



General Assembly

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**Committee Bill No. 16**

LCO No. 3357

Referred to Committee on Education

Introduced by:

(ED)

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE EDUCATION COST SHARING GRANT  
CAP.**

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

1 Section 1. Section 10-262f of the general statutes is amended by  
2 adding subdivision (32) as follows:

3 (NEW) (32) "Target aid" means the sum of (A) the product of a  
4 town's base aid ratio, the foundation level and the town's total need  
5 students for the fiscal year prior to the year in which the grant is to be  
6 paid, (B) the product of a town's supplemental aid ratio, the  
7 foundation level and the sum of the portion of its total need students  
8 count described in subparagraphs (B) and (C) of subdivision (25) of  
9 this section for the fiscal year prior to the fiscal year in which the grant  
10 is to be paid, and the adjustments to its resident student count  
11 described in subdivision (22) of this section relative to length of school  
12 year and summer school sessions, and (C) the town's regional bonus.

13 Sec. 2. Subdivision (6) of subsection (a) of section 10-262h of the  
14 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
15 thereof:

16 (6) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, and each fiscal year  
17 thereafter, a grant in an amount equal to [the sum of (A) the product of  
18 a town's base aid ratio, the foundation level and the town's total need  
19 students for the fiscal year prior to the year in which the grant is to be  
20 paid, (B) the product of a town's supplemental aid ratio, the  
21 foundation level and the sum of the portion of its total need students  
22 count described in subparagraphs (B) and (C) of subdivision (25) of  
23 section 10-262f for the fiscal year prior to the fiscal year in which the  
24 grant is to be paid, and the adjustments to its resident student count  
25 described in subdivision (22) of section 10-262f, relative to length of  
26 school year and summer school sessions, and (C) the town's regional  
27 bonus] amount of its target aid as described in subdivision (32) of  
28 section 10-262f, as amended by this act, except that [the] such amount  
29 [so determined] shall be adjusted in accordance with the following:  
30 (A) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 1996, June 30, 1997, June 30,  
31 1998, and June 30, 1999, for each town, the maximum percentage  
32 increase over its previous year's base revenue shall be the product of  
33 five per cent and the ratio of the wealth of the town ranked one  
34 hundred fifty-third when all towns are ranked in descending order to  
35 each town's wealth, provided no town shall receive an increase greater  
36 than five per cent. (B) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2000, and  
37 June 30, 2001, [June 30, 2002, and June 30, 2003,] for each town, the  
38 maximum percentage increase over its previous year's base revenue  
39 shall be the product of six per cent and the ratio of the wealth of the  
40 town ranked one hundred fifty-third when all towns are ranked in  
41 descending order to each town's wealth, provided no town shall  
42 receive an increase greater than six per cent. (C) For the fiscal year  
43 ending June 30, 2002, a grant in an amount (i) determined pursuant to  
44 this subdivision adjusted in accordance with subparagraph (B) of this  
45 subdivision, or (ii) equal to the amount of the grant it received for the  
46 fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, plus fifty per cent of the difference  
47 whichever is greater. (D) No such adjustment shall be made for the  
48 fiscal year ending June 30, [2004] 2003, or any fiscal year thereafter. (E)  
49 For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, for each town, the maximum

50 percentage reduction from its previous year's base revenue shall be  
51 equal to the product of three per cent and the ratio of each town's  
52 wealth to the wealth of the town ranked seventeenth when all towns  
53 are ranked in descending order, provided no town's grant shall be  
54 reduced by more than three per cent. (F) For the fiscal years ending  
55 June 30, 1997, June 30, 1998, and June 30, 1999, for each town, the  
56 maximum percentage reduction from its previous year's base revenue  
57 shall be equal to the product of five per cent and the ratio of each  
58 town's wealth to the wealth of the town ranked seventeenth when all  
59 towns are ranked in descending order, provided no town's grant shall  
60 be reduced by more than five per cent. (G) For the fiscal year ending  
61 June 30, 2000, and each fiscal year thereafter, no town's grant shall be  
62 less than the grant it received for the prior fiscal year. (H) In addition  
63 to the amount determined pursuant to this subdivision, a town shall be  
64 eligible for a density supplement if the density of the town is greater  
65 than the average density of all towns in the state. The density  
66 supplement shall be determined by multiplying the density aid ratio of  
67 the town by the foundation level and the town's total need students for  
68 the prior fiscal year provided, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000,  
69 and each fiscal year thereafter, no town's density supplement shall be  
70 less than the density supplement such town received for the prior  
71 fiscal year. (I) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1997, the grant  
72 determined in accordance with this subdivision for a town ranked one  
73 to forty-two when all towns are ranked in descending order according  
74 to town wealth shall be further reduced by one and two-hundredths of  
75 a per cent and such grant for all other towns shall be further reduced  
76 by fifty-six-hundredths of a per cent. (J) For the fiscal year ending June  
77 30, 1998, and each fiscal year thereafter, no town whose school district  
78 is a priority school district shall receive a grant pursuant to this  
79 subdivision in an amount that is less than the amount received under  
80 such grant for the prior fiscal year. (K) For the fiscal year ending June  
81 30, 2000, and each fiscal year thereafter, no town whose school district  
82 is a priority school district shall receive a grant pursuant to this  
83 subdivision that provides an amount of aid per resident student that is

84 less than the amount of aid per resident student provided under the  
85 grant received for the prior fiscal year. (L) For the fiscal year ending  
86 June 30, 1998, and each fiscal year thereafter, no town whose school  
87 district is a priority school district shall receive a grant pursuant to this  
88 subdivision in an amount that is less than seventy per cent of the sum  
89 of (i) the product of a town's base aid ratio, the foundation level and  
90 the town's total need students for the fiscal year prior to the year in  
91 which the grant is to be paid, (ii) the product of a town's supplemental  
92 aid ratio, the foundation level and the sum of the portion of its total  
93 need students count described in subparagraphs (B) and (C) of  
94 subdivision (25) of section 10-262f for the fiscal year prior to the fiscal  
95 year in which the grant is to be paid, and the adjustments to its  
96 resident student count described in subdivision (22) of said section 10-  
97 262f relative to length of school year and summer school sessions, and  
98 (iii) the town's regional bonus. (M) For the fiscal year ending June 30,  
99 2000, and each fiscal year thereafter, no town whose school district is a  
100 transitional school district shall receive a grant pursuant to this  
101 subdivision in an amount that is less than forty per cent of the sum of  
102 [(I)] (i) the product of a town's base aid ratio, the foundation level and  
103 the town's total need students for the fiscal year prior to the fiscal year  
104 in which the grant is to be paid, [(II)] (ii) the product of a town's  
105 supplemental aid ratio, the foundation level and the sum of the portion  
106 of its total need students count described in subparagraphs (B) and (C)  
107 of subdivision (25) of section 10-262f for the fiscal year prior to the  
108 fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid, and the adjustments to its  
109 resident student count described in subdivision (22) of said section  
110 10-262f relative to length of school year and summer school sessions,  
111 and [(III)] (iii) the town's regional bonus.

112 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001.

**Statement of Purpose:**

To expedite the phase-out of the education cost sharing cap.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*

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