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**"AN ACT CONCERNING EXPENDITURES FOR THE PROGRAMS
AND SERVICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION."**

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

3 "Section 1. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 10-16p of the general
4 statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
5 (*Effective July 1, 2005*):

6 (a) As used in sections 10-16o to [10-16r] 10-16s, inclusive, as
7 amended by this act, 10-16u, 17b-749a, as amended by this act, and
8 17b-749c, as amended by this act:

9 (1) "School readiness program" means a nonsectarian program that
10 (A) meets the standards set by the department pursuant to subsection
11 (b) of this section and the requirements of section 10-16q, as amended
12 by this act, and (B) provides a developmentally appropriate learning

13 experience of not less than four hundred fifty hours and one hundred
14 eighty days for eligible children, except as provided in subsection (d)
15 of [said] section 10-16q;

16 (2) "Eligible children" means children three and four years of age
17 and children five years of age who are not eligible to enroll in school
18 pursuant to section 10-15c, or who are eligible to enroll in school and
19 will attend a school readiness program pursuant to section 10-16t;

20 (3) "Priority school" means a school in which forty per cent or more
21 of the lunches served are served to students who are eligible for free or
22 reduced price lunches pursuant to federal law and regulations,
23 excluding such a school located in a priority school district pursuant to
24 section 10-266p or in a former priority school district receiving a grant
25 pursuant to subsection (c) of this section and, on and after July 1, 2001,
26 excluding such a school in a transitional school district receiving a
27 grant pursuant to section 10-16u;

28 (4) "Severe need school" means a school in a priority school district
29 pursuant to section 10-266p or in a former priority school district in
30 which forty per cent or more of the lunches served are served to
31 students who are eligible for free or reduced price lunches;

32 (5) "Accredited" means accredited by the National Association for
33 the Education of Young Children, a Head Start on-site program review
34 instrument or a successor instrument pursuant to federal regulations,
35 or otherwise meeting such criteria as may be established by the
36 commissioner, in consultation with the Commissioner of Social
37 Services;

38 (6) "Year-round" means fifty weeks per year, except as provided in
39 subsection (d) of section 10-16q;

40 (7) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Education; and

41 (8) "Department" means the Department of Education.

42 (b) The Department of Education shall be the lead agency for school

43 readiness. For purposes of this section and section 10-16u, school
44 readiness program providers eligible for funding from the Department
45 of Education shall include local and regional boards of education,
46 regional educational service centers, family resource centers and
47 providers of child day care centers, as defined in section 19a-77, Head
48 Start programs, preschool programs and other programs that meet
49 such standards established by the Commissioner of Education. The
50 department shall establish standards for school readiness programs.
51 The standards may include, but need not be limited to, guidelines for
52 staff-child interactions, curriculum content, including preliteracy
53 development, lesson plans, parent involvement, staff qualifications
54 and training, transition to school and administration. The department
55 shall develop age-appropriate developmental skills and goals for
56 children attending such programs. The commissioner, in consultation
57 with the Commissioners of Higher Education and Social Services and
58 other appropriate entities, shall develop a continuing education
59 training program for the staff of school readiness programs. For
60 purposes of this section, [on and after July 1, 2004] prior to July 1, 2015,
61 "staff qualifications" means there is in each classroom an individual
62 who has at least the following: (1) A credential issued by an
63 organization approved by the Commissioner of Education and nine
64 credits or more, and on and after July 1, 2005, twelve credits or more,
65 in early childhood education or child development from an institution
66 of higher education accredited by the Board of Governors of Higher
67 Education or regionally accredited; (2) an associate's degree with nine
68 credits or more, and on and after July 1, 2005, twelve credits or more,
69 in early childhood education or child development from such an
70 institution; (3) a four-year degree with nine credits or more, and on
71 and after July 1, 2005, twelve credits or more, in early childhood
72 education or child development from such an institution; or (4)
73 certification pursuant to section 10-145b with an endorsement in early
74 childhood education or special education, and on and after July 1,
75 2015, "staff qualifications" means there is in each classroom an
76 individual who has at least the following: (A) A bachelor's degree in
77 early childhood education or childhood development, or in a related

78 field approved by the Commissioner of Education from an institution
79 of higher education accredited by the Board of Governors of Higher
80 Education or regionally accredited; or (B) certification pursuant to
81 section 10-145b with an endorsement in early childhood education or
82 special education.

83 Sec. 2. Subsection (a) of section 10-16r of the general statutes is
84 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
85 *1, 2005*):

86 (a) A town seeking to apply for a grant pursuant to subsection (c) of
87 section 10-16p or section 10-16u shall convene a local school readiness
88 council or shall establish a regional school readiness council pursuant
89 to subsection (c) of this section. Any other town may convene such a
90 council. The chief elected official of the town or, in the case of a
91 regional school district, the chief elected officials of the towns in the
92 school district and the superintendent of schools for the school district
93 shall jointly appoint and convene such council. Each school readiness
94 council shall be composed of: (1) The chief elected official, or the
95 official's designee; (2) the superintendent of schools, or a management
96 level staff person as the superintendent's designee; (3) parents; (4)
97 representatives from local programs such as Head Start, family
98 resource centers, nonprofit and for-profit child day care centers, group
99 day care homes, prekindergarten and nursery schools, and family day
100 care home providers; [and] (5) a representative from a health care
101 provider in the community; and (6) other representatives from the
102 community who provide services to children. The chief elected official
103 shall designate the chairperson of the school readiness council.

104 Sec. 3. Section 10-16s of the general statutes is repealed and the
105 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2005*):

106 (a) The Commissioners of Education and Social Services shall
107 develop an agreement to define the duties and responsibilities of their
108 departments concerning school readiness programs. The
109 commissioners shall consult with other affected state agencies and

110 with the Early Childhood Education Cabinet. The agreement shall
111 include, but not be limited to, a multiyear interagency agreement to
112 establish and implement an integrated school readiness plan.
113 Functions to be described and responsibilities to be undertaken by the
114 two departments shall be delineated in the agreement.

115 (b) (1) There shall be an Early Childhood Education Cabinet. The
116 cochairpersons of the cabinet shall be the Governor, or the Governor's
117 designee, and the Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's
118 designee. The cabinet shall consist of the Secretary of the Office of
119 Policy and Management or the secretary's designee, the
120 Commissioners of Social Services, Higher Education, Public Health,
121 Children and Families and Mental Retardation or the commissioners'
122 designees, the cochairpersons of each of the joint standing committees
123 of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
124 education and human services or the cochairpersons' designees, the
125 executive director of the Commission on Children, or the director's
126 designee, and one person representing a local or regional school
127 readiness council appointed by the president pro tempore of the
128 Senate, and a representative of the Connecticut Head Start Association
129 appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives.

130 (2) Within available appropriations, the Early Childhood Education
131 Cabinet shall (A) advise the Commissioner of Education on policies
132 and initiatives to meet the goals established in section 10-16o, (B)
133 conduct a state-wide longitudinal evaluation of the school readiness
134 program in consultation with the Department of Social Services and
135 the Department of Education, (C) develop budget requests for the
136 early childhood program, and (D) promote consistency of quality and
137 comprehensiveness of early childhood services.

138 [(b)] (c) On or before January 1, 2000, the commissioners shall adopt
139 assessment measures for use by school readiness programs in
140 conducting their annual evaluations pursuant to section 10-16q, as
141 amended by this act. The commissioners may adopt the assessment
142 measures used for Head Start programs.

143 Sec. 4. Subsection (c) of section 17b-749c of the general statutes is
144 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
145 *1, 2005*):

146 (c) The grants shall be used to:

147 (1) Help providers who are not accredited by the National
148 Association for the Education of Young Children to obtain such
149 accreditation;

150 (2) Help directors and administrators to obtain training;

151 (3) Provide comprehensive services, such as enhanced access to
152 health care, a health consultant, a mental health consultant, nutrition,
153 family support services, parent education, literacy and parental
154 involvement, and community and home outreach programs; and
155 provide information concerning access when needed to a speech and
156 language therapist;

157 (4) Purchase educational equipment;

158 (5) Provide scholarships for training to obtain [a child development
159 associate certificate] a credential in early childhood education or child
160 development;

161 (6) Provide training for persons who are mentor teachers, as defined
162 in federal regulations for the Head Start program, and provide a
163 family service coordinator or a family service worker as such positions
164 are defined in such federal regulations;

165 (7) Repair fire, health and safety problems in existing facilities and
166 conduct minor remodeling to comply with the Americans with
167 Disabilities Act; train child care providers on injury and illness
168 prevention; and achieve compliance with national safety standards;

169 (8) Create a supportive network with family day care homes and
170 other providers of care for children;

- 171 (9) Provide for educational consultation and staff development;
- 172 (10) Provide for program quality assurance personnel;
- 173 (11) Provide technical assistance services to enable providers to
174 develop child care facilities pursuant to sections 17b-749g, 17b-749h
175 and 17b-749i, as amended by this act; [or]
- 176 (12) Establish a single point of entry system;
- 177 (13) Provide services that enhance the quality of programs to
178 maximize the health, safety and learning of children from birth to three
179 years of age, inclusive, including, but not limited to, those children
180 served by informal child care arrangements. Such grants may be used
181 for the improvement of staff to child ratios and interaction, initiatives
182 to promote staff retention, preliteracy development, parent
183 involvement, curriculum content and lesson plans.

184 Sec. 5. Subsection (c) of section 10a-194h of the general statutes is
185 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
186 *1, 2005*):

187 (c) Participating qualified nonprofit organizations may borrow
188 money from the Connecticut Health and Educational Facilities
189 Authority for any preschool project for which the authority is
190 authorized to make loans pursuant to this section. In connection with
191 such borrowing, participating qualified nonprofit organizations may
192 enter into any loan or other agreement and make such covenants,
193 representations and indemnities as such participating qualified
194 nonprofit organization deems necessary or desirable to obtain such
195 loans from the authority or to facilitate the issue of bonds by the
196 authority to finance such loans, including agreements with providers
197 of letters of credit, insurance or other credit facilities for such
198 financings. The Department of Education, in consultation with the
199 Department of Social Services and the Connecticut Health and
200 Educational Facilities Authority, shall establish priorities for financing
201 facilities based on need and quality determinants.

202 Sec. 6. Subsection (e) of section 10-285a of the general statutes is
203 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
204 *1, 2005*):

205 (e) If an elementary school building project for a new building or for
206 the expansion of an existing building includes space for a school
207 readiness program, the percentage determined pursuant to this section
208 shall be increased by five percentage points, but shall not exceed one
209 hundred per cent, for the portion of the building used primarily for
210 such purpose. Recipient districts shall maintain full-day preschool
211 enrollment for at least ten years.

212 Sec. 7. Subsection (h) of section 10-285a of the general statutes is
213 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
214 *1, 2005*):

215 (h) Subject to the provisions of section 10-285d, if an elementary
216 school building project for a school in a priority school district or for a
217 priority school is necessary in order to offer a full-day kindergarten
218 program or a full-day preschool program or to reduce class size
219 pursuant to section 10-265f, the percentage determined pursuant to
220 this section shall be increased by ten percentage points for the portion
221 of the building used primarily for such full-day kindergarten program,
222 full-day preschool program or such reduced size classes. Recipient
223 districts that receive an increase pursuant to this subsection in support
224 of a full-day preschool program, shall maintain full-day preschool
225 enrollment for at least ten years.

226 Sec. 8. Subsection (b) of section 10-16q of the general statutes is
227 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
228 *1, 2005*):

229 (b) [The] (1) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, the per child
230 cost of the Department of Education school readiness component of
231 the program offered by a school readiness provider shall not exceed six
232 thousand [four hundred] six hundred fifty dollars.

