



**AN ACT CONCERNING PARAPROFESSIONALS.**

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 31-71b of the general statutes is  
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
3 *1, 2003*):

4 (c) This section shall not be construed to prohibit a local or regional  
5 board of education and a recognized or certified exclusive bargaining  
6 representative of its certified employees or paraprofessionals from  
7 including within their collective bargaining agreement a schedule for  
8 the payment of wages to certified employees or paraprofessionals that  
9 differs from the requirements of subsections (a) and (b) of this section.  
10 For purposes of this subsection, "paraprofessional" means an employee  
11 of a local or regional board of education who holds a position that does  
12 not require a certificate issued by the State Board of Education and  
13 who serves as an instructional or administrative assistant for such local  
14 or regional board of education.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2003</i>

**ED**      *Joint Favorable Subst.*