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**"AN ACT CONCERNING THE O'NEILL CENTER AND THE
CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY'S BIDDING PROCESS."**

1 After the last section, insert the following:

2 "Sec. 3. Subsection (h) of section 5-154 of the general statutes is
3 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
4 *1, 2002*):

5 (h) "Salary" means (1) any payment, including longevity payments
6 and payments for accrued vacation time under section 5-252, for state
7 service made from a payroll submitted to the Comptroller; and (2) the
8 cash value of maintenance furnished by the state; and (3) fees received
9 from the state in whole or in part in lieu of or in addition to item (1)
10 above and established to the satisfaction of the Retirement
11 Commission, to the extent that the employee has made retirement
12 contributions on such fees; and (4) compensation paid by the United
13 States to state employees who are employees of the United States
14 Purchasing and Finance Office; and (5) compensation paid to

15 employees of the Connecticut Institute for Municipal Studies,
16 [established by section 1-135.] Notwithstanding the provisions of
17 section 5-208a, any state employee who is employed by more than one
18 state agency during any week shall, for compensation earned on and
19 after January 1, 1983, have all such compensation recognized for all
20 purposes of the retirement program.

21 Sec. 4. Subsection (m) of section 5-154 of the general statutes is
22 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
23 *1, 2002*):

24 (m) "State service" is service with the state, either appointive or
25 elective, for which a salary is paid, subject to the following rules: (1)
26 "State service" includes time lost from state service because of a
27 disability incurred in the performance of state service; (2) "state
28 service" includes service before September 1, 1939, of a member who
29 began to make such member's retirement contributions before
30 September 1, 1941, and has made contributions for all such member's
31 salary received from September 1, 1939, to such member's retirement
32 date; (3) "state service" includes service as a member of the General
33 Assembly or as an employee of the General Assembly or either branch
34 thereof, or of any officer or committee thereof; (4) "state service"
35 excludes any month of otherwise eligible service on or after September
36 1, 1939, for which the full required retirement contribution, including
37 any required interest thereon, has not been made by or for the
38 member; (5) "state service" excludes all periods of otherwise eligible
39 service before the date on which a member elects to receive a return of
40 such member's retirement contributions, unless the member has
41 thereafter returned such contributions with interest, as provided in
42 [section 5-167(a)] subsection (a) of section 5-167; (6) "state service"
43 includes a period equivalent to accrued vacation time for which
44 payment is made under section 5-252; (7) any teacher, as defined in
45 section 10-183b, in state service who is employed for a full academic
46 year, equivalent to ten months credited service, shall be deemed to be
47 employed for the entire year. Any such teacher who has completed the
48 work obligations of such teacher's appointment period and who retires

49 after May first, but before September first, shall receive, upon
50 retirement, credit for the entire appointment year and the remaining
51 biweekly payments due for the entire appointment year, together with
52 any amounts held back previously; (8) "state service" includes service
53 as an employee of a state-aided institution as defined in section 5-175
54 and service as a vending stand operator as defined in section 5-175a;
55 (9) "state service" includes service as an employee of the Connecticut
56 Institute for Municipal Studies; [established by section 1-135;] (10)
57 "state service" includes service on and after January 1, 1999, as an
58 employee of the Capital City Economic Development Authority
59 established by section 32-601.

60 Sec. 5. Section 5-192g of the general statutes is repealed and the
61 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2002*):

62 (a) Membership in the tier II plan shall be required for each state
63 employee, whether or not exempt from the classified service,
64 appointed after January 1, 1984, unless specifically excluded in this
65 section or unless section 5-192e mandates coverage under the tier I
66 plan. Except as indicated in subsection (d) of this section, membership
67 commences on the later of the first day of employment or July 7, 1983.

68 (b) Membership in the tier II plan shall be required for each
69 employee in state service on June 30, 1982, who had not previously
70 been a member of the state employees retirement system, and who had
71 not previously elected to become a member of the state employees
72 retirement system or any other Connecticut retirement plan, unless
73 specifically excluded in this section.

74 (c) Teachers not in state service are not eligible for membership in
75 the tier II plan.

76 (d) Any teacher or professional staff member as described in
77 subsection (g) of section 5-160, first employed on or after January 1,
78 1984, shall be covered under the tier II plan unless he is eligible for and
79 elects membership within six months after employment in the teachers'
80 retirement system or an alternate retirement program. In the absence

81 of such an election, membership hereunder shall be retroactive to the
82 first day of employment. Any such individual shall be a member in
83 only one of the three systems or programs.

