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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 10-220 of the general statutes is
4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
5 *1, 2005*):

6 (a) Each local or regional board of education shall maintain good
7 public elementary and secondary schools, implement the educational
8 interests of the state as defined in section 10-4a and provide such other
9 educational activities as in its judgment will best serve the interests of
10 the school district; provided any board of education may secure such
11 opportunities in another school district in accordance with provisions
12 of the general statutes and shall give all the children of the school
13 district as nearly equal advantages as may be practicable; shall provide
14 an appropriate learning environment for its students which includes
15 (1) adequate instructional books, supplies, materials, equipment,

16 staffing, facilities and technology, (2) equitable allocation of resources
17 among its schools, (3) proper maintenance of facilities, and (4) a safe
18 school setting; shall have charge of the schools of its respective school
19 district; shall make a continuing study of the need for school facilities
20 and of a long-term school building program and from time to time
21 make recommendations based on such study to the town; shall adopt
22 and implement an indoor air quality program that provides for
23 ongoing maintenance and facility reviews necessary for the
24 maintenance and improvement of the indoor air quality of its facilities;
25 shall report annually to the Commissioner of Education on the
26 condition of its facilities and the action taken to implement its long-
27 term school building program and indoor air quality program, which
28 report the Commissioner of Education shall use to prepare an annual
29 report that said commissioner shall submit in accordance with section
30 11-4a to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having
31 cognizance of matters relating to education; shall advise the
32 Commissioner of Education of the relationship between any individual
33 school building project pursuant to chapter 173 and such long-term
34 school building program; shall have the care, maintenance and
35 operation of buildings, lands, apparatus and other property used for
36 school purposes and at all times shall insure all such buildings and all
37 capital equipment contained therein against loss in an amount not less
38 than eighty per cent of replacement cost; shall determine the number,
39 age and qualifications of the pupils to be admitted into each school;
40 shall develop and implement a written plan for minority staff
41 recruitment for purposes of subdivision (3) of section 10-4a; shall
42 employ and dismiss the teachers of the schools of such district subject
43 to the provisions of sections 10-151 and 10-158a; shall designate the
44 schools which shall be attended by the various children within the
45 school district; shall make such provisions as will enable each child of
46 school age, residing in the district to attend some public day school for
47 the period required by law and provide for the transportation of
48 children wherever transportation is reasonable and desirable, and for
49 such purpose may make contracts covering periods of not more than
50 five years; may place in an alternative school program or other suitable

51 educational program a pupil enrolling in school who is nineteen years
52 of age or older and cannot acquire a sufficient number of credits for
53 graduation by age twenty-one; may arrange with the board of
54 education of an adjacent town for the instruction therein of such
55 children as can attend school in such adjacent town more conveniently;
56 shall cause each child five years of age and over and under eighteen
57 years of age who is not a high school graduate and is living in the
58 school district to attend school in accordance with the provisions of
59 section 10-184, and shall perform all acts required of it by the town or
60 necessary to carry into effect the powers and duties imposed by law.
61 Each local or regional board of education or administrative staff of a
62 school under the board's jurisdiction shall accept notice, by any means,
63 from a parent or guardian of a child that the parent or guardian is
64 withdrawing a child from enrollment in such school, and the local or
65 regional board of education or administrative staff of the school shall
66 deem the child withdrawn from enrollment in the school upon receipt
67 of such notice."