) There is established a pilot program to implement the  
3032 provisions of the ten-year plan developed pursuant to this section for  
3033 participating concentrated poverty census tracts. Any concentrated  
3034 poverty census tract or group of tracts (A) that is located in any of the  
3035 four municipalities with the greatest number of concentrated poverty  
3036 census tracts, and (B) for which community members have established  
3037 a community development corporation pursuant to the provisions of  
3038 section 32-7s of the general statutes, to assist the municipality in which  
3039 such census tract or group of tracts is located in carrying out the

3040 municipality's responsibilities under this section and the ten-year plan  
3041 developed for such census tract or group of tracts, shall be eligible to  
3042 apply to participate in the program. Notwithstanding the provisions of  
3043 subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, any municipality in which a  
3044 concentrated poverty census tract or group of tracts is located and for  
3045 which a community development corporation has been established as  
3046 described under subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, or any such  
3047 community development corporation, may apply to participate in the  
3048 program. The Commissioner of Economic and Community  
3049 Development shall issue a request for proposals for participation in the  
3050 pilot program and select the applicant with the highest score. As used  
3051 in this section, "concentrated poverty census tract" means a census tract  
3052 identified as a high poverty-low opportunity census tract, as of January  
3053 1, 2024, by the Office of Policy and Management pursuant to section 32-  
3054 7x of the 2024 supplement to the general statutes.

3055 (2) (A) The Office of Neighborhood Investment and Community  
3056 Engagement shall develop a plan for the pilot participating  
3057 concentrated poverty census tract or group of tracts, as applicable, to  
3058 eradicate, over ten years, the levels of concentrated poverty in the  
3059 service area of the community development corporation, evidenced by  
3060 a reduction, to twenty per cent or lower, in the percentage of households  
3061 who reside in such concentrated poverty census tract or group of tracts  
3062 and have incomes below the federal poverty level, as well as sustained  
3063 improvements in community infrastructure and other underlying  
3064 conditions that serve to prolong concentrated poverty and economic  
3065 inertia in such census tract or group of tracts. In developing such plan,  
3066 said office shall consult with the Office of Community Economic  
3067 Development Assistance established under section 32-7s of the general  
3068 statutes, the Office of Workforce Strategy established under section 4-  
3069 124w of the general statutes, the Office of Early Childhood, the  
3070 Department of Education, the Office of Policy and Management, the  
3071 applicable community development corporations serving the  
3072 participating concentrated poverty census tract or group of tracts and

3073 the applicable municipal chief elected officials and any other public or  
3074 private entity the Commissioner of Economic and Community  
3075 Development deems relevant or necessary to achieving the purposes of  
3076 this subsection.

3077 (B) The ten-year plan shall include, but need not be limited to, (i)  
3078 measurable steps to be taken for its implementation, the target date by  
3079 which each such step is to be completed and the state or municipal  
3080 official or state or municipal agency, department or division responsible  
3081 for each such step, (ii) minimum state-wide averages for educational  
3082 metrics, including, but not limited to, kindergarten-readiness, grade  
3083 level reading and mathematics and college-readiness or career-  
3084 readiness, to be used as benchmarks for improvements in such  
3085 concentrated poverty census tract or group of tracts, as applicable, and  
3086 (iii) the list of possible projects determined pursuant to subdivision (3)  
3087 of this subsection.

3088 (C) On or before June 1, 2025, the Commissioner of Economic and  
3089 Community Development shall inform the joint standing committee of  
3090 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to finance,  
3091 revenue and bonding, in writing, of the progress made to date in the  
3092 development of each ten-year plan. Not later than January 1, 2026, said  
3093 commissioner shall submit all such plans to the General Assembly, in  
3094 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,  
3095 and the Office of Neighborhood Investment and Community  
3096 Engagement shall immediately commence overseeing the  
3097 implementation of such plans.

3098 (3) The Office of Neighborhood Investment and Community  
3099 Engagement shall, jointly with the chief elected official of each  
3100 applicable municipality and the community development corporation  
3101 established to assist such municipality, develop a list of possible projects  
3102 that will be included in the ten-year plan for the participating  
3103 concentrated poverty census tract or group of tracts, as applicable,  
3104 located in such municipality. Said office, official and corporation shall

3105 (A) determine the types of projects they deem to be the most appropriate  
3106 and effective for such census tract or group of tracts to eradicate  
3107 concentrated poverty within such census tract or group of tracts,  
3108 including, but not limited to, capital projects, workforce development  
3109 programs, housing development, community and neighborhood  
3110 improvements and education initiatives to assist and support residents  
3111 in meeting and surpassing the educational metrics described in  
3112 subparagraph (B)(ii) of subdivision (2) of this subsection, and (B) take  
3113 into account the criteria for projects eligible for grants under sections 32-  
3114 7s of the general statutes, 32-7x of the general statutes and 32-285a of the  
3115 general statutes.

3116 (4) Not later than February 1, 2027, and annually thereafter, the  
3117 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall submit  
3118 a report to the General Assembly, the Office of Workforce Strategy, the  
3119 Office of Early Childhood and the Office of Policy and Management, in  
3120 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,  
3121 that summarizes the progress being made by the Office of  
3122 Neighborhood Investment and Community Engagement in  
3123 implementing the ten-year plan, the status of any projects pending or  
3124 undertaken for the participating concentrated poverty census tract or  
3125 group of tracts and any other information the commissioner or the  
3126 Office of Neighborhood Investment and Community Engagement  
3127 deems relevant or necessary.

3128 (5) (A) Commencing with the calendar year 2027, not later than  
3129 March first of said year and annually thereafter for the next two years,  
3130 the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having  
3131 cognizance of matters relating to finance, revenue and bonding shall  
3132 hold an informational forum for the Commissioner of Economic and  
3133 Community Development to present the contents of the submitted  
3134 report and for other state officials, municipal officials, representatives of  
3135 community development corporations serving participating  
3136 concentrated poverty census tracts or groups of tracts and other  
3137 interested parties to provide oral and written comments on the

3138 submitted report and the pilot program.

3139 (B) Commencing with the calendar year 2030, said committee shall  
3140 hold such informational forum every two years.

3141 (d) On and after the date the ten-year plan is submitted to the General  
3142 Assembly pursuant to subparagraph (C) of subdivision (2) of subsection  
3143 (c) of this section, each state agency shall give priority to projects  
3144 included in such ten-year plan with respect to any grants or funding  
3145 programs such agency awards or administers and for which such  
3146 projects may be eligible.

3147 (e) Not later than January 1, 2029, the Commissioner of Economic and  
3148 Community Development shall submit a recommendation to the joint  
3149 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
3150 matters relating to finance, revenue and bonding of (1) whether the pilot  
3151 program should be expanded to all concentrated poverty census tracts  
3152 or groups of tracts in the state for which a community development  
3153 corporation has been established as described under subparagraph (B)  
3154 of subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of this section, and (2) any additional  
3155 or alternative criteria to be considered for expansion of the pilot  
3156 program to other economically disadvantaged census tracts that do not  
3157 fall within the definition of a concentrated poverty census tract. If the  
3158 commissioner recommends expansion under subdivision (1) of this  
3159 subsection, the commissioner and the Office of Neighborhood  
3160 Investment and Community Engagement shall immediately undertake  
3161 such expansion.

3162 (f) On and after July 1, 2027, if any state or municipal official  
3163 responsible for carrying out a requirement or responsibility under the  
3164 provisions of this section or a ten-year plan fails to do so in a timely  
3165 manner, any community development corporation established as  
3166 described under subparagraph (B) of subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of  
3167 this section that was (1) selected pursuant to the request for proposals  
3168 under subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of this section, (2) can



3169 demonstrate good faith efforts to effectuate the ten-year plan, and (3) is  
3170 aggrieved by such failure may bring an action against such official in  
3171 the superior court for the judicial district in which such census tract or  
3172 group of tracts is located for a writ of mandamus to compel such official  
3173 to carry out such requirement or responsibility.

3174       Sec. 119. (*Effective from passage*) (a) (1) There is established a working  
3175 group to develop a guidance document that establishes for the following  
3176 areas a framework for (A) best practices and any specified initiatives or  
3177 actions the working group believes will help mitigate the effects of  
3178 concentrated poverty, and (B) any specific metrics to be incorporated  
3179 into the ten-year plan developed pursuant to section 102 of this act to  
3180 measure improvements in concentrated poverty census tracts, as  
3181 defined in section 32-7x of the general statutes: (i) Education, including  
3182 early childhood care and education; (ii) adult work skills development  
3183 to reduce unemployment rates of residents within such concentrated  
3184 poverty census tracts; (iii) infrastructure, including, but not limited to,  
3185 housing development and blight remediation; (iv) crime within such  
3186 concentrated poverty census tracts, including, but not limited to, gun  
3187 violence; and (v) any other areas the working group deems necessary or  
3188 desirable to include to further the goals of section 102 of this act.

3189       (2) The working group shall consult with any individual or entity to  
3190 inform the development of the guidance document, including, but not  
3191 limited to, state and national experts in the areas described in this  
3192 subsection, representatives of academia with expertise in the areas  
3193 described in this subsection, advocacy organizations, law enforcement  
3194 representatives, state agencies and quasi-public agencies.

3195       (b) The working group shall consist of the following members: (1)  
3196 One appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives and one  
3197 appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, each of whom is  
3198 a member of the General Assembly; (2) one appointed by the majority  
3199 leader of the House of Representatives and one appointed by the  
3200 majority leader of the Senate, each of whom shall be a member of the

3201 General Assembly; (3) one appointed by the minority leader of the  
3202 House of Representatives and one appointed by the minority leader of  
3203 the Senate, each of whom shall be a member of the General Assembly;  
3204 and (4) one appointed by the chairperson of the Black and Puerto Rican  
3205 Caucus of the General Assembly, who shall be a member of said caucus.

3206 (c) All initial appointments to the working group shall be made not  
3207 later than thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy  
3208 shall be filled by the appointing authority.

3209 (d) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president  
3210 pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the working  
3211 group from among the members of the working group. Such  
3212 chairpersons shall schedule the first meeting of the working group,  
3213 which shall be held not later than sixty days after the effective date of  
3214 this section. A majority of the working group shall constitute a quorum  
3215 for the transaction of any business.

3216 (e) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the  
3217 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to finance,  
3218 revenue and bonding shall serve as administrative staff of the working  
3219 group.

3220 (f) (1) Not later than April 1, 2025, the working group shall submit the  
3221 guidance document developed pursuant to subsection (a) of this section  
3222 to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having  
3223 cognizance of matters relating to finance, revenue and bonding, in  
3224 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.  
3225 Not later than thirty days after such submission, said committee shall  
3226 vote to approve or modify such guidance document, provided any  
3227 modification to such guidance document shall be provided to the  
3228 members of said committee prior to such vote. If said committee fails to  
3229 vote within the thirty-day period set forth in this subdivision, the  
3230 guidance document shall be deemed approved. The working group  
3231 shall terminate on the date the guidance document or modified

3232 guidance document, as applicable, is approved or deemed approved.

3233 (2) Upon the approval of the guidance document or a modified  
3234 guidance document, the Office of Neighborhood Investment and  
3235 Community Engagement shall incorporate such document in the ten-  
3236 year plan developed by said office pursuant to subdivision (2) of  
3237 subsection (c) of section 52 of this act.

3238 Sec. 120. Section 32-7s of the general statutes is repealed and the  
3239 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3240 (a) As used in this section:

3241 (1) "Certified community development corporation" means an  
3242 organization exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the  
3243 Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding  
3244 internal revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to  
3245 time, that (A) focuses a substantial majority of the community  
3246 development corporation's efforts on serving one or more target areas,  
3247 (B) has as its purpose to engage local residents and businesses to work  
3248 together to undertake community development programs, projects and  
3249 activities that develop and improve urban communities in sustainable  
3250 ways that create and expand economic opportunities for low and  
3251 moderate-income people, (C) demonstrates to the Office of Community  
3252 Economic Development Assistance established under subsection (b) of  
3253 this section that the community development corporation's  
3254 constituency is meaningfully represented on the board of directors of  
3255 such community development corporation, through (i) the percentage  
3256 of the board members who are residents of a target area or a community  
3257 that such community development corporation serves or seeks to serve,  
3258 (ii) the percentage of board members who are low or moderate-income,  
3259 (iii) the racial and ethnic composition of the board in comparison to the  
3260 racial and ethnic composition of the community such community  
3261 development corporation serves or seeks to serve, or (iv) the use of  
3262 mechanisms such as committees or membership meetings that the

3263 community development corporation uses to ensure that its  
3264 constituency has a meaningful role in the governance and direction of  
3265 the community development corporation, and (D) is certified by the  
3266 Office of Community Economic Development Assistance pursuant to  
3267 this section;

3268 (2) "Department" means the Department of Economic and  
3269 Community Development; and

3270 (3) "Target area" means a contiguous geographic area in which the  
3271 current unemployment rate exceeds the state unemployment rate by at  
3272 least twenty-five per cent or in which the mean household income is at  
3273 or below eighty per cent of the state mean household income, as  
3274 determined by the most recent decennial census.

3275 (b) (1) There is established an Office of Community Economic  
3276 Development Assistance within the Department of Economic and  
3277 Community Development. The office shall, within available  
3278 appropriations, (A) provide assistance to organizations seeking to  
3279 establish themselves or be certified as a community development  
3280 corporation in the state, (B) provide grants to certified community  
3281 development corporations for projects to be undertaken in a target area,  
3282 (C) serve as the liaison between community development corporations  
3283 and investors seeking to invest funds in such community development  
3284 corporations and provide assistance in soliciting investment funds for  
3285 such community development corporations, and (D) seek to ensure  
3286 coordinated, efficient and timely responses to such organizations,  
3287 community development corporations and investors.

3288 (2) The office shall identify eligible target areas in the state and post  
3289 such target areas on the department's Internet web site.

3290 (c) (1) Any organization exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(3)  
3291 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding  
3292 internal revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to  
3293 time, may apply to the Office of Community Economic Development

3294 Assistance to establish itself as or be certified as a community  
3295 development corporation in the state. The office shall prescribe the form  
3296 and manner of such application.

3297 (2) (A) Any existing community development corporation that  
3298 operates or seeks to operate in the state may apply to the office to be  
3299 certified. The office shall certify any community development  
3300 corporation that is exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of said  
3301 Internal Revenue Code and meets the requirements set forth in  
3302 subparagraphs (A) to (C), inclusive, of subdivision (1) of subsection (a)  
3303 of this section. Each community development corporation that is  
3304 established pursuant to this subsection shall be deemed to be certified.

3305 (B) The office shall maintain a current list of certified community  
3306 development corporations and shall post such list on the Internet web  
3307 site of the department.

3308 (3) The Office of Community Economic Development Assistance  
3309 shall establish a grant program for projects to be undertaken by a  
3310 certified community development corporation in a target area,  
3311 provided, on and after the date the ten-year plan developed under  
3312 section 52 of this act is submitted to the General Assembly, the office  
3313 shall give priority to projects included in such plan. Such projects shall  
3314 include, but not be limited to, infrastructure improvements, housing  
3315 rehabilitation, streetscape improvements and facade improvements for  
3316 businesses. The office shall establish the application form and process  
3317 for such grant program, the criteria for eligible projects and for  
3318 awarding grants and any caps or limits on the amount or number of  
3319 grants awarded. The office shall post information concerning the grant  
3320 program on the department's Internet web site.

3321 (d) (1) For the purposes described in subdivision (2) of this  
3322 subsection, the State Bond Commission shall have the power from time  
3323 to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more  
3324 series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate fifty

3325 million dollars.

3326 (2) The proceeds of the sale of such bonds, to the extent of the amount  
3327 stated in subdivision (1) of this subsection, shall be used by the  
3328 Department of Economic and Community Development for the  
3329 purposes of carrying out the duties of the Office of Community  
3330 Economic Development Assistance under subsection (b) of this section  
3331 and the grant program under subsection (c) of this section.

3332 (3) All provisions of section 3-20, or the exercise of any right or power  
3333 granted thereby, that are not inconsistent with the provisions of this  
3334 section are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by  
3335 the State Bond Commission pursuant to this section. Temporary notes  
3336 in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such  
3337 bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with section 3-20 and  
3338 from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or  
3339 times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be  
3340 provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State  
3341 Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. None of such bonds shall be  
3342 authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that  
3343 there has been filed with it a request for such authorization that is signed  
3344 by or on behalf of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management  
3345 and states such terms and conditions as said commission, in its  
3346 discretion, may require. Such bonds issued pursuant to this section shall  
3347 be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state  
3348 of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and  
3349 interest on such bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as  
3350 part of the contract of the state with the holders of such bonds,  
3351 appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such  
3352 principal and interest is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay  
3353 such principal and interest as the same become due.

3354 (e) Not later than July 1, 2023, and annually thereafter, the Office of  
3355 Community Economic Development Assistance shall submit a report,  
3356 in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, to the joint standing

3357 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
3358 relating to commerce, planning and development and finance, revenue  
3359 and bonding. Such report shall include, but not be limited to, a  
3360 description of the activities undertaken by the office in the preceding  
3361 fiscal year, the number of community development corporations  
3362 established and certified in the preceding fiscal year, the number and  
3363 amounts of grants awarded to certified community development  
3364 corporations in the preceding fiscal year and a description and the  
3365 locations of the projects undertaken by certified community  
3366 development corporations in the preceding fiscal year.

3367 Sec. 121. Section 32-7x of the 2024 supplement to the general statutes  
3368 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
3369 *passage*):

3370 (a) As used in this section, ["high poverty-low opportunity census  
3371 tract"] "concentrated poverty census tract" means a United States census  
3372 tract in which thirty per cent or more of the [residents] households  
3373 within such census tract have incomes below the federal poverty level,  
3374 according to the most recent five-year United States Census Bureau  
3375 American Community Survey.

3376 (b) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall  
3377 compile a list of [high poverty-low opportunity] concentrated poverty  
3378 census tracts in the state and the municipalities in which such census  
3379 tracts are located and shall, not later than July 31, 2023, submit such list  
3380 to the General Assembly in accordance with the provisions of section  
3381 11-4a. The secretary shall post such list to the Internet web site of the  
3382 Office of Policy and Management and shall review and update such list  
3383 as necessary. Whenever the secretary updates such list, the secretary  
3384 shall submit such updated list to the General Assembly in accordance  
3385 with the provisions of section 11-4a.

3386 (c) (1) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development  
3387 shall establish a grant program to fund eligible projects within [high

3388 poverty-low opportunity] concentrated poverty census tracts. An  
3389 eligible project shall seek to reduce concentrated poverty within such  
3390 tracts and the effects of such poverty, including, but not limited to, the  
3391 lower lifetime income of residents within such tracts, the lower lifetime  
3392 income expectations of future generations within such tracts, increased  
3393 crime and risk of incarceration for residents within such tracts and  
3394 educational deficiencies within such tracts. An eligible project includes:

3395 (A) Construction, renovation or rehabilitation of mixed-income rental  
3396 housing and owner-occupied housing, in order to retain individuals and  
3397 families of different income levels and to increase the percentage of  
3398 owner-occupied housing within such census tract or tracts;

3399 (B) The establishment or improvement of workforce development  
3400 programs, including, but not limited to, programs that partner with  
3401 organizations to identify unemployed or underemployed individuals  
3402 and at-risk youth residing in such census tracts, identify workforce  
3403 training opportunities and other resources for such individuals and link  
3404 such individuals with the appropriate training and resources that will  
3405 increase the skills and earning potential of such individuals; and

3406 (C) Construction, renovation or rehabilitation of public  
3407 infrastructure, in order to support and improve the private investment  
3408 opportunities, quality of life and public safety within such census tract  
3409 or tracts.

3410 (2) Beginning on January 1, 2024, and not later than January 1, 2030,  
3411 each municipality in which a [high poverty-low opportunity]  
3412 concentrated poverty census tract is located may apply to the  
3413 commissioner, in a form and manner prescribed by the commissioner,  
3414 to receive a grant for an eligible project or any combination of eligible  
3415 projects. An application may target one [high poverty-low opportunity]  
3416 concentrated poverty census tract or more than one such census tract if  
3417 such census tracts are geographically contiguous or within reasonable  
3418 proximity of each other. An applicant shall not be prohibited from filing



3419 more than one application for different [high poverty-low opportunity]  
3420 concentrated poverty census tracts or groups of such census tracts.

3421 (d) (1) Not later than January 1, 2024, the commissioner shall establish  
3422 criteria for the awarding of grants as described in subdivision (2) of this  
3423 subsection, requirements for documents and information as described  
3424 in subdivision [(3)] (4) of this subsection and deadlines for submitting  
3425 applications and revised and modified applications under subsection (e)  
3426 of this section. The commissioner shall post such criteria, requirements  
3427 and deadlines on the Internet web site of the Department of Economic  
3428 and Community Development, notify each municipality in which a  
3429 [high poverty-low opportunity] concentrated poverty census tract is  
3430 located of such posting and promote the availability of the grant  
3431 program established by this section in each [high poverty-low  
3432 opportunity] such census tract.

3433 (2) Criteria for the awarding of grants pursuant to this section shall  
3434 include, but need not be limited to:

3435 (A) The likelihood that a proposal will reduce adult or child poverty  
3436 within a [high poverty-low opportunity] concentrated poverty census  
3437 tract;

3438 (B) The likelihood that a proposal will reduce the likelihood that  
3439 children currently residing within a [high poverty-low opportunity]  
3440 concentrated poverty census tract will live in poverty after reaching  
3441 adulthood;

3442 (C) The likelihood that a proposal will produce persistent and  
3443 meaningful improvements in residents' wealth, financial security,  
3444 employability or quality of life beyond the duration of the proposal;

3445 (D) The feasibility of the initiatives in a proposal and the  
3446 demonstrated or perceived capacity to execute upon the scope of work  
3447 in a proposal, including, but not limited to, adequate staffing levels of  
3448 entities involved with the proposal; and

3449 (E) The interconnectivity and mutual reinforcement among all  
3450 proposed initiatives in the same [high poverty-low opportunity]  
3451 concentrated poverty census tract area or areas, such as providing  
3452 workforce training programs to parents of children enrolled in a  
3453 supported early childhood program.

3454 (3) On and after the date the ten-year plan developed under section  
3455 52 of this act is submitted to the General Assembly, priority shall be  
3456 given to projects included in such plan.

3457 [(3)] (4) Requirements for documents and information to be  
3458 submitted by municipalities to evaluate applications shall include, but  
3459 need not be limited to:

3460 (A) A description of how the proposal intends to address each type  
3461 of eligible project described in subparagraphs (A) to (C), inclusive, of  
3462 subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of this section, and whether there are  
3463 existing projects or programs to address such eligible projects;

3464 (B) A description of each initiative within the proposal, which may  
3465 include multiple simultaneous initiatives, and how each initiative will  
3466 meet one of the criteria established pursuant to subdivision (2) of this  
3467 subsection;

3468 (C) A description of sufficient efforts, as determined by the  
3469 commissioner, to engage residents of the [high poverty-low  
3470 opportunity] concentrated poverty census tract in formulating a  
3471 proposal;

3472 (D) For an initiative that is an eligible project described in  
3473 subparagraph (B) of subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of this section, a  
3474 description of the municipality's consultations with the regional  
3475 workforce development board that serves the municipality regarding  
3476 the development of such project and efforts to coordinate such project  
3477 with the board's activities;

3478 (E) A description of each organization that will participate in an  
3479 eligible project described in subparagraph (B) of subdivision (1) of  
3480 subsection (c) of this section, and information on each organization's  
3481 commitment to provide continuous, sustained engagement with  
3482 residents of such tract throughout the project;

3483 (F) A description of the entity or organization responsible for  
3484 coordinating the implementation of each component of the application  
3485 and overseeing the various projects and programs outlined in such  
3486 application;

3487 (G) A description of plans for ongoing engagement with residents of  
3488 such census tracts and solicitation of feedback on the progress of a  
3489 proposal during its implementation; and

3490 (H) A description of plans to provide residents of such census tract  
3491 with opportunities to become involved in implementation of a proposal.

3492 (e) (1) The department shall review and evaluate each application  
3493 submitted and shall work with the applicant municipality to revise the  
3494 application if the department believes such revisions will improve or  
3495 strengthen the application. The department shall assist an applicant in  
3496 identifying and applying for funding under other programs in order to  
3497 maximize the amount of funding available for an applicant, including  
3498 seeking funding under section 4-66c. For a proposal for an eligible  
3499 project described in subparagraph (A) of subdivision (1) of subsection  
3500 (c) of this section, the commissioner shall evaluate such project in  
3501 consultation with the Commissioner of Housing and the Commissioner  
3502 of Housing shall assist the applicant with obtaining funding for such  
3503 project through programs operated by the Department of Housing.

3504 (2) The commissioner shall submit to the Governor all applications  
3505 that are deemed to satisfy the requirements of subsection (d) of this  
3506 section. The Governor shall review such applications and may approve  
3507 or disapprove an application or return an application to the  
3508 commissioner for modifications. If an application is returned to the

3509 commissioner, the commissioner shall work with the applicant to  
3510 modify the application and shall resubmit such application with  
3511 modifications to the Governor. If the Governor approves an application,  
3512 the Governor shall make a grant award from bond proceeds under  
3513 section 32-7y, provided the Governor may use funds from other bond  
3514 proceeds authorized for the general purposes described in  
3515 subparagraphs (A) to (C), inclusive, of subdivision (1) of subsection (c)  
3516 of this section for such grants. Grants awarded under this section shall  
3517 be for a period of three years, and in an amount sufficient to carry out  
3518 the objectives of the application, but not less than five hundred  
3519 thousand dollars. Each application that the Governor approves shall be  
3520 considered at a State Bond Commission meeting not later than two  
3521 months after the date the application was approved by the Governor.

3522 (f) At the conclusion of the initial grant period, the commissioner  
3523 shall evaluate the municipality's progress toward reducing the number  
3524 of [residents] households within the applicable [high poverty-low  
3525 opportunity] concentrated poverty census tract who have incomes  
3526 below the federal poverty level to less than thirty per cent of the  
3527 [residents] households of such census tract. Such evaluation shall  
3528 consider, among other factors, any change in the percentage of  
3529 [residents] households within such census tract who have incomes  
3530 below the federal poverty level, and whether the actions taken pursuant  
3531 to such grant during the initial grant period: (1) May reasonably result  
3532 in a future reduction in the percentage of [residents] households within  
3533 such census tract who have incomes below the federal poverty level, (2)  
3534 have resulted in a reduction in child poverty within such census tract,  
3535 (3) may reasonably result in a future reduction in child poverty within  
3536 such census tract, or (4) may reasonably decrease the likelihood that  
3537 children who are currently living within such census tract will have  
3538 incomes below the federal poverty level after they reach adulthood.  
3539 Upon a determination by the commissioner that reasonable progress has  
3540 been made, the municipality shall be eligible for subsequent grants  
3541 under this section, provided, at the conclusion of each subsequent grant

3542 period of three years, each applicant municipality shall be subject to an  
3543 evaluation and determination under this subsection prior to being  
3544 eligible to apply for a subsequent grant. An application for a subsequent  
3545 grant and the awarding of a subsequent grant shall be in accordance  
3546 with the provisions of subsections (c) to (e), inclusive, of this section.

3547 (g) Not later than August 1, 2024, and annually thereafter until and  
3548 including August 1, 2029, the commissioner shall submit a report, in  
3549 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, to the General  
3550 Assembly, that includes the municipalities that submitted applications  
3551 and that were awarded grants under this section in the prior fiscal year,  
3552 a description of each purpose and eligible project a municipality  
3553 awarded a grant under this section is seeking to accomplish or  
3554 undertaking, a progress report, if applicable, for each such purpose or  
3555 eligible project and any other information the commissioner deems  
3556 relevant.

3557 Sec. 122. Section 32-285a of the 2024 supplement to the general  
3558 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof  
3559 (*Effective from passage*):

3560 (a) As used in this section:

3561 (1) "Administrative costs" means the costs paid or incurred by the  
3562 administrator of the Community Investment Fund 2030 Board  
3563 established under subsection (b) of this section, including, but not  
3564 limited to, allocated staff costs and other out-of-pocket costs attributable  
3565 to the administration and operation of the board;

3566 (2) "Administrator" means the Commissioner of Economic and  
3567 Community Development, or the commissioner's designee;

3568 (3) "Eligible project" means:

3569 (A) (i) A project proposed by a municipality, community  
3570 development corporation or nonprofit organization, for the purpose of

3571 promoting economic or community development in the municipality or  
3572 a municipality served by such corporation or organization, such as  
3573 brownfield remediation, affordable housing, establishment of or  
3574 improvements to water and sewer infrastructure to support smaller  
3575 scale economic development, pedestrian safety and traffic calming  
3576 improvements, establishment of or improvements to energy resiliency  
3577 or clean energy projects and land acquisition and capital projects to  
3578 construct, rehabilitate or renovate buildings and structures to facilitate  
3579 or improve home rehabilitation programs and facilities such as libraries  
3580 and senior centers; or

3581 (ii) A grant-in-aid proposed by a municipality, community  
3582 development corporation or nonprofit organization for the purpose of  
3583 providing (I) a revolving loan program, microloans or gap financing, to  
3584 small businesses located within such municipality or a municipality  
3585 served by such corporation or organization, or (II) start-up funds to  
3586 establish a small business in any such municipality; and

3587 (B) Such project or grant-in-aid furthers consistent and systematic  
3588 fair, just and impartial treatment of all individuals, including  
3589 individuals who belong to underserved and marginalized communities  
3590 that have been denied such treatment, such as Black, Latino and  
3591 indigenous and Native American persons; Asian Americans and Pacific  
3592 Islanders and other persons of color; members of religious minorities;  
3593 lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer persons and other persons  
3594 comprising the LGBTQ+ community; persons who live in rural areas;  
3595 and persons otherwise adversely affected by persistent poverty or  
3596 inequality; and

3597 (4) "Municipality" means a municipality designated as a public  
3598 investment community pursuant to section 7-545 or as an alliance  
3599 district pursuant to section 10-262u.

3600 (b) (1) There is established a Community Investment Fund 2030  
3601 Board, which shall be within the Department of Economic and

3602 Community Development. The board shall consist of the following  
3603 members:

3604 (A) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president  
3605 pro tempore of the Senate;

3606 (B) The majority leader of the House of Representatives, the majority  
3607 leader of the Senate, the minority leader of the House of Representatives  
3608 and the minority leader of the Senate;

3609 (C) One appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives  
3610 and one appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, each of  
3611 whom shall be a member of the Black and Puerto Rican Caucus of the  
3612 General Assembly;

3613 (D) The two chairpersons of the general bonding subcommittee of the  
3614 joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
3615 matters relating to finance, revenue and bonding;

3616 (E) Two appointed by the Governor; and

3617 (F) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, the  
3618 Attorney General, the Treasurer, the Comptroller, the Secretary of the  
3619 State and the Commissioners of Economic and Community  
3620 Development, Administrative Services, Social Services and Housing, or  
3621 their designees.

