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"AN ACT CONCERNING MINOR REVISIONS TO THE EDUCATION STATUTES."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Subsection (a) of section 10-266x of the general statutes is
4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
5 *1, 2003*):

6 (a) Within the limits of available appropriations, the Commissioner
7 of Education shall establish a program to encourage local and regional
8 boards of education to develop innovative programs for educational
9 improvement. Local and regional boards of education may file an
10 application to participate in the program in such form and at such time
11 as the commissioner requires. Each application shall include a plan
12 developed by the local or regional board of education, in consultation
13 with the teachers employed in the school or school system for which
14 such application is being made. Proposed plans shall provide for an

15 evaluation process to measure academic progress and school
16 improvement resulting from participation in the program. For
17 purposes of the program, the commissioner may waive requirements
18 under chapters 163, 168, 170 to 173, inclusive, and chapter 164, except
19 for the provisions relating to special education required under federal
20 law, and regulations adopted pursuant to said chapters, provided each
21 application identifies (A) the specific statutes or regulations from
22 which a waiver is requested, if any, and (B) the manner in which each
23 waiver is expected to assist in achieving specified educational benefits.
24 Any such request for a waiver of requirements pursuant to this
25 subsection shall be deemed approved if not acted upon by the
26 commissioner not later than one hundred eighty days from the date of
27 application. Local and regional boards of education may cooperate
28 with businesses and nonprofit organizations in developing and
29 implementing such plans and may receive and expend private funds
30 for purposes of this section."