84 (e) Members of the judiciary eligible for retirement under the
85 provisions of section 51-50 or section 51-50a are not eligible for
86 membership in the tier II plan unless they elect to remain or be
87 reinstated as members of the state employees retirement system under
88 section 5-192h.

89 (f) Membership in the tier II plan shall be required for each
90 employee of the Connecticut Institute for Municipal Studies
91 [established by section 1-135] unless specifically excluded in this
92 section or unless section 5-192e mandates coverage under the tier I
93 plan.

94 Sec. 6. Subsection (a) of section 5-259 of the general statutes is
95 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
96 *1, 2002*):

97 (a) The Comptroller, with the approval of the Attorney General and
98 of the Insurance Commissioner, shall arrange and procure a group
99 hospitalization and medical and surgical insurance plan or plans for
100 (1) state employees, (2) members of the General Assembly who elect
101 coverage under such plan or plans, [(3) employees of the Connecticut
102 Institute for Municipal Studies established by section 1-135, (4)] (3)
103 participants in an alternate retirement program who meet the service
104 requirements of section 5-162 or subsection (a) of section 5-166, [(5)] (4)
105 anyone receiving benefits under section 5-144 or from any
106 state-sponsored retirement system, except the teachers' retirement
107 system and the municipal employees retirement system, [(6)] (5)
108 judges of probate and Probate Court employees, [(7)] (6) the surviving
109 spouse, until remarriage, and any dependent children until they reach
110 the age of eighteen, of a member of an organized local police
111 department or a constable who performs criminal law enforcement
112 duties who dies as the result of injuries received while acting within

113 the scope of such officer's or constable's employment and not as the
114 result of illness or natural causes, [(8)] (7) employees of the Capital
115 City Economic Development Authority established by section 32-601,
116 and [(9)] (8) the surviving spouse and dependent children of any
117 employee of a municipality who dies on or after October 1, 2000, as the
118 result of injuries received while acting within the scope of such
119 employee's employment and not as the result of illness or natural
120 causes, and whose surviving spouse and dependent children are not
121 otherwise eligible for a group hospitalization and medical and surgical
122 insurance plan. For purposes of this subdivision, "employee" means
123 any regular employee or elective officer receiving pay from a
124 municipality, and "municipality" means any town, city, borough,
125 school district, taxing district, fire district, district department of
126 health, probate district, housing authority, regional work force
127 development board established under section 31-3k, as amended, flood
128 commission or authority established by special act or regional
129 planning agency. The minimum benefits to be provided by such plan
130 or plans shall be substantially equal in value to the benefits which each
131 such employee or member of the General Assembly could secure in
132 such plan or plans on an individual basis on the preceding first day of
133 July. The state shall pay for each such employee and each member of
134 the General Assembly covered by such plan or plans the portion of the
135 premium charged for such member's or employee's individual
136 coverage and seventy per cent of the additional cost of the form of
137 coverage and such amount shall be credited to the total premiums
138 owed by such employee or member of the General Assembly for the
139 form of such member's or employee's coverage under such plan or
140 plans. On and after January 1, 1989, the state shall pay for anyone
141 receiving benefits from any such state-sponsored retirement system
142 one hundred per cent of the portion of the premium charged for such
143 member's or employee's individual coverage and one hundred per
144 cent of any additional cost for the form of coverage. The balance of any
145 premiums payable by an individual employee or by a member of the
146 General Assembly for the form of coverage shall be deducted from the
147 payroll by the State Comptroller. The total premiums payable shall be

148 remitted by the Comptroller to the insurance company or companies
149 or nonprofit organization or organizations providing the coverage. The
150 amount of the state's contribution per employee for a health
151 maintenance organization option shall be equal, in terms of dollars and
152 cents, to the largest amount of the contribution per employee paid for
153 any other option which is available to all eligible state employees
154 included in the health benefits plan, but shall not be required to exceed
155 the amount of the health maintenance organization premium.

156 Sec. 7. (*Effective July 1, 2002*) The financial assets of the Connecticut
157 Institute for Municipal Studies are transferred to the Connecticut State
158 University System for the purposes of the Institute for Municipal and
159 Regional Policy at the Center for Public Policy and Practical Politics at
160 Central Connecticut State University. The records, files, intellectual
161 property rights and copyright rights of the Connecticut Institute for
162 Municipal Studies are transferred to the Institute for Municipal and
163 Regional Policy at the Center for Public Policy and Practical Politics at
164 Central Connecticut State University.

165 Sec. 8. (*Effective July 1, 2002*) Sections 1-135 to 1-139, inclusive, of the
166 general statutes are repealed."