233 (2) For fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, and each fiscal year
234 thereafter, the per child cost of the Department of Education school
235 readiness component of the program offered by a school readiness
236 provider shall not exceed six thousand nine hundred twenty-five
237 dollars.

238 (3) A school readiness provider may provide child day care services
239 and the cost of such child day care services shall not be subject to such
240 per child cost limitation.

241 Sec. 9. Section 10-14n of the general statutes is amended by adding
242 subsection (h) as follows (*Effective July 1, 2005*):

243 (NEW) (h) Within available appropriations, the Commissioner of
244 Education shall, not later than October 1, 2009, develop and implement
245 a state-wide developmentally appropriate kindergarten assessment
246 tool that measures a child's level of preparedness for kindergarten.

247 Sec. 10. Subsection (d) of section 10-16p of the general statutes is
248 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
249 *1, 2005*):

250 (d) (1) The Commissioner of Education, in consultation with the
251 Commissioner of Social Services, shall establish a competitive grant
252 program to provide spaces in accredited school readiness programs for
253 eligible children who reside in an area served by a priority school or a
254 former priority school as provided for in subdivision (2) of this
255 subsection or in a town ranked one to [twenty-eight] fifty when all
256 towns are ranked in ascending order according to town wealth, as
257 defined in subdivision (26) of section 10-262f, whose school district is
258 not a priority school district pursuant to section 10-266p. A town in
259 which such a school is located or a regional school readiness council,
260 pursuant to subsection (c) of section 10-16r, for a region in which such
261 a school is located may apply for such a grant in an amount not to
262 exceed one hundred seven thousand dollars per priority school.
263 Eligibility shall be determined for a five-year period based on an
264 applicant's designation as having a priority school for the initial year of

265 application. Grant awards shall be made annually contingent upon
266 available funding and a satisfactory annual evaluation. The chief
267 elected official of such town and the superintendent of schools of the
268 school district or the regional school readiness council shall submit a
269 plan, as described in subsection (c) of this section, for the expenditure
270 of such grant funds to the Department of Education. In awarding
271 grants pursuant to this subsection, the commissioner shall give
272 preference to applications submitted by regional school readiness
273 councils and may, within available appropriations, provide a grant in
274 excess of one hundred seven thousand dollars to towns with two or
275 more priority schools in such district. A town or regional school
276 readiness council awarded a grant pursuant to this subsection shall use
277 the funds to purchase spaces for such children from providers of
278 accredited school readiness programs.

279 (2) (A) Commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, if a
280 town received a grant pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection for
281 a priority school and is no longer eligible to receive such a grant for
282 such school, the town may receive a phase-out grant for each of the
283 three fiscal years following the fiscal year such town received its final
284 grant for such school pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection.

285 (B) The amount of such phase-out grants shall be determined as
286 follows: (i) For the first fiscal year following the fiscal year such town
287 received its final priority school grant for such school pursuant to
288 subdivision (1) of this subsection, in an amount that does not exceed
289 seventy-five per cent of the grant amount such town received for such
290 school for the school's final year of eligibility pursuant to subdivision
291 (1) of this subsection; (ii) for the second fiscal year following the fiscal
292 year such town received its final priority school grant for such school
293 pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection, in an amount that does
294 not exceed fifty per cent of the grant amount such town received for
295 such school for the school's final year of eligibility pursuant to
296 subdivision (1) of this subsection; (iii) for the third fiscal year following
297 the fiscal year such town received its final priority school grant for
298 such school pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection, in an

299 amount that does not exceed twenty-five per cent of the grant amount
300 such town received for such school for the school's final year of
301 eligibility pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection.

302 Sec. 11. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2005*) Within available
303 appropriations, the Commissioner of Education shall provide technical
304 assistance and training to school readiness programs to assist in the
305 application of preschool curriculum guidelines adopted by the State
306 Board of Education.

307 Sec. 12. (*Effective from passage*) The early childhood education center
308 at Eastern Connecticut State University shall work with local and
309 regional school readiness councils to address their childcare and early
310 education needs. The university shall report to the Department of
311 Education on the results of such work.

312 Sec. 13. Subsection (d) of section 10-76g of the general statutes is
313 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
314 *1, 2005*):

315 (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal
316 years ending June 30, 2004, [and June 30, 2005] to June 30, 2007,
317 inclusive, the amount of the grants payable to local or regional boards
318 of education in accordance with this section, except grants paid in
319 accordance with subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section, as
320 amended by this act, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2006, and June
321 30, 2007, shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such grants in
322 such year exceeds the amount appropriated for the purposes of this
323 section for such year.

324 Sec. 14. Section 10-217a of the general statutes is amended by adding
325 subsection (h) as follows (*Effective July 1, 2005*):

326 (NEW) (h) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the
327 fiscal years ending June 30, 2006, and June 30, 2007, the amount of the
328 grants payable to local or regional boards of education in accordance
329 with this section shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such

330 grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for purposes of
331 this section.

332 Sec. 15. Subsection (b) of section 10-281 of the general statutes is
333 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
334 *1, 2005*):

335 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal
336 years ending June 30, 2004, [and June 30, 2005] to June 30, 2007,
337 inclusive, the amount of the grants payable to local or regional boards
338 of education in accordance with this section shall be reduced
339 proportionately if the total of such grants in such year exceeds the
340 amount appropriated for purposes of this section.

341 Sec. 16. Subsection (d) of section 10-71 of the general statutes is
342 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
343 *1, 2005*):

344 (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal
345 years ending June 30, 2004, [and June 30, 2005] to June 30, 2007,
346 inclusive, the amount of the grants payable to towns, regional boards
347 of education or regional educational service centers in accordance with
348 this section shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such grants
349 in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for the purposes of this
350 section for such year.

351 Sec. 17. Subdivision (4) of subsection (a) of section 10-266m of the
352 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
353 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2005*):

354 (4) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal
355 years ending June 30, 2004, [and June 30, 2005] to June 30, 2007,
356 inclusive, the amount of transportation grants payable to local or
357 regional boards of education shall be reduced proportionately if the
358 total of such grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for
359 such grants for such year.

360 Sec. 18. Subsection (e) of section 10-76d of the general statutes is
361 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
362 *1, 2005*):

363 (e) (1) Any local or regional board of education which provides
364 special education pursuant to any mandates in this section shall
365 provide transportation, to and from, but not beyond the curb of, the
366 residence of the child, unless otherwise agreed upon by the board and
367 the parent or guardian of the child, tuition, room and board and other
368 items as are necessary to the provision of such special education except
369 for children who are placed in a residential facility because of the need
370 for services other than educational services, in which case the financial
371 responsibility of the school district and payment to such district shall
372 be limited to the reasonable costs of special education instruction as
373 defined in the regulations of the State Board of Education. If a hearing
374 board, pursuant to subsection (d) of section 10-76h, rejects the
375 educational program prescribed by the local or regional board of
376 education and determines that a placement by a parent or guardian
377 was appropriate, the local or regional board of education shall
378 reimburse the parent or guardian for the reasonable costs incurred for
379 the provision of special education pursuant to this section from the
380 initiation of review procedures as provided by said section 10-76h.

381 (2) For purposes of this subdivision, "public agency" includes the
382 offices of a government of a federally recognized Native American
383 tribe. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the general statutes, for
384 the fiscal year ending June 30, 1987, and each fiscal year thereafter,
385 whenever a public agency, other than a local or regional board of
386 education, the State Board of Education or the Superior Court acting
387 pursuant to section 10-76h, places a child in a foster home, group
388 home, hospital, state institution, receiving home, custodial institution
389 or any other residential or day treatment facility, and such child
390 requires special education, the local or regional board of education
391 under whose jurisdiction the child would otherwise be attending
392 school or, if no such board can be identified, the local or regional board
393 of education of the town where the child is placed, shall provide the

394 requisite special education and related services to such child in
395 accordance with the provisions of this section. Within one business day
396 of such a placement by the Department of Children and Families or
397 offices of a government of a federally recognized Native American
398 tribe, said department or offices shall orally notify the local or regional
399 board of education responsible for providing special education and
400 related services to such child of such placement. The department or
401 offices shall provide written notification to such board of such
402 placement within two business days of the placement. Such local or
403 regional board of education shall convene a planning and placement
404 team meeting for such child within thirty days of the placement and
405 shall invite a representative of the Department of Children and
406 Families or offices of a government of a federally recognized Native
407 American tribe to participate in such meeting. (A) The local or regional
408 board of education under whose jurisdiction such child would
409 otherwise be attending school shall be financially responsible for the
410 reasonable costs of such special education and related services in an
411 amount equal to the lesser of one hundred per cent of the costs of such
412 education or the average per pupil educational costs of such board of
413 education for the prior fiscal year, determined in accordance with the
414 provisions of subsection (a) of section 10-76f. The State Board of
415 Education shall pay on a current basis, except as provided in
416 subdivision (3) of this subsection, any costs in excess of such local or
417 regional board's basic contributions paid by such board of education in
418 accordance with the provisions of this subdivision. (B) Whenever a
419 child is placed pursuant to this subdivision, on or after July 1, 1995, by
420 the Department of Children and Families and the local or regional
421 board of education under whose jurisdiction such child would
422 otherwise be attending school cannot be identified, the local or
423 regional board of education under whose jurisdiction the child
424 attended school or in whose district the child resided at the time of
425 removal from the home by said department shall be responsible for the
426 reasonable costs of special education and related services provided to
427 such child, for one calendar year or until the child is committed to the
428 state pursuant to section 46b-129 or 46b-140 or is returned to the child's

429 parent or guardian, whichever is earlier. If the child remains in such
430 placement beyond one calendar year the Department of Children and
431 Families shall be responsible for such costs. During the period the local
432 or regional board of education is responsible for the reasonable cost of
433 special education and related services pursuant to this subparagraph,
434 the board shall be responsible for such costs in an amount equal to the
435 lesser of one hundred per cent of the costs of such education and
436 related services or the average per pupil educational costs of such
437 board of education for the prior fiscal year, determined in accordance
438 with the provisions of subsection (a) of section 10-76f. The State Board
439 of Education shall pay on a current basis, except as provided in
440 subdivision (3) of this subsection, any costs in excess of such local or
441 regional board's basic contributions paid by such board of education in
442 accordance with the provisions of this subdivision. The costs for
443 services other than educational shall be paid by the state agency which
444 placed the child. The provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to
445 the school districts established within the Department of Children and
446 Families, pursuant to section 17a-37, the Department of Correction,
447 pursuant to section 18-99a, or the Department of Mental Retardation,
448 pursuant to section 17a-240, provided in any case in which special
449 education is being provided at a private residential institution,
450 including the residential components of regional educational service
451 centers, to a child for whom no local or regional board of education
452 can be found responsible under subsection (b) of this section, Unified
453 School District #2 shall provide the special education and related
454 services and be financially responsible for the reasonable costs of such
455 special education instruction for such children. Notwithstanding the
456 provisions of this subdivision, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2004,
457 [and June 30, 2005] to June 30, 2007, inclusive, the amount of the grants
458 payable to local or regional boards of education in accordance with
459 this subdivision shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such
460 grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for the purposes
461 of this subdivision for such year.