3622 (2) All initial appointments shall be made not later than sixty days  
3623 after June 30, 2021. The terms of the members appointed by the  
3624 Governor shall be coterminous with the term of the Governor or until  
3625 their successors are appointed, whichever is later. Any vacancy in  
3626 appointments shall be filled by the appointing authority. Any vacancy  
3627 occurring other than by expiration of term shall be filled for the balance  
3628 of the unexpired term.

3629 (3) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, it shall not  
3630 constitute a conflict of interest for a trustee, director, partner, officer,

3631 stockholder, proprietor, counsel or employee of any person to serve as  
3632 a member of the board, provided such trustee, director, partner, officer,  
3633 stockholder, proprietor, counsel or employee abstains and absents  
3634 himself or herself from any deliberation, action and vote by the board in  
3635 specific respect to such person. The members appointed by the  
3636 Governor shall be deemed public officials and shall adhere to the code  
3637 of ethics for public officials set forth in chapter 10.

3638 (4) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro  
3639 tempore of the Senate shall serve as the chairpersons of the board and  
3640 shall schedule the first meeting of the board, which shall be held not  
3641 later than January 1, 2022. The board shall meet at least quarterly.

3642 (5) Eleven members of the board shall constitute a quorum for the  
3643 transaction of any business.

3644 (6) The members of the board shall serve without compensation, but  
3645 shall, within the limits of available funds, be reimbursed for expenses  
3646 necessarily incurred in the performance of their duties.

3647 (7) The board shall have the following powers and duties: (A) Review  
3648 eligible projects to be recommended to the Governor under subsection  
3649 (c) of this section for approval; (B) establish bylaws to govern its  
3650 procedures; (C) review and provide comments to the Department of  
3651 Economic and Community Development on projects funded through  
3652 the state's Economic Action Plan as provided under section 32-4p; and  
3653 (D) perform such other acts as may be necessary and appropriate to  
3654 carry out its duties described in this section.

3655 (8) The administrator shall hire such employee or employees as may  
3656 be necessary to assist the board to carry out its duties described in this  
3657 section.

3658 (c) (1) The Community Investment Fund 2030 Board shall establish  
3659 an application and review process with guidelines and terms for funds  
3660 provided from the bond proceeds under subsection (d) of this section



3661 for eligible projects. Such funds shall be used for costs related to an  
3662 eligible project recommended by the board and approved by the  
3663 Governor pursuant to this subsection but shall not be used to pay or to  
3664 reimburse the administrator for administrative costs under this section.  
3665 The Department of Economic and Community Development shall pay  
3666 for administrative costs within available appropriations.

3667 (2) The chairpersons of the board shall notify the chief elected official  
3668 of each municipality when the application and review process has been  
3669 established and shall publicize the availability of any funds available  
3670 under this section. Each such official or any community development  
3671 corporation or nonprofit organization may submit an application to the  
3672 board requesting funds for an eligible project. The board shall meet to  
3673 consider applications submitted and determine which, if any, the board  
3674 will recommend to the Governor for approval.

3675 (3) (A) The board shall give priority to eligible projects (i) that are  
3676 proposed by a municipality that (I) has implemented local hiring  
3677 preferences pursuant to section 7-112, or (II) has or will leverage  
3678 municipal, private, philanthropic or federal funds for such project, [and]  
3679 (ii) that have a project labor agreement or employ or will employ ex-  
3680 offenders or individuals with physical, intellectual or developmental  
3681 disabilities, and (iii) on and after the date the ten-year plan developed  
3682 under section 52 of this act is submitted to the General Assembly, that  
3683 are included in such plan. The board shall give additional priority to an  
3684 application submitted by a municipality that includes a letter of support  
3685 for the proposed eligible project from a member or members of the  
3686 General Assembly in whose district the eligible project is or will be  
3687 located.

3688 (B) In evaluating applications for an eligible project described in  
3689 subparagraph (A)(ii) of subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of this section,  
3690 the board shall (i) evaluate the risk of default on the repayment of a  
3691 proposed loan or financing, (ii) consider the impact of the eligible  
3692 project on job creation or retention in the municipality, (iii) consider the

3693 impact of the eligible project on blighted properties in the municipality,  
3694 and (iv) consider the overall impact of the eligible project on the  
3695 community. The board shall not recommend any proposed loan or  
3696 financing under subparagraph (A)(ii) of subdivision (3) of subsection (a)  
3697 of this section for which the interest rate varies from the prevailing  
3698 market rate.

3699 (4) (A) Whenever the board deems it necessary or desirable, the  
3700 chairpersons of the board shall submit to the Governor a list of the  
3701 board's recommendations of eligible projects to be funded from bond  
3702 proceeds under subsection (d) of this section. The board may  
3703 recommend state funding for eligible projects, provided the total cost of  
3704 such recommendations shall not exceed one hundred seventy-five  
3705 million dollars in any fiscal year. Such list shall include, at a minimum:

3706 (i) For each eligible project described in subparagraph (A)(i) of  
3707 subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of this section, a description of such  
3708 project, the municipality in which such project is located, the amount of  
3709 funds sought for such project, any cost estimates for such project, any  
3710 schematics or plans for such project, the total estimated project costs and  
3711 the applicable fiscal year to which such disbursement will be attributed;  
3712 and

3713 (ii) For each eligible project described in subparagraph (A)(ii) of  
3714 subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of this section, a description of and  
3715 specific terms for any proposed loans, financing or start-up funds to be  
3716 provided from such grant-in-aid, the types of small businesses located  
3717 or to be located in the municipality that may be eligible for such loan,  
3718 financing or start-up funds, the amount of the grant-in-aid sought and  
3719 the applicable fiscal year to which such disbursement will be attributed.

3720 (B) The Governor shall review the eligible projects on the list and may  
3721 recommend changes to any eligible project on the list. The Governor  
3722 shall determine the most appropriate method of funding for each  
3723 eligible project and shall provide to the members of the board, in

3724 writing, such determination for each eligible project on the list and the  
3725 reasons therefor. The board may reconsider at a future meeting any  
3726 eligible project for which the Governor recommends a change. Each  
3727 eligible project for which the Governor recommends the allocation of  
3728 bond funds shall be considered at a State Bond Commission meeting not  
3729 later than two months after the date such eligible project was submitted  
3730 to the Governor pursuant to subparagraph (A) of this subdivision.

3731 (5) Funds for an eligible project approved under this section may be  
3732 administered on behalf of the board by a state agency, as determined by  
3733 the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, provided a  
3734 memorandum of understanding between the administrator of the  
3735 Community Investment Fund 2030 Board and the state, acting by and  
3736 through the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, has been  
3737 entered into with respect to such funds and project.

3738 (6) Not later than August 31, 2023, the board shall submit a report, in  
3739 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, to the General  
3740 Assembly, the Black and Puerto Rican caucus of the General Assembly,  
3741 the Auditors of Public Accounts and the Governor, for the preceding  
3742 fiscal year, that includes (A) a list of the eligible projects recommended  
3743 by the board and approved by the Governor pursuant to this section, (B)  
3744 the total amount of funds provided for such eligible projects, (C) for  
3745 each such eligible project, a description of the project and the amounts  
3746 and terms of the funds provided, (D) the status of the project and any  
3747 balance remaining of the allocated funds, and (E) any other information  
3748 the board deems relevant or necessary. The board shall submit such  
3749 report annually for each fiscal year in which the funds specified in  
3750 subparagraph (A) of subdivision (3) of this subsection are disbursed for  
3751 eligible projects.

3752 (7) The Auditors of Public Accounts shall audit, on a biennial basis,  
3753 all eligible projects funded under this section and shall report their  
3754 findings to the Governor, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and  
3755 Management and the General Assembly.

3756 (d) (1) The State Bond Commission may authorize the issuance of  
3757 bonds of the state, in accordance with the provisions of section 3-20, in  
3758 principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate eight hundred  
3759 seventy-five million dollars. The amount authorized for the issuance  
3760 and sale of such bonds in each of the following fiscal years shall not  
3761 exceed the following corresponding amount for each such fiscal year,  
3762 except that, to the extent the State Bond Commission does not provide  
3763 for the use of all or a portion of such amount in any such fiscal year,  
3764 such amount not provided for shall be carried forward and added to the  
3765 authorized amount for the next succeeding fiscal year, and provided  
3766 further, the costs of issuance and capitalized interest, if any, may be  
3767 added to the capped amount in each fiscal year, and each of the  
3768 authorized amounts shall be effective on July first of the fiscal year  
3769 indicated as follows:

T416	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Amount
T417	2023	\$175,000,000
T418	2024	175,000,000
T419	2025	175,000,000
T420	2026	175,000,000
T421	2027	175,000,000
T422	Total	\$875,000,000

3770 (2) The proceeds of the sale of bonds set forth in this subsection shall  
3771 be used for the purpose of funding eligible projects for which the  
3772 Governor has determined under subsection (c) of this section that bond  
3773 funding is appropriate and that no other bond authorization is available.

3774 (e) (1) Upon the agreement of the Governor and the Community  
3775 Investment Fund 2030 Board, and subsequent to the adoption of a  
3776 resolution by the General Assembly affirming the reauthorization of the  
3777 board and the program provided for under this section, the State Bond  
3778 Commission may authorize the issuance of bonds of the state, in  
3779 accordance with the provisions of section 3-20, in principal amounts not  
3780 exceeding in the aggregate one billion two hundred fifty million dollars.  
3781 The amount authorized for the issuance and sale of such bonds in each

3782 of the following fiscal years shall not exceed the following  
3783 corresponding amount for each such fiscal year, except that, to the  
3784 extent the State Bond Commission does not provide for the use of all or  
3785 a portion of such amount in any such fiscal year, such amount not  
3786 provided for shall be carried forward and added to the authorized  
3787 amount for the next succeeding fiscal year, and provided further, the  
3788 costs of issuance and capitalized interest, if any, may be added to the  
3789 capped amount in each fiscal year, and each of the authorized amounts  
3790 shall be effective on July first of the fiscal year indicated as follows:

T423	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Amount
T424	2028	\$250,000,000
T425	2029	250,000,000
T426	2030	250,000,000
T427	2031	250,000,000
T428	2032	250,000,000
T429	Total	\$1,250,000,000

3791 (2) The proceeds of the sale of bonds set forth in this subsection shall  
3792 be used for the purpose of funding eligible projects for which the  
3793 Governor has determined under subsection (c) of this section that bond  
3794 funding is appropriate and that no other bond authorization is available.

3795 (f) All provisions of section 3-20, or the exercise of any right or power  
3796 granted thereby, that are not inconsistent with the provisions of this  
3797 section are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by  
3798 the State Bond Commission pursuant to this section. Temporary notes  
3799 in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such  
3800 bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section, and  
3801 from time to time renewed. All bonds issued pursuant to this section  
3802 shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of  
3803 the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of  
3804 and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and accordingly  
3805 and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds,  
3806 appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such  
3807 principal and interest is hereby made, and the Treasurer shall pay such

3808 principal and interest as the same become due.

3809 Sec. 123. Section 32-7t of the 2024 supplement to the general statutes  
3810 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
3811 *passage*):

3812 (a) As used in this section:

3813 (1) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Economic and  
3814 Community Development;

3815 (2) "Discretionary FTE" means an FTE that is paid qualified wages  
3816 and does not meet the threshold wage requirements to be a qualified  
3817 FTE but is approved by the commissioner pursuant to subdivision (4) of  
3818 subsection (c) of this section;

3819 (3) "Distressed municipality" has the same meaning as provided in  
3820 section 32-9p;

3821 (4) "Full-time equivalent" or "FTE" means the number of employees  
3822 employed at a qualified business, calculated in accordance with  
3823 subsection (d) of this section;

3824 (5) "Full-time job" means a job in which an employee is required to  
3825 work at least thirty-five or more hours per week. "Full-time job" does  
3826 not include a temporary or seasonal job;

3827 (6) "Intellectual disability" has the same meaning as provided in  
3828 section 1-1g;

3829 (7) "Median household income" means the median annual household  
3830 income for residents in a municipality as calculated from the U.S.  
3831 Census Bureau's five-year American Community Survey or another  
3832 data source, at the sole discretion of the commissioner;

3833 (8) "New employee" means a person or persons hired by the qualified  
3834 business to fill a full-time equivalent position. A new employee does not

3835 include a person who was employed in this state by a related person  
3836 with respect to the qualified business within twelve months prior to a  
3837 qualified business's application to the commissioner for a rebate  
3838 allocation notice for a job creation rebate pursuant to subsection (c) of  
3839 this section;

3840 (9) "New FTEs" means the number of FTEs that (A) did not exist in  
3841 this state at the time of a qualified business's application to the  
3842 commissioner for a rebate allocation notice for a job creation rebate  
3843 pursuant to subsection (c) of this section, (B) are not the result of FTEs  
3844 acquired due to a merger or acquisition, (C) are filled by a new  
3845 employee, (D) are qualified FTEs, and (E) are not FTEs hired to replace  
3846 FTEs that existed in the state after January 1, 2020. The commissioner  
3847 may issue guidance on the implementation of this definition;

3848 (10) "New FTEs created" means the number of new FTEs that the  
3849 qualified business is employing at a point-in-time at the end of the  
3850 relevant time period;

3851 (11) "New FTEs maintained" means the total number of new FTEs  
3852 employed throughout a relevant time period;

3853 (12) "Opportunity zone" means a population census tract that is a  
3854 low-income community that is designated as a "qualified opportunity  
3855 zone" pursuant to the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017, P.L. 115-97, as  
3856 amended from time to time;

3857 (13) "Part-time job" means a job in which an employee is required to  
3858 work less than thirty-five hours per week. "Part-time job" does not  
3859 include a temporary or seasonal job;

3860 (14) "Qualified business" means a person that is (A) engaged in  
3861 business in an industry related to finance, insurance, manufacturing,  
3862 clean energy, bioscience, technology, digital media or any similar  
3863 industry, as determined by the sole discretion of the commissioner, and  
3864 (B) subject to taxation under chapter 207, 208 or 228z;

3865 (15) "Qualified FTE" means an FTE who is paid qualified wages of at  
3866 least eighty-five per cent of the median household income for the  
3867 location where the FTE position is primarily located, scaled in  
3868 proportion to the FTE fraction, or thirty-seven thousand five hundred  
3869 dollars, scaled in proportion to the FTE fraction, whichever is greater;

3870 (16) "Qualified wages" means wages sourced to this state pursuant to  
3871 section 12-705;

3872 (17) "Rebate period" means the calendar years in which a tax rebate  
3873 provided for in this section is to be paid pursuant to a rebate allocation  
3874 notice issued pursuant to subsection (c) of this section; and

3875 (18) "Related person" means (A) a corporation, limited liability  
3876 company, partnership, association or trust controlled by the qualified  
3877 business, (B) an individual, corporation, limited liability company,  
3878 partnership, association or trust that is in control of the qualified  
3879 business, (C) a corporation, limited liability company, partnership,  
3880 association or trust controlled by an individual, corporation, limited  
3881 liability company, partnership, association or trust that is in control of  
3882 the qualified business, or (D) a member of the same controlled group as  
3883 the qualified business. For the purposes of this subdivision, "control"  
3884 means (i) ownership, directly or indirectly, of stock possessing fifty per  
3885 cent or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of the  
3886 stock of a corporation entitled to vote, (ii) ownership, directly or  
3887 indirectly, of fifty per cent or more of the capital or profits interest in a  
3888 partnership, limited liability company or association, or (iii) ownership,  
3889 directly or indirectly, of fifty per cent or more of the beneficial interest  
3890 in the principal or income of a trust. The ownership of stock in a  
3891 corporation, of a capital or profits interest in a partnership, of a limited  
3892 liability company or association or of a beneficial interest in a trust shall  
3893 be determined in accordance with the rules for constructive ownership  
3894 of stock provided in Section 267(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986,  
3895 or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United  
3896 States, as amended from time to time, other than paragraph (3) of said



3897 section.

3898 (b) There is established a JobsCT tax rebate program under which  
3899 qualified businesses that create jobs in this state, in accordance with the  
3900 provisions of this section, may be allowed a tax rebate, which shall be  
3901 treated as a credit against the tax imposed under chapter 208 or 228z or  
3902 as an offset of the tax imposed under chapter 207.

3903 (c) (1) To be eligible to claim a rebate under this section, a qualified  
3904 business shall apply to the commissioner in accordance with the  
3905 provisions of this subsection. The application shall be on a form  
3906 prescribed by the commissioner and may require information,  
3907 including, but not limited to, the number of new FTEs to be created by  
3908 the qualified business, the number of current FTEs employed by the  
3909 qualified business, feasibility studies or business plans for the increased  
3910 number of FTEs, projected state and local revenue that may reasonably  
3911 derive as a result of the increased number of FTEs and any other  
3912 information necessary to determine whether there will be net benefits to  
3913 the economy of the municipality or municipalities in which the qualified  
3914 business is primarily located and the state.

3915 (2) Upon receipt of an application, the commissioner shall determine  
3916 (A) whether the qualified business making the application will be  
3917 reasonably able to meet the FTE hiring targets and other metrics as  
3918 presented in such application, (B) whether such qualified business's  
3919 proposed job growth would provide a net benefit to economic  
3920 development and employment opportunities in the state, and (C)  
3921 whether such qualified business's proposed job growth will exceed the  
3922 number of jobs at the business that existed prior to January 1, 2020. The  
3923 commissioner may require the applicant to submit additional  
3924 information to evaluate an application. Each qualified business making  
3925 an application shall satisfy the requirements of this subdivision, as  
3926 determined by the commissioner, to be eligible for the JobsCT tax rebate  
3927 program.

3928       (3) The commissioner, upon consideration of an application and any  
3929 additional information, may approve an application in whole or in part  
3930 or may approve an application with amendments. If the commissioner  
3931 disapproves an application, the commissioner shall identify the defects  
3932 in such application and explain the specific reasons for the disapproval.  
3933 The commissioner shall render a decision on an application not later  
3934 than ninety days after the date of its receipt by the commissioner.

3935       (4) The commissioner may approve an application in whole or in part  
3936 by a qualified business that creates new discretionary FTEs or may  
3937 approve such an application with amendments if a majority of such new  
3938 discretionary FTEs are individuals who (A) because of a disability, are  
3939 receiving or have received services from the Department of Aging and  
3940 Disability Services; (B) are receiving employment services from the  
3941 Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services or participating in  
3942 employment opportunities and day services, as defined in section 17a-  
3943 226, operated or funded by the Department of Developmental Services;  
3944 (C) have been unemployed for at least six of the preceding twelve  
3945 months; (D) have been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony; (E) are  
3946 veterans, as defined in section 27-103; (F) have not earned any  
3947 postsecondary credential and are not currently enrolled in a  
3948 postsecondary institution or program; or (G) are currently enrolled in a  
3949 workforce training program fully or substantially paid for by the  
3950 employer that results in such individual earning a postsecondary  
3951 credential.

3952       (5) The commissioner may combine approval of an application with  
3953 the exercise of any of the commissioner's other powers, including, but  
3954 not limited to, the provision of other financial assistance.

3955       (6) By submitting an application, a qualified business consents to the  
3956 Department of Economic and Community Development's access of data  
3957 compiled by other state agencies, including, but not limited to, the Labor  
3958 Department, for the purposes of audit and enforcement.

3959 (7) The commissioner shall issue a rebate allocation notice stating the  
3960 maximum amount of each rebate available to an approved qualified  
3961 business for the rebate period and the specific terms that such business  
3962 shall meet to qualify for each rebate. Such notice shall certify to the  
3963 approved qualified business that the rebates may be claimed by such  
3964 business if it meets the specific terms set forth in the notice. Such terms  
3965 shall include the required wage, as determined by the commissioner,  
3966 such business shall pay new discretionary FTEs to qualify for the tax  
3967 rebates provided in subsection (f) of this section.

3968 (d) For the purposes of this section, the FTE of a full-time job or part-  
3969 time job is based on the hours worked or expected to be worked by an  
3970 employee in a calendar year. A job in which an employee worked or is  
3971 expected to work one thousand seven hundred fifty hours or more in a  
3972 calendar year equals one FTE. A job in which an employee worked or is  
3973 expected to work less than one thousand seven hundred fifty hours  
3974 equals a fraction of one FTE, where the fraction is the number of hours  
3975 worked in a calendar year divided by one thousand seven hundred fifty.  
3976 The commissioner shall have the discretion to adjust the calculation of  
3977 FTE.

3978 (e) (1) In each calendar year of the rebate period, a qualified business  
3979 approved by the commissioner pursuant to subdivision (3) of subsection  
3980 (c) of this section that employs at least twenty-five new FTEs in this state  
3981 or, if at least one of the new FTEs is an individual with intellectual  
3982 disability or at least three of the new FTEs are individuals who reside in  
3983 a concentrated poverty census tract, as defined in section 32-7x, fifteen  
3984 new FTEs in this state by December thirty-first of the calendar year that  
3985 is two calendar years prior to the calendar year in which the rebate is  
3986 being claimed shall be allowed a rebate equal to the greater of the  
3987 following amounts:

3988 (A) The sum of:

3989 (i) The lesser of (I) the new FTEs created in an opportunity zone or

3990 distressed municipality on December thirty-first of the calendar year  
3991 that is two calendar years prior to the calendar year in which the rebate  
3992 is being claimed, (II) the new FTEs maintained in an opportunity zone  
3993 or distressed municipality in the previous calendar year, (III) the new  
3994 FTEs created by a qualified business employing at least one new FTE  
3995 who is an individual with intellectual disability, or (IV) the new FTEs  
3996 maintained by a qualified business employing at least one new FTE who  
3997 is an individual with intellectual disability, multiplied by fifty per cent  
3998 of the income tax that would be paid on the average wage of the new  
3999 FTEs, as determined by the applicable marginal rate set forth in chapter  
4000 229 for an unmarried individual based solely on such wages; and

4001 (ii) The lesser of (I) the new FTEs created on December thirty-first of  
4002 the calendar year that is two calendar years prior to the calendar year in  
4003 which the rebate is being claimed, or (II) the new FTEs maintained in a  
4004 location other than an opportunity zone or distressed municipality in  
4005 the previous calendar year, multiplied by twenty-five per cent of the  
4006 income tax that would be paid on the average wage of the new FTEs, as  
4007 determined by the applicable marginal rate set forth in chapter 229 for  
4008 an unmarried individual based solely on such wages; or

4009 (B) The greater of:

4010 (i) One thousand dollars multiplied by the lesser of (I) the new FTEs  
4011 created by December thirty-first of the calendar year that is two calendar  
4012 years prior to the calendar year in which the rebate is being claimed, or  
4013 (II) the new FTEs maintained in the calendar year immediately prior to  
4014 the calendar year in which the rebate is being claimed; or

4015 (ii) For tax credits earned, claimed or payable prior to January 1, 2024,  
4016 two thousand dollars multiplied by the lesser of (I) the new FTEs created  
4017 by December 31, 2022, or (II) the new FTEs maintained in the calendar  
4018 year immediately prior to the calendar year in which the rebate is being  
4019 claimed.

4020 (2) In no event shall the rebate under this subsection exceed in any

4021 calendar year of the rebate period five thousand dollars multiplied by  
4022 the lesser of (A) the new FTEs created by December thirty-first of the  
4023 calendar year that is two calendar years prior to the calendar year in  
4024 which the rebate is being claimed, or (B) the new FTEs maintained in the  
4025 calendar year immediately prior to the calendar year in which the rebate  
4026 is being claimed.

4027 (3) In no event shall an approved qualified business receive a rebate  
4028 under this subsection in any calendar year of the rebate period if such  
4029 business has not maintained, in the calendar year immediately prior to  
4030 the calendar year in which the rebate is being claimed, at least (A)  
4031 twenty-five new FTEs, or (B) fifteen new FTEs, if at least one of the new  
4032 FTEs is an individual with intellectual disability or at least three of the  
4033 new FTEs are individuals who reside in a concentrated poverty census  
4034 tract, as defined in section 32-7x.

4035 (f) (1) In each calendar year of the rebate period, a qualified business  
4036 approved by the commissioner pursuant to subdivision (4) of subsection  
4037 (c) of this section that employs at least twenty-five new discretionary  
4038 FTEs in this state by December thirty-first of the calendar year that is  
4039 two calendar years prior to the calendar year in which the rebate is being  
4040 claimed shall be allowed a rebate equal to the sum of the amount  
4041 calculated pursuant to subdivision (1) of subsection (e) of this section  
4042 and the greater of the following:

4043 (A) The sum of:

4044 (i) The lesser of the new discretionary FTEs (I) created in an  
4045 opportunity zone or distressed municipality on December thirty-first of  
4046 the calendar year that is two calendar years prior to the calendar year in  
4047 which the rebate is being claimed, or (II) maintained in an opportunity  
4048 zone or distressed municipality in the previous calendar year,  
4049 multiplied by fifty per cent of the income tax that would be paid on the  
4050 average wage of the new discretionary FTEs, as determined by the  
4051 applicable marginal rate set forth in chapter 229 for an unmarried

4052 individual based solely on such wages; and

4053 (ii) The lesser of the new discretionary FTEs (I) created on December  
4054 thirty-first of the calendar year that is two calendar years prior to the  
4055 calendar year in which the rebate is being claimed, or (II) maintained in  
4056 a location other than an opportunity zone or distressed municipality in  
4057 the previous calendar year, multiplied by twenty-five per cent of the  
4058 income tax that would be paid on the average wage of the new  
4059 discretionary FTEs, as determined by the applicable marginal rate set  
4060 forth in chapter 229 for an unmarried individual based solely on such  
4061 wages; or

4062 (B) The greater of:

4063 (i) Seven hundred fifty dollars multiplied by the lesser of the new  
4064 discretionary FTEs (I) created by December thirty-first of the calendar  
4065 year that is two calendar years prior to the calendar year in which the  
4066 rebate is being claimed, or (II) maintained in the calendar year  
4067 immediately prior to the calendar year in which the rebate is being  
4068 claimed; or

4069 (ii) For tax credits earned, claimed or payable prior to January 1, 2024,  
4070 one thousand five hundred dollars multiplied by the lesser of (I) the new  
4071 FTEs created by December 31, 2022, or (II) the new FTEs maintained in  
4072 the calendar year immediately prior to the calendar year in which the  
4073 rebate is being claimed.

4074 (2) In no event shall the rebate under this [section] subsection exceed  
4075 in any calendar year of the rebate period five thousand dollars  
4076 multiplied by the lesser of the new discretionary FTEs (A) created by  
4077 December thirty-first of the calendar year that is two calendar years  
4078 prior to the calendar year in which the rebate is being claimed, or (B)  
4079 maintained in the calendar year immediately prior to the calendar year  
4080 in which the rebate is being claimed.

4081 (3) In no event shall an approved qualified business receive a rebate

4082 under this subsection in any calendar year of the rebate period if such  
4083 business has not maintained at least twenty-five new discretionary FTEs  
4084 in the calendar year immediately prior to the calendar year in which the  
4085 rebate is being claimed.

4086 (g) In addition to the rebates allowed under subsections (e) and (f) of  
4087 this section, on and after January 1, 2025, an approved qualified business  
4088 that employs at least one new FTE that is an individual who resides in a  
4089 concentrated poverty census tract, as defined in section 32-7x, shall be  
4090 allowed an additional rebate equal to fifty per cent of the income tax that  
4091 would be paid on the wages paid to such individual during the calendar  
4092 year immediately prior to the calendar year in which the rebate is being  
4093 claimed, as determined by the applicable marginal rate set forth in  
4094 chapter 229 for an unmarried individual based solely on such wages,  
4095 provided such individual was a resident of such census tract for at least  
4096 six months of the calendar year immediately prior to the calendar year  
4097 in which the rebate is being claimed.

4098 ~~[(g)]~~ (h) (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivisions (3) and  
4099 (4) of subsection (c) of this section, the commissioner may not approve  
4100 an application in whole or in part if the full amount of rebates that such  
4101 applicant may be paid pursuant to subsection (e), ~~[or] (f) or (g)~~ of this  
4102 section would result in the aggregate amount of rebates issued to all  
4103 approved qualified businesses under this section exceeding forty  
4104 million dollars in any fiscal year.

4105 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (4) of subsection  
4106 (c) of this section, the commissioner may not approve an application in  
4107 whole or in part if the full amount of rebates that such applicant may be  
4108 paid pursuant to subsection (f) of this section would result in the  
4109 aggregate amount of rebates issued pursuant to subsection (f) of this  
4110 section exceeding fifteen million dollars in any fiscal year.

4111 ~~[(h)]~~ (i) (1) A rebate under this section may be granted to an approved  
4112 qualified business for not more than seven successive calendar years. A

4113 rebate shall not be granted until at least twenty-four months after the  
4114 commissioner's approval of a qualified business's application.

4115 (2) An approved qualified business that has fewer than twenty-five  
4116 new FTEs or, if at least one of the new FTEs is an individual with  
4117 intellectual disability or at least three of the new FTEs are individuals  
4118 who reside in a concentrated poverty census tract, as defined in section  
4119 32-7x, fewer than fifteen new FTEs, created in each of two consecutive  
4120 calendar years or, if such business is approved by the commissioner  
4121 pursuant to subdivision (4) of subsection (c) of this section, fewer than  
4122 twenty-five new discretionary FTEs in each of two consecutive calendar  
4123 years shall forfeit all remaining rebate allocations, unless the  
4124 commissioner recognizes mitigating circumstances of a regional or  
4125 national nature, including, but not limited to, a recession.

4126 [(i)] (j) Not later than January thirty-first of each year during the  
4127 rebate period, each approved qualified business shall provide  
4128 information to the commissioner regarding the number of new FTEs or  
4129 new discretionary FTEs created or maintained during the prior calendar  
4130 year and the qualified wages of such new employees. Any information  
4131 provided under this subsection shall be subject to audit by the  
4132 Department of Economic and Community Development.

4133 [(j)] (k) Not later than March fifteenth of each year during the rebate  
4134 period, the Department of Economic and Community Development  
4135 shall issue the approved qualified business a rebate voucher that sets  
4136 forth the amount of the rebate, as calculated pursuant to subsections (e),  
4137 [and] (f) and (g) of this section, and the taxable year against which such  
4138 rebate may be claimed. The approved qualified business shall claim  
4139 such rebate as a credit against the taxes due under chapter 208 or 228z  
4140 or as an offset of the tax imposed under chapter 207. The commissioner  
4141 shall annually provide to the Commissioner of Revenue Services a  
4142 report detailing all rebate vouchers that have been issued under this  
4143 section.



4144 [(k)] (l) Beginning on January 1, 2023, and annually thereafter, the  
4145 commissioner, in consultation with the office of the State Comptroller  
4146 and the Auditors of Public Accounts, shall submit a report to the Office  
4147 of Policy and Management on the expenses of the JobsCT tax rebate  
4148 program and the number of FTEs and discretionary FTEs created and  
4149 maintained.

4150 [(l)] (m) Not later than January 1, 2024, the commissioner shall post,  
4151 on the Department of Economic and Community Development's  
4152 Internet web site, information on the JobsCT tax rebate program  
4153 established under this section, including, but not limited to, information  
4154 concerning tax rebates available for qualified businesses that, in  
4155 accordance with the provisions of this section, employ individuals with  
4156 intellectual disability in this state.

