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"AN ACT REQUIRING A STUDY OF STATE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND DEPARTMENTS WITH RESPECT TO THE EXPENDITURES OF SUCH INSTITUTIONS AND DEPARTMENTS AND THE PROGRAMS ADMINISTERED OR SERVICES PROVIDED BY SUCH INSTITUTIONS AND DEPARTMENTS."

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

3 "Section 1. Section 10-16p of the general statutes is amended by
4 adding subsection (k) as follows (*Effective July 1, 2006*):

5 (NEW) (k) Notwithstanding subsection (c) of section 10-16p of the
6 2006 supplement to the general statutes, three million four hundred
7 eighty-three thousand seven hundred fifty dollars of the school
8 readiness appropriation for priority school districts shall only go to
9 school readiness programs in the following towns: Bridgeport,
10 Hartford, New Britain, New Haven, New London, Waterbury and
11 Windham.

12 Sec. 2. Subsection (b) of section 35 of public act 05-245, as amended
13 by section 100 of public act 05-3 of the June special session, is repealed
14 and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2006*):

15 (b) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, the distribution of
16 priority school district grants pursuant to subsection (a) of section 10-
17 266p of the general statutes shall be as follows: (1) For priority school
18 districts in the amount of [~~\$36,513,547~~] \$42,513,547, (2) for school
19 readiness in the amount of [~~\$50,355,222~~] \$56,338,972, (3) for early
20 reading success in the amount of \$19,747,286, (4) for extended school
21 building hours in the amount of \$2,994,752, and (5) for school
22 accountability in the amount of \$3,499,699.

23 Sec. 3. Subsection (c) of section 10-264l of the 2006 supplement to the
24 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
25 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2006*):

26 (c) (1) The maximum amount each interdistrict magnet school
27 program, except those described in subparagraph (A) of subdivision
28 (3) of this subsection, shall be eligible to receive per enrolled student
29 shall be determined as follows: (A) For each participating district
30 whose magnet school program enrollment is equal to or less than
31 thirty per cent of the magnet school program total enrollment, ninety
32 per cent of the foundation as defined in subdivision (9) of section 10-
33 262f, as amended; (B) for each participating district whose magnet
34 school program enrollment is greater than thirty per cent but less than
35 or equal to sixty per cent of the magnet school program total
36 enrollment, a percentage between sixty and ninety per cent of said
37 foundation that is inversely proportional to the percentage of magnet
38 school program students from such district; and (C) for each
39 participating district whose magnet school program enrollment is
40 greater than sixty per cent but less than or equal to ninety per cent of
41 the magnet school program total enrollment, a percentage between
42 zero and sixty per cent of said foundation that is inversely
43 proportional to the percentage of magnet school program students
44 from such district. The amounts so determined shall be

45 proportionately adjusted, if necessary, within the limit of the available
46 appropriation, and in no case shall any grant pursuant to this section
47 exceed the reasonable operating budget of the magnet school program,
48 less revenues from other sources. Any magnet school program
49 operating less than full-time but at least half-time shall be eligible to
50 receive a grant equal to sixty-five per cent of the grant amount
51 determined pursuant to this subsection.

52 (2) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, and each fiscal year
53 thereafter, the commissioner may, within available appropriations,
54 provide supplemental grants for the purposes of enhancing
55 educational programs in such interdistrict magnet schools, [including,
56 but not limited to, summer school programs,] as the commissioner
57 determines. Such grants shall be made after the commissioner has
58 reviewed and approved the total operating budget for such schools,
59 including all revenue and expenditure estimates.

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

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

72 (4) Within available appropriations, the commissioner may make
73 grants to regional educational service centers that provide summer
74 school educational programs approved by the commissioner to
75 students participating in the interdistrict magnet school program.

76 Sec. 4. Subsection (g) of section 10-14n of the 2006 supplement to the

77 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
78 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2006*):

79 (g) On and after July 1, 2003, mastery testing pursuant to this section
80 shall be in conformance with the testing requirements of the No Child
81 Left Behind Act, P.L. 107-110, [provided (1) any costs of such
82 conformance to the state and local or regional boards of education that
83 are attributable to additional federal requirements of the No Child Left
84 Behind Act, P.L. 107-110 shall be paid exclusively from federal funds
85 received by the state and local or regional boards of education
86 pursuant to the No Child Left Behind Act, P.L. 107-110, and (2) the]
87 The joint standing committee of the General Assembly having
88 cognizance of matters relating to education shall, on or before
89 February 1, 2004, evaluate the estimated additional cost to the state
90 and its local and regional boards of education for compliance with the
91 requirements of the No Child Left Behind Act, P.L. 107-110, net of
92 appropriated federal funds for such purpose, and the comparable
93 amount of estimated federal funds to be received by the state and its
94 local and regional boards of education pursuant to the No Child Left
95 Behind Act, P.L. 107-110 and report its findings and recommendations,
96 if any, pursuant to the provisions of section 11-4a.

97 Sec. 5. Subsection (d) of section 10-262j of the 2006 supplement to
98 the general statutes is amended by adding subdivision (13) as follows
99 (*Effective July 1, 2006*):

100 (NEW) (13) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, the regular
101 program expenditures of a town shall be no less than the sum of (A) its
102 minimum expenditure requirement for the fiscal year ending June 30,
103 2006, (B) its aid increase pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, and
104 (C) if the resident student count for October, 2005 is less than the
105 resident student count for October, 2004 the result obtained by
106 multiplying the difference between the town's resident student count
107 for October, 2005 using the data of record as of December 1, 2005, and
108 the town's resident student count for October, 2004 using the data of
109 record as of December 1, 2004, by one-half of the foundation.

110 Sec. 6. Section 10a-29 of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes
111 is amended by adding subdivision (8) as follows (*Effective July 1, 2006*):

112 (NEW) (8) A student that is from another state, territory or
113 possession of the United States, the District of Columbia or the
114 Commonwealth of Puerto Rico shall be classified as an in-state
115 student, if such student (A) attended for three years and graduated
116 from a high school in this state, and (B) was sponsored, housed and
117 supported during attendance at such school by a program, such as the
118 "A Better Chance" program, established as a nonprofit organization
119 that raises charitable funds on the local level for the purpose of giving
120 students who are minority students, from single parent homes or live
121 in poverty, an opportunity to attend school in a different environment.
122 For purposes of this subdivision, "minority student" means a student
123 whose racial ancestry is defined as other than white by the Bureau of
124 Census of the United States Department of Commerce.