462 (3) Payment for children who require special education and who

463 reside on state-owned or leased property or in permanent family
464 residences as defined in section 17a-154, and who are not the
465 educational responsibility of the unified school districts established
466 pursuant to section 17a-37, section 17a-240 or section 18-99a, shall be
467 made in the following manner: The State Board of Education shall pay
468 to the school district which is responsible for providing instruction for
469 each such child pursuant to the provisions of this subsection one
470 hundred per cent of the reasonable costs of such instruction. In the
471 fiscal year following such payment, the State Board of Education shall
472 deduct from the special education grant due the local or regional board
473 of education under whose jurisdiction the child would otherwise be
474 attending school, where such board has been identified, the amount
475 for which such board would otherwise have been financially
476 responsible pursuant to the provisions of subdivision (2) of this
477 subsection. No such deduction shall be made for any school district
478 which is responsible for providing special education instruction for
479 children whose parents or legal guardians do not reside within such
480 district. The amount deducted shall be included as a net cost of special
481 education by the Department of Education for purposes of the state's
482 special education grant calculated pursuant to section 10-76g. A school
483 district otherwise eligible for reimbursement under the provisions of
484 this subdivision for the costs of education of a child residing in a
485 permanent family residence shall continue to be so eligible in the event
486 that a person providing foster care in such residence adopts the child.
487 Notwithstanding the provisions of this subdivision, for the fiscal years
488 ending June 30, 2004, and June 30, 2005, the amount of the grants
489 payable to local or regional boards of education in accordance with
490 this subdivision shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such
491 grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for the purposes
492 of this subdivision for such year.

493 (4) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the
494 Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services shall provide
495 regular education and special education and related services to eligible
496 residents in facilities operated by the department who are eighteen to

497 twenty-one years of age. In the case of a resident who requires special
498 education, the department shall provide the requisite identification
499 and evaluation of such resident in accordance with the provisions of
500 this section. The department shall be financially responsible for the
501 provision of educational services to eligible residents. The
502 Departments of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Children and
503 Families and Education shall develop and implement an interagency
504 agreement which specifies the role of each agency in ensuring the
505 provision of appropriate education services to eligible residents in
506 accordance with this section. The State Board of Education shall pay to
507 the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services one hundred
508 per cent of the reasonable costs of such educational services provided
509 to eligible residents of such facilities. Payment shall be made by the
510 board as follows: Eighty-five per cent of the estimated cost in July and
511 the adjusted balance in May.

512 (5) Application for the grant to be paid by the state for costs in
513 excess of the local or regional board of education's basic contribution
514 shall be made by such board of education by filing with the State
515 Board of Education, in such manner as prescribed by the
516 Commissioner of Education, annually on or before December first a
517 statement of the cost of providing special education, as defined in
518 subdivision (2) of this subsection, for a child of the board placed by a
519 state agency in accordance with the provisions of said subdivision or,
520 where appropriate, a statement of the cost of providing educational
521 services other than special educational services pursuant to the
522 provisions of subsection (b) of section 10-253, provided a board of
523 education may submit, not later than March first, claims for additional
524 children or costs not included in the December filing. Payment by the
525 state for such excess costs shall be made to the local or regional board
526 of education as follows: Seventy-five per cent of the cost in February
527 and the balance in May. The amount due each town pursuant to the
528 provisions of this subsection and the amount due to each town as
529 tuition from other towns pursuant to this section shall be paid to the
530 treasurer of each town entitled to such aid, provided the treasurer shall

531 treat such grant or tuition received, or a portion of such grant or
532 tuition, which relates to special education expenditures incurred
533 pursuant to subdivisions (2) and (3) of this subsection in excess of such
534 board's budgeted estimate of such expenditures, as a reduction in
535 expenditures by crediting such expenditure account, rather than town
536 revenue. The state shall notify the local or regional board of education
537 when payments are made to the treasurer of the town pursuant to this
538 subdivision.

539 Sec. 19. Subsection (a) of section 10-76g of the general statutes is
540 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
541 *1, 2005*):

542 (a) (1) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1984, and each fiscal year
543 thereafter, in any case in which special education is being provided at
544 a private residential institution, including the residential components
545 of regional educational service centers, to a child for whom no local or
546 regional board of education can be found responsible under subsection
547 (b) of section 10-76d, the Department of Children and Families shall
548 pay the costs of special education to such institution pursuant to its
549 authority under sections 17a-1 to 17a-26, inclusive, 17a-28 to 17a-50,
550 inclusive, and 17a-52. (2) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1993, and
551 each fiscal year thereafter, any local or regional board of education
552 which provides special education and related services for any child (A)
553 who is placed by a [state] public agency, including, but not limited to,
554 offices of a government of a federally recognized Native American
555 tribe, in a private residential facility or who is placed in a facility or
556 institution operated by the Department of Children and Families and
557 who receives such special education at a program operated by a
558 regional education service center or program operated by a local or
559 regional board of education, and (B) for whom no local or regional
560 board of education can be found responsible under subsection (b) of
561 section 10-76d, shall be eligible to receive one hundred per cent of the
562 reasonable costs of special education for such child as defined in the
563 regulations of the State Board of Education. Any such board eligible
564 for payment shall file with the Department of Education, in such

565 manner as prescribed by the Commissioner of Education, annually, on
566 or before December first a statement of the cost of providing special
567 education for such child, provided a board of education may submit,
568 not later than March first, claims for additional children or costs not
569 included in the December filing. Payment by the state for such costs
570 shall be made to the local or regional board of education as follows:
571 Seventy-five per cent of the cost in February and the balance in May.

572 Sec. 20. Section 10-253 of the general statutes is repealed and the
573 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2005*):

574 (a) Children placed out by the Commissioner of Children and
575 Families or by other agencies or persons, including offices of a
576 government of a federally recognized Native American tribe, private
577 child-caring or child-placing agencies licensed by the Department of
578 Children and Families, and eligible residents of facilities operated by
579 the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services or by the
580 Department of Public Health who are eighteen to twenty-one years of
581 age, shall be entitled to all free school privileges of the school district
582 where they then reside as a result of such placement, except as
583 provided in subdivision (4) of subsection (e) of section 10-76d. Except
584 as provided in subsection (d) of this section and subdivision (4) of
585 subsection (e) of section 10-76d, payment for such education shall be
586 made by the board of education of the school district under whose
587 jurisdiction such child would otherwise be attending school where
588 such a school district is identified.

589 (b) The board of education of the school district under whose
590 jurisdiction a child would otherwise be attending school shall be
591 financially responsible for the reasonable costs of education for a child
592 placed out by the Commissioner of Children and Families or by other
593 agencies, including, but not limited to, offices of a government of a
594 federally recognized Native American tribe, in a private residential
595 facility when such child requires educational services other than
596 special education services. Such financial responsibility shall be the
597 lesser of one hundred per cent of the costs of such education or the

598 average per pupil educational costs of such board of education for the
599 prior fiscal year, determined in accordance with subsection (a) of
600 section 10-76f. Any costs in excess of the boards' basic contribution
601 shall be paid by the State Board of Education on a current basis. The
602 costs for services other than educational shall be paid by the state
603 agency which placed the child. Application for the grant to be paid by
604 the state for costs in excess of the local or regional board of education's
605 basic contribution shall be made in accordance with the provisions of
606 subdivision (5) of subsection (e) of section 10-76d. Notwithstanding the
607 provisions of this subsection, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2004,
608 [and June 30, 2005] to June 30, 2007, inclusive, the amount of the grants
609 payable to local or regional boards of education in accordance with
610 this subsection shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such
611 grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for the purposes
612 of this subsection for such year.

613 (c) No board of education shall be required to provide school
614 accommodations for any child whose legal residence is in another state
615 unless the board has entered into an agreement concerning the
616 provision of educational services and programs with the state or local
617 educational agency of such state responsible for educating the child,
618 the facility where the child is placed or the parent or guardian placing
619 such child, and provided that a bond, in a sum equal to the tuition
620 payable for such child, issued by a surety company authorized to do
621 business in this state and conditioned upon the payment of tuition at
622 the rate established by the board, shall be filed with the treasurer of the
623 school district in which such child is attending school by the parent or
624 guardian or other person or organization in control of such child.

625 (d) Children residing with relatives or nonrelatives, when it is the
626 intention of such relatives or nonrelatives and of the children or their
627 parents or guardians that such residence is to be permanent, provided
628 without pay and not for the sole purpose of obtaining school
629 accommodations, and, for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1981, and
630 each fiscal year thereafter, children not requiring special education
631 who are residing in any facility or home as a result of a placement by a

632 public agency, including, but not limited to, offices of a government of
633 a federally recognized Native American tribe, other than a local or
634 regional board of education, and except as provided by subsection (b)
635 of this section, shall be entitled to all free school privileges accorded to
636 resident children of the school district in which they then reside. A
637 local or regional board of education may require documentation from
638 the parent or guardian, the relative or nonrelative, emancipated minor
639 or pupil eighteen years of age or older that the residence is to be
640 permanent, provided without pay and not for the sole purpose of
641 obtaining school accommodations provided by the school district.
642 Such documentation may include affidavits, provided that prior to any
643 request for documentation of a child's residency from the child's
644 parent or guardian, relative or nonrelative, or emancipated minor or
645 pupil eighteen years of age or older, the board of education shall
646 provide the parent or guardian, relative or nonrelative, emancipated
647 minor or pupil eighteen years of age or older with a written statement
648 specifying the basis upon which the board has reason to believe that
649 such child, emancipated minor or pupil eighteen years of age or older
650 is not entitled to school accommodations.

651 (e) (1) For purposes of this subsection:

652 (A) "Temporary shelters" means facilities which provide emergency
653 shelter for a specified, limited period of time, and

654 (B) "Educational costs" means the reasonable costs of providing
655 regular or, except as otherwise provided, special education, but in no
656 event shall such costs exceed the average per pupil cost for regular
657 education students or the actual cost of providing special education for
658 special education students.

659 (2) Children in temporary shelters shall be entitled to free school
660 privileges from either the school district in which the shelter is located
661 or the school district in which the child would otherwise reside, if not
662 for the need for temporary shelter. Upon notification from the school
663 district in which the temporary shelter is located, the school district in

664 which the child would otherwise reside, if identified, shall either pay
665 tuition to the school district in which the temporary shelter is located
666 for the child to attend school in that district or shall continue to
667 provide educational services, including transportation, to such child. If
668 the school district where the child would otherwise reside cannot be
669 identified, the school district in which the temporary shelter is located
670 shall be financially responsible for the educational costs for such child,
671 except that in the case of a child who requires special education and
672 related services and is placed by the Department of Children and
673 Families in a temporary shelter on or after July 1, 1995, the school
674 district in which the child resided immediately prior to such placement
675 or the Department of Children and Families shall be responsible for the
676 cost of such special education and related services, to the extent such
677 board or department is responsible for such costs under subparagraph
678 (B) of subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of section 10-76d. If the school
679 district where the child would otherwise reside declines to provide
680 free school privileges, the school district where the temporary shelter is
681 located shall provide free school privileges and may recover tuition
682 from the school district where the child would otherwise reside. In the
683 case of children requiring special education who have been placed in
684 out-of-district programs by either a board of education or state agency,
685 the school district in which the child would otherwise reside shall
686 continue to be responsible for the child's education until such time as a
687 new residence is established, notwithstanding the fact that the child or
688 child's family resides in a temporary shelter.

689 (f) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes,
690 educational services shall be provided by each local and regional
691 board of education to homeless children and youths in accordance
692 with the provisions of 42 USC 11431, et seq., as amended from time to
693 time.

694 Sec. 21. Subsection (b) of section 10-66cc of the general statutes is
695 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
696 *1, 2005*):

697 (b) The governing council of each charter school shall submit
698 annually, to the Commissioner of Education, at such time and in such
699 manner as [he] the commissioner prescribes, and, in the case of a local
700 charter school, to the local or regional board of education for the school
701 district in which the school is located, a report on the condition of the
702 school, including (1) the educational progress of students in the school,
703 (2) the financial condition of the school, including a certified audit
704 statement of all revenues and expenditures, (3) accomplishment of the
705 mission, purpose and any specialized focus of the charter school, [and]
706 (4) the racial and ethnic composition of the student body and efforts
707 taken to increase the racial and ethnic diversity of the student body,
708 and (5) best practices employed by the school that contribute
709 significantly to the academic success of students.