4157 Sec. 124. (*Effective from passage*) (a) For the fiscal year ending June 30,  
4158 2024, after the accounts for the Special Transportation Fund have been  
4159 closed for said fiscal year and the Comptroller has determined the  
4160 balance remaining in said fund, after any amounts required by  
4161 provision of law to be transferred for other purposes have been  
4162 deducted, if the balance remaining exceeds eighteen per cent of the net  
4163 Special Transportation Fund appropriations for the fiscal year ending  
4164 June 30, 2025, the portion of the balance exceeding said eighteen per cent  
4165 shall be deemed to be appropriated for the following, as selected by the  
4166 Treasurer:

4167 (1) Redeeming prior to maturity any outstanding special tax  
4168 obligation indebtedness of the state selected by the Treasurer in the best  
4169 interests of the state;

4170 (2) Purchasing outstanding special tax obligation indebtedness of the  
4171 state in the open market at such prices and on such terms and conditions  
4172 as the Treasurer determines to be in the best interests of the state for the  
4173 purpose of extinguishing or defeasing such debt;

4174 (3) Providing for the defeasance of any outstanding special tax

4175 obligation indebtedness of the state selected by the Treasurer in the best  
4176 interests of the state by irrevocably placing with an escrow agent in trust  
4177 an amount used solely for, and sufficient to satisfy, scheduled payments  
4178 of both interest and principal on such indebtedness; or

4179 (4) Any combination of these methods.

4180 (b) For any method or combination of methods selected by the  
4181 Treasurer pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, (1) such method or  
4182 combination of methods shall provide a reduction in projected debt  
4183 service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, and each of the nine  
4184 subsequent fiscal years, and (2) for the second fiscal year after the fiscal  
4185 year in which the balance was used in accordance with the provisions  
4186 of this subsection and each of the seven subsequent fiscal years, the  
4187 amount of the reduction in projected debt service shall not vary by more  
4188 than (A) one million dollars, or (B) ten per cent of the least amount by  
4189 which projected debt service is reduced for the seven subsequent fiscal  
4190 years, whichever is greater.

4191 Sec. 125. Section 5-206 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
4192 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2024*):

4193 (a) Position classifications established by the Commissioner of  
4194 Administrative Services shall be listed in the appropriate records and  
4195 publications of the Department of Administrative Services in  
4196 accordance with the following descriptive items: (1) The title and code  
4197 given to the class; (2) the pay grade for the class; (3) a statement of the  
4198 duties and responsibilities exercised by those employees holding  
4199 positions allocated to the class, illustrated, when practicable, by  
4200 examples of typical tasks; and (4) the minimum desirable qualifications  
4201 required by an incumbent for the satisfactory performance of such  
4202 duties and the satisfactory discharge of such responsibilities. In no event  
4203 shall a degree from an institution of higher education be required for a  
4204 position classification established by the Commissioner of  
4205 Administrative Services, unless the commissioner has been notified by

4206 the appointing authority that such requirement is a bona fide  
4207 occupational qualification or need.

4208 (b) In establishing new position classifications, the Commissioner of  
4209 Administrative Services shall make a study of the schedules of  
4210 compensation established for positions similar as to duties,  
4211 responsibilities and qualifications in the state service, of the rates of  
4212 compensation paid for similar services elsewhere and of any other  
4213 pertinent information and data.

4214 (c) The Commissioner of Administrative Services periodically shall  
4215 review the work performed by employees in the classified service and  
4216 shall issue such orders as are necessary to have such employees  
4217 assigned to work in accordance with the classifications of their positions  
4218 or to have their classifications changed to comply with their work,  
4219 provided any employee, whose classification, status or compensation is  
4220 affected, shall be given reasonable opportunity to be heard prior to the  
4221 issuance of any such order.

4222 (d) In no event shall the personnel classification of "auditor" be used  
4223 in reference to personnel of any agency other than the Auditors of Public  
4224 Accounts or the term "auditor's report" be used in reference to the  
4225 reports of such personnel except that employees performing auditing  
4226 functions for agencies other than the Auditors of Public Accounts may  
4227 be so designated if the personnel classifications to which they are  
4228 assigned are clearly distinguished from those of the Auditors of Public  
4229 Accounts.

4230 Sec. 126. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a working  
4231 group to examine existing tax expenditures, as defined in subsection (e)  
4232 of section 12-7b of the general statutes, in the state for the purpose of  
4233 simplifying the state tax code and to identify expenditures that are  
4234 redundant, obsolete, duplicative or inconsistent in language or policy.

4235 (b) The working group shall consist of the following members or their  
4236 designees:

4237 (1) The chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing  
4238 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
4239 relating to finance, revenue and bonding. Any designee of a chairperson  
4240 or ranking member under this subdivision shall be a member of said  
4241 committee;

4242 (2) The Governor;

4243 (3) Two representatives of the Office of Policy and Management,  
4244 appointed by the Governor;

4245 (4) The Commissioner of Revenue Services; and

4246 (5) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development.

4247 (c) The chairpersons of the joint standing committee of the General  
4248 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to finance, revenue and  
4249 bonding shall serve as the chairpersons of the working group and shall  
4250 schedule the first meeting of the working group, to be held not later than  
4251 sixty days after the effective date of this section.

4252 (d) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the  
4253 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to finance,  
4254 revenue and bonding shall serve as administrative staff of the working  
4255 group.

4256 (e) Not later than January 1, 2025, the working group shall submit a  
4257 report to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having  
4258 cognizance of matters relating to finance, revenue and bonding, in  
4259 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.  
4260 Such report shall include the working group's findings and any  
4261 recommendations for revisions to the general statutes to further the goal  
4262 of simplifying the state tax code. The working group shall terminate on  
4263 the date that it submits such report or January 1, 2025, whichever is later.

4264 Sec. 127. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2024*) (a) As used in this section (1)  
4265 "municipality" means any municipality, as defined in section 7-187 of

4266 the general statutes, any district, as defined in section 7-324 of the  
4267 general statutes, any metropolitan district or any municipal district  
4268 created under section 7-330 of the general statutes and located within  
4269 the state, and (2) "regional council of governments" means any regional  
4270 council of governments organized under the provisions of sections 4-  
4271 124i to 4-124p, inclusive, of the general statutes.

4272 (b) Any appointment that a municipality is authorized or required by  
4273 law to make on its own behalf with respect to a municipal function may  
4274 be made by a regional council of governments or jointly with one or  
4275 more other municipalities pursuant to an interlocal agreement for the  
4276 joint performance of municipal functions pursuant to section 7-148cc of  
4277 the general statutes or an agreement for regional services pursuant to  
4278 section 8-31b of the general statutes. Such appointment shall pertain  
4279 jointly to each municipality that is a party to such agreement and be in  
4280 lieu of any individual appointment by any such municipality. The  
4281 provisions of this subsection shall supersede any provision of the  
4282 general statutes or any special act, charter, special act charter, home rule  
4283 ordinance or local law that would prohibit or limit the ability to make  
4284 such joint appointments, including, but not limited to, any provision  
4285 that (1) prohibits a municipality from entering into an agreement for  
4286 shared services, (2) requires an appointee to fulfill such appointee's  
4287 duties to the exclusion of other employment, (3) requires an appointee  
4288 to reside within a particular municipality, or (4) requires a municipality  
4289 to make an individual appointment.

4290 (c) For the purposes of this section, a municipal function shall  
4291 include, but not be limited to, administrative and regulatory activities  
4292 described in chapters 93, 96a and 100, sections 7-148b, 7-148g, 7-148p, 8-  
4293 3, 12-136, 22-331, 22-340, 22a-36 to 22a-45, inclusive, and 29-251 to 29-  
4294 371, inclusive, of the general statutes and planning activities described  
4295 in sections 8-23, 8-30j and 19a-181b of the general statutes.

4296 (d) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may adopt  
4297 regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the

4298 general statutes to implement the provisions of this section.

4299 Sec. 128. Section 10-416 of the 2024 supplement to the general statutes  
4300 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
4301 *1, 2024, and applicable to taxable and income years commencing on or after*  
4302 *January 1, 2024*):

4303 (a) As used in this section, the following terms shall have the  
4304 following meanings unless the context clearly indicates another  
4305 meaning:

4306 (1) "Department" means the Department of Economic and  
4307 Community Development;

4308 (2) "Historic home" means a building that: (A) Will contain one-to-  
4309 four dwelling units of which at least one unit will be occupied as the  
4310 principal residence of the owner for not less than five years following  
4311 the completion of rehabilitation work, and (B) is (i) listed individually  
4312 on the National or State Register of Historic Places, or (ii) located in a  
4313 district listed on the National or State Register of Historic Places, and  
4314 has been certified by the department as contributing to the historic  
4315 character of such district;

4316 (3) "Nonprofit corporation" means a nonprofit corporation  
4317 incorporated pursuant to chapter 602 or any predecessor statutes  
4318 thereto, having as one of its purposes the construction, rehabilitation,  
4319 ownership or operation of housing and having articles of incorporation  
4320 approved by the Commissioner of Economic and Community  
4321 Development in accordance with regulations adopted pursuant to  
4322 section 8-79a or 8-84;

4323 (4) "Owner" means (A) any taxpayer filing a state of Connecticut tax  
4324 return who possesses title to an historic home, or prospective title to an  
4325 historic home in the form of a purchase agreement or option to  
4326 purchase, or (B) a nonprofit corporation that possesses such title or  
4327 prospective title;

4328 (5) "Qualified rehabilitation expenditures" means any costs incurred  
4329 for the physical construction involved in the rehabilitation of an historic  
4330 home, but excludes: (A) The owner's personal labor, (B) the cost of site  
4331 improvements, unless to provide building access to persons with  
4332 disabilities, (C) the cost of a new addition, except as may be required to  
4333 comply with any provision of the State Building Code or the Fire Safety  
4334 Code, (D) any cost associated with the rehabilitation of an outbuilding,  
4335 unless such building contributes to the historical significance of the  
4336 historic home, and (E) any nonconstruction cost such as architectural  
4337 fees, legal fees and financing fees;

4338 (6) "Rehabilitation plan" means any construction plans and  
4339 specifications for the proposed rehabilitation of an historic home in  
4340 sufficient detail to enable the department to evaluate compliance with  
4341 the standards developed under the provisions of subsections (b), (c) and  
4342 (m) of this section; and

4343 (7) "Occupancy period" means a period of five years during which  
4344 one or more owners occupy an historic home as such owner's or owners'  
4345 primary residence. The occupancy period begins on the date the tax  
4346 credit voucher is issued by the Department of Economic and  
4347 Community Development.

4348 (b) The Department of Economic and Community Development shall  
4349 administer a system of tax credit vouchers within the resources,  
4350 requirements and purposes of this section for owners rehabilitating  
4351 historic homes or taxpayers making contributions to qualified  
4352 rehabilitation expenditures. Any owner shall be eligible for a tax credit  
4353 voucher in an amount equal to thirty per cent of the qualified  
4354 rehabilitation expenditures.

4355 (c) The department shall develop standards for the approval of  
4356 rehabilitation of historic homes for which a tax credit voucher is sought.  
4357 Such standards shall take into account whether the rehabilitation of an  
4358 historic home will preserve the historic character of the building.

4359 (d) Prior to beginning any rehabilitation work on an historic home,  
4360 the owner shall submit a rehabilitation plan to the department for a  
4361 determination of whether such rehabilitation work meets the standards  
4362 developed under the provisions of subsections (b), (c) and (m) of this  
4363 section and shall also submit to the department an estimate of the  
4364 qualified rehabilitation expenditures.

4365 (e) If the department certifies that the rehabilitation plan conforms to  
4366 the standards developed under the provisions of subsections (b), (c) and  
4367 (m) of this section, the department shall reserve for the benefit of the  
4368 owner an allocation for a tax credit equivalent to thirty per cent of the  
4369 projected qualified rehabilitation expenditures.

4370 (f) Following the completion of rehabilitation of an historic home, the  
4371 owner shall notify the department that such rehabilitation has been  
4372 completed. The owner shall provide the department with  
4373 documentation of work performed on the historic home and shall certify  
4374 the cost incurred in rehabilitating the home. The department shall  
4375 review such rehabilitation and verify its compliance with the  
4376 rehabilitation plan. Following such verification, the department shall  
4377 issue a tax credit voucher to either the owner rehabilitating the historic  
4378 home or to the taxpayer named by the owner as contributing to the  
4379 rehabilitation. The tax credit voucher shall be in an amount equivalent  
4380 to the lesser of (1) the tax credit reserved upon certification of the  
4381 rehabilitation plan under the provisions of subsection (e) of this section,  
4382 or (2) thirty per cent of the actual qualified rehabilitation expenditures.  
4383 In order to obtain a credit against any state tax due that is specified in  
4384 subsection (i) of this section, the holder of the tax credit voucher shall  
4385 file the voucher with the holder's state tax return.

4386 (g) Before the department issues a tax credit voucher, the owner shall  
4387 deliver a signed statement to the department that provides that: (1) The  
4388 owner shall occupy the historic home as the owner's primary residence  
4389 during the occupancy period; (2) the owner shall convey the historic  
4390 home to a new owner who will occupy it as the new owner's primary



4391 residence during the occupancy period; or (3) an encumbrance shall be  
4392 recorded, in favor of the local, state or federal government or other  
4393 funding source, that will require the owner or the owner's successors to  
4394 occupy the historic home as the primary residence of the owner or the  
4395 owner's successors for a period equal to or longer than the occupancy  
4396 period. A copy of any such encumbrance shall be attached to the signed  
4397 statement.

4398 (h) The owner of an historic home shall not be eligible for a tax credit  
4399 voucher under subsections (b), (c) and (m) of this section, unless the  
4400 owner incurs qualified rehabilitation expenditures exceeding fifteen  
4401 thousand dollars.

4402 (i) (1) The Commissioner of Revenue Services shall grant a tax credit:

4403 (A) (i) For a taxpayer holding a tax credit voucher issued prior to  
4404 January 1, 2024, under subsections (d) to (h), inclusive, of this section,  
4405 against any tax due under chapter 207, 208, 209, 210, 211 or 212 in the  
4406 amount specified in the tax credit voucher.

4407 (ii) Any unused portion of such credit under this subparagraph may  
4408 be carried forward to any or all of the four income years following the  
4409 year in which the tax credit voucher is issued; and

4410 (B) (i) For a taxpayer [described under subparagraph (A) of  
4411 subdivision (4) of subsection (a) of this section] holding a tax credit  
4412 voucher issued on or after January 1, 2024, under subsections (d) to (h),  
4413 inclusive, of this section, against [the] any tax due under chapter 207,  
4414 208, 208a, 209, 210, 211, 212 or 229 in the amount specified in the tax  
4415 credit voucher.

4416 (ii) If a taxpayer described under subparagraph (A) of subdivision (4)  
4417 of subsection (a) of this section holding such tax credit voucher claims a  
4418 credit against the tax imposed under chapter 229 and the amount of the  
4419 tax credit voucher exceeds the taxpayer's liability for [the] such tax,  
4420 [imposed under chapter 229,] the Commissioner of Revenue Services

4421 shall treat such excess as an overpayment and, except as provided under  
4422 section 12-739 or 12-742, shall refund the amount of such excess, without  
4423 interest, to the taxpayer. [; and]

4424 [(C) (i) For an owner that is a nonprofit corporation holding a tax  
4425 credit voucher issued on or after January 1, 2024, under subsections (d)  
4426 to (h), inclusive, of this section, against the tax due under chapter 208a  
4427 in the amount specified in the tax credit voucher.]

4428 [(ii) Any] (iii) If a taxpayer holding such tax credit voucher claims a  
4429 credit against any tax imposed under chapter 207, 208, 208a, 209, 210,  
4430 211 or 212, any unused portion of such credit under this subparagraph  
4431 may be carried forward to any or all of the four income years following  
4432 the year in which the tax credit voucher is issued.

4433 (2) The Department of Economic and Community Development shall  
4434 provide a copy of the voucher to the Commissioner of Revenue Services  
4435 upon the request of said commissioner.

4436 (j) A credit allowed under this section shall not exceed thirty  
4437 thousand dollars per dwelling unit for an historic home, except that  
4438 such credit shall not exceed fifty thousand dollars per such dwelling  
4439 unit for an owner that is a nonprofit corporation.

4440 (k) The tax credit granted under subsection (i) of this section shall be  
4441 taken in the same tax year in which the tax credit voucher is issued.

4442 (l) The aggregate amount of all tax credits that may be reserved by  
4443 the Department of Economic and Community Development upon  
4444 certification of rehabilitation plans under subsections (b) to (d),  
4445 inclusive, of this section shall not exceed three million dollars in any one  
4446 fiscal year. On and after July 1, 2015, seventy per cent of the tax credits  
4447 reserved pursuant to this section shall be for owners rehabilitating  
4448 historic homes that are located in a regional center as designated in the  
4449 state plan of conservation and development adopted by the General  
4450 Assembly pursuant to section 16a-30 or taxpayers making contributions

4451 to qualified rehabilitation expenditures on historic homes that are  
4452 located in a regional center as designated in the state plan of  
4453 conservation and development adopted by the General Assembly  
4454 pursuant to section 16a-30.

4455 (m) The Department of Economic and Community Development  
4456 may, in consultation with the Commissioner of Revenue Services, adopt  
4457 regulations in accordance with chapter 54 to carry out the purposes of  
4458 this section.

4459 Sec. 129. Subsections (c) and (d) of section 4 of public act 07-196 are  
4460 repealed and the following are substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
4461 *passage*):

4462 (c) The district and all its receipts, revenues, income and real and  
4463 personal property shall be exempt from taxation and benefit  
4464 assessments and the district shall not be required to pay any tax, excise  
4465 or assessment to or from the state of Connecticut or any of its political  
4466 subdivisions. The principal and interest on bonds or notes issued by the  
4467 district shall be free from taxation at all times, except for estate and gift,  
4468 franchise and excise taxes, imposed by the state of Connecticut or any  
4469 political subdivision thereof, provided nothing in this section shall act  
4470 to limit or restrict the ability of the state of Connecticut or the town of  
4471 Redding to tax the individuals and entities, or their real or personal  
4472 property or any person living or business operating within the  
4473 boundaries of the district. The town of Redding and all its receipts,  
4474 revenues, income and real and personal property shall be exempt from  
4475 taxes and benefit assessments imposed by the district and shall not be  
4476 required to pay any tax, fee, rent, excise or assessment to the district.

4477 (d) Special act 05-14, as amended by section 2 of public act 06-163,  
4478 [and this act] sections 1 to 3, inclusive, of public act 07-196 and section  
4479 51 of public act 21-2 of the June special session, being necessary for the  
4480 public interest, shall be liberally construed to affect the purposes hereof.

4481 Sec. 130. (*Effective from passage*) Not later than July 1, 2024, and

4482 biweekly thereafter until September 30, 2024, the Commissioner of  
4483 Economic and Community Development shall report, in accordance  
4484 with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint  
4485 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
4486 matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies  
4487 concerning the Department of Economic and Community  
4488 Development's use of federal funds received under the American  
4489 Rescue Plan Act of 2021, P.L. 117-2. Such report shall include, but need  
4490 not be limited to, (1) the department's allotment of such funds, (2) the  
4491 status of obligating such funds, (3) a list of parties with whom contracts  
4492 have been entered into with the department, (4) a description of the  
4493 terms of each contract, and (5) the current status of each contract.

4494 Sec. 131. Subsection (a) of section 10-220 of the 2024 supplement to  
4495 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
4496 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

4497 (a) Each local or regional board of education shall maintain good  
4498 public elementary and secondary schools, implement the educational  
4499 interests of the state, as defined in section 10-4a, and provide such other  
4500 educational activities as in its judgment will best serve the interests of  
4501 the school district; provided any board of education may secure such  
4502 opportunities in another school district in accordance with provisions of  
4503 the general statutes and shall give all the children of the school district,  
4504 including children receiving alternative education, as defined in section  
4505 10-74j, as nearly equal advantages as may be practicable; shall provide  
4506 an appropriate learning environment for all its students which includes  
4507 (1) adequate instructional books, supplies, materials, equipment,  
4508 staffing, facilities and technology, (2) equitable allocation of resources  
4509 among its schools, (3) proper maintenance of facilities, and (4) a safe  
4510 school setting; shall, in accordance with the provisions of subsection (f)  
4511 of this section, maintain records of allegations, investigations and  
4512 reports that a child has been abused or neglected by a school employee,  
4513 as defined in section 53a-65, employed by the local or regional board of  
4514 education; shall have charge of the schools of its respective school

4515 district; shall make a continuing study of the need for school facilities  
4516 and of a long-term school building program and from time to time make  
4517 recommendations based on such study to the town; shall adopt and  
4518 implement an indoor air quality program that provides for ongoing  
4519 maintenance and facility reviews necessary for the maintenance and  
4520 improvement of the indoor air quality of its facilities; shall adopt and  
4521 implement a green cleaning program, pursuant to section 10-231g, that  
4522 provides for the procurement and use of environmentally preferable  
4523 cleaning products in school buildings and facilities; on and after July 1,  
4524 2021, and every five years thereafter, shall report to the Commissioner  
4525 of Administrative Services on the condition of its facilities and the action  
4526 taken to implement its long-term school building program, indoor air  
4527 quality program and green cleaning program, which report the  
4528 Commissioner of Administrative Services shall use to prepare a report  
4529 every five years that said commissioner shall submit in accordance with  
4530 section 11-4a to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly  
4531 having cognizance of matters relating to education; shall advise the  
4532 Commissioner of Administrative Services of the relationship between  
4533 any individual school building project pursuant to chapter 173 and such  
4534 long-term school building program; shall have the care, maintenance  
4535 and operation of buildings, lands, apparatus and other property used  
4536 for school purposes and at all times shall insure all such buildings and  
4537 all capital equipment contained therein against loss in an amount not  
4538 less than eighty per cent of replacement cost; shall determine the  
4539 number, age and qualifications of the pupils to be admitted into each  
4540 school; shall develop and implement a written increasing educator  
4541 diversity plan for purposes of subdivision (3) of section 10-4a; shall  
4542 employ and dismiss the teachers of the schools of such district subject  
4543 to the provisions of sections 10-151 and 10-158a; shall designate the  
4544 schools which shall be attended by the various children within the  
4545 school district; shall make such provisions as will enable each child of  
4546 school age residing in the district to attend some public day school for  
4547 the period required by law and provide for the transportation of  
4548 children wherever transportation is reasonable and desirable, and for

4549 such purpose may make contracts covering periods of not more than (A)  
4550 five years, or (B) ten years if such contract includes transportation  
4551 provided by at least one zero-emission school bus, as defined in 42 USC  
4552 16091(a)(8), as amended from time to time; may provide alternative  
4553 education, in accordance with the provisions of section 10-74j, or place  
4554 in another suitable educational program a pupil enrolling in school who  
4555 is nineteen years of age or older and cannot acquire a sufficient number  
4556 of credits for graduation by age twenty-one; may arrange with the board  
4557 of education of an adjacent town for the instruction therein of such  
4558 children as can attend school in such adjacent town more conveniently;  
4559 shall cause each child five years of age and over and under eighteen  
4560 years of age who is not a high school graduate and is living in the school  
4561 district to attend school in accordance with the provisions of section 10-  
4562 184; [ ] shall not delegate the authority to schedule interscholastic  
4563 football games on Thanksgiving Day to any nonprofit organization or  
4564 other entity that is otherwise responsible for governing interscholastic  
4565 athletics in this state and shall not adopt a policy or prohibition against  
4566 the scheduling of an interscholastic football game on Thanksgiving Day;  
4567 and shall perform all acts required of it by the town or necessary to carry  
4568 into effect the powers and duties imposed by law.

4569 Sec. 132. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2024*) As used in this section and  
4570 sections 133 to 135, inclusive, of this act:

4571 (1) "Photo noise violation monitoring device" means one or more  
4572 mobile or fixed vehicle sensors that (A) are installed to work in  
4573 conjunction with one or more noise measuring apparatuses, such as a  
4574 decibel reader, and (B) automatically produce two or more  
4575 photographs, two or more microphotographs, a videotape or other  
4576 recorded images of each motor vehicle allegedly operating in violation  
4577 of an ordinance adopted under section 133 of this act.

4578 (2) "Photo noise violation monitoring device operator" means a  
4579 person who is trained and certified to operate a photo noise violation  
4580 monitoring device.

4581 (3) "Personally identifiable information" means information created  
4582 or maintained by the municipality or a vendor that identifies or  
4583 describes an owner of a motor vehicle and includes, but need not be  
4584 limited to, the owner's address, telephone number, number plate,  
4585 photograph, bank account information, credit card number, debit card  
4586 number or the date, time, location or direction of travel on a highway in  
4587 such municipality.

4588 (4) "Vendor" means a person who (A) provides services to a  
4589 municipality under section 133 of this act pursuant to an agreement; (B)  
4590 operates, maintains, leases or licenses a photo noise violation  
4591 monitoring device; or (C) is authorized to review and assemble the  
4592 recorded images captured by a photo noise violation monitoring device  
4593 and forward such recorded images to the municipality.

4594 (5) "Motor vehicle", "highway" and "number plate" have the same  
4595 meanings as provided in section 14-1 of the general statutes.

4596 (6) "Law enforcement unit" has the same meaning as provided in  
4597 section 7-294a of the general statutes.

4598 Sec. 133. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2024*) (a) Any municipality may, by  
4599 ordinance, authorize the use of photo noise violation monitoring  
4600 devices at locations in such municipality. Any such ordinance shall  
4601 specify the following: (1) That a photo noise violation monitoring device  
4602 shall be operated by a photo noise violation monitoring device operator;  
4603 (2) that the owner of a motor vehicle commits a violation of the  
4604 ordinance if the person operating such motor vehicle on a highway or  
4605 other location causes such motor vehicle to emit a sound of eighty  
4606 decibels or more and such sound is not caused by a horn described in  
4607 subsection (e) of section 14-80 of the general statutes; (3) the owner of a  
4608 motor vehicle identified by a photo noise violation monitoring device as  
4609 violating the ordinance shall (A) for a first violation, receive a written  
4610 warning, (B) for a second violation, be fined one hundred dollars, and  
4611 (C) for a third or subsequent violation, be fined two hundred fifty

4612 dollars; (4) payment of a fine and any associated processing fee, not to  
4613 exceed fifteen dollars, may be made by electronic means; (5) a sworn  
4614 member of a law enforcement unit or a municipal employee shall review  
4615 and approve the recorded images before a citation is mailed to the  
4616 owner of such motor vehicle; and (6) the defenses available to the owner  
4617 of a motor vehicle allegedly committing a violation of such ordinance,  
4618 which shall include, but need not be limited to, the defenses listed in  
4619 subsection (g) of this section. Any municipality that adopts an ordinance  
4620 under this section shall also adopt a citation hearing procedure pursuant  
4621 to section 7-152c of the general statutes. Any funds received by a  
4622 municipality from fines imposed pursuant to such ordinance may be  
4623 used to pay the costs associated with the use of photo noise violation  
4624 monitoring devices in the municipality.

4625 (b) The municipality may enter into agreements with vendors for the  
4626 installation, operation or maintenance, or any combination thereof, of a  
4627 photo noise violation monitoring device. If a vendor installs, operates or  
4628 maintains a photo noise violation monitoring device, the vendor's fee  
4629 shall not be contingent on the number of citations issued or fines paid  
4630 pursuant to an ordinance adopted under this section.

4631 (c) (1) The municipality shall make efforts to randomize the locations  
4632 of any photo noise violation monitoring devices throughout such  
4633 municipality.

4634 (2) A photo noise violation monitoring device shall, to the extent  
4635 possible, be installed in a manner to only record images of the number  
4636 plate of a motor vehicle, and shall not, to the extent possible, record  
4637 images of the occupants of such motor vehicle or of any other persons  
4638 or vehicles in the vicinity at the time the images are recorded.

4639 (d) A photo noise violation monitoring device operator shall  
4640 complete training offered by the manufacturer of such device or the  
4641 manufacturer's representative regarding procedures for operating such  
4642 device. The manufacturer or manufacturer's representative shall issue a



4643 signed certificate to the photo noise violation monitoring device  
4644 operator upon such operator's completion of the training. Such signed  
4645 certificate shall be admitted as evidence in any hearing conducted  
4646 pursuant to section 7-152c of the general statutes.

4647 (e) The municipality shall ensure each photo noise violation  
4648 monitoring device used by such municipality undergoes an annual  
4649 calibration check performed at a calibration laboratory. The calibration  
4650 laboratory shall issue a signed certificate of calibration after the annual  
4651 calibration check. Such signed certificate of calibration shall be kept on  
4652 file and admitted as evidence in any hearing conducted pursuant to  
4653 section 7-152c of the general statutes.

4654 (f) (1) Whenever a photo noise violation monitoring device detects  
4655 and produces recorded images of a motor vehicle allegedly committing  
4656 a violation of an ordinance adopted under this section, a sworn member  
4657 of a law enforcement unit or a municipal employee shall review the  
4658 recorded images provided by such device. If, after such review, such  
4659 member or employee determines that there are reasonable grounds to  
4660 believe that a violation of the ordinance has occurred, such member or  
4661 employee may issue a citation to the owner of the motor vehicle. The  
4662 citation shall include the following: (A) The name and address of the  
4663 owner of the motor vehicle; (B) the number plate of the motor vehicle;  
4664 (C) the violation charged; (D) the location of the photo noise violation  
4665 monitoring device and the date and time of the violation; (E) a copy of  
4666 or information on how to view, through electronic means, the recorded  
4667 images of the violation; (F) a statement or electronically generated  
4668 affirmation by the member or employee who reviewed the recorded  
4669 images and determined that the motor vehicle violated the ordinance;  
4670 (G) verification that the photo noise violation monitoring device was  
4671 operating correctly at the time of the alleged violation and the date of  
4672 the most recent calibration check performed pursuant to subsection (e)  
4673 of this section; (H) the amount of the fine imposed and how to pay such  
4674 fine; and (I) the right to contest the violation and request a hearing  
4675 pursuant to section 7-152c of the general statutes.

4676 (2) (A) In the case of an alleged violation involving a motor vehicle  
4677 registered in the state, the citation shall be mailed to the address of the  
4678 owner that is in the records of the Department of Motor Vehicles not  
4679 later than thirty days after the identity of the owner is ascertained,  
4680 provided a citation shall be invalid unless mailed to the owner not later  
4681 than sixty days after the date of the alleged violation. (B) In the case of  
4682 an alleged violation involving a motor vehicle registered in another  
4683 jurisdiction, the citation shall be mailed to the address of the owner that  
4684 is in the records of the official in the other jurisdiction issuing such  
4685 registration not later than thirty days after the identity of the owner is  
4686 ascertained, provided a citation shall be invalid unless mailed to the  
4687 owner not later than sixty days after the date of the alleged violation.

4688 (3) The citation shall be sent by first class mail. A manual or  
4689 automated record of mailing prepared by the municipality shall be  
4690 prima facie evidence of mailing and shall be admissible in any hearing  
4691 conducted pursuant to section 7-152c of the general statutes, as to the  
4692 facts contained in the citation.