125 Sec. 7. Subsection (a) of section 10a-77a of the 2006 supplement to
126 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
127 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2006*):

128 (a) (1) The Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges
129 shall establish a permanent Endowment Fund for the
130 Community-Technical College System to encourage donations from
131 the private sector, with an incentive in the form of an endowment fund
132 state grant, the net earnings on the principal of which are dedicated
133 and made available to a regional community-technical college or the
134 community-technical college system as a whole, for endowed
135 professorships, scholarships and programmatic enhancements. The
136 fund shall be administered by the board of trustees, or by a nonprofit
137 entity entrusted for such purpose and qualified as a Section 501(c)(3)
138 organization under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any
139 subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States,
140 as from time to time amended, and preferably constituted and
141 controlled independent of the state and board of trustees so as to
142 qualify the interest on state bonds the proceeds of which have been

143 granted for deposit in the endowment fund as excludable from
144 taxation under such code and shall, in any event, be held in a trust
145 fund separate and apart from all other funds and accounts of the state
146 and the community-technical college system. There shall be deposited
147 into the fund: (A) Endowment fund state grants; and (B) interest or
148 other income earned on the investment of moneys in the endowment
149 fund pending transfer of the principal of the fund for the purposes
150 identified in this subdivision. Endowment fund eligible gifts made on
151 behalf of a regional community-technical college or the system as a
152 whole shall be deposited in a permanent endowment fund created for
153 each regional community-technical college and the system as a whole
154 in the appropriate foundation established pursuant to sections 4-37e
155 and 4-37f. A portion of the endowment fund state grant and a portion
156 of earnings on such grant, including capital appreciation, shall be
157 transferred, annually, within thirty days of the receipt of the
158 endowment fund state grant by the permanent Endowment Fund for
159 the Community-Technical College System, to such a regional
160 community-technical college endowment fund based on the ratio of
161 the total amount of such gifts made to such regional
162 community-technical college to the total amount of all such gifts made
163 to all the regional community-technical colleges and the system as a
164 whole, provided the provisions of section 4-37f are satisfied.

165 (2) (A) For each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2000, to June 30,
166 2006, inclusive, as part of the state contract with donors of endowment
167 fund eligible gifts, the Department of Higher Education, in accordance
168 with section 10a-8b, shall deposit in the Endowment Fund for the
169 Community-Technical College System a grant in an amount equal to
170 half of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts received by
171 or for the benefit of the community-technical college system as a whole
172 and each regional community-technical college for the calendar year
173 ending the December thirty-first preceding the commencement of such
174 fiscal year, as certified by the chairperson of the board of trustees by
175 February fifteenth to (i) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and
176 Management, (ii) the joint standing committee of the General

177 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and
178 the budgets of state agencies, and (iii) the Commissioner of Higher
179 Education, provided such sums do not exceed the endowment fund
180 state grant maximum commitment for the fiscal year in which the
181 grant is made.

182 (B) For each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2007, to June 30, 2014,
183 inclusive, as part of the state contract with donors of endowment fund
184 eligible gifts, the Department of Higher Education, in accordance with
185 section 10a-8b, shall deposit in the Endowment Fund for the
186 Community-Technical College System a grant in an amount equal to
187 one-quarter of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts,
188 except as provided in this subdivision, received by or for the benefit of
189 the community-technical college system as a whole and each regional
190 community-technical college for the calendar year ending the
191 December thirty-first preceding the commencement of such fiscal year,
192 as certified by the chairperson of the board of trustees by February
193 fifteenth to (i) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management,
194 (ii) the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having
195 cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of
196 state agencies, and (iii) the Commissioner of Higher Education,
197 provided such sums do not exceed the endowment fund state grant
198 maximum commitment for the fiscal year in which the grant is made.
199 Endowment fund eligible gifts that meet the criteria set forth in this
200 subdivision, made by donors during the period from January 1, 2005,
201 to June 30, 2005, shall continue to be matched by the Department of
202 Higher Education in an amount equal to one-half of the total amount
203 of endowment fund eligible gifts received. Commitments by donors to
204 make endowment fund eligible gifts for two or more years that meet
205 the criteria set forth in this subdivision and that are made for the
206 period prior to December 31, 2004, but ending before December 31,
207 2012, shall continue to be matched by the Department of Higher
208 Education in an amount equal to one-half of the total amount of
209 endowment fund eligible gifts received through the commitment.

210 (C) In any such fiscal year in which the total of the eligible gifts

211 received by the community-technical colleges exceeds the endowment
212 fund state grant maximum commitment for such fiscal year the
213 amount in excess of such endowment fund state grant maximum
214 commitment shall be carried forward and be eligible for a matching
215 state grant in any succeeding fiscal year from the fiscal year ending
216 June 30, 2000, to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, inclusive, subject
217 to the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment. Any
218 endowment fund eligible gifts that are not included in the total
219 amount of endowment fund eligible gifts certified by the chairperson
220 of the board of trustees pursuant to this subdivision may be carried
221 forward and be eligible for a matching state grant in any succeeding
222 fiscal year from the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, to the fiscal year
223 ending June 30, 2014, inclusive, subject to the endowment fund state
224 matching grant commitment for such fiscal year.

225 (3) The Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges
226 shall adopt, by October 1, 1997, guidelines with respect to (A) the
227 solicitation of endowment fund eligible gifts from private donors, and
228 (B) governing the acceptance of gifts made by a foundation established
229 pursuant to sections 4-37e and 4-37f, to a community-technical college
230 or its employees for reimbursement of expenditures or payment of
231 expenditures on behalf of a community-technical college or its
232 employees. Private donations shall not be construed to include
233 proceeds of municipal grants.

234 Sec. 8. Subsection (a) of section 10a-99a of the 2006 supplement to
235 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
236 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2006*):

237 (a) (1) The Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University
238 System shall establish a permanent Endowment Fund for the
239 Connecticut State University System to encourage donations from the
240 private sector, with an incentive in the form of an endowment fund
241 state grant, the net earnings on the principal of which are dedicated
242 and made available to a state university or the Connecticut State
243 University system as a whole, for endowed professorships,

244 scholarships and programmatic enhancements. The fund shall be
245 administered by the board of trustees, or by a nonprofit entity
246 entrusted for such purpose and qualified as a Section 501(c)(3)
247 organization under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any
248 subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States,
249 as from time to time amended, and preferably constituted and
250 controlled independent of the state and university so as to qualify the
251 interest on state bonds the proceeds of which have been granted for
252 deposit in the endowment fund as excludable from federal taxation
253 under such code and shall, in any event, be held in a trust fund
254 separate and apart from all other funds and accounts of the state and
255 university. There shall be deposited into the fund: (A) Endowment
256 fund state grants; and (B) interest or other earnings from the
257 investment of moneys in the endowment fund pending transfer of the
258 principal of the fund for the purposes identified in this subdivision.
259 Endowment fund eligible gifts made on behalf of a state university or
260 the system as a whole shall be deposited in a permanent endowment
261 fund created for each such state university and the system as a whole
262 in the appropriate foundation established pursuant to sections 4-37e
263 and 4-37f. A portion of the endowment fund state grant and a portion
264 of earnings on such grant, including capital appreciation, shall be
265 transferred, annually, within thirty days of the receipt of the
266 endowment fund state grant by the permanent Endowment Fund for
267 the Connecticut State University System, to such a state university
268 endowment fund based on the ratio of the total amount of such gifts
269 made to such state university to the total amount of all such gifts made
270 to all the state universities and the system as a whole, provided the
271 provisions of section 4-37f are satisfied.