710 Sec. 22. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2005*) The Department of Education
711 shall, annually, publish a report on all of the best practices reported by
712 governing councils of charter schools pursuant to subdivision (5) of
713 subsection (b) of section 10-66cc of the general statutes, as amended by
714 this act, and distribute a copy of such report to each public school
715 superintendent and the governing council of each charter school.

716 Sec. 23. Section 10-76n of the general statutes is repealed and the
717 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2005*):

718 (a) The State Board of Education shall continue to maintain the
719 special education resource center, with federal funds granted to the
720 state for the maintenance of said center under the provisions of the
721 federal Education for the Handicapped Act, for purposes consistent
722 with the provisions of said act as it may from time to time be amended.
723 The Commissioner of Education is authorized to accept any federal
724 funds allotted to the state for such purposes and shall administer such
725 funds in accordance with federal law.

726 (b) The special education resource center described in subsection (a)
727 of this section may be conducted by the state education resource
728 center, established pursuant to section 24 of this act, as part of its

729 program of activities.

730 Sec. 24. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2005*) (a) The State Board of
731 Education shall establish a state education resource center to assist the
732 board in the provision of programs and activities that will promote
733 educational equity and excellence. Such activities, to be provided by
734 the state education resource center or a regional educational service
735 center, may include training and continuing education seminars,
736 publication of technical materials, research and evaluation, and other
737 related activities. The center may support programs and activities
738 concerning early childhood education, the federal No Child Left
739 Behind Act, P.L. 107-110, and closing the academic achievement gap
740 between socio-economic subgroups, and other related programs.

741 (b) The Commissioner of Education, with the assistance of the state
742 education resource center, may provide grants to local and regional
743 boards of education for districts identified as in need of improvement
744 under the provisions of section 10-223e of the general statutes. The
745 grants shall be for the creation and acquisition of new curricula,
746 training in the use of the curricula and related supporting textbooks
747 and other materials. Local and regional boards of education may use
748 such grants only for curricula, training and related textbooks and
749 materials that have been authorized by the commissioner. Local and
750 regional boards of education shall apply for grants pursuant to this
751 subsection at such time and in such manner as the commissioner
752 prescribes, and the commissioner shall determine the amount of the
753 grant awards.

754 (c) Within available appropriations, the Department of Education
755 shall establish a Connecticut school reform resource center within the
756 state education resource center established pursuant to subsection (a)
757 of this section or by contract through a regional educational service
758 center. The center shall operate year-round and focus on serving the
759 needs of all public schools. The center shall (1) publish and distribute
760 reports on the most effective practices for improving student
761 achievement by successful schools, (2) provide a program of

762 professional development activities for school leaders, including
763 curriculum coordinators, principals, superintendents and board of
764 education members, (3) provide information on successful models for
765 evaluating student performance and managing student data, and (4)
766 provide other programs and materials to assist in the improvement of
767 public schools.

768 Sec. 25. Subsection (c) of section 10-264l of the general statutes, as
769 amended by section 3 of public act 05-2, is repealed and the following
770 is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

771 (c) (1) The maximum amount each interdistrict magnet school
772 program shall be eligible to receive per enrolled student shall be
773 determined as follows: (A) For each participating district whose
774 magnet school program enrollment is equal to or less than thirty per
775 cent of the magnet school program total enrollment, ninety per cent of
776 the foundation as defined in subdivision (9) of section 10-262f; (B) for
777 each participating district whose magnet school program enrollment is
778 greater than thirty per cent but less than or equal to sixty per cent of
779 the magnet school program total enrollment, a percentage between
780 sixty and ninety per cent of said foundation that is inversely
781 proportional to the percentage of magnet school program students
782 from such district; and (C) for each participating district whose magnet
783 school program enrollment is greater than sixty per cent but less than
784 or equal to ninety per cent of the magnet school program total
785 enrollment, a percentage between zero and sixty per cent of said
786 foundation that is inversely proportional to the percentage of magnet
787 school program students from such district. The amounts so
788 determined shall be proportionately adjusted, if necessary, within the
789 limit of the available appropriation, and in no case shall any grant
790 pursuant to this section exceed the reasonable operating budget of the
791 magnet school program, less revenues from other sources. Any magnet
792 school program operating less than full-time but at least half-time shall
793 be eligible to receive a grant equal to sixty-five per cent of the grant
794 amount determined pursuant to this subsection.

795 (2) For the fiscal year ending June 30, [2005] 2003, and each fiscal
796 year thereafter, the commissioner may, within available
797 appropriations, provide supplemental grants for the purposes of
798 enhancing educational programs in such interdistrict magnet schools
799 as the commissioner determines. Such grants shall be made after the
800 commissioner has reviewed and approved the total operating budget
801 for such schools, including all revenue and expenditure estimates.

802 Sec. 26. Subsection (h) of section 10-76f of the general statutes, as
803 amended by section 1 of public act 05-13, is repealed and the following
804 is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2005*):

805 (h) "Net cost of special education" means the result obtained by
806 subtracting from the expenditures made by a claimant board for
807 special education personnel, equipment, materials, tuition,
808 transportation, rent and consultant services, (1) the total amount of any
809 funds from other state or federal grants, private grants or special
810 education tuition received by the board or town in such year and used
811 to implement special education programs approved pursuant to said
812 sections, (2) the total amount of any funds from Medicaid payments
813 [received by] expended by the board in such year [pursuant to
814 subsection (a) of section 10-76d] and used to implement special
815 education programs, and (3) expenditures for special education
816 provided to children requiring special education who are described in
817 subparagraph (B) of subdivision (5) of section 10-76a.

818 Sec. 27. Section 10-266p of the general statutes is amended by
819 adding subsection (f) as follows (*Effective July 1, 2005*):

820 (NEW) (f) In addition to the amounts allocated in subsection (a), and
821 subsections (c) to (e), inclusive, of this section, for the fiscal year
822 ending June 30, 2006, the State Board of Education shall allocate two
823 million thirty-nine thousand six hundred eighty six dollars to the
824 towns that rank one to three, inclusive, in population pursuant to
825 subdivision (1) of said subsection (a), and for the fiscal year ending
826 June 30, 2007, the State Board of Education shall allocate two million

827 six hundred ten thousand seven hundred ninety-eight dollars to the
828 towns that rank one to three, inclusive, in population pursuant to
829 subdivision (1) of said subsection (a).

830 Sec. 28. Subsection (e) of section 10-16p of the general statutes is
831 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
832 *1, 2005*):

833 (e) (1) Priority school districts and former priority school districts
834 shall receive grants based on their proportional share of the sum of the
835 products obtained by multiplying the average number of enrolled
836 kindergarten students in each priority school district and in each
837 former priority school district for the three years prior to the year the
838 grant is to be paid, by the ratio of the average percentage of free and
839 reduced price meals for all severe need schools in such district to the
840 minimum percentage requirement for severe need school eligibility,
841 provided no such school district shall receive a grant that is less than
842 the grant it received for the prior fiscal year, including any
843 supplemental grants received in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, or
844 a grant that is less than one hundred fifty thousand dollars.

845 (2) The Department of Education may retain up to five-tenths of one
846 per cent of the amount appropriated for purposes of this section for
847 coordination, program evaluation and administration.

848 (3) If a town that is eligible for a grant pursuant to subsection (c) of
849 this section does not submit, by October first, a plan which is
850 subsequently approved for the expenditure of the entire amount of
851 funds for which such town is eligible, the department may use up to
852 seventy per cent of any amounts such town has not earmarked for
853 expenditure, to provide supplemental grants to other towns that are
854 eligible for grants pursuant to subsection (c) of this section, and the
855 remaining thirty per cent of any amounts such town has not
856 earmarked for expenditure, for school readiness professional
857 development, including, but not limited to, scholarship assistance for
858 school readiness staff to attain early childhood education certification

859 and staff training to enhance literacy teaching skills.

860 Sec. 29. Subdivision (9) of section 10-262f of the general statutes is
861 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
862 *1, 2005*):

863 (9) "Foundation" means (A) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1990,
864 three thousand nine hundred eighteen dollars, (B) for the fiscal year
865 ending June 30, 1991, four thousand one hundred ninety-two dollars,
866 (C) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1992, four thousand four
867 hundred eighty-six dollars, (D) for the fiscal years ending June 30,
868 1993, June 30, 1994, and June 30, 1995, four thousand eight hundred
869 dollars, (E) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1996, June 30, 1997, and
870 June 30, 1998, five thousand seven hundred eleven dollars, (F) for the
871 fiscal year ending June 30, 1999, five thousand seven hundred seventy-
872 five dollars, and (G) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2000, to June
873 30, [2005] 2007, inclusive, five thousand eight hundred ninety-one
874 dollars.

875 Sec. 30. Subsection (d) of section 10-262j of the general statutes is
876 amended by adding subdivision (12) as follows (*Effective July 1, 2005*):

877 (12) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, the regular program
878 expenditures of a town shall be no less than the sum of (A) its
879 minimum expenditure requirement for the fiscal year ending June 30,
880 2005, (B) its aid increase pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, and
881 (C) if the resident student count for October 2004, is less than the
882 resident student count for October 2003, the result obtained by
883 multiplying the difference between the town's resident student count
884 for October 2004, using the data of record as of December 1, 2004, and
885 the town's resident student count for October 2003, using the data of
886 record as of December 1, 2003, by one-half of the foundation.

887 Sec. 31. Section 10-262i of the general statutes is repealed and the
888 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2005*):

889 (a) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1990, and for each fiscal year

890 thereafter, each town shall be paid a grant equal to the amount the
891 town is entitled to receive under the provisions of section 10-262h, as
892 calculated using the data of record as of the December first prior to the
893 fiscal year such grant is to be paid, adjusted for the difference between
894 the final entitlement for the prior fiscal year and the preliminary
895 entitlement for such fiscal year as calculated using the data of record as
896 of the December first prior to the fiscal year when such grant was paid.

897 (b) The amount due each town pursuant to the provisions of
898 subsection (a) of this section shall be paid by the Comptroller, upon
899 certification of the Commissioner of Education, to the treasurer of each
900 town entitled to such aid in installments during the fiscal year as
901 follows: Twenty-five per cent of the grant in October, twenty-five per
902 cent of the grant in January and the balance of the grant in April. The
903 balance of the grant due towns under the provision of this subsection
904 shall be paid in March rather than April to any town which has not
905 adopted the uniform fiscal year and which would not otherwise
906 receive such final payment within the fiscal year of such town.

907 (c) All aid distributed to a town pursuant to the provisions of this
908 section shall be expended for educational purposes only and shall be
909 expended upon the authorization of the local or regional board of
910 education. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999, and each fiscal year
911 thereafter, if a town receives an increase in funds pursuant to this
912 section over the amount it received for the prior fiscal year such
913 increase shall not be used to supplant local funding for educational
914 purposes. The budgeted appropriation for education in any town
915 receiving an increase in funds pursuant to this section shall be not less
916 than the amount appropriated for education for the prior year plus
917 such increase in funds.

