



An Act Concerning Special Education Costs.

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 10-76g of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

3 (c) Commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, and for
4 each fiscal year thereafter, within available appropriations, each town
5 whose ratio of (1) net costs of special education, as defined in
6 subsection (h) of section 10-76f, for the fiscal year prior to the year in
7 which the grant is to be paid to (2) the product of its total need
8 students, as defined in section 10-262f, as amended, and the average
9 regular program expenditures, as defined in section 10-262f, as
10 amended, per need student for all towns for such year exceeds ninety
11 per cent of the state-wide average for all such ratios shall be eligible to
12 receive a supplemental special education grant. Such grant shall be
13 equal to the product of a town's eligible excess costs and the town's
14 base aid ratio, as defined in section 10-262f, as amended, provided
15 each town's grant shall be adjusted proportionately if necessary to stay
16 within the appropriation. Payment pursuant to this subsection shall be
17 made in June. For purposes of this subsection, a town's eligible excess
18 costs are the difference between its net costs of special education and
19 the amount the town would have expended if it spent at ninety per
20 cent of the state-wide average rate. The Department of Education may
21 retain up to five hundred thousand dollars of the amount appropriated

22 for purposes of this subsection for use by the regional vocational-
23 technical school system to pay for the cost of services purchased by the
24 system for students requiring special education.

25 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2000.

ED Committee Vote: Yea 29 Nay 1 JFS C/R APP