272 (2) (A) For each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2000, to June 30,
273 2006, inclusive, as part of the state contract with donors of endowment
274 fund eligible gifts, the Department of Higher Education, in accordance
275 with section 10a-8b, shall deposit in the Endowment Fund for the
276 Connecticut State University System a grant in an amount equal to half
277 of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts received by or for

278 the benefit of the Connecticut State University system as a whole and
279 each state university for the calendar year ending the December thirty-
280 first preceding the commencement of such fiscal year, as certified by
281 the chairperson of the board of trustees by February fifteenth to (i) the
282 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, (ii) the joint
283 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
284 matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies,
285 and (iii) the Commissioner of Higher Education, provided such sums
286 do not exceed the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment
287 for the fiscal year in which the grant is made.

288 (B) For each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2007, to June 30, 2014,
289 inclusive, as part of the state contract with donors of endowment fund
290 eligible gifts, the Department of Higher Education, in accordance with
291 section 10a-8b, shall deposit in the Endowment Fund for the
292 Connecticut State University System a grant in an amount equal to
293 one-quarter of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts,
294 except as provided for in this subdivision, received by or for the
295 benefit of the Connecticut State University system as a whole and each
296 state university for the calendar year ending the December thirty-first
297 preceding the commencement of such fiscal year, as certified by the
298 chairperson of the board of trustees by February fifteenth to (i) the
299 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, (ii) the joint
300 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
301 matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies,
302 and (iii) the Commissioner of Higher Education, provided such sums
303 do not exceed the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment
304 for the fiscal year in which the grant is made. Endowment fund eligible
305 gifts that meet the criteria set forth in this subdivision, made by donors
306 during the period from January 1, 2005, to June 30, 2005, shall continue
307 to be matched by the Department of Higher Education in an amount
308 equal to one-half of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts
309 received. Commitments by donors to make endowment fund eligible
310 gifts for two or more years that meet the criteria set forth in this
311 subdivision and that are made for the period prior to December 31,

312 2004, but ending before December 31, 2012, shall continue to be
313 matched by the Department of Higher Education in an amount equal
314 to one-half of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts
315 received.

316 (C) In any such fiscal year in which the total of the eligible gifts
317 received by the Connecticut State University system as a whole and
318 each state university exceed the endowment fund state grant
319 maximum commitment for such fiscal year the amount in excess of
320 such endowment fund state grant maximum commitment shall be
321 carried forward and be eligible for a matching state grant in any
322 succeeding fiscal year from the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, to the
323 fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, inclusive, subject to the endowment
324 fund state grant maximum commitment. Any endowment fund
325 eligible gifts that are not included in the total amount of endowment
326 fund eligible gifts certified by the chairperson of the board of trustees
327 pursuant to this subdivision may be carried forward and be eligible for
328 a matching state grant in any succeeding fiscal year from the fiscal year
329 ending June 30, 2000, to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, inclusive,
330 subject to the endowment fund state matching grant maximum
331 commitment for such fiscal year.

332 (3) The Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System
333 shall adopt, by October 1, 1997, guidelines with respect to (A) the
334 solicitation of endowment fund eligible gifts from private donors, and
335 (B) governing the acceptance of gifts made by a foundation established
336 pursuant to sections 4-37e and 4-37f, to a state university or its
337 employees for reimbursement of expenditures or payment of
338 expenditures on behalf of a state university or its employees. Private
339 donations shall not be construed to include proceeds of federal grants
340 but may include proceeds of municipal grants.

341 Sec. 9. Subsection (b) of section 10a-109i of the 2006 supplement to
342 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
343 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2006*):

344 (b) (1) A permanent Endowment Fund for The University of
345 Connecticut shall be confirmed, established or created to encourage
346 donations from the private sector, with an incentive in the form of an
347 endowment fund state grant, which shall be deposited in the
348 university or in a foundation operating pursuant to sections 4-37e and
349 4-37f consistent with the deposit of endowment fund eligible gifts, and
350 the net earnings on the principal of which are to be dedicated and
351 made available to the university for endowed professorships,
352 scholarships and programmatic enhancements. The fund shall be
353 administered by the board of trustees, or by a nonprofit entity
354 entrusted for such purpose and created or to be created and qualified
355 as a Section 501(c)(3) organization under the Internal Revenue Code of
356 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the
357 United States, as from time to time amended, and preferably
358 constituted and controlled independent of the state and university so
359 as to qualify the interest on state bonds the proceeds of which have
360 been granted for deposit in the endowment fund as excludable from
361 federal taxation under such code and shall, in any event, be held in a
362 trust fund with a bank or trust company separate and apart from all
363 other funds and accounts of the state and university. There shall be
364 deposited into the fund: (A) Endowment fund eligible gifts, (B)
365 endowment fund state grants and (C) interest or other income earned
366 on the investment of moneys in the endowment fund pending
367 application or transfer or use of earnings on the principal thereof for
368 the purposes identified in this subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of this
369 section.