918 (d) Upon a determination by the State Board of Education that a
919 town or kindergarten to grade twelve, inclusive, regional school
920 district failed in any fiscal year to meet the requirements pursuant to
921 subsection (c) of this section, the town or kindergarten to grade twelve,
922 inclusive, regional school district shall forfeit an amount equal to two

923 times the amount of the shortfall. The amount so forfeited shall be
924 withheld by the Department of Education from the grant payable to
925 the town in the second fiscal year immediately following such failure
926 by deducting such amount from the town's equalization aid grant
927 payment pursuant to this section, except that in the case of a
928 kindergarten to grade twelve, inclusive, regional school district, the
929 amount so forfeited shall be withheld by the Department of Education
930 from the grants payable pursuant to this section to the towns which
931 are members of such regional school district. The amounts deducted
932 from such grants to each member town shall be proportional to the
933 number of resident students in each member town. Notwithstanding
934 the provisions of this subsection, the State Board of Education may
935 waive such forfeiture upon agreement with the town or kindergarten
936 to grade twelve, inclusive, regional school district that the town or
937 kindergarten to grade twelve, inclusive, regional school district shall
938 increase its budgeted appropriation during the fiscal year in which the
939 forfeiture would occur by an amount not less than the amount of said
940 forfeiture or for other good cause shown. Any additional funds
941 expended pursuant to such an agreement shall not be included in a
942 district's expenditures for the purpose of establishing any future
943 minimum expenditure requirement.

944 Sec. 32. Subdivision (6) of subsection (a) of section 10-262h of the
945 general statutes, as amended by section 1 of public act 05-2, is repealed
946 and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2005*):

947 (6) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, and each fiscal year
948 thereafter, a grant in an amount equal to the amount of its target aid as
949 described in subdivision (32) of section 10-262f except that such
950 amount shall be capped in accordance with the following: (A) For the
951 fiscal years ending June 30, 1996, June 30, 1997, June 30, 1998, and June
952 30, 1999, for each town, the maximum percentage increase over its
953 previous year's base revenue shall be the product of five per cent and
954 the ratio of the wealth of the town ranked one hundred fifty-third
955 when all towns are ranked in descending order to each town's wealth,
956 provided no town shall receive an increase greater than five per cent.

957 (B) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2000, June 30, 2001, June 30,
958 2002, June 30, 2003, and June 30, 2004, for each town, the maximum
959 percentage increase over its previous year's base revenue shall be the
960 product of six per cent and the ratio of the wealth of the town ranked
961 one hundred fifty-third when all towns are ranked in descending order
962 to each town's wealth, provided no town shall receive an increase
963 greater than six per cent. (C) No such cap shall be used for the fiscal
964 year ending June 30, 2005, or any fiscal year thereafter. (D) For the
965 fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, for each town, the maximum
966 percentage reduction from its previous year's base revenue shall be
967 equal to the product of three per cent and the ratio of each town's
968 wealth to the wealth of the town ranked seventeenth when all towns
969 are ranked in descending order, provided no town's grant shall be
970 reduced by more than three per cent. (E) For the fiscal years ending
971 June 30, 1997, June 30, 1998, and June 30, 1999, for each town, the
972 maximum percentage reduction from its previous year's base revenue
973 shall be equal to the product of five per cent and the ratio of each
974 town's wealth to the wealth of the town ranked seventeenth when all
975 towns are ranked in descending order, provided no town's grant shall
976 be reduced by more than five per cent. (F) For the fiscal year ending
977 June 30, 2000, and each fiscal year thereafter, no town's grant shall be
978 less than the grant it received for the prior fiscal year. (G) For each
979 fiscal year, except for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, in addition
980 to the amount determined pursuant to this subdivision, a town shall be
981 eligible for a density supplement if the density of the town is greater
982 than the average density of all towns in the state. The density
983 supplement shall be determined by multiplying the density aid ratio of
984 the town by the foundation level and the town's total need students for
985 the prior fiscal year provided, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000,
986 and each fiscal year thereafter, no town's density supplement shall be
987 less than the density supplement such town received for the prior
988 fiscal year. (H) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1997, the grant
989 determined in accordance with this subdivision for a town ranked one
990 to forty-two when all towns are ranked in descending order according
991 to town wealth shall be further reduced by one and two-hundredths of

992 a per cent and such grant for all other towns shall be further reduced
993 by fifty-six-hundredths of a per cent. (I) For the fiscal year ending June
994 30, 1998, and each fiscal year thereafter, no town whose school district
995 is a priority school district shall receive a grant pursuant to this
996 subdivision in an amount that is less than the amount received under
997 such grant for the prior fiscal year. (J) For the fiscal year ending June
998 30, 2000, and each fiscal year through the fiscal year ending June 30,
999 2003, no town whose school district is a priority school district shall
1000 receive a grant pursuant to this subdivision that provides an amount of
1001 aid per resident student that is less than the amount of aid per resident
1002 student provided under the grant received for the prior fiscal year. (K)
1003 For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1998, and each fiscal year thereafter,
1004 no town whose school district is a priority school district shall receive a
1005 grant pursuant to this subdivision in an amount that is less than
1006 seventy per cent of the sum of (i) the product of a town's base aid ratio,
1007 the foundation level and the town's total need students for the fiscal
1008 year prior to the year in which the grant is to be paid, (ii) the product
1009 of a town's supplemental aid ratio, the foundation level and the sum of
1010 the portion of its total need students count described in subparagraphs
1011 (B) and (C) of subdivision (25) of section 10-262f for the fiscal year
1012 prior to the fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid, and the
1013 adjustments to its resident student count described in subdivision (22)
1014 of said section 10-262f relative to length of school year and summer
1015 school sessions, and (iii) the town's regional bonus. (L) For the fiscal
1016 year ending June 30, 2000, and each fiscal year thereafter, no town
1017 whose school district is a transitional school district shall receive a
1018 grant pursuant to this subdivision in an amount that is less than forty
1019 per cent of the sum of (i) the product of a town's base aid ratio, the
1020 foundation level and the town's total need students for the fiscal year
1021 prior to the fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid, (ii) the product
1022 of a town's supplemental aid ratio, the foundation level and the sum of
1023 the portion of its total need students count described in subparagraphs
1024 (B) and (C) of subdivision (25) of section 10-262f for the fiscal year
1025 prior to the fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid, and the
1026 adjustments to its resident student count described in subdivision (22)

1027 of said section 10-262f relative to length of school year and summer
1028 school sessions, and (iii) the town's regional bonus. (M) For the fiscal
1029 year ending June 30, 2002, (i) each town whose target aid is capped
1030 pursuant to this subdivision shall receive a grant that includes a pro
1031 rata share of twenty-five million dollars based on the difference
1032 between its target aid and the amount of the grant determined with the
1033 cap, and (ii) all towns shall receive a grant that is at least 1.68 per cent
1034 greater than the grant they received for the fiscal year ending June 30,
1035 2001. (N) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, (i) each town whose
1036 target aid is capped pursuant to this subdivision shall receive a pro
1037 rata share of fifty million dollars based on the difference between its
1038 target aid and the amount of the grant determined with the cap, and
1039 (ii) each town shall receive a grant that is at least 1.2 per cent more
1040 than its base revenue, as defined in subdivision (28) of section 10-262f.
1041 (O) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, each town shall receive a
1042 grant that is at least equal to the grant it received for the prior fiscal
1043 year. (P) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, (i) each town whose
1044 target aid is capped pursuant to this subdivision shall receive a grant
1045 that includes a pro rata share of fifty million dollars based on the
1046 difference between its target aid and the amount of the grant
1047 determined with the cap, (ii) each town's grant including the cap
1048 supplement shall be reduced by three per cent, (iii) the towns of
1049 Bridgeport, Hartford and New Haven shall each receive a grant that is
1050 equal to the grant such towns received for the prior fiscal year plus one
1051 million dollars, (iv) those towns described in clause (i) of this
1052 subparagraph shall receive a grant that includes a pro rata share of
1053 three million dollars based on the same pro rata basis as used in said
1054 clause (i), (v) towns whose school districts are priority school districts
1055 pursuant to subsection (a) of section 10-266p or transitional school
1056 districts pursuant to section 10-263c or who are eligible for grants
1057 under section 10-276a or 10-263d for the fiscal years ending June 30,
1058 2002, to June 30, 2004, inclusive, shall receive grants that are at least
1059 equal to the grants they received for the prior fiscal year, (vi) towns not
1060 receiving funds under clause (iii) of this subparagraph shall receive a
1061 pro rata share of any remaining funds based on their grant determined

1062 under this subparagraph. (Q) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005,
 1063 (i) no town shall receive a grant pursuant to this subparagraph in an
 1064 amount that is less than sixty per cent of the amount determined
 1065 pursuant to the previous subparagraphs of this subdivision, (ii)
 1066 notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (B) of this
 1067 subdivision, each town shall receive a grant that is equal to the amount
 1068 the town received for the prior fiscal year increased by twenty-three
 1069 and twenty-seven hundredths per cent of the difference between the
 1070 grant amount calculated pursuant to this subdivision and the amount
 1071 the town received for the prior fiscal year, (iii) no town whose school
 1072 district is a priority school district pursuant to subsection (a) of section
 1073 10-266p shall receive a grant pursuant to this subdivision that is less
 1074 than three hundred seventy dollars per resident student, and (iv) each
 1075 town shall receive a grant that is at least the greater of the amount of
 1076 the grant it received for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, or the
 1077 amount of the grant it received for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004,
 1078 increased by seven tenths per cent, except that the town of Winchester
 1079 shall not receive less than its fixed entitlement for the fiscal year
 1080 ending June 30, 2003. (R) Notwithstanding the provisions of this
 1081 subdivision, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2006, and June 30,
 1082 2007, each town shall receive a grant that is equal to the amount of the
 1083 grant the town received for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005,
 1084 increased by two per cent plus the amount specified in section 33 of
 1085 this act.

1086 Sec. 33. *(Effective July 1, 2005)* For the fiscal years ending June 30,
 1087 2006, and June 30, 2007, the education equalization aid grant each town
 1088 receives shall be increased by the following amounts in accordance
 1089 with subparagraph (R) of subdivision (6) of subsection (a) of section
 1090 10-262h of the general statutes, as amended by this act:

T1	Town Name	FY 2005-06	FY 2006-07
T2	Andover	\$ 74,122	\$ 94,876
T3	Ansonia	302,688	387,441
T4	Ashford	51,389	65,777
T5	Avon	7,634	9,772

T6	Barkhamsted	28,385	36,333
T7	Beacon Falls	81,484	104,300
T8	Berlin	167,604	214,533
T9	Bethany	15,356	19,656
T10	Bethel	71,381	91,367
T11	Bethlehem	11,710	14,989
T12	Bloomfield	289,773	370,909
T13	Bolton	24,814	31,762
T14	Bozrah	10,272	13,148
T15	Branford	13,206	16,903
T16	Bridgeport	1,424,356	1,823,175
T17	Bridgewater	1,032	1,321
T18	Bristol	800,219	1,024,280
T19	Brookfield	11,643	14,903
T20	Brooklyn	58,234	74,539
T21	Burlington	33,489	42,866
T22	Canaan	1,840	2,355
T23	Canterbury	42,051	53,825
T24	Canton	52,972	67,804
T25	Chaplin	16,392	20,982
T26	Cheshire	73,486	94,062
T27	Chester	5,908	7,562
T28	Clinton	57,437	73,520
T29	Colchester	137,018	175,384
T30	Colebrook	4,022	5,149
T31	Columbia	28,808	36,874
T32	Cornwall	590	755
T33	Coventry	74,735	95,661
T34	Cromwell	34,594	44,280
T35	Danbury	767,877	982,883
T36	Darien	9,986	12,782
T37	Deep River	14,990	19,187
T38	Derby	58,772	75,229
T39	Durham	32,987	42,223
T40	East Granby	21,814	27,922
T41	East Haddam	35,482	45,417
T42	East Hampton	178,267	228,182
T43	East Hartford	1,075,785	1,377,005
T44	East Haven	162,625	208,160
T45	East Lyme	63,078	80,740