4693 (g) The following defenses shall be available to the owner of a motor  
4694 vehicle who is alleged to have committed a violation of such ordinance  
4695 adopted under this section: (1) The operator was driving an emergency  
4696 vehicle, as defined in section 14-283 of the general statutes, and making  
4697 use of an audible warning signal device, including, but not limited to, a  
4698 siren, whistle or bell which meets the requirements of subsection (f) of  
4699 section 14-80 of the general statutes; (2) the violation took place during  
4700 a period of time in which the motor vehicle had been reported as being  
4701 stolen to a law enforcement unit and had not been recovered prior to the  
4702 time of the violation; (3) the photo noise violation monitoring device  
4703 was not in compliance with the calibration check required pursuant to  
4704 subsection (e) of this section; (4) the violation took place because the  
4705 muffler in the motor vehicle was not in good working condition and the  
4706 owner of the motor vehicle presents proof at a hearing conducted  
4707 pursuant to section 7-152c of the general statutes that such muffler was  
4708 replaced or repaired not later than fourteen days from the date of the

4709 violation; or (5) the owner of the motor vehicle presents proof at a  
4710 hearing conducted pursuant to section 7-152c of the general statutes that  
4711 the owner submitted the motor vehicle for inspection at a facility  
4712 designated by the Department of Motor Vehicles and such vehicle was  
4713 found to not emit a sound of eighty decibels or more when in operation.

4714       Sec. 134. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2024*) (a) No personally identifiable  
4715 information shall be disclosed by the municipality or a vendor to any  
4716 person or entity, including any law enforcement unit, except where the  
4717 disclosure is made in connection with the charging, collection and  
4718 enforcement of the fines imposed pursuant to an ordinance adopted  
4719 under section 133 of this act.

4720       (b) No personally identifiable information shall be stored or retained  
4721 by the municipality or a vendor unless such information is necessary for  
4722 the charging, collection and enforcement of the fines imposed pursuant  
4723 to an ordinance adopted under section 133 of this act.

4724       (c) Any information and other data gathered from a photo noise  
4725 violation monitoring device shall be subject to disclosure under the  
4726 Freedom of Information Act, as defined in section 1-200 of the general  
4727 statutes, except no personally identifiable information may be disclosed.

4728       Sec. 135. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2024*) Commencing one year from  
4729 the date a photo noise violation monitoring device is operational in a  
4730 municipality, and every year thereafter until a photo noise violation  
4731 monitoring device is no longer operational in the municipality, the  
4732 municipality shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of  
4733 section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committee of  
4734 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to finance,  
4735 revenue and bonding. Such report shall include, but need not be limited  
4736 to: (1) The total number of violations recorded by each photo noise  
4737 violation monitoring device on a daily, weekly and monthly basis; (2)  
4738 the total number of warnings and citations issued for violations  
4739 recorded by each such device; (3) the number of hearings requested

4740 pursuant to section 7-152c and the results of any such hearings; (4) the  
4741 amount of revenue from the fines and associated processing fees  
4742 retained by the municipality; and (5) the cost to the municipality to use  
4743 such devices.

4744 Sec. 136. Subsection (c) of section 7-152c of the 2024 supplement to the  
4745 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
4746 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

4747 (c) Any such municipality, at any time within twelve months from  
4748 the expiration of the final period for the uncontested payment of fines,  
4749 penalties, costs or fees for any citation issued under any ordinance  
4750 adopted pursuant to section 7-148, 14-307c, [or] 22a-226d or section 133  
4751 of this act, for an alleged violation thereof, shall send notice to the person  
4752 cited. Such notice shall inform the person cited: (1) Of the allegations  
4753 against such person and the amount of the fines, penalties, costs or fees  
4754 due; (2) that such person may contest such person's liability before a  
4755 citation hearing officer by delivering in person or by mail written notice  
4756 within ten days of the date thereof; (3) that if such person does not  
4757 demand such a hearing, an assessment and judgment shall be entered  
4758 against such person; and (4) that such judgment may issue without  
4759 further notice. For purposes of this section, notice shall be presumed to  
4760 have been properly sent if such notice was mailed to such person's last-  
4761 known address on file with the tax collector. If the person to whom such  
4762 notice is issued is a registrant, the municipality may deliver such notice  
4763 in accordance with section 7-148ii, provided nothing in this section shall  
4764 preclude a municipality from providing notice in another manner  
4765 permitted by applicable law.

4766 Sec. 137. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2025*) (a) For purposes of this  
4767 section, "valuation allowance" means the portion of a deferred tax asset  
4768 for which it is more likely than not that a tax benefit will not be realized,  
4769 as determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting  
4770 principles.

4771 (b) (1) Any combined group that is described under subsection (b) of  
4772 section 12-218g of the general statutes, is claiming the deduction under  
4773 subsection (d) of said section and did not include in the computation of  
4774 such deduction the impact of any valuation allowance arising from the  
4775 enactment of sections 12-218e and 12-218f of the general statutes, shall  
4776 be eligible for the deduction under this subsection.

4777 (2) If the provisions of sections 12-218e and 12-218f of the general  
4778 statutes resulted in an aggregate decrease in the amount of net operating  
4779 losses or tax credits a combined group's members may realize in the  
4780 state and a valuation allowance was reported in accordance with  
4781 generally accepted accounting principles, the combined group shall be  
4782 entitled to a deduction as determined under this subsection.

4783 (3) For the thirty-year period beginning with a combined group's first  
4784 income year that begins in 2026, a combined group entitled to a  
4785 deduction under this subsection shall deduct from combined group net  
4786 income an amount equal to one-thirtieth of the amount necessary to  
4787 offset the increase in the valuation allowance against net operating  
4788 losses and tax credits in the state, as computed in accordance with  
4789 generally accepted accounting principles, that resulted from the  
4790 enactment of sections 12-218e and 12-218f of the general statutes. Such  
4791 increase in valuation allowance shall be computed based on the change  
4792 in valuation allowance that was reported in the combined group's  
4793 financial statements for the income year commencing on or after  
4794 January 1, 2016, but prior to January 1, 2017.

4795 (c) The deduction computed under subsection (b) of this section shall  
4796 not be reduced as a result of any events happening subsequent to such  
4797 computation, including, but not limited to, any disposition or  
4798 abandonment of assets. Such deduction shall not alter the tax basis of  
4799 any asset. If the deduction under subsection (b) of this section is greater  
4800 than the combined group net income, any excess deduction shall be  
4801 carried forward and applied as a deduction to combined group net  
4802 income in future income years until fully utilized.

4803 (d) Any combined group intending to claim a deduction under this  
4804 section shall file a statement with the Commissioner of Revenue Services  
4805 on or before July 1, 2025, specifying the total amount of the deduction  
4806 the combined group claims. The statement shall be made on such form  
4807 and in such manner as prescribed by the commissioner and shall contain  
4808 such information or computations as the commissioner may specify. No  
4809 deduction shall be allowed under this section for any income year  
4810 except to the extent claimed on or before July 1, 2025, in the manner  
4811 prescribed. Nothing in this subsection shall limit the authority of the  
4812 commissioner to review or redetermine the proper amount of any  
4813 deduction claimed, whether on the statement required under this  
4814 subsection or on a tax return for any income year.

4815 Sec. 138. Section 21a-420n of the 2024 supplement to the general  
4816 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof  
4817 (*Effective from passage*):

4818 (a) On and after July 1, 2021, the department may issue or renew a  
4819 license for a person to be a cultivator. No person may act as a cultivator  
4820 or represent that such person is a licensed cultivator unless such person  
4821 has obtained a license from the department pursuant to this section.

4822 (b) (1) A cultivator is authorized to cultivate, grow and propagate  
4823 cannabis at an establishment containing not less than fifteen thousand  
4824 square feet of grow space, provided such cultivator complies with the  
4825 provisions of any regulations adopted under section 21a-420q  
4826 concerning grow space. A cultivator establishment shall meet physical  
4827 security controls and protocols set forth and required by the  
4828 commissioner.

4829 (2) (A) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (1) of this  
4830 subsection, during the period beginning on the effective date of this  
4831 section through December 31, 2025, the department may grant a final  
4832 cultivator license to the holder of a provisional cultivator license issued  
4833 under section 21a-420o who has not developed the capability to

4834 cultivate, grow and propagate cannabis at an establishment containing  
4835 at least fifteen thousand square feet of grow space, and such holder may  
4836 carry out the functions of a cultivator, if such holder submits to the  
4837 department, in a form and manner prescribed by the commissioner:

4838 (i) A completed application for a final cultivator license; and

4839 (ii) Evidence that (I) such holder's licensed cultivation facility  
4840 contains at least five thousand square feet of grow space, (II) such  
4841 holder, and such holder's licensed cultivation facility, are in compliance  
4842 with the provisions of this chapter and the regulations adopted, and  
4843 policies and procedures issued, under this chapter, (III) such holder has  
4844 a detailed business plan and buildout schedule to cultivate, grow and  
4845 propagate cannabis at a licensed establishment containing at least  
4846 fifteen thousand square feet of grow space on or before December 31,  
4847 2025, and (IV) such holder has paid the three-million-dollar fee required  
4848 under subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of section 21a-420o.

4849 (B) If the department issues a final cultivator license under this  
4850 subdivision, and the licensee fails to cultivate, grow and propagate  
4851 cannabis at a licensed establishment containing at least fifteen thousand  
4852 square feet of grow space on or before December 31, 2025, such licensee  
4853 shall pay to the department, in a form and manner prescribed by the  
4854 commissioner, an extension fee in the amount of five hundred dollars  
4855 for each day that such licensee's licensed establishment fails to satisfy  
4856 such minimum grow space requirement. The department may, in  
4857 addition to imposing such extension fee, exercise the department's  
4858 enforcement authority under section 21a-421p if the licensee fails to  
4859 satisfy such minimum grow space requirement on or before December  
4860 31, 2025.

4861 (c) A cultivator may label, manufacture, package and perform  
4862 extractions on any cannabis cultivated, grown or propagated at its  
4863 licensed establishment, including food and beverage products  
4864 incorporating cannabis and cannabis concentrates, provided the

4865 cultivator meets all licensure and application requirements for a food  
4866 and beverage manufacturer and a product manufacturer.

4867 (d) A cultivator may sell, transfer or transport its cannabis to a  
4868 dispensary facility, hybrid retailer, retailer, food and beverage  
4869 manufacturer, product manufacturer, research program, cannabis  
4870 testing laboratory or product packager utilizing its own employees or a  
4871 transporter. A cultivator shall not sell, transfer or deliver to consumers,  
4872 qualifying patients or caregivers, directly or through a delivery service.

4873 Sec. 139. Section 21a-420d of the 2024 supplement to the general  
4874 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof  
4875 (*Effective from passage*):

4876 (a) There is established a Social Equity Council, which shall be within  
4877 the Department of Economic and Community Development for  
4878 administrative purposes only.

4879 (b) The [council] Social Equity Council shall consist of [fifteen]  
4880 seventeen members as follows:

4881 (1) One appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives,  
4882 who has a professional background of not less than five years working  
4883 in the field of either social justice or civil rights;

4884 (2) One appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, who  
4885 has a professional background of not less than five years working in the  
4886 field of either social justice or civil rights;

4887 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of  
4888 Representatives, who has a professional background of not less than five  
4889 years working in the field of economic development to help minority-  
4890 owned businesses;

4891 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who has a  
4892 professional background of not less than five years in providing access  
4893 to capital to minorities, as defined in section 32-9n;



4894 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of  
4895 Representatives, who is from a community that has been  
4896 disproportionately harmed by cannabis prohibition and enforcement;

4897 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, who has a  
4898 professional background of not less than five years in providing access  
4899 to capital to minorities, as defined in section 32-9n;

4900 [(7) One appointed by the chairperson of the Black and Puerto Rican  
4901 Caucus of the General Assembly;]

4902 (7) Two appointed by the chairperson of the Black and Puerto Rican  
4903 Caucus of the General Assembly, one of whom shall be designated by  
4904 the chairperson of the Black Caucus of the General Assembly and one of  
4905 whom shall be designated by the chairperson of the Puerto Rican and  
4906 Latino Caucus of the General Assembly;

4907 (8) [~~Four~~] Five appointed by the Governor, one who is from a  
4908 community that has been disproportionately harmed by cannabis  
4909 prohibition and enforcement, one who has a professional background  
4910 of not less than five years working in the field of economic development  
4911 and one who is an executive branch official focused on workforce  
4912 development;

4913 (9) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection, or the commissioner's  
4914 designee;

4915 (10) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development,  
4916 or the commissioner's designee;

4917 (11) The State Treasurer, or the State Treasurer's designee; and

4918 (12) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the  
4919 secretary's designee.

4920 (c) (1) In making the appointments in subsection (b) of this section,  
4921 the appointing authority shall use best efforts to make appointments

4922 that reflect the racial, gender and geographic diversity of the population  
4923 of the state. [All appointments shall be made not later than July 30, 2021,  
4924 and the Governor shall appoint the chairperson of the council from  
4925 among the members of the council.]

4926 (2) Members appointed by the Governor shall serve a term of four  
4927 years from the time of appointment and members appointed by any  
4928 other appointing authority shall serve a term of three years from the  
4929 time of appointment. The appointing authority shall fill any vacancy for  
4930 the unexpired term.

4931 (3) (A) The Governor shall appoint an interim executive director to  
4932 operationalize and support the [council] Social Equity Council until,  
4933 notwithstanding the provisions of section 4-9a, the council appoints an  
4934 executive director. Subject to the provisions of chapter 67, and within  
4935 available appropriations, the council may thereafter appoint an  
4936 executive director and such other employees as may be necessary for the  
4937 discharge of the duties of the council.

4938 (B) Not later than July 1, 2024, the council shall adopt bylaws  
4939 specifying which duties are retained by the members of the council and  
4940 which duties are delegated to the executive director.

4941 (C) The council may, by a simple majority vote of the members of the  
4942 council, take any formal personnel action concerning the executive  
4943 director for any reason.

4944 (D) In addition to the council's authority under subparagraph (C) of  
4945 this subdivision, if a final review board consisting of the chairperson  
4946 and the members of the council appointed under subdivisions (1), (2),  
4947 (5) and (6) of subsection (b) of this section determines, by a simple  
4948 majority vote of the members of the final review board, that removing  
4949 the executive director is in the best interest of serving the council's  
4950 mission, such final review board shall issue a letter to the council  
4951 recommending that the council remove the executive director.

4952       (4) The Governor shall appoint the chairperson of the council from  
4953 among the members of the council. The chairperson shall directly  
4954 supervise, establish annual goals for and conduct an annual  
4955 performance review of the executive director.

4956       (5) The chairperson and executive director shall jointly develop, and  
4957 the council shall review and approve, (A) the budgetary information  
4958 that the council is required to annually submit to the Secretary of the  
4959 Office of Policy and Management pursuant to subdivision (2) of  
4960 subsection (c) of section 21a-420f, (B) allocations of moneys in the social  
4961 equity and innovation account, established under section 21a-420f, that  
4962 the council determines, under subparagraph (B) of subdivision (1) of  
4963 subsection (b) of section 21a-420f, further the principles of equity, as  
4964 defined in section 21a-420, and (C) any plans for expenditures to  
4965 provide (i) access to capital for businesses, (ii) technical assistance for  
4966 the start-up and operation of a business, (iii) funding for workforce  
4967 education, (iv) funding for community investments, and (v) funding for  
4968 investments in disproportionately impacted areas.

4969       (d) A majority of the members of the [council] Social Equity Council  
4970 shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business. The  
4971 members of the council shall serve without compensation, but shall,  
4972 within available appropriations, be reimbursed for expenses necessarily  
4973 incurred in the performance of their duties. Any member who fails to  
4974 attend three consecutive meetings held after May 24, 2022, or who fails  
4975 to attend fifty per cent of all meetings held during any calendar year  
4976 beginning on or after January 1, 2023, shall be deemed to have resigned  
4977 from office. The appointing authority shall fill the vacancy for the  
4978 unexpired term of any member who is deemed to have resigned from  
4979 office under this subsection, and shall use best efforts to ensure such  
4980 appointment reflects the racial, gender and geographic diversity of the  
4981 population of the state.

4982       (e) The [council] Social Equity Council may (1) request, and shall  
4983 receive, from any state agency such information and assistance as the

4984 council may require, [;] (2) use such funds as may be available from  
4985 federal, state or other sources and may enter into contracts to carry out  
4986 the purposes of the council, including, but not limited to, contracts or  
4987 agreements with Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, constituent  
4988 units of the state system of higher education, regional workforce  
4989 development boards and community development financial  
4990 institutions, [;] (3) utilize voluntary and uncompensated services of  
4991 private individuals, state or federal agencies and organizations as may,  
4992 from time to time, be offered and needed, [;] (4) accept any gift, donation  
4993 or bequest for the purpose of performing the duties of the council, [;] (5)  
4994 hold public hearings, [;] (6) establish such standing committees, as  
4995 necessary, to perform the duties of the council, [;] and (7) adopt  
4996 regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, as [it] the council may deem  
4997 necessary to carry out the duties of the council.

4998 (f) The [council] Social Equity Council shall promote and encourage  
4999 full participation in the cannabis industry by persons from communities  
5000 that have been disproportionately harmed by cannabis prohibition and  
5001 enforcement.

5002 (g) Not later than forty-five days after June 22, 2021, or at a later date  
5003 determined by the [council] Social Equity Council, the council shall  
5004 establish criteria for proposals to conduct a study under this section and  
5005 the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall post on the  
5006 State Contracting Portal a request for proposals to conduct a study, and  
5007 shall select an independent third party to conduct such study and  
5008 provide detailed findings of fact regarding the following matters in the  
5009 state or other matters determined by the council:

5010 (1) Historical and present-day social, economic and familial  
5011 consequences of cannabis prohibition, the criminalization and  
5012 stigmatization of cannabis use and related public policies;

5013 (2) Historical and present-day structures, patterns, causes and  
5014 consequences of intentional and unintentional racial discrimination and

5015 racial disparities in the development, application and enforcement of  
5016 cannabis prohibition and related public policies;

5017 (3) Foreseeable long-term social, economic and familial consequences  
5018 of unremedied past racial discrimination and disparities arising from  
5019 past and continued cannabis prohibition, stigmatization and  
5020 criminalization;

5021 (4) Existing patterns of racial discrimination and racial disparities in  
5022 access to entrepreneurship, employment and other economic benefits  
5023 arising in the lawful palliative use cannabis sector as established  
5024 pursuant to chapter 420f; and

5025 (5) Any other matters that the council deems relevant and feasible for  
5026 study for the purpose of making reasonable and practical  
5027 recommendations for the establishment of an equitable and lawful  
5028 adult-use cannabis business sector in this state.

5029 (h) Not later than January 1, 2022, the [council] Social Equity Council  
5030 shall, taking into account the results of the study conducted in  
5031 accordance with subsection (g) of this section, make written  
5032 recommendations, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, to  
5033 the Governor and the joint standing committees of the General  
5034 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to finance, revenue and  
5035 bonding, consumer protection and the judiciary regarding legislation to  
5036 implement the provisions of this section. The council shall make  
5037 recommendations regarding:

5038 (1) Creating programs to ensure that individuals from communities  
5039 that have been disproportionately harmed by cannabis prohibition and  
5040 enforcement are provided equal access to licenses for cannabis  
5041 establishments;

5042 (2) Specifying additional qualifications for social equity applicants;

5043 (3) Providing for expedited or priority license processing for each

5044 license as a retailer, hybrid retailer, cultivator, micro-cultivator, product  
5045 manufacturer, food and beverage manufacturer, product packager,  
5046 transporter and delivery service license for social equity applicants;

5047 (4) Establishing minimum criteria for any cannabis establishment  
5048 licensed on or after January 1, 2022, that is not owned by a social equity  
5049 applicant, to comply with an approved workforce development plan to  
5050 reinvest or provide employment and training opportunities for  
5051 individuals in disproportionately impacted areas;

5052 (5) Establishing criteria for a social equity plan for any cannabis  
5053 establishment licensed on or after January 1, 2022, to further the  
5054 principles of equity, as defined in section 21a-420;

5055 (6) Recruiting individuals from communities that have been  
5056 disproportionately harmed by cannabis prohibition and enforcement to  
5057 enroll in the workforce training program established pursuant to section  
5058 21a-421g;

5059 (7) Potential uses for revenue generated under RERACA to further  
5060 equity;

5061 (8) Encouraging participation of investors, cannabis establishments,  
5062 and entrepreneurs in the cannabis business accelerator program  
5063 established pursuant to section 21a-421f;

5064 (9) Establishing a process to best ensure that social equity applicants  
5065 have access to the capital and training needed to own and operate a  
5066 cannabis establishment; and

5067 (10) Developing a vendor list of women-owned and minority-owned  
5068 businesses that cannabis establishments may contract with for necessary  
5069 services, including, but not limited to, office supplies, information  
5070 technology infrastructure and cleaning services.

5071 (i) (1) Not later than August 1, 2021, and annually thereafter until July  
5072 31, 2023, the [council] Social Equity Council shall use the most recent

5073 five-year United States Census Bureau American Community Survey  
5074 estimates or any successor data to determine one or more United States  
5075 census tracts in the state that are a disproportionately impacted area and  
5076 shall publish a list of such tracts on the council's Internet web site.

5077 (2) Not later than August 1, 2023, the council shall use poverty rate  
5078 data from the most recent five-year United States Census Bureau  
5079 American Community Survey estimates, population data from the most  
5080 recent decennial census and conviction information from databases  
5081 managed by the Department of Emergency Services and Public  
5082 Protection to identify all United States census tracts in the state that are  
5083 disproportionately impacted areas and shall publish a list of such tracts  
5084 on the council's Internet web site. In identifying which census tracts in  
5085 this state are disproportionately impacted areas and preparing such list,  
5086 the council shall:

5087 (A) Not deem any census tract with a poverty rate that is less than the  
5088 state-wide poverty rate to be a disproportionately impacted area;

5089 (B) After eliminating the census tracts described in subparagraph (A)  
5090 of this subdivision, rank the remaining census tracts in order from the  
5091 census tract with the greatest historical conviction rate for drug-related  
5092 offenses to the census tract with the lowest historical conviction rate for  
5093 drug-related offenses; and

5094 (C) Include census tracts in the order of rank described in  
5095 subparagraph (B) of this subdivision until including the next census  
5096 tract would cause the total population of all included census tracts to  
5097 exceed twenty-five per cent of the state's population.

5098 (j) After developing criteria for workforce development plans as  
5099 described in subdivision (4) of subsection (h) of this section, the [council]  
5100 Social Equity Council shall review and approve or deny in writing any  
5101 such plan submitted by a producer under section 21a-420l or a hybrid-  
5102 retailer under section 21a-420u.

5103 (k) The [council] Social Equity Council shall develop criteria for  
5104 evaluating the ownership and control of any equity joint venture created  
5105 under section 21a-420m, 21a-420u or 21a-420j and shall review and  
5106 approve or deny in writing such equity joint venture prior to such equity  
5107 joint venture being licensed under section 21a-420m, 21a-420u or 21a-  
5108 420j. [After developing criteria for social equity plans as described in  
5109 subdivision (5) of subsection (h) of this section, the council shall review  
5110 and approve or deny in writing any such plan submitted by a cannabis  
5111 establishment as part of its final license application.] The council shall  
5112 not approve any equity joint venture applicant which shares with an  
5113 equity joint venture any individual owner who meets the criteria  
5114 established in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of subdivision (50) of section  
5115 21a-420.

5116 (l) The Social Equity Council shall, upon receipt of funds from  
5117 producers in accordance with subdivision (5) of subsection (b) of section  
5118 21a-420l, develop a program to assist social equity applicants to open  
5119 not more than two micro-cultivator establishment businesses in total.  
5120 Producers shall provide mentorship to such social equity applicants.  
5121 The [Social Equity Council] council shall, with the department,  
5122 determine a system to select social equity applicants to participate in  
5123 such program without participating in a lottery or request for proposals.

5124 (m) (1) The Social Equity Council shall review and either approve or  
5125 deny, in writing, any social equity plan submitted by a cannabis  
5126 establishment as part of the cannabis establishment's final license  
5127 application. The council shall approve or deny such social equity plan  
5128 not later than thirty days after such social equity plan is submitted to  
5129 the council. If the council denies any such social equity plan, the  
5130 applicant may revise and resubmit such social equity plan without  
5131 prejudice.

5132 (2) Not later than July 1, 2024, the council shall update the criteria for  
5133 social equity plans described in subdivision (5) of subsection (h) of this  
5134 section to include a specific, points-based rubric to evaluate social equity



5135 plans.

5136 (n) The Social Equity Council shall approve the amounts, grantees  
5137 and purposes of any grants made by the council from the social equity  
5138 and innovation account or the Cannabis Social Equity and Innovation  
5139 Fund, established under section 21a-420f, and any contract executed by  
5140 and between the council and a grant maker shall require that the  
5141 amounts, grantees and purposes of any subgrants made by such grant  
5142 maker shall be approved by the council.

5143 (o) Not later than July 1, 2024, and quarterly thereafter, the Social  
5144 Equity Council shall prepare and submit a report, in accordance with  
5145 the provisions of section 11-4a, to the Governor, the speaker of the  
5146 House of Representatives, the president pro tempore of the Senate, the  
5147 majority leader of the House of Representatives, the majority leader of  
5148 the Senate, the minority leader of the House of Representatives, the  
5149 minority leader of the Senate and the joint standing committees of the  
5150 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to  
5151 appropriations and consumer protection. The report shall include, but  
5152 need not be limited to:

5153 (1) The fiscal-year-to-date expenditures of the council, which  
5154 expenditures shall disclose, at a minimum: (A) All expenditures made  
5155 for personal services and the fringe benefit costs associated therewith;  
5156 (B) all expenditures made for consultants retained for the purpose of  
5157 reviewing applications for social equity applicant status; (C) all  
5158 expenditures made to provide businesses with access to capital and the  
5159 number of businesses that received access to such capital; (D) all  
5160 expenditures made to provide technical assistance for the start-up and  
5161 operation of businesses and the number of businesses that received such  
5162 assistance; (E) all expenditures made to fund workforce education, the  
5163 number of persons served by the workforce education programs  
5164 supported by such expenditures and the number of persons successfully  
5165 placed in relevant professional roles after completing such workforce  
5166 education programs; (F) all expenditures made to fund community

5167 investment grants, the amounts, grantees and purposes of such grants  
5168 and, if any of such grants were made to a grant maker, the amounts,  
5169 grantees and purposes of any subgrants made by such grant maker; (G)  
5170 all expenditures made for promotional or branding items and which  
5171 promotional or branding items were purchased; (H) all expenditures  
5172 made for advertising or marketing campaigns; (I) all expenditures made  
5173 to advertising or marketing firms; (J) all expenditures made for  
5174 sponsorships; (K) all expenditures made for other community outreach;  
5175 (L) all expenditures made for travel; and (M) all other expenditures not  
5176 described in subparagraphs (A) to (L), inclusive, of this subdivision; and

5177 (2) The status of the council's performance of the council's  
5178 responsibilities in the licensing process under RERACA, including, but  
5179 not limited to: (A) The number of applications for social equity applicant  
5180 status, social equity plans and workforce development plans pending  
5181 before the council, categorized into the number of applications, social  
5182 equity plans and workforce development plans pending before the  
5183 council for (i) less than thirty days, (ii) at least thirty days but less than  
5184 sixty days, (iii) at least sixty days but less than ninety days, and (iv) at  
5185 least ninety days; (B) the number of applications for social equity  
5186 applicant status, social equity plans and workforce development plans  
5187 approved during the then current fiscal year, broken down by license  
5188 type; and (C) the number of applications for social equity applicant  
5189 status, social equity plans and workforce development plans denied  
5190 during the then current fiscal year, broken down by license type.

5191 (p) Not later than July 1, 2024, and monthly thereafter, the executive  
5192 director of the council shall prepare and submit a report, in accordance  
5193 with the provisions of section 11-4a, to the council and the Black and  
5194 Puerto Rican Caucus of the General Assembly. The report shall include,  
5195 but need not be limited to:

5196 (1) The expenditures the council plans to make during the month  
5197 immediately following submission of such report, which expenditures  
5198 shall disclose, at a minimum: (A) All expenditures the council plans to

5199 make for consultants retained for the purpose of reviewing applications  
5200 for social equity applicant status; (B) all expenditures the council plans  
5201 to make to fund community investment grants, the amounts, grantees  
5202 and purposes of such grants and, if any of such grants are to be made to  
5203 a grant maker, the amounts, grantees and purposes of any subgrants to  
5204 be made by such grant maker; (C) all expenditures the council plans to  
5205 make for promotional or branding items, for advertising or marketing  
5206 campaigns, to advertising or marketing firms and for sponsorships; (D)  
5207 all expenditures the council plans to make for community outreach; and  
5208 (E) all expenditures the council plans to make for travel; and

5209 (2) The status of the council's performance of the council's  
5210 responsibilities in the licensing process under RERACA, including, but  
5211 not limited to, the following information for the date of such report: (A)  
5212 The number of applications for social equity applicant status that are  
5213 pending before the council and the date each such application was  
5214 submitted, broken down by license type, municipality, assembly district  
5215 and senate district; (B) the number of social equity plans that are  
5216 pending before the council and the date each such social equity plan was  
5217 submitted, broken down by license type; and (C) the number of  
5218 workforce development plans that are pending before the council and  
5219 the date each such workforce development plan was submitted, broken  
5220 down by license type.

5221 Sec. 140. Section 21a-420f of the 2024 supplement to the general  
5222 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof  
5223 (*Effective from passage*):

5224 (a) (1) There is established an account to be known as the "cannabis  
5225 regulatory and investment account" which shall be a separate,  
5226 nonlapsing account within the General Fund. The account shall contain  
5227 any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in  
5228 the account shall be allocated by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and  
5229 Management, in consultation with the Social Equity Council, as defined  
5230 in section 21a-420, to state agencies for the purpose of paying costs

5231 incurred to implement the activities authorized under RERACA, as  
5232 defined in section 21a-420.

5233 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 21a-420e, for the fiscal  
5234 years ending June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2023, the following shall be  
5235 deposited in the cannabis regulatory and investment account: (A) All  
5236 fees received by the state pursuant to section 21a-421b and subdivisions  
5237 (1) to (11), inclusive, of subsection (c) of section 21a-420e; (B) the tax  
5238 received by the state under section 12-330ll; and (C) the tax received by  
5239 the state under chapter 219 from a cannabis retailer, hybrid retailer or  
5240 micro-cultivator, as those terms are defined in section 12-330ll.

5241 (3) At the end of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, all moneys  
5242 remaining in the cannabis regulatory and investment account shall be  
5243 transferred to the General Fund.

5244 (b) (1) There is established an account to be known as the "social  
5245 equity and innovation account" which shall be a separate, nonlapsing  
5246 account within the General Fund. The account shall contain any moneys  
5247 required by law to be deposited in the account.