370 (2) (A) For each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 1999, to June 30,
371 2006, inclusive, as part of the state contract with donors of endowment
372 fund eligible gifts, the Department of Higher Education, in accordance
373 with section 10a-8b shall deposit in the endowment fund for the
374 university a grant in an amount equal to half of the total amount of
375 endowment fund eligible gifts, except as provided in this
376 subparagraph, received by the university or for the benefit of the
377 university for the calendar year ending the December thirty-first

378 preceding the commencement of such fiscal year, as certified by the
379 chairperson of the board of trustees by February fifteenth to (i) the
380 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, (ii) the joint
381 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
382 matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies,
383 and (iii) the Commissioner of Higher Education, provided such sums
384 do not exceed the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment
385 for the fiscal year in which the grant is made. For the fiscal years
386 ending June 30, 1999, and June 30, 2000, the Department of Higher
387 Education shall deposit in the endowment fund for the university
388 grants in total amounts which shall not exceed the endowment fund
389 state grant, as defined in subdivision (7) of section 10a-109c of the
390 general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 1997, and which
391 shall be equal to the amounts certified by the chairperson of the board
392 of trustees for each such fiscal year of endowment fund eligible gifts
393 received by the university or for the benefit of the university and for
394 which written commitments were made prior to July 1, 1997. For the
395 fiscal year ending June 30, 1999, the funds required to be deposited in
396 the endowment fund pursuant to this subparagraph shall be
397 appropriated to the university for such purpose and not appropriated
398 to the fund established pursuant to section 10a-8b.

399 (B) For each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2007, to June 30, 2014,
400 inclusive, as part of the state contract with donors of endowment fund
401 eligible gifts, the Department of Higher Education, in accordance with
402 section 10a-8b shall deposit in the endowment fund for the university a
403 grant in an amount equal to one-quarter of the total amount of
404 endowment fund eligible gifts, except as provided in this subdivision,
405 received by the university or for the benefit of the university for the
406 calendar year ending the December thirty-first preceding the
407 commencement of such fiscal year, as certified by the chairperson of
408 the board of trustees by February fifteenth to (i) the Secretary of the
409 Office of Policy and Management, (ii) the joint standing committee of
410 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
411 appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, and (iii) the

412 Commissioner of Higher Education, provided such sums do not
413 exceed the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment for the
414 fiscal year in which the grant is made. Endowment fund eligible gifts
415 that meet the criteria set forth in this subdivision, made by donors
416 during the period from January 1, 2005, to June 30, 2005, shall continue
417 to be matched by the Department of Higher Education in an amount
418 equal to one-half of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts
419 received. Commitments by donors to make endowment fund eligible
420 gifts for two or more years that meet the criteria set forth in this
421 subdivision and that are made for the period prior to December 31,
422 2004, but ending before December 31, 2012, shall continue to be
423 matched by the Department of Higher Education in an amount equal
424 to one-half of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts
425 received through the commitment.

426 (C) In any such fiscal year in which the eligible gifts received by the
427 university exceed the endowment fund state grant maximum
428 commitment for such fiscal year the amount in excess of such
429 endowment fund state grant maximum commitment for such fiscal
430 year, shall be carried forward and be eligible for a matching state grant
431 in any succeeding fiscal year from the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999,
432 to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, inclusive, subject to the
433 endowment fund state grant maximum commitment for such fiscal
434 year. Any endowment fund eligible gifts that are not included in the
435 total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts certified by the
436 chairperson of the board of trustees pursuant to this subparagraph
437 may be carried forward and be eligible for a matching state grant in
438 any succeeding fiscal year from the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, to
439 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, inclusive, subject to the
440 endowment fund state matching grant maximum commitment for
441 such fiscal year.

442 (3) Moneys in the endowment fund shall be invested pursuant to
443 subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 10a-109i, as amended, in
444 such obligations as are eligible for investment of pension funds by the
445 Treasurer provided any deposit in a bank or money market or other

446 banking or money market arrangement, such as repurchase agreement,
447 shall be fully secured unless otherwise insured by a federal
448 corporation and the net earnings of the endowment fund shall be used
449 solely for the purposes for which the fund has been established. There
450 shall be no commingling of the investments of the endowment fund
451 with any other fund or account of the state or the university.

452 (4) The board of trustees shall adopt guidelines with respect to the
453 solicitation of endowment fund eligible gifts from private donors.
454 Private donations shall not be construed to include proceeds of federal
455 grants but may include proceeds of municipal grants.

456 Sec. 10. Subsection (a) of section 10a-143a of the 2006 supplement to
457 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
458 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2006*):

459 (a) (1) The Board for State Academic Awards shall establish a
460 permanent Endowment Fund for Charter Oak State College to
461 encourage donations from the private sector, with an incentive in the
462 form of an endowment fund state grant, the net earnings on the
463 principal of which are dedicated and made available to Charter Oak
464 State College for scholarships and programmatic enhancements. The
465 fund shall be administered by the Board for State Academic Awards or
466 by a nonprofit entity entrusted for such purpose and qualified as a
467 Section 501(c)(3) organization under the Internal Revenue Code of
468 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the
469 United States, as from time to time amended, and preferably
470 constituted and controlled independent of the state and college so as to
471 qualify the interest on state bonds the proceeds of which have been
472 granted for deposit in the endowment fund as excludable from federal
473 taxation under such code and shall, in any event, be held in a trust
474 fund separate and apart from all other funds and accounts of the state
475 and the Board for State Academic Awards. There shall be deposited
476 into the fund: (A) Endowment fund eligible gifts; (B) endowment fund
477 state grants; and (C) interest or other earnings from the investment of
478 moneys in the endowment fund pending transfer or use of earnings on

479 the principal of the fund for the purposes identified in this subdivision.

480 (2) (A) For each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2000, to June 30,
481 2006, inclusive, as part of the state contract with donors of endowment
482 fund eligible gifts, the Department of Higher Education, in accordance
483 with section 10a-8b, shall deposit in the Endowment Fund for Charter
484 Oak State College a grant in an amount equal to half of the total
485 amount of endowment fund eligible gifts received by or for the benefit
486 of Charter Oak State College for the calendar year ending the
487 December thirty-first preceding the commencement of such fiscal year,
488 as certified by the chairperson of the Board for State Academic Awards
489 by February fifteenth to (i) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and
490 Management, (ii) the joint standing committee of the General
491 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and
492 the budgets of state agencies, and (iii) the Commissioner of Higher
493 Education, provided such sums do not exceed the endowment fund
494 state grant maximum commitment for the fiscal year in which the
495 grant is made.

496 (B) For each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2007, to June 30, 2014,
497 inclusive, as part of the state contract with donors of endowment fund
498 eligible gifts, the Department of Higher Education, in accordance with
499 section 10a-8b, shall deposit in the Endowment Fund for Charter Oak
500 State College a grant in an amount equal to one-quarter of the total
501 amount of endowment fund eligible gifts, except as provided in this
502 subdivision, received by or for the benefit of Charter Oak State College
503 for the calendar year ending the December thirty-first preceding the
504 commencement of such fiscal year, as certified by the chairperson of
505 the Board for State Academic Awards by February fifteenth to (i) the
506 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, (ii) the joint
507 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
508 matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies,
509 and (iii) the Commissioner of Higher Education, provided such sums
510 do not exceed the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment
511 for the fiscal year in which the grant is made. Endowment fund eligible
512 gifts that meet the criteria set forth in this subdivision, made by donors

513 during the period from January 1, 2005, to June 30, 2005, shall continue
514 to be matched by the Department of Higher Education in an amount
515 equal to one-half of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts
516 received. Commitments by donors to make endowment fund eligible
517 gifts for two or more years that meet the criteria set forth in this
518 subdivision and that are made for the period prior to December 31,
519 2004, but ending before December 31, 2012, shall continue to be
520 matched by the Department of Higher Education in an amount equal
521 to one-half of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts
522 received through the commitment.

