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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 1075

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**"AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE  
COMMUNITY-TECHNICAL COLLEGES TO SPONSOR MAGNET  
SCHOOLS AND TO MOVE A BRANCH CAMPUS."**

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

3 "Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 10-264h of the general statutes is  
4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
5 *passage*):

6 (a) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, until the fiscal year  
7 ending June 30, 2003, a local or regional board of education, regional  
8 educational service center, the Board of Trustees of the Community-  
9 Technical Colleges on behalf of Manchester Community-Technical  
10 College, or a cooperative arrangement pursuant to section 10-158a for  
11 purposes of an interdistrict magnet school may be eligible for  
12 reimbursement up to the full reasonable cost of any capital  
13 expenditure for the purchase, construction, extension, replacement,

14 leasing or major alteration of interdistrict magnet school facilities,  
15 including any expenditure for the purchase of equipment, in  
16 accordance with this section. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004,  
17 and each fiscal year thereafter, such entities may be eligible for  
18 reimbursement up to ninety-five per cent of such cost. To be eligible  
19 for reimbursement under this section a magnet school construction  
20 project shall meet the requirements for a school building project  
21 established in chapter 173, except that the Commissioner of Education  
22 may waive any requirement in such chapter for good cause. On and  
23 after July 1, 1997, the commissioner shall approve only applications for  
24 reimbursement under this section that he finds will reduce racial,  
25 ethnic and economic isolation.

26 Sec. 2. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 10-283 of the  
27 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
28 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

29 (a) (1) Each town or regional school district shall be eligible to apply  
30 for and accept grants for a school building project as provided in this  
31 chapter. Any town desiring a grant for a public school building project  
32 may, by vote of its legislative body, authorize the board of education of  
33 such town to apply to the Commissioner of Education and to accept or  
34 reject such grant for the town. Any regional school board may vote to  
35 authorize the supervising agent of the regional school district to apply  
36 to the Commissioner of Education for and to accept or reject such grant  
37 for the district. Applications for such grants under this chapter shall be  
38 made by the superintendent of schools of such town or regional school  
39 district on the form provided and in the manner prescribed by the  
40 Commissioner of Education. The application form shall require the  
41 superintendent of schools to affirm that the school district considered  
42 the maximization of natural light in projects for new construction and  
43 alteration or renovation of a school building. Grant applications for  
44 school building projects shall be reviewed by the Commissioner of  
45 Education on the basis of categories for building projects and  
46 standards for school construction established by the State Board of  
47 Education in accordance with this section, provided grant applications

48 submitted for purposes of subsection (a) of section 10-65 or section 10-  
 49 76e shall be reviewed annually by the commissioner on the basis of the  
 50 educational needs of the applicant. Notwithstanding the provisions of  
 51 this chapter, the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical  
 52 Colleges may apply for school construction reimbursement grants on  
 53 behalf of Manchester Community-Technical College pursuant to  
 54 section 10-264h, as amended by this act.

55 Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) The Board of Trustees of the  
 56 Community-Technical Colleges may relocate the Meriden branch of  
 57 Middlesex Community-Technical College to a building in downtown  
 58 Meriden held under lease by the state."

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>
Sec. 3	<i>from passage</i>