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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 17a-101i of the general statutes is
4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
5 *January 1, 2006*):

6 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, [to the
7 contrary,] after an investigation has been completed and the
8 Commissioner of Children and Families, based upon the results of the
9 investigation, has reasonable cause to believe that a child has been
10 abused by a school employee who holds a certificate, permit or
11 authorization issued by the State Board of Education, the
12 commissioner shall, not later than five working days after such
13 finding, notify the employing superintendent of such finding and shall
14 provide records, whether or not created by the department, concerning

15 such investigation to the superintendent who shall suspend such
16 school employee. The commissioner shall provide such notice whether
17 or not the child was a student in the employing school or school
18 district. Such suspension shall be with pay and shall not result in the
19 diminution or termination of benefits to such employee. Within
20 seventy-two hours after such suspension the superintendent shall
21 notify the local or regional board of education and the Commissioner
22 of Education, or the commissioner's representative, of the reasons for
23 and conditions of the suspension. The superintendent shall disclose
24 such records to the Commissioner of Education and the local or
25 regional board of education or its attorney for purposes of review of
26 employment status or the status of such employee's certificate, permit
27 or authorization. The suspension of a school employee employed in a
28 position requiring a certificate shall remain in effect until the board of
29 education acts pursuant to the provisions of section 10-151. If the
30 contract of employment of such certified school employee is
31 terminated, the superintendent shall notify the Commissioner of
32 Education, or the commissioner's representative, within seventy-two
33 hours after such termination. Upon receipt of such notice from the
34 superintendent, the Commissioner of Education may commence
35 certification revocation proceedings pursuant to the provisions of
36 subsection (m) of section 10-145b. Notwithstanding the provisions of
37 sections 1-210 and 1-211, information received by the Commissioner of
38 Education, or the commissioner's representative, pursuant to this
39 section shall be confidential subject to regulations adopted by the State
40 Board of Education under section 10-145g."