523 (C) In any such fiscal year in which the total of the eligible gifts
524 received by Charter Oak State College exceeds the endowment fund
525 state grant maximum commitment for such fiscal year the amount in
526 excess of such endowment fund state grant maximum commitment
527 shall be carried forward and be eligible for a matching state grant in
528 any succeeding fiscal year from the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, to
529 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, inclusive, subject to the
530 endowment fund state grant maximum commitment. Any endowment
531 fund eligible gifts that are not included in the total amount of
532 endowment fund eligible gifts certified by the chairperson of the Board
533 for State Academic Awards pursuant to this subdivision may be
534 carried forward and be eligible for a matching state grant in any
535 succeeding fiscal year from the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, to the
536 fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, inclusive, subject to the endowment
537 fund state matching grant maximum commitment for such fiscal year.

538 (3) The Board for State Academic Awards shall adopt, by October 1,
539 1997, guidelines with respect to (A) the solicitation of endowment fund
540 eligible gifts from private donors, and (B) governing the acceptance of
541 gifts made by a foundation established pursuant to sections 4-37e and
542 4-37f, to Charter Oak State College or its employees for reimbursement
543 of expenditures or payment of expenditures on behalf of Charter Oak
544 State College or its employees. Private donations shall not be
545 construed to include proceeds of municipal grants.

546 Sec. 11. Section 10a-8c of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes
547 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
548 *1, 2006*):

549 [Notwithstanding] (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this
550 section, notwithstanding the provisions of sections 10a-77a, as
551 amended by this act, 10a-99a, as amended by this act, 10a-109c, 10a-
552 109i, as amended by this act, and 10a-143a, as amended by this act, no
553 funds shall be appropriated to the Department of Higher Education for
554 grants pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 10a-77a,
555 as amended by this act, subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 10a-
556 99a, as amended by this act, subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of section
557 10a-109i, as amended by this act, and subdivision (2) of subsection (a)
558 of section 10a-143a, as amended by this act: (1) Until such time as the
559 amount in the Budget Reserve Fund, established in section 4-30a,
560 equals ten per cent of the net General Fund appropriations for the
561 fiscal year in progress, (2) the amount of the grants appropriated shall
562 be reduced proportionately if the amount available is less than the
563 amount required for such grants, and (3) the amount of funds available
564 to be appropriated during any fiscal year for such grants shall not
565 exceed twenty-five million dollars.

566 (b) Endowment fund eligible gifts that meet the criteria set forth in
567 subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 10a-77a, as amended by this
568 act, subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 10a-99a, as amended by
569 this act, subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of section 10a-109i, as
570 amended by this act, and subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section
571 10a-143a, as amended by this act, made by donors during the period
572 from January 1, 2005, to June 30, 2005, shall be matched by the
573 Department of Higher Education in an amount equal to one-half of the
574 total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts received. The
575 department shall transfer the amount of the match to the endowment
576 funds of the constituent units in accordance with section 10a-8b.

577 Sec. 12. Subsection (a) of section 10-264i of the general statutes is
578 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*

579 1, 2006):

580 (a) A local or regional board of education, regional educational
581 service center, the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical
582 Colleges on behalf of Manchester Community College, or cooperative
583 arrangement pursuant to section 10-158a which transports a child to an
584 interdistrict magnet school program, as defined in section 10-264l, as
585 amended by this act, in a town other than the town in which the child
586 resides shall be eligible pursuant to section 10-264e to receive a grant
587 for the cost of transporting such child in accordance with this section.
588 The amount of such grant shall not exceed an amount equal to the
589 number of such children transported multiplied by one thousand [two]
590 three hundred dollars. The Department of Education shall provide
591 such grants within available appropriations. Nothing in this subsection
592 shall be construed to prevent a local or regional board of education,
593 regional educational service center or cooperative arrangement from
594 receiving reimbursement under section 10-266m, as amended, for
595 reasonable transportation expenses for which such board, service
596 center or cooperative arrangement is not reimbursed pursuant to this
597 section.

598 Sec. 13. Subsection (l) of section 5-198 of the 2006 supplement to the
599 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
600 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

601 (l) All members of the professional and technical staffs of the
602 constituent units of the state system of higher education, as defined in
603 section 10a-1, of all other state institutions of learning, of the
604 Department of Higher Education, and of the agricultural experiment
605 station at New Haven, professional and managerial employees of the
606 [State Board] Department of Education and teachers certified by the
607 State Board of Education and employed in teaching positions at state
608 institutions.

609 Sec. 14. Section 10-265g of the general statutes is repealed and the
610 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

611 (a) Each local and regional board of education for a priority school
612 district shall offer a summer reading program, as described in
613 subsection (d) of section 10-265f, as amended by this act, to children
614 enrolled in kindergarten in the schools under its jurisdiction who are
615 determined by their teachers to need additional reading and reading
616 readiness instruction.

617 (b) For each school year commencing on or after July 1, [1999] 2006,
618 each local and regional board of education for a priority school district
619 shall require the schools under its jurisdiction to evaluate the reading
620 level of students enrolled in grades one to three, inclusive, in the
621 middle of the school year and at the end of the school year. A student
622 shall be determined to be substantially deficient in reading based on
623 measures established by the State Board of Education. Each school
624 shall provide a reading program for such students that incorporates
625 the competencies required for early reading success and effective
626 reading instruction as delineated in section 10-221l. If a student is
627 determined to be substantially deficient in reading based on [:(1) The
628 middle of the year evaluation] a middle of the school year or end of the
629 school year evaluation, the school shall notify the parents or guardian
630 of the student of such result [; and (2) the end of the year evaluation,]
631 and the school shall develop and implement a personal reading plan
632 for such student.

