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"AN ACT CONCERNING WEIGH STATIONS."

1 Strike out everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Section 14-270c of the general statutes is repealed and the
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

5 (a) The Commissioners of Public Safety and Motor Vehicles shall
6 staff the official [weighing areas] truck safety stations as follows:

7 (1) Greenwich: [Eight] Sixteen work shifts in each seven-day period
8 from Sunday through Saturday; [. No such shifts shall be worked
9 consecutively, except that two shifts may be worked consecutively on
10 not more than three days;]

11 (2) Danbury: [Three] Twelve work shifts in each seven-day period
12 from Sunday through Saturday. The Commissioner of Public Safety
13 and the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall, whenever possible,

14 coordinate coverage between this official weighing area and the official
15 weighing area in Greenwich in order to ensure concurrent coverage;

16 (3) Union: Between five and eight work shifts in each seven-day
17 period from Sunday through Saturday. The Commissioner of Motor
18 Vehicles shall coordinate the hours of operation of this official
19 weighing area; and

20 (4) Portable scale locations: Ten shifts in each seven-day period from
21 Sunday through Saturday which shall be staggered throughout the
22 four geographical areas established by the Commissioner of Public
23 Safety with concentration in areas that have fewer hours of operation
24 for the permanent weighing areas.

25 (b) The Commissioners of Public Safety and Motor Vehicles shall
26 adjust the work shifts required in subsection (a) of this section on a
27 daily basis in order to effectuate an unpredictable schedule.

28 (c) The Commissioner of Public Safety may assign any remaining
29 personnel in the traffic unit [to the permanent weighing areas in
30 Waterford and Middletown or] to the portable scale operations.

31 (d) The Commissioner of Public Safety shall assign personnel from
32 the traffic unit to work between nine and twelve shifts in each seven-
33 day period from Sunday through Saturday to patrol and enforce laws
34 relative to the safe movement of all vehicles on the highways of the
35 state.

36 (e) Nothing in this section shall prohibit the Commissioner of Public
37 Safety from reassigning personnel in the traffic unit as [he] said
38 commissioner deems necessary in order to ensure public safety.

39 Sec. 2. (NEW) The Commissioners of Public Safety and Motor
40 Vehicles shall suspend operation of truck safety inspection stations in
41 Middletown and Waterford.

42 Sec. 3. (NEW) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall utilize
43 funds received through the federal Motor Carrier Assistance program

44 to employ additional personnel. Matching funds or other necessary
45 resources shall be provided from existing appropriations."

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