T46	East Windsor	123,858	158,539
T47	Eastford	9,294	11,896
T48	Easton	3,866	4,949
T49	Ellington	77,686	99,438
T50	Enfield	510,927	653,987
T51	Essex	2,664	3,410
T52	Fairfield	23,359	29,900
T53	Farmington	10,575	13,536
T54	Franklin	7,841	10,036
T55	Glastonbury	61,039	78,130
T56	Goshen	1,591	2,037
T57	Granby	100,288	128,369
T58	Greenwich	22,243	28,471
T59	Griswold	92,084	117,868
T60	Groton	225,418	288,535
T61	Guilford	27,174	34,783
T62	Haddam	38,925	49,824
T63	Hamden	539,634	690,732
T64	Hampton	11,882	15,209
T65	Hartford	1,647,106	2,108,295
T66	Hartland	11,869	15,192
T67	Harwinton	23,116	29,589
T68	Hebron	96,460	123,469
T69	Kent	1,214	1,553
T70	Killingly	132,363	169,425
T71	Killingworth	19,788	25,328
T72	Lebanon	45,025	57,632
T73	Ledyard	102,091	130,676
T74	Lisbon	33,528	42,916
T75	Litchfield	11,100	14,208
T76	Lyme	1,019	1,304
T77	Madison	10,743	13,751
T78	Manchester	285,672	365,660
T79	Mansfield	85,248	109,118
T80	Marlborough	26,542	33,974
T81	Meriden	851,381	1,089,768
T82	Middlebury	4,191	5,364
T83	Middlefield	30,432	38,954
T84	Middletown	423,247	541,756
T85	Milford	95,307	121,992

T86	Monroe	55,033	70,442
T87	Montville	104,322	133,532
T88	Morris	5,845	7,482
T89	Naugatuck	250,759	320,972
T90	New Britain	1,761,935	2,255,277
T91	New Canaan	9,435	12,077
T92	New Fairfield	38,903	49,796
T93	New Hartford	26,246	33,595
T94	New Haven	1,244,104	1,592,453
T95	New London	200,114	256,146
T96	New Milford	104,003	133,124
T97	Newington	246,589	315,633
T98	Newtown	38,031	48,679
T99	Norfolk	3,388	4,337
T100	North Branford	73,734	94,379
T101	North Canaan	17,694	22,649
T102	North Haven	28,589	36,593
T103	North Stonington	25,695	32,889
T104	Norwalk	84,356	107,976
T105	Norwich	375,773	480,990
T106	Old Lyme	4,327	5,539
T107	Old Saybrook	4,502	5,763
T108	Orange	7,227	9,251
T109	Oxford	37,537	48,047
T110	Plainfield	130,790	167,411
T111	Plainville	95,564	122,322
T112	Plymouth	81,654	104,517
T113	Pomfret	25,598	32,765
T114	Portland	65,024	83,231
T115	Preston	25,277	32,354
T116	Prospect	59,364	75,985
T117	Putnam	70,790	90,611
T118	Redding	4,517	5,782
T119	Ridgefield	13,379	17,125
T120	Rocky Hill	21,741	27,829
T121	Roxbury	1,146	1,467
T122	Salem	26,815	34,323
T123	Salisbury	1,294	1,657
T124	Scotland	12,437	15,919
T125	Seymour	81,775	104,672

T126	Sharon	1,022	1,308
T127	Shelton	44,203	56,580
T128	Sherman	1,569	2,008
T129	Simsbury	153,342	196,277
T130	Somers	98,721	126,363
T131	South Windsor	279,994	358,392
T132	Southbury	14,935	19,117
T133	Southington	330,997	423,676
T134	Sprague	22,893	29,303
T135	Stafford	83,464	106,834
T136	Stamford	56,988	72,945
T137	Sterling	26,009	33,292
T138	Stonington	18,311	23,438
T139	Stratford	549,578	703,460
T140	Suffield	178,863	228,945
T141	Thomaston	46,253	59,204
T142	Thompson	64,927	83,107
T143	Tolland	133,177	170,466
T144	Torrington	305,273	390,750
T145	Trumbull	21,887	28,015
T146	Union	1,960	2,508
T147	Vernon	149,547	191,420
T148	Voluntown	22,530	28,838
T149	Wallingford	180,291	230,772
T150	Warren	727	930
T151	Washington	1,754	2,245
T152	Waterbury	2,260,800	2,893,824
T153	Waterford	7,738	9,905
T154	Watertown	97,873	125,278
T155	West Hartford	450,365	576,467
T156	West Haven	353,156	452,039
T157	Westbrook	3,019	3,864
T158	Weston	6,015	7,699
T159	Westport	12,367	15,830
T160	Wethersfield	334,433	428,074
T161	Willington	31,527	40,354
T162	Wilton	9,728	12,451
T163	Winchester	66,467	85,077
T164	Windham	205,641	263,221
T165	Windsor	142,900	182,913

T166	Windsor Locks	252,548	323,262
T167	Wolcott	293,139	375,217
T168	Woodbridge	5,014	6,417
T169	Woodbury	6,779	8,677
T170	Woodstock	78,815	100,884

1091 Sec. 34. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Department of Education shall
 1092 establish a task force to study interdistrict magnet schools. The task
 1093 force shall consist of (1) the Commissioner of Education, or the
 1094 commissioner's designee, (2) a member of the State Board of Education
 1095 designated by the board, (3) two directors of regional educational
 1096 service centers designated by the commissioner, (4) two
 1097 representatives of the Connecticut Association of Boards of Education
 1098 designated by the association, (5) two representatives of the
 1099 Connecticut Association of Schools designated by the association, (6)
 1100 the chairpersons, or their designees, and ranking members, or their
 1101 designees, of the joint standing committees of the General Assembly
 1102 having cognizance of matters relating to education and appropriations
 1103 and the budgets of state agencies, (7) the Secretary of the Office of
 1104 Policy and Management, or the secretary's designee, and (8) a member
 1105 appointed by the Governor. The chairpersons of the joint standing
 1106 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
 1107 relating to education shall be the cochairpersons of the task force.

1108 (b) The task force shall: (1) Examine interdistrict magnet school per
 1109 pupil expenditures and compare such expenditures to the state-wide
 1110 average local and regional school district per pupil expenditure; (2)
 1111 evaluate the adequacy of state grants for the operation of interdistrict
 1112 magnet schools and transportation grants; (3) study standard cost
 1113 sharing by participating school districts; (4) examine interdistrict
 1114 magnet school governance, including a comparison of school district-
 1115 based and regional educational service center-based governance; and
 1116 (5) consider projected enrollment commitment standards for state-
 1117 aided construction and operation of new interdistrict magnet schools.

1118 (c) The Commissioner of Education shall report, in accordance with

1119 section 11-4a of the general statutes, on the study to the joint standing
1120 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
1121 relating to education and the budgets of state agencies by January 1,
1122 2006.

1123 Sec. 35. (*Effective July 1, 2005*) (a) For the fiscal year ending June 30,
1124 2006, the distribution of priority school district grants pursuant to
1125 subsection (a) of section 10-266p of the general statutes shall be as
1126 follows: (1) For priority school districts in the amount of \$34,538,308,
1127 (2) for school readiness in the amount of \$48,516,500, (3) for early
1128 reading success in the amount of \$19,747,286, (4) for extended school
1129 building hours in the amount of \$2,994,752, and (5) for school
1130 accountability in the amount of \$3,499,699.

1131 (b) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, the distribution of
1132 priority school district grants pursuant to subsection (a) of section 10-
1133 266p of the general statutes shall be as follows: (1) For priority school
1134 districts in the amount of \$35,862,269, (2) for school readiness in the
1135 amount of \$51,006,500, (3) for early reading success in the amount of
1136 \$19,747,286, (4) for extended school building hours in the amount of
1137 \$2,994,752, and (5) for school accountability in the amount of
1138 \$3,499,699.

1139 Sec. 36. Section 10-264l of the general statutes, as amended by
1140 section 3 of public act 05-2, is repealed and the following is substituted
1141 in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2005*):

1142 (a) The Department of Education shall, within available
1143 appropriations, establish a grant program to assist local and regional
1144 boards of education, regional educational service centers, the Board of
1145 Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on behalf of
1146 Manchester Community College, and cooperative arrangements
1147 pursuant to section 10-158a with the operation of interdistrict magnet
1148 school programs. All interdistrict magnet schools shall be operated in
1149 conformance with the same laws and regulations applicable to public
1150 schools. For the purposes of this section "an interdistrict magnet school

1151 program" means a program which (1) supports racial, ethnic and
1152 economic diversity, (2) offers a special and high quality curriculum,
1153 and (3) requires students who are enrolled to attend at least half-time.
1154 An interdistrict magnet school program does not include a regional
1155 vocational agriculture school, a regional vocational-technical school or
1156 a regional special education center. On and after July 1, 2000, the
1157 governing authority for each interdistrict magnet school program that
1158 is in operation prior to July 1, 2005, shall restrict the number of
1159 students that may enroll in the program from a participating district to
1160 eighty per cent of the total enrollment of the program. The governing
1161 authority for each interdistrict magnet school program that begins
1162 operations on or after July 1, 2005, shall (A) restrict the number of
1163 students that may enroll in the program from a participating district to
1164 seventy-five per cent of the total enrollment of the program, and (B)
1165 maintain such a school enrollment that at least twenty-five per cent but
1166 not more than seventy-five per cent of the students enrolled are pupils
1167 of racial minorities, as defined in section 10-226a.

1168 (b) Applications for interdistrict magnet school program operating
1169 grants awarded pursuant to this section shall be submitted annually to
1170 the Commissioner of Education at such time and in such manner as the
1171 commissioner prescribes. In determining whether an application shall
1172 be approved and funds awarded pursuant to this section, the
1173 commissioner shall consider, but such consideration shall not be
1174 limited to: (1) Whether the program offered by the school is likely to
1175 increase student achievement; (2) whether the program is likely to
1176 reduce racial, ethnic and economic isolation; (3) the percentage of the
1177 student enrollment in the program from each participating district;
1178 and (4) the proposed operating budget and the sources of funding for
1179 the interdistrict magnet school. If requested by the commissioner, the
1180 applicant shall meet with the commissioner or the commissioner's
1181 designee to discuss the budget and sources of funding. The
1182 commissioner shall not award a grant to a program that is in operation
1183 prior to July 1, 2005, if more than eighty per cent of its total enrollment
1184 is from one school district, except that the commissioner may award a

1185 grant for good cause, for any one year, on behalf of an otherwise
1186 eligible magnet school program, if more than eighty per cent of the
1187 total enrollment is from one district. The commissioner shall not award
1188 a grant to a program that begins operations on or after July 1, 2005, if
1189 more than seventy-five per cent of its total enrollment is from one
1190 school district or if less than twenty-five or more than seventy-five per
1191 cent of the students enrolled are pupils of racial minorities, as defined
1192 in section 10-226a, except that the commissioner may award a grant for
1193 good cause, for one year, on behalf of an otherwise eligible interdistrict
1194 magnet school program, if more than seventy-five per cent of the total
1195 enrollment is from one district or less than twenty-five or more than
1196 seventy-five per cent of the students enrolled are pupils of racial
1197 minorities. The commissioner may not award grants pursuant to such
1198 an exception for a second consecutive year.