633 (c) The personal reading plan shall include [measures to improve
634 the student's reading level] additional instruction, within available
635 appropriations, such as tutoring, [a transitional class,] an after school,
636 school vacation, or weekend program or a summer reading program as
637 described in subsection (d) of section 10-265f, as amended by this act.
638 Personal reading plans pursuant to this section shall be (1) reviewed
639 and revised as appropriate after each evaluation or state-wide
640 examination, as appropriate, (2) discussed with the provider of the
641 additional instruction, and (3) given to the parent or guardian of the
642 student, in accordance with the provisions concerning notice to
643 parents or legal guardians pursuant to section 10-15b, as amended by
644 this act, and include recommendations for reading strategies that the

645 parent or guardian can use at home. For purposes of providing
646 additional instruction, boards of education for priority school districts
647 shall give preference first to elementary schools and then to middle
648 schools, with the highest number of students who are substantially
649 deficient in reading.

650 (d) Promotion of [such student from grade to] students with
651 personal reading plans from first, second or third grade shall be based
652 on documented progress in achieving the goals of the personal reading
653 plan or demonstrated reading proficiency. If a decision is made to
654 promote a student who is substantially deficient in reading from [third
655 to fourth] first, second or third grade, the school principal shall
656 provide written justification for such promotion to the superintendent
657 of schools.

658 (e) A personal reading plan that incorporates the competencies
659 required for early reading success and effective reading instruction as
660 delineated in section 10-221l shall be maintained for a student who is
661 substantially deficient in reading until the student achieves a
662 satisfactory grade level [of] proficiency, as determined by a reading
663 evaluation pursuant to this subsection or a state-wide examination
664 pursuant to section 10-14n of the 2006 supplement to the general
665 statutes.

666 (f) Subject to the provisions of this subsection and within available
667 appropriations, each local and regional board of education for a
668 priority school district shall require for the 2006-2007 school year, and
669 each school year thereafter, students in grades one to three, inclusive,
670 who, based on an end-of-the year evaluation pursuant to subsection
671 (b) of this section, are determined to be substantially deficient in
672 reading, to attend school the summer following such evaluation. The
673 superintendent of schools may exempt an individual student from
674 such requirement, upon the recommendation of the school principal,
675 based on the student's progress with the student's personal reading
676 plan. If a student does not receive such an exemption, has been offered
677 the opportunity to attend a summer school program and fails to attend

678 summer school, the local or regional board of education shall not
679 promote the student to the next grade.

680 [(c)] (g) The superintendent of schools shall report to the
681 Commissioner of Education the information such superintendent
682 receives pursuant to subsection [(b)] (d) of this section regarding the
683 number of students who are substantially deficient in reading and are
684 promoted from first, second or third [to fourth] grade to the next
685 grade. The State Board of Education shall prepare and publish a report
686 containing such information.

687 Sec. 15. Section 10-265l of the general statutes is repealed and the
688 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

689 (a) [Each] For the 2006-2007 school year and each school year
690 thereafter, each local and regional board of education for a priority
691 school district pursuant to section 10-266p, as amended, shall, within
692 available appropriations, require the schools under its jurisdiction to
693 [provide additional instruction, unless the school principal determines
694 that such instruction is not necessary based on the recommendations of
695 the student's teacher, (1) for the 2000-2001 school year, and each school
696 year thereafter, to] develop and implement a personal reading plan, as
697 described in section 10-265g, as amended by this act, for each student
698 who fails to meet the state-wide standard for remedial assistance on
699 the reading component of the third, fourth or fifth grade mastery
700 examination under section 10-14n, as amended, [and (2) for the 2001-
701 2002 school year, and each school year thereafter, to each student who
702 fails to meet the state-wide standard for remedial assistance on the
703 sixth grade mastery examination under section 10-14n. The instruction
704 shall be designed to address the student's deficiencies and may include
705 tutoring, an after school or school vacation program, or a weekend
706 school program that is funded in accordance with section 10-265m]
707 unless the school principal determines that such additional instruction
708 is not necessary based on the recommendations of the student's
709 teacher.

710 (b) Subject to the provisions of this subsection, each local and
711 regional board of education for a priority school district [shall require
712 (1) for the 2000-2001 school year, and each school year thereafter,
713 students in the schools under its jurisdiction who fail to reach the state-
714 wide standard for remedial assistance on the reading component of
715 such fourth grade mastery examination to attend school the summer
716 following the examination on which they failed to reach such standard,
717 and (2)] may require, within available appropriations, (1) for the 2005-
718 2006 school year, students in the fourth and sixth grades in schools
719 under its jurisdiction who fail to make progress with the additional
720 instruction provided in their personal reading plans to attend school
721 during the summer following the school year in which the student fails
722 to make such progress, and (2) for the [2001-2002] 2006-2007 school
723 year, and each school year thereafter, students in the schools under its
724 jurisdiction who fail [to reach the state-wide standard for remedial
725 assistance on such sixth grade mastery examination] in fourth, fifth or
726 sixth grade to make progress with the additional instruction provided
727 in their personal reading plans to attend school the summer following
728 the [examination on which they failed to reach such standard] school
729 year in which they failed to make such progress. The superintendent of
730 schools may exempt an individual student from such requirement,
731 upon the recommendation of the school principal. [, based on the
732 student's progress with the additional instruction provided pursuant
733 to subsection (a) of this section.] If a student does not receive such an
734 exemption, has been offered the opportunity to attend a summer
735 school program and fails to attend summer school, the local or regional
736 board of education shall not promote the student to the next grade.

737 Sec. 16. Subsection (a) of section 10-265m of the general statutes is
738 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
739 *passage*):

740 (a) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, and each fiscal year
741 thereafter, the Commissioner of Education shall award grants, within
742 available appropriations, to local and regional boards of education for
743 priority school districts pursuant to section 10-266p, as amended, for

744 summer school programs required pursuant to [section] sections 10-
745 265g and 10-265l, as amended by this act, and weekend school
746 programs. Eligibility for grants pursuant to this section shall be
747 determined for a five-year period based on a school district's
748 designation as a priority school district for the initial year of
749 application. In order to receive a grant, an eligible board of education
750 shall submit a plan for the expenditure of grant funds to the
751 Department of Education, at such time and in such manner as the
752 commissioner prescribes.