5248 (A) During the fiscal years ending June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2023,  
5249 moneys in the account shall be allocated by the Secretary of the Office  
5250 of Policy and Management, in consultation with the Social Equity  
5251 Council, to state agencies for the purpose of (i) paying costs incurred by  
5252 the Social Equity Council, (ii) administering programs under RERACA  
5253 to provide (I) access to capital for businesses, (II) technical assistance for  
5254 the start-up and operation of a business, (III) funding for workforce  
5255 education, and (IV) funding for community investments, and (iii)  
5256 paying costs incurred to implement the activities authorized under  
5257 RERACA.

5258 (B) During the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, moneys in the account  
5259 shall be allocated by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and  
5260 Management for purposes that the Social Equity Council determines, in  
5261 the Social Equity Council's sole discretion, further the principles of

5262 equity, as defined in section 21a-420, which purposes may include, but  
5263 need not be limited to, providing (i) access to capital for businesses in  
5264 any industry, (ii) technical assistance for the start-up and operation of a  
5265 business in any industry, (iii) funding for workforce education in any  
5266 industry, (iv) funding for community investments, and (v) funding for  
5267 investments in disproportionately impacted areas.

5268 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 21a-420e and 21a-  
5269 420o, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2023, the  
5270 following shall be deposited in the social equity and innovation account:  
5271 All fees received by the state pursuant to sections 21a-420l, 21a-420o and  
5272 21a-420u and subdivisions (12) and (13) of subsection (c) of section 21a-  
5273 420e.

5274 (3) At the end of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, five million  
5275 dollars shall be transferred from the social equity and innovation  
5276 account to the General Fund, or, if the account contains less than five  
5277 million dollars, all remaining moneys in the account. At the end of the  
5278 fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, all remaining moneys in the account  
5279 shall be transferred to the Social Equity and Innovation Fund  
5280 established under subsection (c) of this section.

5281 (c) (1) On and after July 1, 2022, there is established a fund to be  
5282 known as the "Cannabis Social Equity and Innovation Fund". The fund  
5283 shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the fund  
5284 and shall be held by the Treasurer separate and apart from all other  
5285 moneys, funds and accounts. Amounts in the fund may be expended  
5286 only pursuant to appropriation by the General Assembly. Any balance  
5287 remaining in the fund at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried  
5288 forward in the fund for the fiscal year next succeeding. Moneys in the  
5289 fund shall be appropriated for the purposes of providing the following:  
5290 Access to capital for businesses in any industry; technical assistance for  
5291 the start-up and operation of a business in any industry; funding for  
5292 workforce education in any industry; funding for community  
5293 investments; and paying costs incurred to implement the activities

5294 authorized under RERACA. All such appropriations shall be dedicated  
5295 to expenditures that further the principles of equity, as defined in  
5296 section 21a-420.

5297 (2) (A) For the purposes of subdivision (1) of this subsection, for the  
5298 fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, and for each fiscal year thereafter, the  
5299 Social Equity Council shall transmit, for even-numbered years,  
5300 estimates of expenditure requirements and for odd-numbered years,  
5301 recommended adjustments and revisions, if any, of such estimates, to  
5302 the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, in the manner  
5303 prescribed for a budgeted agency under subsection (a) of section 4-77.

5304 (B) The Office of Policy and Management may not make adjustments  
5305 to any such estimates or adjustments and revisions of such estimates  
5306 transmitted by the council. Notwithstanding any provision of the  
5307 general statutes or any special act, the Governor shall not reduce the  
5308 allotment requisitions or allotments in force pursuant to section 4-85 or  
5309 make reductions in allotments in order to achieve budget savings in the  
5310 General Fund, concerning any appropriations made by the General  
5311 Assembly for the purposes of subdivision (1) of this subsection.

5312 (C) The estimates of expenditure requirements transmitted by the  
5313 Social Equity Council to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and  
5314 Management pursuant to subparagraph (A) of this subdivision shall,  
5315 consistent with the requirements established in subsection (a) of section  
5316 4-77, include an estimate of the amount of funds required to be  
5317 distributed among the permissible purposes for appropriations made  
5318 from the Cannabis Social Equity and Innovation Fund as set forth in  
5319 subdivision (1) of this subsection.

5320 (d) On and after July 1, 2022, there is established a fund to be known  
5321 as the "Cannabis Prevention and Recovery Services Fund". The fund  
5322 shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the fund  
5323 and shall be held by the Treasurer separate and apart from all other  
5324 moneys, funds and accounts. Amounts in the fund may be expended

5325 only pursuant to appropriation by the General Assembly. Any balance  
5326 remaining in the fund at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried  
5327 forward in the fund for the fiscal year next succeeding. Moneys in the  
5328 fund shall be appropriated for the purposes of (1) substance abuse  
5329 prevention, treatment and recovery services, which may include, but  
5330 need not be limited to, the (A) provision of youth cannabis use  
5331 prevention services by the local advisory councils on drug use and  
5332 prevention established by municipalities pursuant to subsection (a) of  
5333 Section 4126 of the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act of 1986, as  
5334 amended from time to time, regional behavioral health action  
5335 organizations described in section 17a-484f, or youth service bureaus  
5336 established pursuant to section 10-19m, and (B) development of a public  
5337 awareness campaign to raise awareness of the mental and physical  
5338 health risks of youth cannabis use and cannabis use by pregnant  
5339 persons, and (2) collection and analysis of data regarding substance use.  
5340 The Social Equity Council may make recommendations to any relevant  
5341 state agency regarding expenditures to be made for the purposes set  
5342 forth in this subsection.

5343 (e) On and after July 1, 2023, there is established a fund to be known  
5344 as the "Cannabis Regulatory Fund" which shall be a separate,  
5345 nonlapsing fund. The fund shall contain any moneys required by law to  
5346 be deposited in the fund and shall be held by the Treasurer separate and  
5347 apart from all other moneys, funds and accounts. Moneys in the fund  
5348 shall be appropriated to state agencies for the purposes of paying costs  
5349 incurred to implement the activities authorized under RERACA, as  
5350 defined in section 21a-420.

5351 Sec. 141. Subsection (g) of section 19a-59i of the general statutes, as  
5352 amended by section 45 of house bill 5523 of the current session, as  
5353 amended by House Amendment Schedule "A", is repealed and the  
5354 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

5355 (g) The Department of Public Health shall develop educational  
5356 materials regarding:

5357 (1) The health and safety of [pregnant] expectant and postpartum  
5358 mothers and persons with mental health disorders, including, but not  
5359 limited to, perinatal mood and anxiety disorders, for distribution by the  
5360 department to each birthing hospital in the state. As used in this  
5361 subdivision, "birthing hospital" means a health care facility, as defined  
5362 in section 19a-630, operated and maintained in whole or in part for the  
5363 purpose of caring for patients during the delivery of a child and for a  
5364 postpartum mother or person and such mother's or person's newborn  
5365 following birth;

5366 (2) Evidence-based screening tools for screening patients for intimate  
5367 partner violence, peripartum mood disorders and substance use  
5368 disorder for distribution by the department to obstetricians and other  
5369 health care providers who practice obstetrics;

5370 (3) Indicators of intimate partner violence for distribution by the  
5371 department to (A) hospitals for use by health care providers in the  
5372 emergency department and hospital social workers, and (B)  
5373 obstetricians and other health care providers who practice obstetrics;  
5374 and

5375 (4) Not later than January 1, 2025, intimate partner violence toward  
5376 [pregnant] expectant and postpartum mothers and persons for  
5377 distribution by the department (A) in print to each birthing hospital and  
5378 birth center in the state, and (B) electronically to obstetricians and other  
5379 health care providers who practice obstetrics for provision to [pregnant]  
5380 expectant and postpartum patients. The department shall consult with  
5381 organizations that advocate on behalf of victims of domestic violence in  
5382 the development of educational materials pursuant to this subdivision.

5383 Sec. 142. Section 19a-490ee of the general statutes, as amended by  
5384 section 46 of house bill 5523 of the current session, as amended by House  
5385 Amendment Schedule "A", is repealed and the following is substituted  
5386 in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

5387 (a) As used in this section, (1) "birthing hospital" means a health care



5388 facility, as defined in section 19a-630, operated and maintained in whole  
5389 or in part for the purpose of caring for a person during the delivery of a  
5390 child and for a postpartum mother or person and such mother's or  
5391 person's newborn following birth; and (2) "birth center" has the same  
5392 meaning as provided in section 19a-490.

5393 (b) Each birthing hospital shall provide to each patient who has  
5394 undergone a caesarean section written information regarding the  
5395 importance of mobility following a caesarean section and the risks  
5396 associated with immobility following a caesarean section.

5397 (c) Each birthing hospital shall establish a patient portal through  
5398 which a postpartum patient can virtually access, through an Internet  
5399 web site or application, any educational materials and other information  
5400 that the birthing hospital provided to the patient during the patient's  
5401 stay at the birthing hospital and at the time of the patient's discharge  
5402 from the birthing hospital.

5403 (d) Each birthing hospital shall provide to each postpartum patient  
5404 the educational materials regarding the health and safety of [pregnant]  
5405 expectant and postpartum mothers and persons with mental health  
5406 disorders, including, but not limited to, perinatal mood and anxiety  
5407 disorders, developed by the [maternal mortality review committee]  
5408 Department of Public Health pursuant to subdivision (1) of subsection  
5409 (g) of section 19a-59i, as amended by [this act] house bill 5523 of the  
5410 current session, as amended by House Amendment Schedule "A".

5411 (e) On and after January 1, 2025, each birthing hospital and birth  
5412 center shall provide to each pregnant and postpartum patient the  
5413 educational materials regarding intimate partner violence toward  
5414 pregnant and postpartum persons, developed by the Department of  
5415 Public Health pursuant to subdivision (4) of subsection (g) of section  
5416 19a-59i, as amended by [this act] house bill 5523 of the current session,  
5417 as amended by House Amendment Schedule "A".

5418 Sec. 143. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) (a) For the fiscal year ending June 30,

5419 2025, the Department of Education shall administer an artificial  
5420 intelligence education tool pilot program. Under such pilot program,  
5421 the Commissioner of Education shall award a grant to assist such boards  
5422 in implementing an existing artificial intelligence tool, selected by the  
5423 commissioner, that will be used by educators and students for  
5424 classroom instruction and student learning.

5425 (b) The commissioner shall select five local or regional boards of  
5426 education to participate in the pilot program, provided such  
5427 participation includes at least one rural school district, one suburban  
5428 school district and one urban school district and reflects the racial and  
5429 ethnic diversity of the state. The commissioner and each such  
5430 participating board of education shall jointly select the grade level in  
5431 which such artificial intelligence tool will be implemented in the school  
5432 district, provided such grade level is grade seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven  
5433 or twelve.

5434 (c) Such artificial intelligence tool shall comply with the laws  
5435 governing the use of artificial intelligence and the protection of student  
5436 data and privacy, including, but not limited to, the Family Educational  
5437 Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, 20 USC 1232g, as amended from time to  
5438 time, and sections 10-234aa to 10-234gg, inclusive, of the general  
5439 statutes.

5440 (d) As used in this section, "artificial intelligence" means any  
5441 technology, including, but not limited to, machine learning that uses  
5442 data to train an algorithm or predictive model for the purpose of  
5443 enabling a computer system or service to autonomously perform any  
5444 task, including, but not limited to, visual perception, language  
5445 processing or speech recognition, that is normally associated with  
5446 human intelligence or perception.

5447 Sec. 144. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025,  
5448 the Department of Education shall provide professional development  
5449 for educators employed by the local and regional boards of education

5450 participating in the artificial intelligence education tool pilot program  
5451 pursuant to section 134 of this act. Such professional development shall  
5452 include, but not be limited to, (1) training on how to properly and safely  
5453 utilize the artificial intelligence tool selected for such pilot program as  
5454 part of instruction in the classroom, (2) how such artificial intelligence  
5455 tool can benefit (A) educators in classroom instruction, and (B) students  
5456 in learning, academic achievement and workforce development, and (3)  
5457 the laws governing the use of artificial intelligence and the protection of  
5458 student data and privacy, including, but not limited to, the Family  
5459 Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, 20 USC 1232g, as amended  
5460 from time to time, and sections 10-234aa to 10-234gg, inclusive, of the  
5461 general statutes. As used in this section, "artificial intelligence" means  
5462 any technology, including, but not limited to, machine learning that  
5463 uses data to train an algorithm or predictive model for the purpose of  
5464 enabling a computer system or service to autonomously perform any  
5465 task, including, but not limited to, visual perception, language  
5466 processing or speech recognition, that is normally associated with  
5467 human intelligence or perception.

5468       Sec. 145. (*Effective July 1, 2024*) (a) Not later than January 1, 2025, the  
5469 Department of Education, in collaboration with the Commission for  
5470 Educational Technology established pursuant to section 4d-80 of the  
5471 general statutes, shall develop a model digital citizenship curriculum  
5472 for grades kindergarten to twelve, inclusive, that may be used by local  
5473 and regional boards of education.

5474       (b) Such model digital citizenship curriculum shall (1) be rigorous,  
5475 age appropriate and aligned with curriculum guidelines approved by  
5476 the State Board of Education, (2) include content and instruction to  
5477 develop digital citizenship skills and dispositions within online spaces  
5478 with the media and technology across all content areas to cultivate  
5479 positive student relationships and school climate, and (3) include topics  
5480 that are aligned with the provisions of subparagraph (H) of subdivision  
5481 (3) of subsection (b) of section 10-25b of the general statutes.

5482 (c) The department may accept gifts, grants and donations, including  
5483 in-kind donations, designated for the implementation of the model  
5484 digital citizenship curriculum under this section.

5485 Sec. 146. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2024*) (a) On or before October 31,  
5486 2024, and semiannually thereafter, each hospital, as defined in section  
5487 12-263p of the general statutes, shall submit a report to the executive  
5488 director of the Office of Health Strategy that identifies, for each of the  
5489 two prior calendar quarters, (1) the number of days of cash on hand, or  
5490 days cash and cash equivalents otherwise available to the hospital, and  
5491 (2) the dollar amount of (A) invoices that are at least ninety days past  
5492 due in the reporting period, (B) utility bills that are at least ninety days  
5493 past due in the reporting period, (C) fees, taxes or assessments owed to  
5494 public entities that are at least ninety days past due in the reporting  
5495 period, and (D) unpaid employee health insurance premiums, including  
5496 unpaid contributions, claims or other obligations supporting employees  
5497 under a self-funded insurance plan or fully insured plan, that are at least  
5498 ninety days past due in the reporting period. The executive director  
5499 shall develop a uniform template, including, but not limited to,  
5500 definitions of terms used in such template, to be used by hospitals for  
5501 the purposes of complying with the provisions of this subsection and  
5502 post such template on the Office of Health Strategy's Internet web site.  
5503 A hospital may request an extension of time to comply with the  
5504 requirements of this subsection in a form and manner prescribed by the  
5505 executive director. The executive director may grant such request for  
5506 good cause, as determined by the executive director. Such template shall  
5507 be based on generally accepted accounting principles as prescribed by  
5508 the Financial Accounting Standards Board.

5509 (b) If a hospital submits a report pursuant to the provisions of  
5510 subsection (a) of this section reflecting two consecutive quarters of sixty  
5511 days or less of days of cash on hand, or days cash and cash equivalents  
5512 otherwise available to the hospital, the executive director may require  
5513 the hospital to provide the Office of Health Strategy with additional  
5514 information that the executive director deems relevant to understanding

5515 the financial health of the hospital.

5516 (c) If a hospital submits a report pursuant to the provisions of  
5517 subsection (a) of this section reflecting two consecutive quarters of forty-  
5518 five days or less of cash on hand, or days cash and cash equivalents  
5519 otherwise available to the hospital, the Office of Health Strategy shall  
5520 contact the hospital to offer assistance.

5521 (d) If a hospital has multiple consecutive quarters of one hundred or  
5522 more days of cash on hand, or days cash and cash equivalents otherwise  
5523 available to the hospital, the executive director may waive one of the  
5524 hospital's two semiannual reports required pursuant to the provisions  
5525 of subsection (a) of this section.

5526 Sec. 147. Section 382 of public act 23-204 is repealed and the following  
5527 is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

5528 Not later than June 30, 2024, the Comptroller shall transfer [ninety-  
5529 five] two hundred five million dollars of the resources of the General  
5530 Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, to be accounted for as  
5531 revenue of the General Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025.

5532 Sec. 148. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Up to \$1,500,000 of the  
5533 unexpended balance of funds that was transferred and made available  
5534 to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, for Other  
5535 Expenses, for costs associated with the legalization of cannabis in  
5536 subdivision (36) of subsection (b) of section 12 of public act 22-118 and  
5537 in subsection (d) of section 41 of public act 23-204, carried forward and  
5538 made available for the same purpose during the fiscal year ending June  
5539 30, 2024, shall be made available to the Secretary of the Office of Policy  
5540 and Management, for Other Expenses, during the fiscal year ending  
5541 June 30, 2024, as follows:

5542 (1) Up to \$1,100,000 for a study of the operations of The University of  
5543 Connecticut Health Center;

5544 (2) Up to \$200,000 for a study of managerial compensation; and

5545 (3) Up to \$200,000 for a strategic higher education study of the  
5546 Connecticut State Colleges and Universities system.

5547 (b) The unexpended balance of funds made available to the secretary  
5548 under subsection (a) of this section shall not lapse on June 30, 2024, and  
5549 shall continue to be available for the purposes described in subsection  
5550 (a) of this section during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025.

5551 Sec. 149. (*Effective from passage*) Up to \$2,300,000 of the unexpended  
5552 balance of funds that was transferred and made available to the  
5553 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, for Other Expenses,  
5554 for costs associated with the legalization of cannabis in subdivision (36)  
5555 of subsection (b) of section 12 of public act 22-118 and in subsection (d)  
5556 of section 41 of public act 23-204, carried forward and made available  
5557 for the same purpose during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, shall  
5558 not lapse on June 30, 2024, and such funds shall be transferred and made  
5559 available to the Department of Social Services, for Community Action  
5560 Agencies, during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025.

5561 Sec. 150. Sections 501 and 502 of house bill 5523 of the current session,  
5562 as amended by House Amendment Schedule "A", are repealed. (*Effective*  
5563 *from passage*)

5564 Sec. 151. (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of Administrative  
5565 Services, having reviewed applications for state grants for public school  
5566 building projects in accordance with section 10-283 of the general  
5567 statutes, on the basis of priorities for such projects and standards for  
5568 school construction established by the State Board of Education, and  
5569 having prepared a listing of all such eligible projects ranked in order of  
5570 priority, as determined by said commissioner together with the amount  
5571 of the estimated grant with respect to each eligible project, and having  
5572 submitted such listing of eligible projects, prior to December 15, 2023, to  
5573 a committee of the General Assembly established under section 10-283a  
5574 of the general statutes, for the purpose of reviewing such listing, is

5575 hereby authorized to enter into grant commitments on behalf of the state  
5576 in accordance with said section with respect to the priority listing of  
5577 such projects and in such estimated amounts as approved by said  
5578 committee prior to February 1, 2024, as follows:

		Estimated Project Costs	Estimated Grant
T430	School District		
T431	School		
T432	Project Number		
T433			
T434	BRISTOL		
T435	Edgewood Pre-K Academy		
T436	24DASY017090RNV0624	\$16,803,560	\$11,701,999
T437			
T438	LEARN		
T439	New Early Childhood School at 51		
T440	Daniels Avenue		
T441	24DASY245090APF0624	\$95,736,656	\$90,949,823
T442			
T443	STAMFORD		
T444	South School - Upper		
T445	24DASY135283N0624	\$85,871,466	\$51,522,880
T446			
T447	STAMFORD		
T448	South School - Lower		
T449	24DASY135284N0624	\$72,463,942	\$43,478,365
T450			
T451	BRISTOL		
T452	Bristol Central High School Culinary		
T453	Arts		
T454	24DASY017091A0624	\$1,426,955	\$993,731
T455			
T456	BRISTOL		
T457	Bristol Eastern High School Culinary		
T458	Arts		
T459	24DASY017092A0624	\$1,448,285	\$1,008,586
T460			
T461	DANBURY		
T462	Danbury High School		
T463	24DASY034154A0624	\$16,500,000	\$10,429,650
T464			

T465	HARTFORD		
T466	Montessori Magnet at Batchelder		
T467	24DASY064322RNV0624	\$102,569,302	\$97,440,837
T468			
T469	HARTFORD		
T470	S.A.N.D. Elementary School		
T471	24DASY064323RNV0624	\$82,837,086	\$78,695,232
T472			
T473	HARTFORD		
T474	Maria C. Colon Sanchez Elementary		
T475	School		
T476	24DASY064324RNV0624	\$96,945,196	\$92,097,936
T477			
T478	NEWINGTON		
T479	John Wallace Middle School		
T480	24DASY094112AB0624	\$10,717,573	\$8,038,180
5579	(2) Previously Authorized Projects That Have Changed Substantially		
5580	in Scope or Cost which are Seeking Reauthorization.		
T481	School District	Authorized	Requested
T482	School		
T483	Project Number		
T484			
T485	HARTFORD		
T486	Betances Learning Lab Magnet School		
T487	21DASY064316RNV0621		
T488			
T489	Estimated...		
T490	Total Project Costs	\$43,709,774	\$66,825,200
T491	Total Grant	\$41,524,285	\$63,483,940
T492			
T493	HARTFORD		
T494	Fred D. Wish Museum School		
T495	21DASY064318RNV0621		
T496			
T497	Estimated...		
T498	Total Project Costs	\$49,320,000	\$67,290,900
T499	Total Grant	\$46,854,000	\$63,926,355
T500			



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T501	HARTFORD		
T502	E. B. Kennelly School		
T503	21DASY064317RNV0621		
T504			
T505	Estimated...		
T506	Total Project Costs	\$51,416,225	\$88,130,000
T507	Total Grant	\$48,845,414	\$83,723,500

5581        Sec. 152. Section 10-283 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
5582 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

5583        (a) (1) Each town or regional school district shall be eligible to apply  
5584 for and accept grants for a school building project as provided in this  
5585 chapter. Any town desiring a grant for a public school building project  
5586 may, by vote of its legislative body, authorize the board of education of  
5587 such town to apply to the Commissioner of Administrative Services and  
5588 to accept or reject such grant for the town. Any regional school board  
5589 may vote to authorize the supervising agent of the regional school  
5590 district to apply to the Commissioner of Administrative Services for and  
5591 to accept or reject such grant for the district. Applications for such grants  
5592 under this chapter shall be made by the superintendent of schools of  
5593 such town or regional school district on the form provided and in the  
5594 manner prescribed by the Commissioner of Administrative Services.  
5595 The application form shall require the superintendent of schools to  
5596 affirm that the school district considered the maximization of natural  
5597 light, the use and feasibility of wireless connectivity technology and, on  
5598 and after July 1, 2014, the school safety infrastructure criteria, described  
5599 in section 10-292r, in projects for new construction and alteration or  
5600 renovation of a school building. The Commissioner of Administrative  
5601 Services shall review, in consultation with the Commissioner of  
5602 Education, each grant application for a school building project for  
5603 compliance with educational [requirements and on the basis of  
5604 categories for building projects established by the Commissioner of  
5605 Administrative Services in accordance with this section] specifications.  
5606 The Commissioner of Education shall evaluate, if appropriate, whether  
5607 the project will assist the state in meeting its obligations pursuant to the

5608 decision in *Sheff v. O'Neill*, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation  
5609 or order in effect, as determined by the Commissioner of Education. The  
5610 Commissioner of Administrative Services shall consult with the  
5611 Commissioner of Education in reviewing grant applications submitted  
5612 for purposes of subsection (a) of section 10-65 or section 10-76e on the  
5613 basis of the educational needs of the applicant. The Commissioner of  
5614 Administrative Services shall review each grant application for a school  
5615 building project for compliance with standards for school building  
5616 projects pursuant to regulations, adopted in accordance with section 10-  
5617 287c, and, on and after July 1, 2014, the school safety infrastructure  
5618 criteria, described in section 10-292r. Notwithstanding the provisions of  
5619 this chapter, the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical  
5620 Colleges on behalf of Quinebaug Valley Community College and Three  
5621 Rivers Community College and the following entities that will operate  
5622 an interdistrict magnet school that will assist the state in meeting its  
5623 obligations pursuant to the decision in *Sheff v. O'Neill*, 238 Conn. 1  
5624 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, as determined by the  
5625 Commissioner of Education, may apply for and shall be eligible to  
5626 receive grants for school building projects pursuant to section 10-264h  
5627 for such a school: (A) The Board of Trustees of the Community-  
5628 Technical Colleges on behalf of a regional community-technical college,  
5629 (B) the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System on  
5630 behalf of a state university, (C) the Board of Trustees for The University  
5631 of Connecticut on behalf of the university, (D) the board of governors  
5632 for an independent institution of higher education, as defined in  
5633 subsection (a) of section 10a-173, or the equivalent of such a board, on  
5634 behalf of the independent institution of higher education, (E)  
5635 cooperative arrangements pursuant to section 10-158a, and (F) any other  
5636 third-party not-for-profit corporation approved by the Commissioner of  
5637 Education.

5638 (2) [The Commissioner of Administrative Services shall assign each  
5639 school building project to a category on the basis of whether such project  
5640 is primarily required to: (A) Create new facilities or alter existing

5641 facilities to provide for mandatory instructional programs pursuant to  
5642 this chapter, for physical education facilities in compliance with Title IX  
5643 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1972 where such  
5644 programs or such compliance cannot be provided within existing  
5645 facilities or for the correction of code violations which cannot be  
5646 reasonably addressed within existing program space; (B) create new  
5647 facilities or alter existing facilities to enhance mandatory instructional  
5648 programs pursuant to this chapter or provide comparable facilities  
5649 among schools to all students at the same grade level or levels within  
5650 the school district unless such project is otherwise explicitly included in  
5651 another category pursuant to this section; and (C) create new facilities  
5652 or alter existing facilities to provide supportive services, provided in no  
5653 event shall such supportive services include swimming pools,  
5654 auditoriums, outdoor athletic facilities, tennis courts, elementary school  
5655 playgrounds, site improvement or garages or storage, parking or  
5656 general recreation areas.] All applications submitted prior to July first  
5657 shall be reviewed promptly by the Commissioner of Administrative  
5658 Services. The Commissioner of Administrative Services shall estimate  
5659 the amount of the grant for which such project is eligible, in accordance  
5660 with the provisions of section 10-285a, provided an application for a  
5661 school building project determined by the Commissioner of Education  
5662 to be a project that will assist the state in meeting its obligations  
5663 pursuant to the decision in *Sheff v. O'Neill*, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any  
5664 related stipulation or order in effect, as determined by the  
5665 Commissioner of Education, shall have until September first to submit  
5666 an application for such a project and may have until December first of  
5667 the same year to secure and report all local and state approvals required  
5668 to complete the grant application. The Commissioner of Administrative  
5669 Services shall annually prepare a listing of all such eligible school  
5670 building projects [listed by category together] with the amount of the  
5671 estimated grants for such projects and shall submit the same to the  
5672 Governor, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the  
5673 General Assembly on or before the fifteenth day of December, except as  
5674 provided in section 10-283a, with a request for authorization to enter

5675 into grant commitments. On or before December thirty-first annually,  
5676 the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may submit  
5677 comments and recommendations regarding each eligible project on  
5678 such listing of eligible school building projects to the school construction  
5679 committee, established pursuant to section 10-283a. Each such listing  
5680 shall include a report on the following factors for each eligible project:  
5681 (i) An enrollment projection and the capacity of the school, including  
5682 who conducted the enrollment projection for the school and the cost of  
5683 conducting such enrollment projection, (ii) a substantiation of the  
5684 estimated total project costs, (iii) the readiness of such eligible project to  
5685 begin construction, (iv) efforts made by the local or regional board of  
5686 education to redistrict, reconfigure, merge or close schools under the  
5687 jurisdiction of such board prior to submitting an application under this  
5688 section, (v) enrollment and capacity information for all of the schools  
5689 under the jurisdiction of such board for the five years prior to  
5690 application for a school building project grant, (vi) enrollment  
5691 projections and capacity information for all of the schools under the  
5692 jurisdiction of such board for the eight years following the date such  
5693 application is submitted, [and] including who conducted the enrollment  
5694 projection for the school and the cost of conducting such enrollment  
5695 projection, (vii) the state's education priorities relating to reducing racial  
5696 and economic isolation for the school district, and (viii) an estimation of  
5697 the total ineligible costs and an itemization of such ineligible costs for  
5698 such project. On and after July 1, 2022, each such listing shall include an  
5699 addendum that contains all grants approved pursuant to subsection (b)  
5700 of this section during the prior fiscal year. For the period beginning July  
5701 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2012, no project [, other than a project for a  
5702 technical education and career school,] may appear on the separate  
5703 schedule of authorized projects which have changed in cost more than  
5704 twice. On and after July 1, 2012, no project, other than a project for a  
5705 technical education and career school, may appear on the separate  
5706 schedule of authorized projects which have changed in cost more than  
5707 once, except the Commissioner of Administrative Services may allow a  
5708 project to appear on such separate schedule of authorized projects a

5709 second time if the town or regional school district for such project can  
5710 demonstrate that exigent circumstances require such project to appear a  
5711 second time on such separate schedule of authorized projects.  
5712 Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter, no projects which have  
5713 changed in scope or cost to the degree determined by the Commissioner  
5714 of Administrative Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of  
5715 Education, shall be eligible for reimbursement under this chapter unless  
5716 it appears on such list. The percentage determined pursuant to section  
5717 10-285a at the time a school building project on such schedule was  
5718 originally authorized shall be used for purposes of the grant for such  
5719 project. On and after July 1, 2006, a project that was not previously  
5720 authorized as an interdistrict magnet school shall not receive a higher  
5721 percentage for reimbursement than that determined pursuant to section  
5722 10-285a at the time a school building project on such schedule was  
5723 originally authorized. The General Assembly shall annually authorize  
5724 the Commissioner of Administrative Services to enter into grant  
5725 commitments on behalf of the state in accordance with the  
5726 commissioner's categorized listing for such projects as the General  
5727 Assembly shall determine. The Commissioner of Administrative  
5728 Services may not enter into any such grant commitments except  
5729 pursuant to such legislative authorization. Any regional school district  
5730 which assumes the responsibility for completion of a public school  
5731 building project shall be eligible for a grant pursuant to subdivision (5)  
5732 or (6), as the case may be, of subsection (a) of section 10-286 when such  
5733 project is completed and accepted by such regional school district.

5734 (3) (A) All final calculations completed by the Department of  
5735 Administrative Services for school building projects shall include a  
5736 computation of the state grant for the school building project amortized  
5737 on a straight line basis over a twenty-year period for school building  
5738 projects with costs equal to or greater than two million dollars and over  
5739 a ten-year period for school building projects with costs less than two  
5740 million dollars. Any town or regional school district which abandons,  
5741 sells, leases, demolishes or otherwise redirects the use of such a school

5742 building project to other than a public school use or a public use during  
5743 such amortization period shall refund to the state the unamortized  
5744 balance of the state grant remaining as of the date the abandonment,  
5745 sale, lease, demolition or redirection occurs. The amortization period for  
5746 a project shall begin on the date the project was accepted as complete by  
5747 the local or regional board of education. A town or regional school  
5748 district required to make a refund to the state pursuant to this  
5749 subdivision may request forgiveness of such refund if the building is  
5750 redirected for public use. The Department of Administrative Services  
5751 shall include as an addendum to the annual school construction priority  
5752 list all those towns requesting forgiveness. General Assembly approval  
5753 of the priority list under section 10-283a, containing such request shall  
5754 constitute approval of such request. This subdivision shall not apply to  
5755 projects to correct safety, health and other code violations or to remedy  
5756 certified school indoor air quality emergencies approved pursuant to  
5757 subsection (b) of this section or projects subject to the provisions of  
5758 section 10-285c.

