



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 6617**

*January Session, 2003*

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONNECTICUT EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING COMMISSION.**

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

1 Section 1. Section 31-11m of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 (a) All funds received by the state of Connecticut under the federal  
4 Workforce Investment Act of 1998, P.L. 105-220, as from time to time  
5 amended, shall be deposited into the General Fund.

6 (b) (1) Funds reserved for state-wide investment activities by the  
7 state of Connecticut from the amounts allotted to the state under  
8 Sections 127(b)(1)(C), 132(b)(1)(B) and 132(b)(2)(B) of the federal  
9 Workforce Investment Act of 1998, P.L. 105-220, as from time to time  
10 amended, shall be consistent with the provisions of Section 128(a) of  
11 said act.

12 (2) Such reserved funds may be used only to carry out state-wide  
13 youth activities described in Section 129(b) of the federal Workforce  
14 Investment Act of 1998, P.L. 105-220, as from time to time amended, or  
15 state-wide employment and training activities, for adults or for  
16 dislocated workers, described in Section 134(a)(2)(B) or Section  
17 134(a)(3) of said act, provided such use is consistent with the  
18 Connecticut workforce development plan developed by the  
19 Connecticut Employment and Training Commission under section 31-

20 11p. The percentage of such reserved funds that are used for  
21 administrative costs shall be consistent with the provisions of Section  
22 134(a)(3)(B) of said act. For purposes of this subdivision and  
23 subdivision (3) of this subsection, "administrative costs" has the same  
24 meaning as in 20 CFR Part 667, Subpart B.

25 (3) Any request by a regional workforce development board to the  
26 Connecticut Employment and Training Commission for automatic,  
27 temporary or subsequent designation as a local workforce investment  
28 area shall be approved or denied utilizing the criteria set forth in  
29 Section 116 of the federal Workforce Investment Act of 1998, P.L. 105-  
30 220, as from time to time amended, not later than three months from  
31 the date the chairperson of the commission receives the request.

32 (4) No state funds, funds received by the state of Connecticut under  
33 the federal Workforce Investment Act of 1998, P.L. 105-220, as from  
34 time to time amended, or funds for employment services for recipients  
35 of temporary family assistance shall be used or reallocated for the  
36 purpose of reconfiguring, modifying or eliminating any local  
37 workforce investment area in the state in existence on July 1, 2000,  
38 unless such reconfiguration, modification or elimination has been  
39 approved by the General Assembly or the chief elected official of each  
40 municipality that includes the workforce investment areas involved in  
41 such reconfiguration, modification or elimination.

42 Sec. 2. Section 31-11p of the general statutes is amended by adding  
43 subsection (d) as follows (*Effective from passage*):

44 (NEW) (d) On and after the effective date of this section, the  
45 Connecticut Employment and Training Commission shall submit any  
46 proposed modifications to the single Connecticut workforce  
47 development plan developed pursuant to this section to the General  
48 Assembly for review. No reconfiguration of the local workforce  
49 investment areas in the state in existence on July 1, 2000, shall be  
50 implemented unless the proposed reconfiguration has been approved  
51 by the General Assembly or the chief elected official of each

52 municipality that includes the workforce investment areas involved in  
53 the reconfiguration.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>

**Statement of Legislative Commissioners:**

Throughout the bill, the phrase "the association of chief elected officials" was changed to "the chief elected official" for consistency with the general statutes and federal law.

**GAE**      *Joint Favorable Subst.*