753 Sec. 17. Subsection (d) of section 10-265f of the 2006 supplement to
754 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
755 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2007*):

756 (d) In the case of proposals for intensive early intervention reading
757 programs including after-school and summer programs, the plan shall:
758 (1) Incorporate the competencies required for early reading success,
759 critical indicators for teacher intervention and the components of a
760 high quality early reading success curriculum in accordance with the
761 findings of the Early Reading Success Panel delineated in section 10-
762 221l; (2) provide for a period of time each day of individualized or
763 small group instruction for each student; (3) provide for monitoring of
764 students and follow-up in subsequent grades, documentation of
765 continuous classroom observation of student's reading behaviors and
766 establishment of performance indicators aligned with the state-wide
767 mastery examinations under chapter 163c, the findings of the Early
768 Reading Success Panel pursuant to section 10-221j and other
769 methodologies for assessing reading competencies established by the
770 department pursuant to section 10-221i; (4) include a professional
771 development component for teachers in grades kindergarten to three,
772 inclusive, that emphasizes the teaching of reading and reading
773 readiness and assessment of reading competency based on the findings
774 of the Early Reading Success Panel pursuant to section 10-221j; (5)
775 provide for on-site teacher training and coaching in the
776 implementation of research-based reading instruction delineated in
777 section 10-221l; (6) provide for parental involvement and ensure that

778 parents have access to information on strategies that may be used at
779 home to improve prereading or reading skills; ~~[(6)] (7)~~ provide for data
780 collection and program evaluation; and ~~[(7)] (8)~~ include any additional
781 information the commissioner deems relevant. Each school district that
782 receives grant funds under this section shall annually report to the
783 Department of Education on the district's progress toward reducing
784 the achievement gap in reading, including data on student progress in
785 reading and how such data have been used to guide professional
786 development and the coaching process.

787 Sec. 18. Subsection (a) of section 10-19o of the 2006 supplement to
788 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
789 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

790 (a) The Commissioner of Education shall establish a program to
791 provide grants to youth service bureaus in accordance with this
792 section. Only youth service bureaus which were eligible to receive
793 grants pursuant to this section for the fiscal year ending June 30, [2005]
794 2006, or which applied for a grant by June 30, [2005] 2006, with prior
795 approval of the town's contribution pursuant to subsection (b) of this
796 section, shall be eligible for a grant pursuant to this section for any
797 fiscal year commencing on or after July 1, [2005] 2006. Each such youth
798 service bureau shall receive a grant of fourteen thousand dollars. The
799 Department of Education may expend an amount not to exceed two
800 per cent of the amount appropriated for purposes of this section for
801 administrative expenses. If there are any remaining funds, each such
802 youth service bureau that was awarded a grant in excess of fifteen
803 thousand dollars in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1995, shall receive a
804 percentage of such funds. The percentage shall be determined as
805 follows: For each such grant in excess of fifteen thousand dollars, the
806 difference between the amount of the grant awarded to the youth
807 service bureau for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1995, and fifteen
808 thousand dollars shall be divided by the difference between the total
809 amount of the grants awarded to all youth service bureaus that were
810 awarded grants in excess of fifteen thousand dollars for said fiscal year
811 and the product of fifteen thousand dollars and the number of such

812 grants for said fiscal year.

813 Sec. 19. Subdivision (6) of subsection (a) of section 10-262h of the
814 2006 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following
815 is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2006*):

816 (6) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, and each fiscal year
817 thereafter, a grant in an amount equal to the amount of its target aid as
818 described in subdivision (32) of section 10-262f, as amended, except
819 that such amount shall be capped in accordance with the following:
820 (A) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 1996, June 30, 1997, June 30,
821 1998, and June 30, 1999, for each town, the maximum percentage
822 increase over its previous year's base revenue shall be the product of
823 five per cent and the ratio of the wealth of the town ranked one
824 hundred fifty-third when all towns are ranked in descending order to
825 each town's wealth, provided no town shall receive an increase greater
826 than five per cent. (B) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2000, June 30,
827 2001, June 30, 2002, June 30, 2003, and June 30, 2004, for each town, the
828 maximum percentage increase over its previous year's base revenue
829 shall be the product of six per cent and the ratio of the wealth of the
830 town ranked one hundred fifty-third when all towns are ranked in
831 descending order to each town's wealth, provided no town shall
832 receive an increase greater than six per cent. (C) No such cap shall be
833 used for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, or any fiscal year
834 thereafter. (D) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, for each town,
835 the maximum percentage reduction from its previous year's base
836 revenue shall be equal to the product of three per cent and the ratio of
837 each town's wealth to the wealth of the town ranked seventeenth when
838 all towns are ranked in descending order, provided no town's grant
839 shall be reduced by more than three per cent. (E) For the fiscal years
840 ending June 30, 1997, June 30, 1998, and June 30, 1999, for each town,
841 the maximum percentage reduction from its previous year's base
842 revenue shall be equal to the product of five per cent and the ratio of
843 each town's wealth to the wealth of the town ranked seventeenth when
844 all towns are ranked in descending order, provided no town's grant
845 shall be reduced by more than five per cent. (F) For the fiscal year

846 ending June 30, 2000, and each fiscal year thereafter, no town's grant
847 shall be less than the grant it received for the prior fiscal year. (G) For
848 each fiscal year, except for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, in
849 addition to the amount determined pursuant to this subdivision, a
850 town shall be eligible for a density supplement if the density of the
851 town is greater than the average density of all towns in the state. The
852 density supplement shall be determined by multiplying the density aid
853 ratio of the town by the foundation level and the town's total need
854 students for the prior fiscal year provided, for the fiscal year ending
855 June 30, 2000, and each fiscal year thereafter, no town's density
856 supplement shall be less than the density supplement such town
857 received for the prior fiscal year. (H) For the fiscal year ending June 30,
858 1997, the grant determined in accordance with this subdivision for a
859 town ranked one to forty-two when all towns are ranked in
860 descending order according to town wealth shall be further reduced by
861 one and two-hundredths of a per cent and such grant for all other
862 towns shall be further reduced by fifty-six-hundredths of a per cent. (I)
863 For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1998, and each fiscal year thereafter,
864 no town whose school district is a priority school district shall receive a
865 grant pursuant to this subdivision in an amount that is less than the
866 amount received under such grant for the prior fiscal year. (J) For the
867 fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, and each fiscal year through the fiscal
868 year ending June 30, 2003, no town whose school district is a priority
869 school district shall receive a grant pursuant to this subdivision that
870 provides an amount of aid per resident student that is less than the
871 amount of aid per resident student provided under the grant received
872 for the prior fiscal year. (K) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1998,
873 and each fiscal year thereafter, no town whose school district is a
874 priority school district shall receive a grant pursuant to this
875 subdivision in an amount that is less than seventy per cent of the sum
876 of (i) the product of a town's base aid ratio, the foundation level and
877 the town's total need students for the fiscal year prior to the year in
878 which the grant is to be paid, (ii) the product of a town's supplemental
879 aid ratio, the foundation level and the sum of the portion of its total
880 need students count described in subparagraphs (B) and (C) of