5759 (B) If the board of governors for an independent institution of higher  
5760 education, as defined in subsection (a) of section 10a-173, or the  
5761 equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the independent institution of  
5762 higher education, that operates an interdistrict magnet school makes  
5763 private use of any portion of a school building in which such operator  
5764 received a school building project grant pursuant to this chapter, such  
5765 operator shall annually submit a report to the Commissioner of  
5766 Education that demonstrates that such operator provides an equal to or  
5767 greater than in-kind or supplemental benefit of such institution's  
5768 facilities to students enrolled in such interdistrict magnet school that  
5769 outweighs the private use of such school building. If the commissioner  
5770 finds that the private use of such school building exceeds the in-kind or  
5771 supplemental benefit to magnet school students, the commissioner may  
5772 require such institution to refund to the state the unamortized balance  
5773 of the state grant.

5774 (C) Any moneys refunded to the state pursuant to subparagraphs (A)

5775 and (B) of this subdivision shall be deposited in the state's tax-exempt  
5776 proceeds fund and used not later than sixty days after repayment to pay  
5777 debt service on, including redemption, defeasance or purchase of,  
5778 outstanding bonds of the state the interest on which is not included in  
5779 gross income pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of  
5780 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the  
5781 United States, as from time to time amended.

5782 (b) Notwithstanding the application date requirements of this  
5783 section, at any time within the limit of available grant authorization and  
5784 within the limit of appropriated funds, the Commissioner of  
5785 Administrative Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of  
5786 Education, may approve applications for grants and make payments for  
5787 such grants, for any of the following reasons: (A) To assist school  
5788 building projects to remedy damage from fire and catastrophe, (B) to  
5789 correct safety, health and other code violations, (C) to replace roofs,  
5790 including the replacement or installation of skylights as part of the roof  
5791 replacement project, (D) to remedy a certified school indoor air quality  
5792 emergency, (E) to install insulation for exterior walls and attics, or (F) to  
5793 purchase and install a limited use and limited access elevator, windows,  
5794 photovoltaic panels, wind generation systems, building management  
5795 systems or portable classroom buildings, provided portable classroom  
5796 building projects shall not create a new facility or cause an existing  
5797 facility to be modified so that the portable buildings comprise a  
5798 substantial percentage of the total facility area, as determined by the  
5799 commissioner.

5800 (c) No school building project shall be added to the list prepared by  
5801 the Commissioner of Administrative Services pursuant to subsection (a)  
5802 of this section after such list is submitted to the committee of the General  
5803 Assembly appointed pursuant to section 10-283a unless (1) the project  
5804 is for a school placed on probation by the New England Association of  
5805 Schools and Colleges and the project is necessary to preserve  
5806 accreditation, (2) the project is necessary to replace a school building for  
5807 which a state agency issued a written notice of its intent to take the

5808 school property for public purpose, (3) it is a school building project  
5809 determined by the Commissioner of Education to be a project that will  
5810 assist the state in meeting its obligations pursuant to the decision in  
5811 *Sheff v. O'Neill*, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation or order  
5812 in effect, as determined by the Commissioner of Education. The  
5813 provisions of this subsection shall not apply to projects previously  
5814 authorized by the General Assembly that require special legislation to  
5815 correct procedural deficiencies.

5816 (d) No school building project shall be added to the list prepared by  
5817 the Commissioner of Administrative Services pursuant to subsection (a)  
5818 of this section, unless the applicant, prior to submitting an application,  
5819 has (1) secured funding authorization for the local share of the project  
5820 costs, provided for any application submitted on and after July 1, 2026,  
5821 such local share includes an additional ten per cent contingency that is  
5822 in accordance with guidance developed by the Department of  
5823 Administrative Services, and such authorization has become effective  
5824 pursuant to the general statutes and local ordinance or charter, or (2)  
5825 scheduled and prepared a referendum, if required, the results of which  
5826 shall be submitted on or before the fifteenth day of November in the  
5827 year of application. The reimbursement percentage for a project covered  
5828 by this subsection shall reflect the rates in effect during the fiscal year in  
5829 which such local funding authorization is secured.

5830 Sec. 153. Section 10-283a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
5831 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

5832 The listing of eligible school building projects submitted pursuant to  
5833 section 10-283 shall be reviewed by a committee consisting of the  
5834 chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing committees of  
5835 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to  
5836 appropriations and the budget of state agencies, finance, revenue and  
5837 bonding and education. The listing of eligible projects [by category]  
5838 shall be submitted to said committee prior to December fifteenth  
5839 annually to determine if said listing is in compliance with [the categories



5840 described in] the provisions of subsection (a) of section 10-283, and  
5841 standards established in regulations adopted pursuant to section 10-  
5842 287c. The committee may modify the listing. Such modified listing shall  
5843 be in compliance with the provisions of subsection (a) of section 10-283,  
5844 and such standards. [and categories.] On or after January first annually,  
5845 and prior to February first annually, the committee shall submit the  
5846 approved or modified listing of projects to the Governor and the  
5847 General Assembly.

5848 Sec. 154. Subsection (a) of section 10-284 of the general statutes is  
5849 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*  
5850 *2024*):

5851 (a) The Commissioner of Administrative Services shall have  
5852 authority to receive and review applications for state grants under this  
5853 chapter, and to approve any such application, or to disapprove any such  
5854 application if (1) it does not include an attestation from (A) the local fire  
5855 marshal that the school building project plans comply with the  
5856 requirements of the State Fire Marshal, [or] and (B) the district  
5857 department of health or municipal health department, as the case may  
5858 be, that the school building project plans comply with the requirements  
5859 of the Department of Public Health, (2) it is not accompanied by a life-  
5860 cycle cost analysis approved by the Commissioner of Administrative  
5861 Services, (3) it does not comply with the provisions of sections 10-290d  
5862 and 10-291, (4) it does not meet (A) the standards or requirements  
5863 established in regulations adopted in accordance with section 10-287c,  
5864 or (B) school building categorization requirements described in section  
5865 10-283, (5) the estimated construction cost exceeds the per square foot  
5866 cost for schools established in regulations adopted by the Commissioner  
5867 of Administrative Services, [for the county in which the project is  
5868 proposed to be located,] (6) on and after July 1, 2014, the application  
5869 does not comply with the school safety infrastructure criteria described  
5870 in section 10-292r, except the Commissioner of Administrative Services  
5871 may waive any of the provisions of the school safety infrastructure  
5872 criteria if the commissioner determines that the application

5873 demonstrates that the applicant has made a good faith effort to address  
5874 such criteria and that compliance with such criteria would be infeasible,  
5875 unreasonable or excessively expensive, (7) the Commissioner of  
5876 Education determines that the proposed educational specifications for  
5877 or theme of the project for which the applicant requests a state grant  
5878 duplicates a program offered by a technical education and career school  
5879 or an interdistrict magnet school in the same region, [or] (8) on and after  
5880 July 1, 2018, a regional educational service center is designated as the  
5881 project manager in the application, or (9) on and after July 1, 2025, the  
5882 application is not accompanied by any solar feasibility assessment  
5883 required pursuant to section 176 of this act for the school building that  
5884 is the subject of such application.

5885 Sec. 155. Subsection (e) of section 10-285a of the 2024 supplement to  
5886 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
5887 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

5888 (e) (1) If an elementary school building project for a new building or  
5889 for the expansion of an existing building includes space for [a school  
5890 readiness program] an early childhood care and education program that  
5891 provides services for children from birth to five years, the percentage  
5892 determined pursuant to this section shall be increased by [five] fifteen  
5893 percentage points, but shall not exceed one hundred per cent, for the  
5894 portion of the building used primarily for such purpose. Recipient  
5895 districts shall maintain [full-day preschool enrollment] such early  
5896 childhood care and education program for at least ten years.

5897 (2) The percentage determined pursuant to this section for any school  
5898 building project for a building or facility that will be used exclusively by  
5899 a local or regional board of education for an early childhood care and  
5900 education program that provides services for children from birth to five  
5901 years shall be increased by fifteen percentage points, but shall not  
5902 exceed one hundred per cent. Recipient districts shall maintain such  
5903 early childhood care and education program for at least twenty years.

5904 Sec. 156. Subsection (h) of section 10-285a of the 2024 supplement to  
5905 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
5906 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

5907 (h) Subject to the provisions of section 10-285d, if an elementary  
5908 school building project for a school in a priority school district or for a  
5909 priority school is necessary in order to offer a full-day kindergarten  
5910 program or a full-day preschool program or to reduce class size  
5911 pursuant to section 10-265f, the percentage determined pursuant to this  
5912 section shall be increased by ~~[ten]~~ fifteen percentage points, but shall not  
5913 exceed one hundred per cent, for the portion of the building used  
5914 primarily for such full-day kindergarten program, full-day preschool  
5915 program or such reduced size classes. Recipient districts that receive an  
5916 increase pursuant to this subsection in support of a full-day preschool  
5917 program, shall maintain full-day preschool enrollment for at least ten  
5918 years.

5919 Sec. 157. Subsection (k) of section 10-285a of the 2024 supplement to  
5920 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
5921 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

5922 (k) ~~[The]~~ On and after July 1, 2024, for applications submitted  
5923 pursuant to subsection (a) of section 10-283, the percentage of school  
5924 building project grant money a local or regional board of education [for  
5925 a municipality deemed to be an inclusive municipality by the  
5926 Commissioner of Housing] may be eligible to receive shall be increased  
5927 by five percentage points if, prior to December first of the year in which  
5928 the board submits an application for a grant, such board submits a  
5929 written determination issued by the Commissioner of Housing within  
5930 such year finding that the municipality in which the school building  
5931 project is to occur has been deemed to be an inclusive municipality. As  
5932 used in this subsection, "inclusive municipality" means any  
5933 municipality that: (1) Has a total population, as defined in section 10-  
5934 261, that is greater than six thousand; (2) has less than ten per cent of its  
5935 housing units determined by the commissioner to be affordable; (3) has

5936 adopted and maintains zoning regulations that (A) promote fair  
5937 housing, as determined by the commissioner, (B) provide a streamlined  
5938 process for the approval of the development of multifamily housing of  
5939 three units or more, (C) permit mixed-use development, and (D) allow  
5940 accessory dwelling units; and (4) has constructed new affordable  
5941 housing units that (A) are restricted, through deeds, covenants or other  
5942 means, to individuals or families whose income is eighty per cent or less  
5943 of the state median income, and (B) equal at least one per cent of such  
5944 town's total housing units in the three years immediately preceding the  
5945 submission of an application under this section.

5946 Sec. 158. Subsection (c) of section 10-285b of the general statutes is  
5947 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*  
5948 *2024*):

5949 (c) In order for an incorporated or endowed high school or academy  
5950 to be eligible for a grant commitment pursuant to this section such high  
5951 school or academy shall [(1)] provide educational services to the town  
5952 or towns designating it as the high school for such town or towns for a  
5953 period of not less than ten years after completion of grant payments  
5954 under this section. [, and (2) provide that at least half of the governing  
5955 board which exercises final educational, financial and legal  
5956 responsibility for the high school or academy, exclusive of the chairman  
5957 of such board, be representatives of the board or boards of education  
5958 designating the high school or academy as the high school for each such  
5959 board's town.]

5960 Sec. 159. Section 10-285c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
5961 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

5962 For school building projects approved by the General Assembly after  
5963 July 1, 1993, if state reimbursement pursuant to the provisions of this  
5964 chapter or any special act, for the acquisition, purchase or construction  
5965 of a building was for ninety-five or more per cent of the eligible costs of  
5966 such acquisition, purchase or construction and such building ceases to

5967 be used for the purpose for which the grant was provided within twenty  
5968 years of the date of approval by the General Assembly of the project,  
5969 title to the building shall revert to the state unless the Commissioner of  
5970 [Education] Administrative Services decides otherwise for good cause.

5971 Sec. 160. Subsection (b) of section 10-286 of the 2024 supplement to  
5972 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
5973 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

5974 (b) (1) In the case of all grants computed under this section for a  
5975 project which constitutes a replacement, extension or major alteration of  
5976 a damaged or destroyed facility, no grant may be paid if a local or  
5977 regional board of education has failed to insure its facilities and capital  
5978 equipment in accordance with the provisions of section 10-220. The  
5979 amount of financial loss due to any damage or destruction to any such  
5980 facility, as determined by ascertaining the replacement value of such  
5981 damage or destruction, shall be deducted from project cost estimates  
5982 prior to computation of the grant.

5983 (2) (A) In the case of any grants computed under this section for a  
5984 school building project authorized pursuant to section 10-283 after July  
5985 1, 1979, but prior to July 1, 2023, any federal funds or other state funds  
5986 received for such school building project shall be deducted from project  
5987 costs prior to computation of the grant.

5988 (B) In the case of any grants computed under this section for a school  
5989 building project authorized pursuant to section 10-283 after July 1, 2023,  
5990 but prior to July 1, 2024, any other state funds received for such school  
5991 building project shall be deducted from project costs prior to  
5992 computation of the grant.

5993 (C) In the case of any grants computed under this section for a school  
5994 building project authorized pursuant to section 10-283 after July 1, 2024,  
5995 any other state funds received for such school building project shall be  
5996 deducted from project costs prior to computation of the grant. For  
5997 purposes of this subparagraph, "other state funds" does not include any

5998 funds or benefit received pursuant to a program or initiative  
5999 implemented pursuant to section 16-19f, 16-243y, 16-244z, 16-245m or  
6000 16-245n.

6001 (3) The calculation of grants pursuant to this section shall be made in  
6002 accordance with the state standard space specifications in effect at the  
6003 time of the final grant calculation, except that on and after July 1, 2005,  
6004 in the case of a school district with an enrollment of less than one  
6005 hundred fifty students in grades kindergarten to grade eight, inclusive,  
6006 state standard space specifications shall not apply in the calculation of  
6007 grants pursuant to this section and the Commissioner of Administrative  
6008 Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Education, may  
6009 modify the standard space specifications for a project in such district.

6010 Sec. 161. Subsection (d) of section 10-286 of the 2024 supplement to  
6011 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
6012 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

6013 (d) For any school building project receiving state grant assistance  
6014 under this chapter, all change orders or other change directives issued  
6015 for such project [(1) on or after July 1, 2008, until June 30, 2011, shall be  
6016 submitted, not later than six months after the date of such issuance, to  
6017 the Commissioner of Education, and (2) on or after July 1, 2011,] shall be  
6018 submitted, not later than six months after the date of such issuance, to  
6019 the Commissioner of Administrative Services, in a manner prescribed  
6020 by the Commissioner of Administrative Services. Only change orders or  
6021 other change directives submitted to the Commissioner of Education or  
6022 Commissioner of Administrative Services, as applicable, in accordance  
6023 with this subsection shall be eligible for state grant assistance.

6024 Sec. 162. Section 10-286e of the general statutes is repealed and the  
6025 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

6026 (a) If the Department of Administrative Services does not complete  
6027 an audit of a school building project during the [five-year] two-year  
6028 period from the date [the school district files a notice of project

6029 completion with] the department issues final payment for such project,  
6030 the department shall conduct a limited scope audit of such project. The  
6031 limited scope audit shall review (1) the total amount of expenditures  
6032 reported, (2) any off-site improvements, (3) adherence to authorized  
6033 space specifications, (4) interest costs on temporary notes and bonds,  
6034 and (5) any other matter the Commissioner of Administrative Services  
6035 deems appropriate.

6036 (b) The department shall not make any adjustment to a school  
6037 construction grant based on the result of an audit finding that a change  
6038 order was not publicly bid.

6039 [(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the Commissioner  
6040 of Administrative Services may waive any audit deficiencies found  
6041 during an audit of a school building project conducted pursuant to this  
6042 section if the commissioner determines that granting such waiver is in  
6043 the best interest of the state.]

6044 Sec. 163. Subsections (a) to (d), inclusive, of section 10-287 of the  
6045 general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
6046 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

6047 (a) A grant for a school building project under this chapter [to meet  
6048 project costs not eligible for state financial assistance under section 10-  
6049 287a] shall be paid in installments, the number and time of payment of  
6050 which shall correspond to the number and time of principal installment  
6051 payments on municipal bonds, including principal payments to retire  
6052 temporary notes renewed for the third and subsequent years pursuant  
6053 to section 7-378a or 7-378e, issued for the purpose of financing such costs  
6054 and shall be equal to the state's share of project costs per principal  
6055 installment on municipal bonds or notes, except in cases where the  
6056 project has been fully paid for, in which case the number of installments  
6057 shall be five or, in the case of a regional agricultural science and  
6058 technology education center or a cooperative regional special  
6059 educational facility, shall be one; provided final payment shall not be

6060 made prior to an audit conducted by the State Board of Education for  
6061 each project for which a final calculation was not made prior to July 31,  
6062 1983. Grants under twenty-five thousand dollars shall be paid in one  
6063 lump sum. The Commissioner of Administrative Services shall certify  
6064 to the State Comptroller, upon completion of the issuance of bonds or  
6065 such renewal of temporary notes to finance each school building project,  
6066 the dates and amounts of grant payments to be made pursuant to this  
6067 chapter and the State Comptroller shall draw an order on the State  
6068 Treasurer upon such certification to pay the amounts so certified when  
6069 due. All site acquisition and project cost grant payments shall be made  
6070 at least ten days prior to the principal payment on bonds or temporary  
6071 notes related thereto or short-term financing issued to finance such site  
6072 acquisition or project. Annual grant installments paid pursuant to this  
6073 section on principal installment payments to retire temporary notes  
6074 renewed pursuant to section 7-378a or 7-378e shall be based each year  
6075 on the amount required to be retired pursuant to said sections, as  
6076 adjusted for any ineligible project costs, and shall be paid only if at the  
6077 time such temporary notes are renewed the rate of interest applicable to  
6078 such notes is less than the rate of interest that would be applicable with  
6079 respect to twenty-year bonds if issued at the time of such renewal. The  
6080 determination related to such rates of interest pursuant to this  
6081 subsection may be reviewed and shall be subject to approval by the  
6082 Commissioner of Administrative Services prior to renewal of such  
6083 notes. In the event that a school building project is not completed at the  
6084 time bonds or temporary notes related thereto are issued to finance the  
6085 project, the certification of the grant payments made pursuant to this  
6086 section by the Commissioner of Administrative Services may be based  
6087 on estimates, provided upon completion of such project and notification  
6088 of final acceptance to the state, the Commissioner of Administrative  
6089 Services shall adjust and recertify the dates and amounts of subsequent  
6090 grant payments based on the state's share of final eligible costs.

6091 (b) (1) All orders and contracts for school building construction  
6092 receiving state assistance under this chapter, except as provided in



6093 subdivisions (2) to (4), inclusive, of this subsection, shall be awarded to  
6094 the lowest responsible qualified bidder only after a public invitation to  
6095 bid, except for (A) school building projects for which the town or  
6096 regional school district is using a state contract pursuant to subsection  
6097 (d) of section 10-292, and (B) change orders, those contracts or orders  
6098 costing less than ten thousand dollars and those of an emergency nature,  
6099 as determined by the Commissioner of Administrative Services, in  
6100 which cases the contractor or vendor may be selected by negotiation,  
6101 provided no local fiscal regulations, ordinances or charter provisions  
6102 conflict. Any of the qualified bidders under this subdivision may be a  
6103 cooperative purchasing contract offered through a regional educational  
6104 service center or a council of government.

6105 (2) All orders and contracts for architectural services shall be  
6106 awarded from a pool of [not more than the four] at least three of the  
6107 most responsible qualified proposers after a public selection process.  
6108 Such process shall, at a minimum, involve requests for qualifications,  
6109 followed by requests for proposals, including fees, from the proposers  
6110 meeting the qualifications criteria of the request for qualifications  
6111 process. Following the qualification process, the awarding authority  
6112 shall evaluate the proposals to determine [the four] at least three of the  
6113 most responsible qualified proposers using those criteria previously  
6114 listed in the requests for qualifications and requests for proposals for  
6115 selecting architectural services specific to the project or school district.  
6116 Such evaluation criteria shall include due consideration of the  
6117 proposer's pricing for the project, experience with work of similar size  
6118 and scope as required for the order or contract, organizational and team  
6119 structure, including any subcontractors to be utilized by the proposer,  
6120 for the order or contract, past performance data, including, but not  
6121 limited to, adherence to project schedules and project budgets and the  
6122 number of change orders for projects, the approach to the work required  
6123 for the order or contract and documented contract oversight  
6124 capabilities, and may include criteria specific to the project. Final  
6125 selection by the awarding authority is limited to the pool of [the four] at

6126 least three of the most responsible qualified proposers and shall include  
6127 consideration of all criteria included within the request for proposals.  
6128 As used in this subdivision, "most responsible qualified proposer"  
6129 means the proposer who is qualified by the awarding authority when  
6130 considering price and the factors necessary for faithful performance of  
6131 the work based on the criteria and scope of work included in the request  
6132 for proposals.

6133 (3) (A) All orders and contracts for construction management services  
6134 shall be awarded from a pool of [not more than the four] at least three  
6135 of the most responsible qualified proposers after a public selection  
6136 process. Such process shall, at a minimum, involve requests for  
6137 qualifications, followed by requests for proposals, including fees, from  
6138 the proposers meeting the qualifications criteria of the request for  
6139 qualifications process. Following the qualification process, the  
6140 awarding authority shall evaluate the proposals to determine [the four]  
6141 at least three of the most responsible qualified proposers using those  
6142 criteria previously listed in the requests for qualifications and requests  
6143 for proposals for selecting construction management services specific to  
6144 the project or school district. Such evaluation criteria shall include due  
6145 consideration of the proposer's pricing for the project, experience with  
6146 work of similar size and scope as required for the order or contract,  
6147 organizational and team structure for the order or contract, past  
6148 performance data, including, but not limited to, adherence to project  
6149 schedules and project budgets and the number of change orders for  
6150 projects, the approach to the work required for the order or contract,  
6151 and documented contract oversight capabilities, and may include  
6152 criteria specific to the project. Final selection by the awarding authority  
6153 is limited to the pool of [the four] at least three of the most responsible  
6154 qualified proposers and shall include consideration of all criteria  
6155 included within the request for proposals. As used in this subdivision,  
6156 "most responsible qualified proposer" means the proposer who is  
6157 qualified by the awarding authority when considering price and the  
6158 factors necessary for faithful performance of the work based on the

6159 criteria and scope of work included in the request for proposals.

6160 (B) The construction manager's contract shall include a guaranteed  
6161 maximum price for the cost of construction. Such guaranteed maximum  
6162 price shall be determined not later than ninety days after the selection  
6163 of the trade subcontractor bids. Each construction manager shall invite  
6164 bids and give notice of opportunities to bid on project elements on the  
6165 State Contracting Portal. Each bid shall be kept sealed until opened  
6166 publicly at the time and place set forth in the notice soliciting such bid.  
6167 The construction manager shall, after consultation and approval by the  
6168 town or regional school district, award any related contracts for project  
6169 elements to the responsible qualified contractor submitting the lowest  
6170 bid in compliance with the bid requirements, provided that [(i) the  
6171 construction manager shall not be eligible to submit a bid for any such  
6172 project element, and (ii)] construction shall not begin prior to the  
6173 determination of the guaranteed maximum price. [, except work relating  
6174 to site preparation and demolition may commence prior to such  
6175 determination.] On and after July 1, 2024, the construction manager's  
6176 contract shall include a requirement that the construction manager  
6177 retain all documents and receipts relating to the school building project  
6178 for a period of two years following the date of completion of an audit  
6179 conducted by the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to  
6180 section 10-287, for such project.

6181 (C) The construction manager shall submit quarterly reports  
6182 regarding the ineligible project costs for the school building project to  
6183 date to the town or regional board of education. Upon submission of the  
6184 notice of project completion pursuant to subsection (d) of this section,  
6185 and prior to the audit conducted by the commissioner, the construction  
6186 manager shall submit a final report on the total ineligible costs for such  
6187 project to the town or regional school district.

6188 (D) The construction manager shall meet quarterly with the town or  
6189 regional board of education to review any change orders for eligibility  
6190 as the school building project progresses.

6191 (4) All orders and contracts for any other consultant services,  
6192 including, but not limited to, consultant services rendered by an owner's  
6193 representatives, construction administrators, program managers,  
6194 environmental professionals, planners and financial specialists, shall  
6195 comply with the public selection process described in subdivision (2) of  
6196 this subsection. No costs associated with an order or contract for such  
6197 consultant services shall be eligible for state financial assistance under  
6198 this chapter unless such order or contract receives prior approval from  
6199 the Commissioner of Administrative Services in writing or through a  
6200 written electronic communication.

6201 (c) If the Commissioner of Administrative Services determines that a  
6202 building project has not met the approved conditions of the original  
6203 application, the Department of Administrative Services may withhold  
6204 subsequent state grant payments for said project until appropriate  
6205 action, as determined by the commissioner, is taken to cause the  
6206 building project to be in compliance with the approved conditions or  
6207 may require repayment of all state grant payments for said project when  
6208 such appropriate action is not undertaken within a reasonable time.

6209 (d) (1) Each town or regional school district shall submit a final grant  
6210 application to the Department of Administrative Services [within] not  
6211 later than one year from the date of completion and acceptance of the  
6212 school building project by the town or regional school district. If a town  
6213 or regional school district fails to submit a final grant application [within  
6214 said period of time] on or before such one-year date, the commissioner  
6215 may withhold ten per cent of the state reimbursement for such project.

6216 (2) (A) On and after July 1, [2022] 2024, each town or regional school  
6217 district shall submit a notice of project completion [within three years]  
6218 not later than one year from the date of the issuance of a certificate of  
6219 occupancy for the school building project by the town or regional school  
6220 district. If a town or regional school district fails to submit such notice  
6221 of project completion [within said period of time] on or before such one-  
6222 year date, the commissioner shall deem such project completed and

6223 conduct an audit of such project in accordance with the provisions of  
6224 this chapter.

6225 (B) For any school building project authorized by the General  
6226 Assembly prior to July 1, 2022, the commissioner shall deem as complete  
6227 any such project in which a certificate of occupancy has been granted,  
6228 but for which a notice of project completion has not been submitted by  
6229 the town or regional school district on or before July 1, 2025.

6230 Sec. 164. Section 10-287c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
6231 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

6232 [(a) The State Board of Education is authorized to prescribe such rules  
6233 and regulations as may be necessary to implement the provisions of this  
6234 chapter, provided any rules or regulations to implement the provisions  
6235 of sections 10-283, 10-287, 10-287a, 10-292d and subsection (d) of section  
6236 10-292m shall be prescribed in consultation with the Secretary of the  
6237 Office of Policy and Management. Whenever the Commissioner of  
6238 Education has made a commitment for a grant on or before June 30,  
6239 2011, prior to the completion of a project as provided in section 10-287a,  
6240 and said commissioner has made advances thereon as provided in said  
6241 section, any such regulations prescribed in accordance with this section  
6242 which were in effect at the time of such commitment and advances shall  
6243 be applicable to any additional commitment and subsequent advances  
6244 with respect to such project.]

6245 [(b) Not later than June 30, 2013, the] The Commissioner of  
6246 Administrative Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of  
6247 Education, shall adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of  
6248 chapter 54 in order to implement the provisions of this chapter. [Such  
6249 regulations shall apply to any project for which a grant application is  
6250 filed with the Department of Education on or after July 1, 2013.]

6251 Sec. 165. Section 10-287d of the 2024 supplement to the general  
6252 statutes, as amended by section 59 of public act 23-205, is repealed and  
6253 the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

6254 For the purposes of funding (1) grants to projects that have received  
6255 approval of the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to  
6256 [sections] section 10-287 [and 10-287a,] subsection (a) of section 10-65  
6257 and section 10-76e, (2) grants to assist school building projects to remedy  
6258 safety and health violations and damage from fire and catastrophe, and  
6259 (3) technical education and career school projects pursuant to section 10-  
6260 283b, the State Treasurer is authorized and directed, subject to and in  
6261 accordance with the provisions of section 3-20, to issue bonds of the state  
6262 from time to time in one or more series in an aggregate amount not  
6263 exceeding thirteen billion eight hundred sixty-two million one hundred  
6264 sixty thousand dollars. Bonds of each series shall bear such date or dates  
6265 and mature at such time or times not exceeding thirty years from their  
6266 respective dates and be subject to such redemption privileges, with or  
6267 without premium, as may be fixed by the State Bond Commission. They  
6268 shall be sold at not less than par and accrued interest and the full faith  
6269 and credit of the state is pledged for the payment of the interest thereon  
6270 and the principal thereof as the same shall become due, and accordingly  
6271 and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds,  
6272 appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such  
6273 principal and interest is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay  
6274 such principal and interest as the same become due. The State Treasurer  
6275 is authorized to invest temporarily in direct obligations of the United  
6276 States, United States agency obligations, certificates of deposit,  
6277 commercial paper or bank acceptances such portion of the proceeds of  
6278 such bonds or of any notes issued in anticipation thereof as may be  
6279 deemed available for such purpose.

6280 Sec. 166. Section 10-287e of the general statutes is repealed and the  
6281 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

6282 All moneys received by the state in payment of the principal of and  
6283 the interest on bonds purchased and held by the state under the  
6284 provisions of section 10-287b of the 1969 supplement to the general  
6285 statutes, together with all net earnings on the temporary investment  
6286 thereof, shall comprise a fund to be designated "School Building

6287 Construction Fund" and the moneys in said fund shall be used to pay  
6288 the principal of and the interest on bonds issued by the State Treasurer  
6289 under [sections] section 10-287d [and 10-292k,] and of notes, to the  
6290 extent not paid by renewal notes, issued in anticipation of the receipt of  
6291 the proceeds of such bonds.