1199 (c) (1) The maximum amount each interdistrict magnet school
1200 program, except those described in subparagraph (A) of subdivision
1201 (3) of this subsection, shall be eligible to receive per enrolled student
1202 shall be determined as follows: (A) For each participating district
1203 whose magnet school program enrollment is equal to or less than
1204 thirty per cent of the magnet school program total enrollment, ninety
1205 per cent of the foundation as defined in subdivision (9) of section 10-
1206 262f; (B) for each participating district whose magnet school program
1207 enrollment is greater than thirty per cent but less than or equal to sixty
1208 per cent of the magnet school program total enrollment, a percentage
1209 between sixty and ninety per cent of said foundation that is inversely
1210 proportional to the percentage of magnet school program students
1211 from such district; and (C) for each participating district whose magnet
1212 school program enrollment is greater than sixty per cent but less than
1213 or equal to ninety per cent of the magnet school program total
1214 enrollment, a percentage between zero and sixty per cent of said
1215 foundation that is inversely proportional to the percentage of magnet
1216 school program students from such district. The amounts so
1217 determined shall be proportionately adjusted, if necessary, within the
1218 limit of the available appropriation, and in no case shall any grant

1219 pursuant to this section exceed the reasonable operating budget of the
1220 magnet school program, less revenues from other sources. Any magnet
1221 school program operating less than full-time but at least half-time shall
1222 be eligible to receive a grant equal to sixty-five per cent of the grant
1223 amount determined pursuant to this subsection.

1224 (2) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, the commissioner may,
1225 within available appropriations, provide supplemental grants for the
1226 purposes of enhancing educational programs in such interdistrict
1227 magnet schools as the commissioner determines. Such grants shall be
1228 made after the commissioner has reviewed and approved the total
1229 operating budget for such schools, including all revenue and
1230 expenditure estimates.

1231 (3) (A) Each interdistrict magnet school operated by a regional
1232 educational service center that enrolls less than fifty-five per cent of the
1233 school's students from a single town shall receive a per pupil grant in
1234 the amount of six thousand two hundred fifty dollars for the fiscal year
1235 ending June 30, 2006, and in the amount of six thousand five hundred
1236 dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, and for each fiscal year
1237 thereafter.

1238 (B) Each interdistrict magnet school operated by a regional
1239 educational service center that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent of the
1240 school's students from a single town shall receive a per pupil grant in
1241 an amount that is at least three thousand dollars for the fiscal year
1242 ending June 30, 2006, and for each fiscal year thereafter.

1243 (d) Grants made pursuant to this section shall be paid as follows:
1244 Fifty per cent by September first and the balance by January first of
1245 each fiscal year. The January first payment shall be adjusted to reflect
1246 actual interdistrict magnet school program enrollment as of the
1247 preceding October first, if the actual level of enrollment is lower than
1248 the projected enrollment stated in the approved grant application.

1249 [(e) The Department of Education may retain up to one per cent of
1250 the amount appropriated for purposes of this section for program

1251 evaluation and administration.]

1252 [(f)] (e) Each local or regional school district in which an interdistrict
1253 magnet school is located shall provide the same kind of transportation
1254 to its children enrolled in such interdistrict magnet school as it
1255 provides to its children enrolled in other public schools in such local or
1256 regional school district. The parent or guardian of a child denied the
1257 transportation services required to be provided pursuant to this
1258 subsection may appeal such denial in the manner provided in sections
1259 10-186 and 10-187.

1260 [(g)] (f) On or before October fifteenth of each year, the
1261 Commissioner of Education shall determine if interdistrict magnet
1262 school enrollment is below the number of students for which funds
1263 were appropriated. If the commissioner determines that the
1264 enrollment is below such number, the additional funds shall not lapse
1265 but shall be used by the commissioner for grants for interdistrict
1266 cooperative programs pursuant to section 10-74d.

1267 [(h)] (g) In the case of a student identified as requiring special
1268 education, the school district in which the student resides shall: (1)
1269 Hold the planning and placement team meeting for such student and
1270 shall invite representatives from the interdistrict magnet school to
1271 participate in such meeting; and (2) pay the interdistrict magnet school
1272 an amount equal to the difference between the reasonable cost of
1273 educating such student and the sum of the amount received by the
1274 interdistrict magnet school for such student pursuant to subsection (c)
1275 of this section and amounts received from other state, federal, local or
1276 private sources calculated on a per pupil basis. Such school district
1277 shall be eligible for reimbursement pursuant to section 10-76g. If a
1278 student requiring special education attends an interdistrict magnet
1279 school on a full-time basis, such interdistrict magnet school shall be
1280 responsible for ensuring that such student receives the services
1281 mandated by the student's individualized education program whether
1282 such services are provided by the interdistrict magnet school or by the
1283 school district in which the student resides.

1284 [(i)] (h) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the
1285 enrollment of nonpublic school students in an interdistrict magnet
1286 school program that operates less than full-time, provided (1) such
1287 students constitute no more than five per cent of the full-time
1288 equivalent enrollment in such magnet school program, and (2) such
1289 students are not counted for purposes of determining the amount of
1290 grants pursuant to this section and section 10-264i.

1291 Sec. 37. Subsection (a) of section 10-19o of the general statutes is
1292 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
1293 *passage*):

1294 (a) The Commissioner of Education shall establish a program to
1295 provide grants to youth service bureaus in accordance with this
1296 section. Only youth service bureaus which were eligible to receive
1297 grants pursuant to this section for the fiscal year ending June 30, [2003]
1298 2005, or which applied for a grant by June 30, [2003] 2005, with prior
1299 approval of the town's contribution pursuant to subsection (b) of this
1300 section, shall be eligible for a grant pursuant to this section for any
1301 fiscal year commencing on or after July 1, [2003] 2005. Each such youth
1302 service bureau shall receive a grant of fourteen thousand dollars. The
1303 Department of Education may expend an amount not to exceed two
1304 per cent of the amount appropriated for purposes of this section for
1305 administrative expenses. If there are any remaining funds, each such
1306 youth service bureau that was awarded a grant in excess of fifteen
1307 thousand dollars in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1995, shall receive a
1308 percentage of such funds. The percentage shall be determined as
1309 follows: For each such grant in excess of fifteen thousand dollars, the
1310 difference between the amount of the grant awarded to the youth
1311 service bureau for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1995, and fifteen
1312 thousand dollars shall be divided by the difference between the total
1313 amount of the grants awarded to all youth service bureaus that were
1314 awarded grants in excess of fifteen thousand dollars for said fiscal year
1315 and the product of fifteen thousand dollars and the number of such
1316 grants for said fiscal year.

1317 Sec. 38. Subsection (c) of section 10-66ee of the general statutes is
1318 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
1319 *1, 2005*):

1320 (c) (1) The state shall [, annually,] pay in accordance with this
1321 subsection, to the fiscal authority for a state charter school, for the
1322 fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, seven thousand [two] six hundred
1323 [fifty] twenty-five dollars for each student enrolled in such school, and
1324 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, and for each fiscal year
1325 thereafter, eight thousand dollars for each student enrolled in such
1326 school. Such payments shall be made as follows: Twenty-five per cent
1327 of the amount not later than July fifteenth and September fifteenth
1328 based on estimated student enrollment on May first, and twenty-five
1329 per cent of the amount not later than January fifteenth and the
1330 remaining amount not later than April fifteenth, each based on student
1331 enrollment on October first. If, for any fiscal year, the total amount
1332 appropriated for grants pursuant to this subdivision exceeds seven
1333 thousand two hundred fifty dollars per student, the amount of such
1334 grants payable per student shall be increased proportionately. For the
1335 fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, such increase shall be limited to one
1336 hundred ten dollars per student. (2) In the case of a student identified
1337 as requiring special education, the school district in which the student
1338 resides shall: (A) Hold the planning and placement team meeting for
1339 such student and shall invite representatives from the charter school to
1340 participate in such meeting; and (B) pay the state charter school, on a
1341 quarterly basis, an amount equal to the difference between the
1342 reasonable cost of educating such student and the sum of the amount
1343 received by the state charter school for such student pursuant to
1344 subdivision (1) of this subsection and amounts received from other
1345 state, federal, local or private sources calculated on a per pupil basis.
1346 Such school district shall be eligible for reimbursement pursuant to
1347 section 10-76g. The charter school a student requiring special
1348 education attends shall be responsible for ensuring that such student
1349 receives the services mandated by the student's individualized
1350 education program whether such services are provided by the charter

1351 school or by the school district in which the student resides.

1352 Sec. 39. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2005*) The Department of Education
1353 may establish, within available appropriations, a pilot program for the
1354 use of technology in providing computer assisted writing, instruction
1355 and testing, in the ninth and tenth grades in the public schools,
1356 including the regional vocational-technical schools. The Commissioner
1357 of Education for purposes of the program may award grants to local
1358 and regional boards of education and regional vocational-technical
1359 schools for demonstration projects. Boards of education and
1360 vocational-technical schools seeking to participate in the pilot program
1361 shall apply to the department at such time and in such form as the
1362 commissioner prescribes. The commissioner shall select a diverse
1363 group of participants based on the population, geographic location and
1364 economic characteristics of the school district or school. Local and
1365 regional board of educations and regional vocational-technical schools
1366 awarded grants under the program may use grant funds for expenses
1367 for computer hardware, computer software, professional development,
1368 technical consulting assistance and other related activities.

1369 Sec. 40. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding any provision of the
1370 general statutes or the regulations of Connecticut state agencies, the
1371 Regional School District #11 dissolution study committee whose final
1372 member was appointed on February 28, 2005, pursuant to section 10-
1373 63b of the general statutes, may complete its written report pursuant to
1374 10-63c of the general statutes, within eighteen months following the
1375 appointment of the full committee.

1376 Sec. 41. (*Effective from passage*) For the fiscal year ending June 30,
1377 2007, the Department of Education shall establish a competitive grant
1378 program for an adult education initiative for young adults. The
1379 department shall award grants to provide for new and unique
1380 methods of educating young adults entering adult education. The total
1381 amount of such grants awarded pursuant to this section shall not
1382 exceed five hundred thousand dollars.

1383 Sec. 42. Section 10a-169 of the general statutes is repealed and the
1384 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2005*):

1385 For the fiscal year commencing on July 1, 1987, and thereafter, any
1386 student (1) who is a resident of the state as defined under sections 10a-
1387 28, 10a-29 and 10a-30, (2) who has not received a baccalaureate degree
1388 and (3) who has been accepted for study on a full-time or part-time
1389 basis at any postsecondary school, technical institute, college or
1390 university within the state or in any other state which permits its
1391 students to bring state student financial assistance funds into
1392 Connecticut shall be eligible for financial assistance under the capitol
1393 scholarship grant program at any stage of postsecondary study. All
1394 such institutions shall be previously approved or accredited by the
1395 Board of Governors of Higher Education or by the State Board of
1396 Education for postsecondary study. Grants under said program shall
1397 be based on financial need and either previous high school academic
1398 achievement or performance on standardized academic aptitude tests,
1399 as determined by the Board of Governors of Higher Education. The
1400 maximum award tendered to a student attending an institution in the
1401 state shall not exceed [two] three thousand dollars annually. The
1402 maximum award tendered to a student attending an out-of-state
1403 institution shall not exceed five hundred dollars annually. Sums so
1404 awarded shall be disbursed by the accepting institution on behalf of
1405 the student for tuition fees, books, board or any legitimate educational
1406 expense.

1407 Sec. 43. Subsection (d) of section 10-292o of the general statutes is
1408 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
1409 *1, 2005*):

1410 (d) The amount of the regional educational service center lease grant
1411 approved by the Commissioner of Education under the provisions of
1412 this section shall be the eligible percentage, as determined in
1413 subsection (c) of section 10-285a, times the eligible lease costs as
1414 determined by the Commissioner of Education. Grants pursuant to this
1415 section shall be paid on a current year basis if the regional educational

1416 service center files an application to lease a facility with the
1417 Department of Education on or before August first of each year. No
1418 such facility or portion thereof shall be eligible for a grant under this
1419 section unless the local fire marshal has declared the facility suitable
1420 for occupancy as a facility for use in furnishing educational programs
1421 and services. Eligible costs pursuant to this section shall be limited to
1422 the lease cost of the building, net of any other costs. Grant payments
1423 shall be made as follows: Twenty-five per cent of the estimated cost in
1424 October, twenty-five per cent of the estimated cost in January, and the
1425 balance of the estimated cost in April. The actual cost will be reported
1426 on or before September first following the year of application on the
1427 end of school year report filed by each regional educational service
1428 center. If the Commissioner of Education determines that there has
1429 been an underpayment or overpayment in a grant made pursuant to
1430 this section, the commissioner shall calculate the amount of the
1431 underpayment or overpayment and shall adjust the amount of the
1432 grant payment for the fiscal year next following the fiscal year in
1433 which such underpayment or overpayment was made. The amount of
1434 the adjustment shall be equal to the amount of the underpayment or
1435 overpayment. If the amount of the overpayment exceeds the grant
1436 payment for the fiscal year next following the fiscal year in which such
1437 overpayment was made, the regional educational service center shall,
1438 upon the request of the commissioner, pay the department the
1439 difference. Any lease pursuant to this section shall be for a period not
1440 to exceed twenty years. In no event shall the reimbursement pursuant
1441 to this section be based upon a cost per square foot which exceeds the
1442 cost determined to be reasonable by the Commissioner of Education.
1443 In the case of any grants computed under this section, any federal
1444 funds or other state funds received for such costs covered by the grant
1445 shall be deducted from cost estimates prior to computation of the
1446 grant. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal
1447 years ending June 30, 2004, [and June 30, 2005] to June 30, 2007, the
1448 amount of the grants payable to regional educational service centers in
1449 accordance with this section shall be reduced proportionately if the
1450 total of such grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for

1451 the purposes of this section for such year.

1452 Sec. 44. Subsection (f) of section 10-66j of the general statutes is
1453 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
1454 *1, 2005*):

1455 (f) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal
1456 years ending June 30, 2004, [and June 30, 2005] to June 30, 2007,
1457 inclusive, the amount of grants payable to regional educational service
1458 centers shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such grants in
1459 such year exceeds the amount appropriated for such grants for such
1460 year.

1461 Sec. 45. (*Effective from passage*) The Department of Higher Education
1462 shall contract with an independent auditor to conduct an actuarial
1463 study of the private occupational student protection account
1464 established pursuant to section 10a-22u of the general statutes. The
1465 purpose of the study shall be to determine the amount of funds needed
1466 to maintain the account at a level that provides adequate protection to
1467 students of private occupational schools. Any costs incurred by the
1468 study shall be paid by the private occupational schools. Not later than
1469 February 1, 2006, the department shall report on the study, with any
1470 recommendations, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a
1471 of the general statutes, to the joint standing committee of the General
1472 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to higher education.

1473 Sec. 46. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2005*) (a) The Department of
1474 Education, in consultation with the after school committee established
1475 pursuant to section 10-16v of the general statutes, may, within
1476 available appropriations, administer a grant program to provide grants
1477 for after school programs to local and regional boards of education,
1478 municipalities and not-for-profit organizations that are exempt from
1479 taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986,
1480 or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United
1481 States, as from time to time amended. For purposes of this subsection,
1482 "after school program" means a program that takes place when school

1483 is not in session and is for the educational, enrichment and recreational
1484 activities for of children in grades kindergarten to twelve, inclusive.

1485 (b) Applications for grants pursuant to subsection (a) of this section
1486 shall be filed annually with the Commissioner of Education at such
1487 time and in such manner as the commissioner prescribes.

1488 (c) For purposes of carrying out the provisions of subsections (a)
1489 and (b) of this section, the Department of Education may accept funds
1490 from private sources and from any state agency that is a member of the
1491 after school committee.

1492 Sec. 47. (*Effective from passage*) For the fiscal year ending June 30,
1493 2005, the Commissioner of Education may provide grants for children
1494 in the Hartford program described in section 10-266aa of the general
1495 statutes to participate in an all day kindergarten program. In addition
1496 to the subsidy provided to the receiving district for educational
1497 services, such grants may be used for the payment of before and after-
1498 school care and remedial services for the kindergarten students
1499 participating in the program.

1500 Sec. 48. (*Effective July 1, 2005*) Notwithstanding subdivision (3) of
1501 subsection (e) of section 10-16p of the general statutes, the Department
1502 of Education may retain up to one hundred ninety-eight thousand two
1503 hundred dollars of the amount appropriated for purposes of section
1504 10-16p of the general statutes, as amended by this act, for coordination,
1505 program evaluation and administration.

1506 Sec. 49. Subsection (h) of section 10-265f of the general statutes is
1507 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
1508 *1, 2005*):

1509 (h) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal
1510 years ending June 30, 2004, [and June 30, 2005] to June 30, 2007, the
1511 amount available for the competitive grant program pursuant to this
1512 section shall be one million seven hundred eighty-eight thousand one
1513 dollars and the maximum administrative amount shall not be more

1514 than two hundred three thousand six hundred forty-six dollars.

1515 Sec. 50. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a committee to
1516 review and assess pathways to baccalaureate degrees in early
1517 childhood education and child development to promote the
1518 professionalization of the early childhood education workforce. The
1519 committee shall identify existing systems and programs that lead to
1520 two and four-year degrees in early childhood education or child
1521 development. The committee shall (1) review and assess the
1522 accessibility of these programs by the early childhood education
1523 workforce, (2) make recommendations for increased access to initial
1524 teacher certification in early childhood education or child
1525 development, and (3) make recommendations for strengthening the
1526 existing articulation agreement between two and four year colleges
1527 offering early childhood education or child development.

1528 (b) The committee shall consist of the following members:

1529 (1) The Commissioner of Higher Education, or the commissioner's
1530 designee;

1531 (2) The Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's designee;

1532 (3) The Commissioner of Social Services, or the commissioner's
1533 designee;

1534 (4) The Labor Commissioner, or the commissioner's designee;

1535 (5) One appointed by the Commissioner of Education who shall be
1536 knowledgeable in matters involving educator preparation,
1537 certification, support and assessment;

1538 (6) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives,
1539 one of whom shall be the academic dean of a public institution of
1540 higher education that offers a teacher preparation program in early
1541 childhood education or child development at the baccalaureate level,
1542 and one of whom shall be a member of the early childhood education
1543 or child development workforce;

1544 (7) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one
1545 of whom shall be the academic dean of an independent institution of
1546 higher education that offers a teacher preparation program in early
1547 childhood education or child development at the baccalaureate level,
1548 and one of whom shall be an academic dean of a baccalaureate degree
1549 program in early childhood education or child development at a
1550 university of the Connecticut State University system;

1551 (8) Two appointed by the majority leader of the House of
1552 Representatives, one of whom shall be a representative from the
1553 Community-Technical College system, and one of whom shall be a
1554 representative of a state teacher's association;

1555 (9) Two appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, one of
1556 whom shall be a faculty member of an associate degree program in
1557 early childhood education or child development, and one of whom
1558 shall be a representative of a state administrator's association;

1559 (10) Two appointed by the minority leader of the House of
1560 Representatives, one of whom shall be a faculty member of an
1561 independent institution of higher education that offers a baccalaureate
1562 degree program in early childhood education or child development,
1563 and one of whom shall be a representative of the Connecticut State
1564 University system office;

1565 (11) Two appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, one of
1566 whom shall be a representative of Charter Oak State College, and one
1567 of whom shall be a representative of a state early childhood education
1568 association;

1569 (12) The director of the Office of Workforce Competitiveness or the
1570 director's designee;

1571 (13) One appointed by the Governor who shall be from the state's
1572 Career Ladder Advisory Committee with expertise in early childhood
1573 education; and

1574 (14) Two appointed by the Commissioner of Education one of
1575 whom shall be a representative of a local or regional school district that
1576 offers a preschool program; and one of whom shall be a community
1577 representative from a local state-funded school readiness program.

1578 (c) All appointments to the committee shall be made no later than
1579 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be
1580 filled by the appointing authority.

1581 (d) The Commissioner of Higher Education or the commissioner's
1582 designee shall be the chairperson of the committee. The chairperson
1583 shall schedule the first meeting of the committee, which shall be held
1584 no later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

1585 (e) Not later than January 1, 2006, the committee shall submit a
1586 report on its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly,
1587 in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general
1588 statutes.

1589 Sec. 51. Subsections (b) and (c) of section 10-14n of the general
1590 statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
1591 (*Effective from passage*):

1592 (b) Beginning in the 2005-2006 school year, the state-wide mastery
1593 examinations pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall be
1594 administered in March or April.

1595 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of this
1596 section, the state-wide mastery examinations pursuant to this section
1597 shall be administered as follows:

1598 (1) Beginning in the 2005-2006 school year, each student enrolled in
1599 grades three to eight, inclusive, and ten in any public school shall,
1600 annually, in March or April, take a state-wide mastery examination
1601 that measures the essential and grade-appropriate skills in reading,
1602 writing and mathematics; and

1603 (2) Beginning in the 2007-2008 school year, each student enrolled in

1604 grades five, eight and ten in any public school shall, annually, in
 1605 March or April, take a state-wide mastery examination in science.

1606 Sec. 52. Section 10a-42a of the general statutes is repealed and the
 1607 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1608 Nothing in sections 10a-36 to 10a-42, inclusive, shall affect the
 1609 eligibility of an accredited independent college or university which, as
 1610 of June 30, 1983, participated in the program authorized under sections
 1611 10a-36 to 10a-42, inclusive, of the general statutes, revision of 1958,
 1612 revised to 1983. A change in corporate structure shall not affect the
 1613 eligibility of an accredited independent college or university that
 1614 participated in said program as of said date."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2005	10-16p(a) and (b)
Sec. 2	July 1, 2005	10-16r(a)
Sec. 3	July 1, 2005	10-16s
Sec. 4	July 1, 2005	17b-749c(c)
Sec. 5	July 1, 2005	10a-194h(c)
Sec. 6	July 1, 2005	10-285a(e)
Sec. 7	July 1, 2005	10-285a(h)
Sec. 8	July 1, 2005	10-16q(b)
Sec. 9	July 1, 2005	10-14n
Sec. 10	July 1, 2005	10-16p(d)
Sec. 11	July 1, 2005	New section
Sec. 12	from passage	New section
Sec. 13	July 1, 2005	10-76g(d)
Sec. 14	July 1, 2005	10-217a
Sec. 15	July 1, 2005	10-281(b)
Sec. 16	July 1, 2005	10-71(d)
Sec. 17	July 1, 2005	10-266m(a)(4)
Sec. 18	July 1, 2005	10-76d(e)
Sec. 19	July 1, 2005	10-76g(a)
Sec. 20	July 1, 2005	10-253
Sec. 21	July 1, 2005	10-66cc(b)
Sec. 22	July 1, 2005	New section

Sec. 23	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	10-76n
Sec. 24	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	New section
Sec. 25	<i>from passage</i>	10-264l(c)
Sec. 26	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	10-76f(h)
Sec. 27	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	10-266p
Sec. 28	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	10-16p(e)
Sec. 29	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	10-262f(9)
Sec. 30	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	10-262j(d)
Sec. 31	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	10-262i
Sec. 32	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	10-262h(a)(6)
Sec. 33	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	New section
Sec. 34	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 35	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	New section
Sec. 36	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	10-264l
Sec. 37	<i>from passage</i>	10-19o(a)
Sec. 38	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	10-66ee(c)
Sec. 39	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	New section
Sec. 40	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 41	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 42	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	10a-169
Sec. 43	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	10-292o(d)
Sec. 44	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	10-66j(f)
Sec. 45	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 46	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	New section
Sec. 47	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 48	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	New section
Sec. 49	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	10-265f(h)
Sec. 50	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 51	<i>from passage</i>	10-14n(b) and (c)
Sec. 52	<i>from passage</i>	10a-42a