6292 Sec. 167. Subsection (b) of section 10-291 of the general statutes is  
6293 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*  
6294 *2024*):

6295 (b) The Department of Administrative Services shall not approve a  
6296 school building project plan or site, as applicable, if:

6297 (1) The site is in an area of moderate or high radon potential, as  
6298 indicated in the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection's  
6299 Radon Potential Map, or similar subsequent publications, except where  
6300 the school building project plan incorporates construction techniques to  
6301 mitigate radon levels in the air of the facility;

6302 (2) The plans incorporate new roof construction or total replacement  
6303 of an existing roof and do not provide for the following: (A) A minimum  
6304 roof pitch that conforms with the requirements of the State Building  
6305 Code, (B) a minimum twenty-year unlimited manufacturer's guarantee  
6306 for water tightness covering material and workmanship on the entire  
6307 roofing system, (C) the inclusion of vapor retarders, insulation, bitumen,  
6308 felts, membranes, flashings, metals, decks and any other feature  
6309 required by the roof design, and (D) that all manufacturer's materials to  
6310 be used in the roofing system are specified to meet the latest standards  
6311 for individual components of the roofing systems of the American  
6312 Society for Testing and Materials;

6313 (3) In the case of a major alteration, renovation or extension of a  
6314 building to be used for public school purposes, the plans do not  
6315 incorporate the guidelines set forth in the Sheet Metal and Air  
6316 Conditioning Contractors National Association's publication entitled  
6317 "Indoor Air Quality Guidelines for Occupied Buildings Under

6318 Construction" or similar subsequent publications;

6319 (4) In the case of a new construction, extension, renovation or  
6320 replacement, the plans do not provide that the building maintenance  
6321 staff responsible for such facility are trained in or are receiving training  
6322 in, or that the applicant plans to provide training in, the appropriate  
6323 areas of plant operations including, but not limited to, heating,  
6324 ventilation and air conditioning systems pursuant to section 10-231e,  
6325 with specific training relative to indoor air quality;

6326 (5) In the case of a project for new construction, extension, major  
6327 alteration, renovation or replacement involving a school entrance for  
6328 inclusion on any listing submitted to the General Assembly in  
6329 accordance with section 10-283 on or after July 1, 2008, the plans do not  
6330 provide for a security infrastructure for such entrance;

6331 (6) In the case of a project for new construction, extension, major  
6332 alteration, renovation or replacement on any listing submitted to the  
6333 General Assembly in accordance with section 10-283 on or after July 1,  
6334 2022, the plans do not provide for the installation of at least one water  
6335 bottle filling station (A) per one hundred students of the projected  
6336 enrollment for the school building, (B) on each new floor or wing of the  
6337 school building, and (C) in any food service area of the school building;  
6338 [or]

6339 (7) In the case of a project for new construction of a school building  
6340 on any listing submitted to the General Assembly in accordance with  
6341 section 10-283 on or after July 1, 2023, the plans do not provide for the  
6342 installation of level two electric vehicle charging stations, as defined in  
6343 section 4b-77, in at least twenty per cent of the designated parking  
6344 spaces for cars or light duty trucks at the school building; or

6345 (8) In the case of a project for new construction of a school building  
6346 on any listing submitted to the General Assembly in accordance with  
6347 section 10-283, on or after July 1, 2025, the plans do not provide for  
6348 single-user toilet and bathing rooms that are identified as being



6349 available for use by all students and school personnel.

6350 Sec. 168. Section 10-292v of the general statutes is repealed and the  
6351 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

6352 Any school building committee established by a town or regional  
6353 school district to undertake a school building project, as defined in  
6354 section 10-282, shall include (1) at least one member who has experience  
6355 in the construction industry, and (2) the chairperson of the local or  
6356 regional board of education, or the chairperson's designee, for the school  
6357 district of such school building project.

6358 Sec. 169. Section 10-265r of the 2024 supplement to the general  
6359 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof  
6360 (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

6361 (a) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, and each fiscal year  
6362 thereafter, the Department of Administrative Services shall administer  
6363 a heating, ventilation and air conditioning system grant program to  
6364 reimburse local and regional boards of education, regional educational  
6365 service centers, incorporated or endowed high schools or academies  
6366 approved by the State Board of Education, pursuant to section 10-34,  
6367 and state charter schools for costs associated with projects for the  
6368 installation, replacement or upgrading of heating, ventilation and air  
6369 conditioning systems or other improvements to indoor air quality in  
6370 school buildings.

6371 (b) (1) A local or regional board of education, [or a] regional  
6372 educational service center, incorporated or endowed high school or  
6373 academy or state charter school may apply, at such time and in such  
6374 manner as the Commissioner of Administrative Services prescribes, for  
6375 a grant for a project involving the installation, replacement or upgrading  
6376 of heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems or other  
6377 improvements to indoor air quality in school buildings. A local or  
6378 regional board of education may submit an application for any such  
6379 project that (A) was commenced on or after March 1, 2020, and

6380 completed before July 1, 2022, or (B) is commenced on or after July 1,  
6381 2022.

6382 (2) The commissioner shall develop eligibility criteria for the  
6383 awarding of grants under the program. Such criteria shall include, but  
6384 need not be limited to, (A) the age and condition of the current heating,  
6385 ventilation and air conditioning system or equipment being replaced or  
6386 upgraded in the school, (B) current air quality issues at the school, (C)  
6387 the age and condition of the overall school building, (D) the school  
6388 district's master plan, (E) the availability of maintenance records, (F) a  
6389 contract or plans for the routine maintenance and cleaning of the  
6390 heating, ventilation and air conditioning system, and (G) the [local or  
6391 regional board of education's or regional educational service center's]  
6392 ability of the local or regional board of education, regional educational  
6393 service center, incorporated or endowed high school or academy or state  
6394 charter school to finance the remainder of the costs for such project after  
6395 receiving a grant under the program. The commissioner shall utilize  
6396 such eligibility criteria when determining whether to award a grant to  
6397 an applicant under the program.

6398 (3) The commissioner shall not award a grant under the program to  
6399 any applicant that, on or after July 1, [2024] 2026, has not certified  
6400 compliance with the uniform inspection and evaluation of an existing  
6401 heating, ventilation and air conditioning system pursuant to subsection  
6402 (d) of section 10-220.

6403 (c) (1) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision [(4)] (5) of this  
6404 subsection, a local board of education may receive a grant equal to a  
6405 percentage of its eligible expenses. The percentage shall be determined  
6406 by its ranking. Such ranking shall be determined as follows: (A) Each  
6407 town shall be ranked in descending order from one to one hundred  
6408 sixty-nine according to the adjusted equalized net grand list per capita,  
6409 as defined in section 10-261, of the town two, three and four years prior  
6410 to the fiscal year in which application is made, (B) based upon such  
6411 ranking, a percentage of not less than twenty or more than eighty shall

6412 be assigned to each town on a continuous scale, and (C) the town ranked  
6413 first shall be assigned a percentage of twenty and the town ranked last  
6414 shall be assigned a percentage of eighty.

6415 (2) A regional board of education may receive a grant equal to a  
6416 percentage of its eligible expenses. The percentage shall be determined  
6417 by its ranking. Such ranking shall be determined as follows: (A)  
6418 Multiplying the total population, as defined in section 10-261, of each  
6419 town in the district by such town's ranking, as determined in  
6420 subdivision (1) of this subsection, (B) adding together the figures  
6421 determined under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, and (C)  
6422 dividing the total computed under subparagraph (B) of this subdivision  
6423 by the total population of all towns in the district. The ranking of each  
6424 regional board of education shall be rounded to the next higher whole  
6425 number and each such board shall receive the same reimbursement  
6426 percentage as would a town with the same rank plus ten per cent, except  
6427 that no such percentage shall exceed eighty-five per cent.

6428 (3) A regional educational service center may receive a grant equal to  
6429 a percentage of its eligible expenses. The percentage shall be determined  
6430 by its ranking. Such ranking shall be determined by (A) multiplying the  
6431 population of each member town in the regional educational service  
6432 center by such town's ranking, as determined in subdivision (1) of this  
6433 subsection, (B) adding together the figures for each town determined  
6434 under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, and (C) dividing the total  
6435 computed under subparagraph (B) of this subdivision by the total  
6436 population of all member towns in the regional educational service  
6437 center. The ranking of each regional educational service center shall be  
6438 rounded to the next higher whole number and each such center shall  
6439 receive the same reimbursement percentage as would a town with the  
6440 same rank.

6441 (4) An incorporated or endowed high school or academy approved  
6442 by the State Board of Education, pursuant to section 10-34, may receive  
6443 a grant equal to a percentage of its eligible expenses. The percentage

6444 shall be determined by its ranking. Such ranking shall be determined in  
6445 accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) of section 10-285b.

6446 (5) A state charter school may receive a grant equal to a percentage of  
6447 its eligible expenses. The percentage shall be one-half of the percentage  
6448 of the town in which the state charter school is located, as determined  
6449 by its ranking in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (1) of  
6450 this subsection.

6451 ~~[(4)]~~ (6) The local board of education for (A) any town with a total  
6452 population of eighty thousand or greater shall receive a grant equal to a  
6453 percentage of its eligible expenses that is the greater of the percentage  
6454 calculated pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection or sixty per  
6455 cent, and (B) the town of Cheshire shall receive a grant equal to a  
6456 percentage of its eligible expenses that is the greater of the percentage  
6457 calculated pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection or fifty per cent.

6458 (d) If there are not sufficient funds to provide grants to all local and  
6459 regional boards of education and regional educational service centers,  
6460 based on the percentage determined pursuant to subsection (c) of this  
6461 section, the commissioner shall give priority to applicants on behalf of  
6462 schools with the greatest need for heating, ventilation and air  
6463 conditioning systems or other improvements to indoor air quality in  
6464 school buildings, as determined by the commissioner based on the  
6465 eligibility criteria developed pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection  
6466 (b) of this section.

6467 (e) The following expenses shall not be eligible for reimbursement  
6468 under this section: (1) Routine maintenance and cleaning of the heating,  
6469 ventilation and air conditioning system, (2) work that is otherwise  
6470 eligible for a school building project grant under chapter 173, and (3)  
6471 work performed at or on a public school administrative or service  
6472 facility that is not located or housed within a public school building.

6473 (f) A local or regional board of education or a regional educational  
6474 service center may use any federal funds received by such board or

6475 center to finance a project for the installation, replacement or upgrading  
6476 of heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems or other  
6477 improvements to indoor air quality in school buildings for which a grant  
6478 is received under this section, and such federal funds shall be deemed  
6479 to be part or all of the town's local share for such project.

6480 (g) Any project for the installation, replacement or upgrading of  
6481 heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems or other  
6482 improvements to indoor air quality in school buildings for which a grant  
6483 is awarded under this section shall be completed by the end of the next  
6484 calendar year, unless the duration of such project is extended by the  
6485 commissioner upon a showing of good cause by the local or regional  
6486 board of education or regional educational service center.

6487 (h) Any local or regional board of education or regional educational  
6488 service center that receives a grant under this section shall (1) be  
6489 responsible for the routine maintenance and cleaning of the heating,  
6490 ventilation and air conditioning system, and (2) provide training to  
6491 school personnel and building maintenance staff concerning the proper  
6492 use and maintenance of the heating, ventilation and air conditioning  
6493 system.

6494 (i) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2025, and June 30, 2026, the  
6495 commissioner shall reconsider any application for a grant under this  
6496 section that was submitted by a local or regional board of education or  
6497 regional educational service center prior to July 1, 2024, and which the  
6498 commissioner had denied. Such board or center shall not be required to  
6499 submit a new application for such reconsideration, unless the reason for  
6500 such denial was that such application was incomplete or the  
6501 commissioner determines that additional information or revision to  
6502 such application is necessary to be able to award a grant. The  
6503 commissioner shall provide technical assistance during such  
6504 reconsideration period to such boards and centers in order to assist such  
6505 boards in being able to be awarded a grant under this section.

6506 Sec. 170. Subsection (b) of section 10-265t of the 2024 supplement to  
6507 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
6508 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

6509 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the amount  
6510 stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the Department  
6511 of Administrative Services for the purpose of providing grants-in-aid  
6512 for school air quality improvements including, but not limited to,  
6513 upgrades to, replacement of or installation of heating, ventilation and  
6514 air conditioning equipment, provided (1) not more than fifty million  
6515 dollars of such proceeds may be used to provide reimbursements for  
6516 such improvements that were completed not earlier than March 1, 2020,  
6517 and not later than July 1, 2022, and (2) not more than fifteen million  
6518 dollars of such proceeds shall be used for grants-in-aid for the purchase  
6519 of equipment and materials for the construction and installation of  
6520 individual classroom air purifiers, provided not more than eleven  
6521 million five hundred thousand dollars of such proceeds shall be used by  
6522 The University of Connecticut as part of the Supplemental Air Filtration  
6523 for Education program under the Clean Air Equity Response Program  
6524 for the purposes described in this subdivision, and the remainder of  
6525 such proceeds shall be used by an organization or organizations that  
6526 provide equipment and materials for individual classroom air purifiers  
6527 to schools.

6528 Sec. 171. Section 10-66i of the general statutes is repealed and the  
6529 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

6530 All state statutes concerning education, including provisions for  
6531 eligibility for state aid and the payment of grants in accordance with the  
6532 provisions of sections 10-283, 10-286d, 10-287, and 10-288 [, 10-292d and  
6533 10-292] with respect to bonds, notes or other obligations issued by a  
6534 regional educational service center to finance building projects  
6535 approved by the Commissioner of Education, shall apply to the  
6536 operation of regional educational service centers. Notwithstanding the  
6537 provisions of any other section of the general statutes, the board of a

6538 center shall be eligible to receive direct payment pursuant to the  
6539 provisions of section 10-76g.

6540 Sec. 172. Subparagraph (A) of subdivision (1) of subsection (g) of  
6541 section 3-20 of the 2024 supplement to the general statutes is repealed  
6542 and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

6543 (g) (1) (A) With the exception of refunding bonds, whenever a bond  
6544 act empowers the State Bond Commission to authorize bonds for any  
6545 project or purpose or projects or purposes, and whenever the State Bond  
6546 Commission finds that the authorization of such bonds will be in the  
6547 best interests of the state, it shall authorize such bonds by resolution  
6548 adopted by the approving vote of at least a majority of said commission.  
6549 No such resolution shall be so adopted by the State Bond Commission  
6550 unless it finds that:

6551 (i) There has been filed with it (I) any human services facility  
6552 colocation statement to be filed with the Secretary of the Office of Policy  
6553 and Management, if so requested by the secretary, pursuant to section  
6554 4b-23; (II) a statement from the Commissioner of Agriculture pursuant  
6555 to section 22-6, for projects which would convert twenty-five or more  
6556 acres of prime farmland to a nonagricultural use; (III) prior to the  
6557 meeting at which such resolution is to be considered, any capital  
6558 development impact statement required to be filed with the Secretary of  
6559 the Office of Policy and Management; (IV) a statement as to the full cost  
6560 of the project or purpose when completed and the estimated operating  
6561 cost for any structure, equipment or facility to be constructed or  
6562 acquired; and (V) such requests and such other documents as it or such  
6563 bond act requires, provided no resolution with respect to any school  
6564 building project financed pursuant to section 10-287d [or any interest  
6565 subsidy financed pursuant to section 10-292k] shall require the filing of  
6566 any statements pursuant to this clause and provided further any  
6567 resolution requiring a capital impact statement shall be deemed not  
6568 properly before the State Bond Commission until such capital  
6569 development impact statement is filed; and

6570 (ii) Such authorization does not exceed the limit specified under  
6571 subdivision (2) of subsection (d) of this section.

6572 Sec. 173. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2024*) (a) Not later than January 1,  
6573 2025, the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority shall initiate a docket to  
6574 develop a program to encourage the installation of solar photovoltaic  
6575 systems and energy storage systems at public schools. The authority  
6576 shall incorporate such program into the programs authorized pursuant  
6577 to sections 16-243ee, and 16-244z of the general statutes. The authority  
6578 may establish a separate tariff for projects selected under such program  
6579 and may identify a reasonable cap, not to exceed twenty-five megawatts  
6580 per year, on the annual generating capacity of projects under such  
6581 program, provided the authority shall permit any unused allowance  
6582 under such cap in any given year to accrue. The megawatts available  
6583 under such cap shall be separate from and shall not count toward the  
6584 number of total available megawatts under subparagraph (A) of  
6585 subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of section 16-244z of the general  
6586 statutes.

6587 (b) A proposal for a project under such program may base such  
6588 project's capacity on an estimate of electricity usage on the customer side  
6589 of the revenue meter that exceeds existing on-site usage at the time of  
6590 such proposal to account for additional future uses of the electricity, as  
6591 determined by the authority, including, but not limited to: (1) Electric  
6592 vehicle charging stations; (2) electricity-dependent heating and cooling  
6593 systems; and (3) powering equipment used in the provision of food or  
6594 equipment used to provide water for drinking or hygiene.

6595 Sec. 174. Section 16-244z of the 2024 supplement to the general  
6596 statutes is amended by adding subsection (h) as follows (*Effective July 1,*  
6597 *2024*):

6598 (NEW) (h) Notwithstanding any provision of this section, the  
6599 authority shall incorporate the program established pursuant to section  
6600 154 of this act into the programs authorized pursuant to this section.



6601       Sec. 175. Section 16-243ee of the general statutes is amended by  
6602 adding subsection (e) as follows (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

6603       (NEW) (e) Notwithstanding any provision of this section, the  
6604 authority shall incorporate the program established pursuant to section  
6605 154 of this act into the programs authorized pursuant to this section.

6606       Sec. 176. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2024*) (a) Effective July 1, 2025, prior  
6607 to submitting any application for a school building project pursuant to  
6608 subsection (a) of section 10-283 of the general statutes, any local or  
6609 regional board of education shall provide for a solar feasibility  
6610 assessment for the school building that is the subject of such application,  
6611 unless such school building already utilizes solar energy. The purpose  
6612 of such solar feasibility assessment shall be to provide information to  
6613 such local or regional board of education concerning the feasibility of  
6614 installing solar photovoltaic systems on the premises of such school  
6615 building. Such information shall include: (1) The annual load at the  
6616 electric meters for such school building during the most recent calendar  
6617 year, if applicable; (2) the area of rooftop space and impervious surface  
6618 on the premises of such school building that is available to host solar  
6619 photovoltaic systems; (3) available opportunities for interconnection  
6620 with the electric distribution system; and (4) a description of anticipated  
6621 costs, savings and contractual terms for any such solar photovoltaic  
6622 systems, including interconnection costs and electric bill credits.

6623       (b) Such local or regional board of education may provide for such a  
6624 solar feasibility assessment pursuant to subsection (a) of this section in  
6625 coordination with other local or regional boards of education.

6626       Sec. 177. Section 384 of public act 22-118, as amended by section 136  
6627 of public act 23-205, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
6628 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

6629       (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general  
6630 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
6631 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section

6632 requiring a completed grant application be submitted prior to June 30,  
6633 2021, the new construction project at Danbury Career Academy at  
6634 Cartus (Project Number 034-0153 N) in the town of Danbury with costs  
6635 not to exceed [one hundred fifty-four million] one hundred seventy-  
6636 nine million five hundred thousand dollars shall be included in  
6637 subdivision (1) of section 362 of public act 22-118 and shall subsequently  
6638 be considered for a grant commitment from the state, provided the town  
6639 of Danbury files an application for such school building project prior to  
6640 October 1, 2022, and meets all other provisions of chapter 173 of the  
6641 general statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of  
6642 Education or the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to  
6643 said chapter and is eligible for grant assistance pursuant to said chapter.

6644 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-285a of the general  
6645 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
6646 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section  
6647 concerning the reimbursement percentage that a local board of  
6648 education may be eligible to receive for a school building project, the  
6649 town of Danbury may use the reimbursement rate of eighty per cent for  
6650 the new construction project, including site acquisition, limited eligible  
6651 costs and the associated board of education/central administration  
6652 facility project, at Danbury Career Academy at Cartus.

6653 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-286 of the general  
6654 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
6655 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section  
6656 concerning the calculation of grants using the state standard space  
6657 specifications, the town of Danbury shall be exempt from the state  
6658 standard space specifications for the purpose of the calculation of the  
6659 grant for the new construction project at Danbury Career Academy at  
6660 Cartus.

6661 (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-285a of the general  
6662 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
6663 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section

6664 concerning the reimbursement percentage that a local board of  
6665 education may be eligible to receive for a school building project, the  
6666 town of Danbury may use the reimbursement rate of eighty per cent for  
6667 site acquisition costs associated with the purchase of any parcels of land  
6668 adjacent to the site of the new construction project at Danbury Career  
6669 Academy at Cartus.

6670 (e) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general  
6671 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
6672 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section  
6673 concerning ineligible costs, the town of Danbury shall be eligible to  
6674 receive reimbursement for certain ineligible costs for the new  
6675 construction project at Danbury Career Academy at Cartus, provided  
6676 such reimbursement for such ineligible costs do not exceed nine  
6677 hundred ninety-two thousand eight hundred forty-two dollars.

6678 (f) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general  
6679 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
6680 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section  
6681 concerning ineligible costs and section 10-286d of the general statutes or  
6682 any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the  
6683 Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section relating  
6684 to grants for site acquisition costs, the town of Danbury shall be eligible  
6685 to receive reimbursement in an amount of [thirty-nine million four  
6686 hundred thousand] forty-five million seven hundred sixty thousand  
6687 dollars for its site acquisition costs for the new construction project at  
6688 Danbury Career Academy at Cartus.

6689 (g) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-286d of the general  
6690 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
6691 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section  
6692 requiring the site for a school building project to be approved by the  
6693 Commissioner of Administrative Services prior to the date of the  
6694 beginning of construction, the town of Danbury shall be eligible to  
6695 receive reimbursement for its eligible costs for the new construction

6696 project at Danbury Career Academy at Cartus.

6697       Sec. 178. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
6698 subdivision (6) of subsection (a) of section 10-286 of the general statutes  
6699 or any regulations adopted by the State Board of Education or the  
6700 Department of Administrative Services regarding eligible costs for roof  
6701 replacement projects and requiring that a roof be at least twenty years  
6702 old to qualify for a grant for a replacement of such roof, the roof at  
6703 Ellsworth Avenue School shall be deemed to be twenty years old and  
6704 the town of Danbury may replace the roof at Ellsworth Avenue School  
6705 and be eligible to receive a grant based on the eligible percentages  
6706 determined pursuant to said section of the eligible project costs.

6707       Sec. 179. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
6708 section 10-283 of the general statutes, or any regulation adopted by the  
6709 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
6710 pursuant to said section concerning ineligible costs, the town of New  
6711 London shall be eligible to receive reimbursement for certain ineligible  
6712 costs for the interdistrict magnet facility and extension and alteration  
6713 project at Science/Technology Magnet High School (Project Number  
6714 095-0078 MAG/EA), provided such reimbursement for such ineligible  
6715 costs do not exceed one million five hundred ninety-one thousand seven  
6716 hundred thirty-six dollars.

6717       Sec. 180. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
6718 section 10-286 of the general statutes, or any regulation adopted by the  
6719 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
6720 pursuant to said section concerning the calculation of grants using the  
6721 state standard space specifications, the town of Milford shall be exempt  
6722 from the state standard space specifications for the purpose of the  
6723 calculation of the grant for the following school building projects: Calf  
6724 Pen Meadow Elementary School (Project Number 084-0215 A); John F.  
6725 Kennedy Elementary School (Project Number 084-0210 A); Live Oaks  
6726 Elementary School (Project Number 084-0214 A); Mathewson  
6727 Elementary School (Project Number 084-0212 A); Meadowside

6728 Elementary School (Project Number 084-0202 A); Orange Avenue  
6729 Elementary School (Project Number 084-0209 A); Orchard Hills  
6730 Elementary School (Project Number 084-0204 A); Pumpkin Delight  
6731 Elementary School (Project Number 084-0213 EA); East Shore Middle  
6732 School (Project Number 084-0208 A); Harborside Middle School (Project  
6733 Number 084-0203 A); West Shore Middle School (Project Number 084-  
6734 0200 EA/RR); Joseph A. Foran High School (Project Number 084-0211  
6735 A); Jonathan Law High School (Project Number 084-0206 A); and The  
6736 Academy (Project Number 084-0205 A).

6737       Sec. 181. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
6738 section 10-286 of the general statutes, or any regulation adopted by the  
6739 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
6740 pursuant to said section concerning the calculation of grants using the  
6741 state standard space specifications, the town of Tolland shall be exempt  
6742 from the state standard space specifications for the purpose of the  
6743 calculation of the grant for the school building project at Birch Grove  
6744 Primary School (Project Number 142-0083 N).

6745       Sec. 182. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
6746 section 10-283 of the general statutes, or any regulation adopted by the  
6747 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
6748 pursuant to said section requiring a completed grant application be  
6749 submitted prior to June 30, 2023, the renovation project at Central  
6750 Middle School in the town of Greenwich with costs not to exceed one  
6751 hundred twelve million seventeen thousand dollars shall be included in  
6752 subdivision (1) of section 151 of this act and shall subsequently be  
6753 considered for a grant commitment from the state, provided the town of  
6754 Greenwich files an application for such school building project prior to  
6755 October 1, 2024, and meets all other provisions of chapter 173 of the  
6756 general statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of  
6757 Education or the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to  
6758 said chapter and is eligible for grant assistance pursuant to said chapter.

6759       (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-285a of the general

6760 statutes, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
6761 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section  
6762 concerning the reimbursement percentage that a local board of  
6763 education may be eligible to receive for a school building project, the  
6764 town of Greenwich may use the reimbursement rate of twenty per cent  
6765 for the renovation project at Central Middle School.

6766 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-286 of the general  
6767 statutes, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
6768 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section  
6769 concerning the calculation of grants using the state standard space  
6770 specifications, the town of Greenwich shall be exempt from the state  
6771 standard space specifications for the purpose of the calculation of the  
6772 grant for the renovation project at Central Middle School.

6773 Sec. 183. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
6774 section 10-283 of the general statutes, or any regulation adopted by the  
6775 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
6776 pursuant to said section requiring a completed grant application be  
6777 submitted prior to June 30, 2023, the new construction project at  
6778 Hillcrest Middle School in the town of Trumbull with costs not to exceed  
6779 one hundred forty million nine hundred sixty-two thousand eight  
6780 hundred twenty-three dollars shall be included in subdivision (1) of  
6781 section 151 of this act and shall subsequently be considered for a grant  
6782 commitment from the state, provided the town of Trumbull files an  
6783 application for such school building project prior to December 1, 2024,  
6784 and meets all other provisions of chapter 173 of the general statutes or  
6785 any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the  
6786 Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said chapter and is  
6787 eligible for grant assistance pursuant to said chapter.

6788 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-285a of the general  
6789 statutes, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
6790 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section  
6791 concerning the reimbursement percentage that a local board of

6792 education may be eligible to receive for a school building project, the  
6793 town of Trumbull may use the reimbursement rate of forty-four per cent  
6794 for the new construction project at Hillcrest Middle School.

6795       Sec. 184. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
6796 section 10-283 of the general statutes, or any regulation adopted by the  
6797 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
6798 pursuant to said section concerning ineligible costs, the town of Derby  
6799 shall be eligible to receive reimbursement for certain ineligible costs  
6800 associated with ineligible panels for the photovoltaic project at Irving  
6801 School (Project Number 037-0065 PV), photovoltaic project at Bradley  
6802 School (Project Number 037-0064 PV) and photovoltaic project at Derby  
6803 Middle School (Project Number 037-0063 PV).

6804       Sec. 185. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
6805 section 10-283 of the general statutes, or any regulation adopted by the  
6806 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
6807 pursuant to said section requiring a completed grant application be  
6808 submitted prior to June 30, 2023, the renovation project at Smith  
6809 Elementary School in the town of New Britain with costs not to exceed  
6810 one hundred forty-five million dollars shall be included in subdivision  
6811 (1) of section 151 of this act and shall subsequently be considered for a  
6812 grant commitment from the state, provided (1) such renovation project  
6813 includes the construction of preschool facilities as part or on the site of  
6814 Smith Elementary School, (2) the town of New Britain files an  
6815 application for such school building project prior to October 1, 2026, and  
6816 (3) meets all other provisions of chapter 173 of the general statutes or  
6817 any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the  
6818 Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said chapter and is  
6819 eligible for grant assistance pursuant to said chapter.

6820       (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-285a of the general  
6821 statutes, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
6822 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section  
6823 concerning the reimbursement percentage that a local board of

6824 education may be eligible to receive for a school building project, the  
6825 town of New Britain may use the reimbursement rate of ninety-five per  
6826 cent for the renovation project at Smith Elementary School, provided (1)  
6827 the school district for the town of New Britain is an educational reform  
6828 district, as defined in section 10-262u of the general statutes, on the  
6829 effective date of this section, and (2) the school building committee  
6830 responsible for undertaking such school building project is established  
6831 in accordance with the provisions of section 120 of public act 21-111.

6832 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-286 of the general  
6833 statutes, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
6834 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section  
6835 concerning the calculation of grants using the state standard space  
6836 specifications, the town of New Britain shall be exempt from the state  
6837 standard space specifications for the purpose of the calculation of the  
6838 grant for the renovation project at Smith Elementary School.

6839 Sec. 186. Section 117 of public act 21-111, as amended by section 398  
6840 of public act 22-118, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
6841 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

6842 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general  
6843 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
6844 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section  
6845 requiring that the description of a project type for a school building  
6846 project be made at the time of application for a school building project  
6847 grant, the town of New Britain may change the description and scope of  
6848 the renovation project at Chamberlain Elementary School (Project  
6849 Number 20DASY089169RNV0620) to not include the construction of  
6850 preschool facilities on a site reviewed and approved by the Department  
6851 of Administrative Services, provided the total project costs for the  
6852 renovation project do not exceed seventy-five million dollars and such  
6853 preschool facilities project is included as part of the renovation project  
6854 at Smith Elementary School, as described in section 185 of this act.



6855        Sec. 187. Section 125 of public act 23-205 is repealed and the following  
6856 is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

6857        (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general  
6858 statutes, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
6859 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section [10-  
6860 283] requiring a completed grant application be submitted prior to June  
6861 30, 2022, the renovation project at Jefferson Elementary School in the  
6862 town of New Britain with costs not to exceed seventy million dollars  
6863 shall be included in subdivision (1) of section 114 of [this act] public act  
6864 23-205 and shall subsequently be considered for a grant commitment  
6865 from the state, provided the town of New Britain files an application for  
6866 such school building project prior to October 1, [2026] 2028, and meets  
6867 all other provisions of chapter 173 of the general statutes or any  
6868 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department  
6869 of Administrative Services pursuant to said chapter and is eligible for  
6870 grant assistance pursuant to said chapter.

6871        (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-285a of the general  
6872 statutes, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
6873 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section  
6874 concerning the reimbursement percentage that a local board of  
6875 education may be eligible to receive for a school building project, the  
6876 town of New Britain may use the reimbursement rate of ninety-five per  
6877 cent for the renovation project at Jefferson Elementary School, provided  
6878 (1) the school district for the town of New Britain is an educational  
6879 reform district, as defined in section 10-262u of the general statutes, on  
6880 the effective date of this section, and (2) the school building committee  
6881 responsible for undertaking such school building project is established  
6882 in accordance with the provisions of section 120 of public act 21-111, as  
6883 amended by [this act] public act 23-205.

6884        Sec. 188. Section 382 of public act 22-118 is repealed and the following  
6885 is inserted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

6886 (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general  
6887 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
6888 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section  
6889 requiring a completed grant application be submitted prior to June 30,  
6890 2021, for any school building project that was previously authorized and  
6891 that has changed substantially in scope or cost and is seeking  
6892 reauthorization, the new construction project at Torrington Middle &  
6893 High School (Project Number 143-0076 N) with costs not to exceed one  
6894 hundred seventy-nine million five hundred seventy-five thousand  
6895 dollars shall be included in section 362 of [this act] public act 22-118 and  
6896 shall subsequently be considered for a grant commitment from the state,  
6897 provided the town of Torrington meets all other provisions of chapter  
6898 173 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board  
6899 of Education or the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to  
6900 said chapter and is eligible for grant assistance pursuant to said chapter.

6901 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-285a of the general  
6902 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
6903 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section  
6904 concerning the reimbursement percentage that a local board of  
6905 education may be eligible to receive for a school building project for any  
6906 school build project that was previously authorized and that has  
6907 changed substantially in scope or cost and is seeking reauthorization,  
6908 the town of Torrington may use the reimbursement rate of eighty-five  
6909 per cent for the reauthorized amount of the new construction project at  
6910 Torrington Middle & High School (Project Number 143-0076 N),  
6911 provided the town of Torrington meets all other provisions of chapter  
6912 173 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board  
6913 of Education or the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to  
6914 said chapter and is eligible for grant assistance pursuant to said chapter.

6915 (c) (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-285a of the  
6916 general statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of  
6917 Education or the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to  
6918 said section concerning the reimbursement percentage that a local board

6919 of education may be eligible to receive for a school building project, the  
6920 town of Torrington may use the reimbursement rate of eighty-five per  
6921 cent for the construction of a central administration facility as part of the  
6922 board of education/central administration facility and new construction  
6923 project at Torrington Middle & High School (Project Number 143-0077  
6924 BE/N).

6925 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (3) of subsection  
6926 (a) of section 10-286 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by  
6927 the State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative  
6928 Services limiting reimbursement to one-half of the eligible percentage of  
6929 the net eligible cost of construction to a town for construction, the town  
6930 of Torrington shall receive full reimbursement of the reimbursement  
6931 percentage described in subdivision (1) of this subsection of the net  
6932 eligible cost of the board of education/central administration facility  
6933 and new construction project at Torrington Middle & High School.

6934 (d) (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-285a of the  
6935 general statutes, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of  
6936 Education or the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to  
6937 said section concerning the reimbursement percentage that a local board  
6938 of education may be eligible to receive for a school building project, the  
6939 town of Torrington may use the reimbursement rate of eighty-five per  
6940 cent for the construction of outdoor athletic facilities, including artificial  
6941 turf, as part of the board of education/central administration facility  
6942 and new construction project at Torrington Middle & High School  
6943 (Project Number 143-0077 BE/N).

6944 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (3) of subsection  
6945 (a) of section 10-286 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by  
6946 the State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative  
6947 Services limiting reimbursement to one-half of the eligible percentage of  
6948 the net eligible cost of construction to a town for construction, the town  
6949 of Torrington shall receive full reimbursement of the reimbursement  
6950 percentage described in subdivision (1) of this subsection of the net

6951 eligible cost of the board of education/central administration facility  
6952 and new construction project at Torrington Middle & High School.

6953 (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general  
6954 statutes, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
6955 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section  
6956 concerning ineligible costs, the town of Torrington shall be eligible to  
6957 receive reimbursement for certain ineligible costs related to the  
6958 construction of outdoor athletic facilities, including artificial turf, as part  
6959 of the board of education/central administration facility and new  
6960 construction project at Torrington Middle & High School (Project  
6961 Number 143-0077 BE/N), provided such reimbursement for such  
6962 ineligible costs for such projects do not exceed six million dollars.

6963 Sec. 189. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
6964 subsection (b) of section 10-287 of the general statutes, or any regulation  
6965 adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department of  
6966 Administrative Services pursuant to said section requiring that all  
6967 orders and contracts be awarded after a public invitation to bid has been  
6968 advertised in a newspaper having circulation in the town in which  
6969 construction is to take place, and the provisions of section 4b-91 of the  
6970 general statutes or any regulation adopted by the Department of  
6971 Administrative Services pursuant to said section requiring that every  
6972 contract for the construction, reconstruction, alteration, remodeling,  
6973 repair or demolition of any public building or any other public work by  
6974 a public agency that is paid for, in whole or in part, with state funds and  
6975 that is estimated to cost more than five hundred thousand dollars be  
6976 awarded after the public agency has invited bids by posting notice on  
6977 the State Contracting Portal, contracts let by the town of Ellington for  
6978 the renovation project at Windermere Elementary School (Project  
6979 Number 048-0060 RNV) may be reimbursed, provided such project  
6980 complies with all other provisions of chapter 173 of the general statutes  
6981 and regulations adopted by the State Board of Education or the  
6982 Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said chapter.

6983 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general  
6984 statutes, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
6985 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section  
6986 requiring a completed grant application be submitted prior to June 30,  
6987 2023, for any school building project that was previously authorized and  
6988 that has changed substantially in scope or cost and is seeking  
6989 reauthorization, the renovation project at Windermere Elementary  
6990 School (Project Number 048-0060 RNV) in the town of Ellington with  
6991 costs not to exceed seventy-four million six hundred thousand dollars  
6992 shall be included in subdivision (2) of section 151 of this act and shall  
6993 subsequently be considered for a grant commitment from the state,  
6994 provided the town of Ellington meets all other provisions of chapter 173  
6995 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of  
6996 Education or the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to  
6997 said chapter and is eligible for grant assistance pursuant to said chapter.

6998 Sec. 190. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
6999 section 10-292 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the  
7000 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
7001 requiring that a bid not be let out until plans and specifications have  
7002 been approved by the Department of Administrative Services, the town  
7003 of Darien may let out for bid on and commence a project for roof  
7004 replacement at Holmes Elementary School (Project Number 035-0118  
7005 RR), provided the town of Darien meets all other provisions of chapter  
7006 173 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board  
7007 of Education or the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to  
7008 said chapter and is eligible for grant assistance pursuant to said chapter.

7009 Sec. 191. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
7010 section 10-292 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the  
7011 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
7012 requiring that a bid not be let out until plans and specifications have  
7013 been approved by the Department of Administrative Services, the town  
7014 of Darien may let out for bid on and commence a project for roof  
7015 replacement at Hindley Elementary School (Project Number 035-0119

7016 RR), provided the town of Darien meets all other provisions of chapter  
7017 173 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board  
7018 of Education or the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to  
7019 said chapter and is eligible for grant assistance pursuant to said chapter.

7020       Sec. 192. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
7021 section 10-283 of the general statutes, or any regulation adopted by the  
7022 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
7023 pursuant to said section requiring a completed grant application be  
7024 submitted prior to June 30, 2023, for any school building project that was  
7025 previously authorized and that has changed substantially in scope or  
7026 cost and is seeking reauthorization, the extension and alteration project  
7027 at Hindley Elementary School (Project Number 035-0121 EA) in the  
7028 town of Darien with costs not to exceed thirty-three million four  
7029 hundred seventy-nine thousand forty-five dollars shall be included in  
7030 subdivision (2) of section 151 of this act and shall subsequently be  
7031 considered for a grant commitment from the state, provided the town of  
7032 Darien meets all other provisions of chapter 173 of the general statutes  
7033 or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the  
7034 Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said chapter and is  
7035 eligible for grant assistance pursuant to said chapter.

7036       Sec. 193. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
7037 section 10-283 of the general statutes, or any regulation adopted by the  
7038 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
7039 pursuant to said section requiring a completed grant application be  
7040 submitted prior to June 30, 2023, for any school building project that was  
7041 previously authorized and that has changed substantially in scope or  
7042 cost and is seeking reauthorization, the extension and alteration project  
7043 at Holmes Elementary School (Project Number 035-0122 EA) in the town  
7044 of Darien with costs not to exceed thirty-four million three thousand  
7045 eight hundred dollars shall be included in subdivision (2) of section 151  
7046 of this act and shall subsequently be considered for a grant commitment  
7047 from the state, provided the town of Darien meets all other provisions  
7048 of chapter 173 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the

7049 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
7050 pursuant to said chapter and is eligible for grant assistance pursuant to  
7051 said chapter.

7052       Sec. 194. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
7053 section 10-283 of the general statutes, or any regulation adopted by the  
7054 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
7055 pursuant to said section requiring a completed grant application be  
7056 submitted prior to June 30, 2023, for any school building project that was  
7057 previously authorized and that has changed substantially in scope or  
7058 cost and is seeking reauthorization, the extension and alteration project  
7059 at Royle Elementary School (Project Number 035-0123 EA) in the town  
7060 of Darien with costs not to exceed thirty-four million seven thousand  
7061 eight hundred ninety dollars shall be included in subdivision (2) of  
7062 section 151 of this act and shall subsequently be considered for a grant  
7063 commitment from the state, provided the town of Darien meets all other  
7064 provisions of chapter 173 of the general statutes or any regulation  
7065 adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department of  
7066 Administrative Services pursuant to said chapter and is eligible for  
7067 grant assistance pursuant to said chapter.

7068       Sec. 195. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
7069 section 10-283 of the general statutes, or any regulation adopted by the  
7070 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
7071 pursuant to said section requiring a completed grant application be  
7072 submitted prior to June 30, 2023, the new construction project at the new  
7073 middle school in the town of Ansonia shall be included in subdivision  
7074 (1) of section 151 of this act and shall subsequently be considered for a  
7075 grant commitment from the state, provided the town of Ansonia files an  
7076 application for such school building project prior to October 1, 2024, and  
7077 meets all other provisions of chapter 173 of the general statutes or any  
7078 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department  
7079 of Administrative Services pursuant to said chapter and is eligible for  
7080 grant assistance pursuant to said chapter.

7081 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-285a of the general  
7082 statutes, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
7083 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section  
7084 concerning the reimbursement percentage that a local board of  
7085 education may be eligible to receive for a school building project, the  
7086 town of Ansonia may use the reimbursement rate of eighty-seven per  
7087 cent for the new construction project at the new middle school.

7088 (c) (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-285a of the  
7089 general statutes, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of  
7090 Education or the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to  
7091 said section concerning the reimbursement percentage that a local board  
7092 of education may be eligible to receive for a school building project, the  
7093 town of Ansonia may use the reimbursement rate of eighty-seven per  
7094 cent for the construction of a central administration facility as part of the  
7095 new construction project at the new middle school.

7096 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (3) of subsection  
7097 (a) of section 10-286 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by  
7098 the State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative  
7099 Services limiting reimbursement to one-half of the eligible percentage of  
7100 the net eligible cost of construction to a town for construction, the town  
7101 of Ansonia shall receive full reimbursement of the reimbursement  
7102 percentage described in subdivision (1) of this subsection of the net  
7103 eligible cost for the construction of a central administration facility as  
7104 part of the new construction project at the new middle school.

7105 (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-286 of the general  
7106 statutes, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
7107 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section  
7108 concerning the calculation of grants using the state standard space  
7109 specifications, the town of Ansonia shall be exempt from the state  
7110 standard space specifications for the purpose of the calculation of the  
7111 grant for the new construction project at the new middle school.



7112       Sec. 196. Section 404 of public act 22-118, as amended by section 137  
7113 of public act 23-205, is repealed and the following is inserted in lieu  
7114 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

7115       (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general  
7116 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
7117 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section  
7118 requiring a completed grant application be submitted prior to June 30,  
7119 [2022] 2023, the interdistrict magnet facility and [alteration] new  
7120 construction project at Goodwin University Industry 5.0 Magnet  
7121 Technical High School on the East Hartford Campus (Project Number  
7122 542-TBD [MAG/A] MAG/N) with costs not to exceed [seventy-five]  
7123 eighty-five million dollars shall be included in subdivision (1) of public  
7124 act 22-118 and shall subsequently be considered for a grant commitment  
7125 from the state, provided Goodwin University files an application for  
7126 such school building project prior to [December 31, 2023] June 1, 2024,  
7127 and meets all other provisions of chapter 173 of the general statutes or  
7128 any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the  
7129 Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said chapter and is  
7130 eligible for grant assistance pursuant to said chapter.

7131       (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-264h of the general  
7132 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
7133 the Department of Administrative Services concerning the  
7134 reimbursement rate for the construction of interdistrict magnet schools,  
7135 Goodwin University may use one hundred per cent as the  
7136 reimbursement rate for the interdistrict magnet facility and [alteration]  
7137 new construction project at Goodwin University Industry 5.0 Magnet  
7138 Technical High School on the East Hartford Campus, provided such  
7139 project assists the state in meeting its obligations pursuant to the  
7140 decision in *Sheff v. O'Neill*, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation  
7141 or order in effect, as determined by the Commissioner of Education.

7142       (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-286 of the general  
7143 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or

7144 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section  
7145 concerning the calculation of grants using the state standard space  
7146 specifications, Goodwin University shall be exempt from the state  
7147 standard space specifications for the purpose of the calculation of the  
7148 grant for the interdistrict magnet facility and [alteration] new  
7149 construction project at Goodwin University Industry 5.0 Magnet  
7150 Technical High School on the East Hartford Campus.

7151       Sec. 197. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
7152 section 10-283 of the general statutes, or any regulation adopted by the  
7153 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
7154 pursuant to said section requiring a completed grant application be  
7155 submitted prior to June 30, 2023, the alteration project at John Winthrop  
7156 Middle School in Regional District 4 with costs not to exceed five million  
7157 eight hundred thousand dollars shall be included in section 151 of this  
7158 act and shall subsequently be considered for a grant commitment from  
7159 the state, provided Regional District 4 meets all other provisions of  
7160 chapter 173 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the  
7161 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
7162 pursuant to said chapter and is eligible for grant assistance pursuant to  
7163 said chapter.

7164       (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-286 of the general  
7165 statutes, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
7166 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section  
7167 concerning the calculation of grants using the state standard space  
7168 specifications, Regional District 4 shall be exempt from the state  
7169 standard space specifications for the purpose of the calculation of the  
7170 grant for the alteration project at John Winthrop Middle School.

7171       Sec. 198. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
7172 section 10-283 of the general statutes, or any regulation adopted by the  
7173 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
7174 pursuant to said section requiring a completed grant application be  
7175 submitted prior to June 30, 2023, the school building project for an early

7176 learning center at the former Roger Wolcott School in the town of  
7177 Windsor with costs not to exceed four million eight hundred eighty-  
7178 seven thousand nine hundred twenty-eight dollars shall be included in  
7179 section 151 of this act and shall subsequently be considered for a grant  
7180 commitment from the state, provided the Capitol Regional Education  
7181 Council meets all other provisions of chapter 173 of the general statutes  
7182 or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the  
7183 Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said chapter and is  
7184 eligible for grant assistance pursuant to said chapter.

7185 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-264h of the general  
7186 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
7187 the Department of Administrative Services concerning the  
7188 reimbursement rate for the school building project for an early learning  
7189 center at the former Roger Wolcott School in the town of Windsor, the  
7190 Capitol Regional Education Council may use one hundred per cent as  
7191 the reimbursement rate for such school building project for an early  
7192 learning center at the former Roger Wolcott School.

7193 Sec. 199. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
7194 section 10-283 of the general statutes, or any regulation adopted by the  
7195 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
7196 pursuant to said section requiring a completed grant application be  
7197 submitted prior to June 30, 2023, the alteration project at Davenport  
7198 Elementary School in the town of Stamford with costs not to exceed  
7199 three million seven hundred sixty-seven thousand eight hundred one  
7200 dollars shall be included in subdivision (1) of section 151 of this act and  
7201 shall subsequently be considered for a grant commitment from the state,  
7202 provided the town of Stamford files an application for such school  
7203 building project prior to October 1, 2024, and meets all other provisions  
7204 of chapter 173 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the  
7205 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
7206 pursuant to said chapter and is eligible for grant assistance pursuant to  
7207 said chapter.

7208       Sec. 200. (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of Administrative  
7209 Services shall waive any audit deficiencies for the town of Waterbury  
7210 related to costs associated with the following school building projects:  
7211 (1) Code violation project (Project Number 151-0243 RNV/CV), (2)  
7212 Duggan Elementary School (Project Number 151-0252 RNV/E), (3)  
7213 Jonathan E. Reed Elementary (Project Number 151-0253 N/PS), (4)  
7214 Carrington Elementary School (Project Number 151-0275 N), (5)  
7215 Waterbury Career Academy (Project Number 151-0276 N/PS), (6)  
7216 Michael F. Wallace Middle School (Project Number 151-0285 EA), and  
7217 (7) John F. Kennedy High School (Project Number 151-0288 EA).

7218       Sec. 201. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
7219 section 10-292 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the  
7220 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
7221 requiring that a bid not be let out until plans and specifications have  
7222 been approved by the Department of Administrative Services, the town  
7223 of Thompson may let out for bid on and commence the code violation  
7224 and oil tank replacement project at Tourtellotte Memorial High School  
7225 (Project Number 141-0022 CV/OT) and shall be eligible to subsequently  
7226 be considered for a grant commitment from the state, provided plans  
7227 and specifications have been approved by the Department of  
7228 Administrative Services.

7229       Sec. 202. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
7230 section 10-285a of the general statutes, or any regulation adopted by the  
7231 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
7232 pursuant to said section concerning the reimbursement percentage that  
7233 a local board of education may be eligible to receive for a school building  
7234 project, the town of Simsbury may use the reimbursement rate of thirty-  
7235 five per cent for the renovation project at Latimer Lane School (Project  
7236 Number 128-0111 RNV).

7237       Sec. 203. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
7238 section 10-283 of the general statutes, or any regulation adopted by the  
7239 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services

7240 pursuant to said section concerning ineligible costs, and section 10-286g  
7241 of the general statutes concerning the waiver of audit deficiencies, the  
7242 town of Middletown shall be eligible to receive reimbursement for  
7243 certain ineligible costs and audit deficiencies associated with the new  
7244 construction project at Middletown High School, provided such  
7245 reimbursement for such ineligible costs and audit deficiencies do not  
7246 exceed three million five hundred thousand dollars.

7247       Sec. 204. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
7248 section 10-283 of the general statutes, or any regulation adopted by the  
7249 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
7250 pursuant to said section concerning ineligible costs, the town of  
7251 Farmington shall be eligible to receive reimbursement for certain  
7252 ineligible costs (1) for the new construction project at Farmington High  
7253 School (Project Number 052-0076 N) and the board of education/central  
7254 administration facility project at Farmington High School (Project  
7255 Number 052-0077 BOE), and (2) provided such reimbursement for such  
7256 ineligible costs for such projects do not exceed one million eight  
7257 hundred thousand dollars.

7258       Sec. 205. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
7259 section 10-283 of the general statutes, or any regulation adopted by the  
7260 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
7261 pursuant to said section requiring a completed grant application be  
7262 submitted prior to June 30, 2023, for any school building project that was  
7263 previously authorized and that has changed substantially in scope or  
7264 cost and is seeking reauthorization, the Connecticut Technical High  
7265 School Facility and extension and alteration project at Ella T. Grasso  
7266 Technical High School (Project Number 900-0014 VT/EA) with costs not  
7267 to exceed one hundred thirty-five million eight hundred twenty-one  
7268 thousand eight hundred ninety-five dollars shall be included in  
7269 subdivision (2) of section 151 of this act and shall subsequently be  
7270 considered for a grant commitment from the state, provided such  
7271 project meets all other provisions of chapter 173 of the general statutes  
7272 or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the

7273 Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said chapter and is  
7274 eligible for grant assistance pursuant to said chapter.

7275       Sec. 206. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
7276 section 10-283 of the general statutes, or any regulation adopted by the  
7277 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
7278 pursuant to said section requiring a completed grant application be  
7279 submitted prior to June 30, 2023, the school building project at H.C.  
7280 Wilcox Technical High School with costs not to exceed fifteen million  
7281 five hundred thousand dollars shall be included in subdivision (1) of  
7282 section 151 of this act and shall subsequently be considered for a grant  
7283 commitment from the state, provided an application for such school  
7284 building project is submitted prior to October 1, 2024, and meets all  
7285 other provisions of chapter 173 of the general statutes or any regulation  
7286 adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department of  
7287 Administrative Services pursuant to said chapter and is eligible for  
7288 grant assistance pursuant to said chapter.

7289       Sec. 207. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
7290 subparagraph (A) of subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of section 10-283  
7291 of the general statutes, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of  
7292 Education or the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to  
7293 said section concerning the beginning of the amortization period for a  
7294 project on the date a project was accepted as complete by a local or  
7295 regional board of education and the inclusion as an addendum to the  
7296 priority list those towns requesting forgiveness of a refund to the state  
7297 for the unamortized balance of the state grant remaining as of the date  
7298 of the abandonment, sale, lease, demolition or redirection of a school  
7299 building project to other than a public school use during such  
7300 amortization period, the state shall grant forgiveness to the town of  
7301 Enfield for the extension and alteration project at Nathan Hale  
7302 Elementary School (Project Number 049-0126 EA).

7303       Sec. 208. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
7304 section 10-283d and subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of section 10-286 of

7305 the general statutes, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of  
7306 Education or the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to  
7307 said section concerning the deduction of any federal funds or other state  
7308 funds from project costs prior to computation of the grant for any school  
7309 building project authorized prior to July 1, 2023, the Department of  
7310 Administrative Services shall not deduct all federal funds, other state  
7311 funds and Eversource funds received by the town of Manchester to  
7312 finance the school building projects at Bowers Elementary School  
7313 (Project Number 077-0139 RNV), Buckley Elementary School (Project  
7314 Number 177-0140 RNV) and Keeney Elementary School (Project  
7315 Number 177-0141 RNV) from such project costs prior to computation of  
7316 the grant for each such project, and such federal funds, other state funds  
7317 and Eversource funds shall be deemed to be part or all of the town's  
7318 local share for such projects.

7319       Sec. 209. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
7320 section 10-283 of the general statutes, or any regulation adopted by the  
7321 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
7322 pursuant to said section requiring a completed grant application be  
7323 submitted prior to June 30, 2023, the renovation project at Sherman  
7324 School (Project Number 127-0009 RNV) in the town of Sherman with  
7325 costs not to exceed forty-two million five hundred thousand dollars  
7326 shall be included in subdivision (1) of section 151 of this act and shall  
7327 subsequently be considered for a grant commitment from the state,  
7328 provided the town of Sherman files an application for such school  
7329 building project prior to October 1, 2024, and meets all other provisions  
7330 of chapter 173 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the  
7331 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
7332 pursuant to said chapter and is eligible for grant assistance pursuant to  
7333 said chapter.

7334       (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-285a of the general  
7335 statutes, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
7336 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section  
7337 concerning the reimbursement percentage that a local board of

7338 education may be eligible to receive for a school building project, the  
7339 town of Sherman may use the reimbursement rate of thirty per cent for  
7340 the renovation project at Sherman School.

7341 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-286 of the general  
7342 statutes, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
7343 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section  
7344 concerning the calculation of grants using the state standard space  
7345 specifications, the town of Sherman shall be exempt from the state  
7346 standard space specifications for the purpose of the calculation of the  
7347 grant for the renovation project at Sherman School.

7348 Sec. 210. Sections 3-76t, 10-285f, 10-285h, 10-287a, 10-287f, 10-287j and  
7349 10-292c to 10-292n, inclusive, of the general statutes are repealed.  
7350 (*Effective July 1, 2024*)

7351 Sec. 211. (*Effective from passage*) The Legislative Commissioners' Office  
7352 shall, in engrossing and codifying the provisions of this act, make such  
7353 technical, grammatical and punctuation changes as are necessary to  
7354 carry out the purposes of this act, including, but not limited to,  
7355 correcting inaccurate internal references.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 5	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 6	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 7	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 8	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 9	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 10	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 11	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 12	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section



Sec. 13	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 14	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 15	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 16	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	4-66c(a) and (b)
Sec. 17	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	8-37mm(a)
Sec. 18	<i>from passage</i>	8-240b(a) and (b)
Sec. 19	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	10a-109d(a)(10)
Sec. 20	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	10a-109e(a)
Sec. 21	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	10a-109f
Sec. 22	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	10a-109g(a)(1)
Sec. 23	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	10a-109n(a)
Sec. 24	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	10a-109x(a)
Sec. 25	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	13b-74(b)
Sec. 26	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	13b-236
Sec. 27	<i>from passage</i>	17a-250(b)
Sec. 28	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	29-1bb(e)(1)
Sec. 29	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	32-39y(a) and (b)
Sec. 30	<i>from passage</i>	32-235(b)
Sec. 31	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	PA 13-239, Sec. 1
Sec. 32	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	PA 13-239, Sec. 2(l)(4)
Sec. 33	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	PA 15-1 of the June Sp. Sess., Sec. 1
Sec. 34	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	PA 15-1 of the June Sp. Sess., Sec. 2(n)(4)
Sec. 35	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	PA 15-1 of the June Sp. Sess., Sec. 20
Sec. 36	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	PA 15-1 of the June Sp. Sess., Sec. 21(n)(5)
Sec. 37	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	PA 17-2 of the June Sp. Sess., Sec. 377
Sec. 38	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	PA 17-2 of the June Sp. Sess., Sec. 378(i)(5)
Sec. 39	<i>from passage</i>	PA 17-2 of the June Sp. Sess., Sec. 397(c)
Sec. 40	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	PA 17-2 of the June Sp. Sess., Sec. 407
Sec. 41	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	Repealer section
Sec. 42	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	PA 20-1, Sec. 1
Sec. 43	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	PA 20-1, Sec. 2(j)(4)
Sec. 44	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	PA 23-205, Sec. 2(o)(2)

Sec. 45	<i>from passage</i>	PA 23-205, Sec. 13(a)(4)
Sec. 46	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	PA 23-205, Sec. 20
Sec. 47	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	PA 23-205, Sec. 21(l)(2)
Sec. 48	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	PA 23-205, Sec. 21(l)(4)
Sec. 49	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	PA 23-205, Sec. 21(l)(6)
Sec. 50	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	PA 23-205, Sec. 31
Sec. 51	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	PA 23-205, Sec. 32(b)(6)
Sec. 52	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	PA 23-205, Sec. 45
Sec. 53	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	PA 23-205, Sec. 46(a)(4)
Sec. 54	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	PA 23-205, Sec. 46(a)(7)
Sec. 55	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	PA 23-205, Sec. 46(b)
Sec. 56	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 57	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 58	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
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Sec. 61	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 62	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 63	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 64	<i>October 1, 2024</i>	8-240a
Sec. 65	<i>from passage</i>	Repealer section
Sec. 66	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	Repealer section
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Sec. 68	<i>from passage</i>	12-210(a)
Sec. 69	<i>January 1, 2025, and applicable to taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2025</i>	12-705
Sec. 70	<i>from passage</i>	12-91
Sec. 71	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 72	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 73	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 74	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
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Sec. 76	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
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Sec. 78	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 79	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 80	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 81	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Sec. 82	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 83	<i>from passage</i>	7-438(a)
Sec. 84	<i>from passage</i>	7-459b(a)
Sec. 85	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 86	<i>January 1, 2025</i>	5-155a(a) to (c)
Sec. 87	<i>January 1, 2025</i>	7-323a
Sec. 88	<i>January 1, 2025</i>	7-425(4)
Sec. 89	<i>January 1, 2025</i>	7-452(2)
Sec. 90	<i>from passage</i>	Repealer section
Sec. 91	<i>October 1, 2024</i>	12-15
Sec. 92	<i>October 1, 2024</i>	12-62r(h)
Sec. 93	<i>October 1, 2024</i>	12-170aa(h)
Sec. 94	<i>October 1, 2024</i>	12-217qq(d)(1)
Sec. 95	<i>October 1, 2024</i>	12-217zz(a)(5)
Sec. 96	<i>October 1, 2024</i>	12-263x
Sec. 97	<i>October 1, 2024</i>	12-294(d) to (f)
Sec. 98	<i>October 1, 2024</i>	12-309(a)
Sec. 99	<i>October 1, 2024</i>	12-311
Sec. 100	<i>October 1, 2024</i>	12-410(e)(5)
Sec. 101	<i>October 1, 2024</i>	12-418(a)(1)
Sec. 102	<i>October 1, 2024</i>	12-699(f)
Sec. 103	<i>October 1, 2024</i>	7-425(7) and (8)
Sec. 104	<i>October 1, 2024</i>	7-436(c)
Sec. 105	<i>October 1, 2024</i>	7-439b(b)(1)(G)
Sec. 106	<i>October 1, 2024</i>	45a-107(m)(2)
Sec. 107	<i>from passage</i>	1-2a(a)
Sec. 108	<i>from passage</i>	17b-10b
Sec. 109	<i>from passage</i>	Repealer section
Sec. 110	<i>July 1, 2025</i>	New section
Sec. 111	<i>October 1, 2024</i>	12-867(a)
Sec. 112	<i>from passage</i>	12-217(a)(4)
Sec. 113	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	HB 5232 (current session), Sec. 3
Sec. 114	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	12-117a
Sec. 115	<i>from passage</i>	22a-284d
Sec. 116	<i>from passage</i>	29-252(a)
Sec. 117	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 118	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 119	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Sec. 120	<i>from passage</i>	32-7s
Sec. 121	<i>from passage</i>	32-7x
Sec. 122	<i>from passage</i>	32-285a
Sec. 123	<i>from passage</i>	32-7t
Sec. 124	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 125	<i>October 1, 2024</i>	5-206
Sec. 126	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 127	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 128	<i>July 1, 2024, and applicable to taxable and income years commencing on or after January 1, 2024</i>	10-416
Sec. 129	<i>from passage</i>	PA 07-196, Sec. 4(c) and (d)
Sec. 130	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 131	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	10-220(a)
Sec. 132	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 133	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 134	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 135	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 136	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	7-152c(c)
Sec. 137	<i>January 1, 2025</i>	New section
Sec. 138	<i>from passage</i>	21a-420n
Sec. 139	<i>from passage</i>	21a-420d
Sec. 140	<i>from passage</i>	21a-420f
Sec. 141	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	19a-59i(g)
Sec. 142	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	19a-490ee
Sec. 143	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 144	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 145	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 146	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 147	<i>from passage</i>	PA 23-204, Sec. 382
Sec. 148	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 149	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 150	<i>from passage</i>	Repealer section
Sec. 151	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 152	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	10-283
Sec. 153	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	10-283a
Sec. 154	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	10-284(a)
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Sec. 156	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	10-285a(h)
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Sec. 158	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	10-285b(c)
Sec. 159	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	10-285c
Sec. 160	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	10-286(b)
Sec. 161	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	10-286(d)
Sec. 162	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	10-286e
Sec. 163	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	10-287(a) to (d)
Sec. 164	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	10-287c
Sec. 165	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	10-287d
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Sec. 167	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	10-291(b)
Sec. 168	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	10-292v
Sec. 169	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	10-265r
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Sec. 171	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	10-66i
Sec. 172	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	3-20(g)(1)(A)
Sec. 173	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 174	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	16-244z(h)
Sec. 175	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	16-243ee(e)
Sec. 176	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section
Sec. 177	<i>from passage</i>	PA 22-118, Sec. 384
Sec. 178	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 179	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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Sec. 184	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 185	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 186	<i>from passage</i>	PA 21-111, Sec. 117
Sec. 187	<i>from passage</i>	PA 23-205, Sec. 125
Sec. 188	<i>from passage</i>	PA 22-118, Sec. 382
Sec. 189	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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Sec. 196	<i>from passage</i>	PA 22-118, Sec. 404
Sec. 197	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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Sec. 209	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 210	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	Repealer section
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