881 subdivision (25) of section 10-262f, as amended, for the fiscal year prior
882 to the fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid, and the adjustments
883 to its resident student count described in subdivision (22) of said
884 section 10-262f, as amended, relative to length of school year and
885 summer school sessions, and (iii) the town's regional bonus. (L) For the
886 fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, and each fiscal year thereafter, no
887 town whose school district is a transitional school district shall receive
888 a grant pursuant to this subdivision in an amount that is less than forty
889 per cent of the sum of (i) the product of a town's base aid ratio, the
890 foundation level and the town's total need students for the fiscal year
891 prior to the fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid, (ii) the product
892 of a town's supplemental aid ratio, the foundation level and the sum of
893 the portion of its total need students count described in subparagraphs
894 (B) and (C) of subdivision (25) of section 10-262f, as amended, for the
895 fiscal year prior to the fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid, and
896 the adjustments to its resident student count described in subdivision
897 (22) of said section 10-262f, as amended, relative to length of school
898 year and summer school sessions, and (iii) the town's regional bonus.
899 (M) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, (i) each town whose target
900 aid is capped pursuant to this subdivision shall receive a grant that
901 includes a pro rata share of twenty-five million dollars based on the
902 difference between its target aid and the amount of the grant
903 determined with the cap, and (ii) all towns shall receive a grant that is
904 at least 1.68 per cent greater than the grant they received for the fiscal
905 year ending June 30, 2001. (N) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003,
906 (i) each town whose target aid is capped pursuant to this subdivision
907 shall receive a pro rata share of fifty million dollars based on the
908 difference between its target aid and the amount of the grant
909 determined with the cap, and (ii) each town shall receive a grant that is
910 at least 1.2 per cent more than its base revenue, as defined in
911 subdivision (28) of section 10-262f, as amended. (O) For the fiscal year
912 ending June 30, 2003, each town shall receive a grant that is at least
913 equal to the grant it received for the prior fiscal year. (P) For the fiscal
914 year ending June 30, 2004, (i) each town whose target aid is capped
915 pursuant to this subdivision shall receive a grant that includes a pro

916 rata share of fifty million dollars based on the difference between its
917 target aid and the amount of the grant determined with the cap, (ii)
918 each town's grant including the cap supplement shall be reduced by
919 three per cent, (iii) the towns of Bridgeport, Hartford and New Haven
920 shall each receive a grant that is equal to the grant such towns received
921 for the prior fiscal year plus one million dollars, (iv) those towns
922 described in clause (i) of this subparagraph shall receive a grant that
923 includes a pro rata share of three million dollars based on the same pro
924 rata basis as used in said clause (i), (v) towns whose school districts are
925 priority school districts pursuant to subsection (a) of section 10-266p₂
926 as amended, or transitional school districts pursuant to section 10-263c
927 or who are eligible for grants under section 10-276a or 10-263d for the
928 fiscal years ending June 30, 2002, to June 30, 2004, inclusive, shall
929 receive grants that are at least equal to the grants they received for the
930 prior fiscal year, (vi) towns not receiving funds under clause (iii) of this
931 subparagraph shall receive a pro rata share of any remaining funds
932 based on their grant determined under this subparagraph. (Q) For the
933 fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, (i) no town shall receive a grant
934 pursuant to this subparagraph in an amount that is less than sixty per
935 cent of the amount determined pursuant to the previous
936 subparagraphs of this subdivision, (ii) notwithstanding the provisions
937 of subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, each town shall receive a grant
938 that is equal to the amount the town received for the prior fiscal year
939 increased by twenty-three and twenty-seven hundredths per cent of
940 the difference between the grant amount calculated pursuant to this
941 subdivision and the amount the town received for the prior fiscal year,
942 (iii) no town whose school district is a priority school district pursuant
943 to subsection (a) of section 10-266p₂ as amended, shall receive a grant
944 pursuant to this subdivision that is less than three hundred seventy
945 dollars per resident student, and (iv) each town shall receive a grant
946 that is at least the greater of the amount of the grant it received for the
947 fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, or the amount of the grant it received
948 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, increased by seven tenths per
949 cent, except that the town of Winchester shall not receive less than its
950 fixed entitlement for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003. (R)

951 Notwithstanding the provisions of this subdivision, for the fiscal years
952 ending June 30, 2006, and June 30, 2007, each town shall receive a grant
953 that is equal to the amount of the grant the town received for the fiscal
954 year ending June 30, 2005, increased by two per cent plus the amount
955 specified in section 33 of public act 05-245*, provided for the fiscal year
956 ending June 30, 2007, no town shall receive a grant in an amount that is
957 less than sixty per cent of the amount of its target aid as described in
958 subdivision (32) of section 10-262f of the 2006 supplement to the
959 general statutes. (S) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, and for
960 each fiscal year thereafter, no town shall receive a grant in an amount
961 that is less than (i) the grant it received for the prior fiscal year, or (ii)
962 sixty per cent of the amount of its target aid as described in
963 subdivision (32) of section 10-262f of the 2006 supplement to the
964 general statutes.

965 Sec. 20. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2006*) (a) There is established an In-
966 Classroom School Breakfast Pilot Program. The Department of
967 Education may, within available appropriations, maintain a
968 competitive grant program for the purpose of assisting up to ten
969 severe need schools, as defined by federal law governing school
970 nutrition programs, to establish in-classroom school breakfast
971 programs.

972 (b) Applicants for grants provided pursuant to subsection (a) of this
973 section shall apply annually to the Commissioner of Education at such
974 time and in such manner as the commissioner prescribes. In
975 determining whether to award an applicant a grant for an in-classroom
976 school breakfast program, the commissioner shall consider, at a
977 minimum, the following factors: (1) The specific objectives and
978 description of the proposed program, (2) the cost of the proposed
979 program, (3) the number of children who will benefit from the
980 proposed program, and (4) whether the proposed program is likely to
981 increase the number of students receiving nutritious breakfasts.

982 Sec. 21. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2006*) (a) There is established, within
983 the Department of Agriculture, a farm to school program. In

984 consultation with the Department of Education, the program shall
985 facilitate and promote the sale of Connecticut-grown farm products by
986 farms to school districts, individual schools and other educational
987 institutions under the jurisdiction of the Department of Education.
988 Through the farm to school program, the Department of Agriculture
989 shall (1) encourage and solicit Connecticut farmers to sell their
990 products to such districts, schools and other educational institutions,
991 (2) develop and regularly update a database of farmers interested in
992 selling their products to Connecticut schools, including the types and
993 amounts of products the farmers want to sell and the time periods
994 during which the farmers want to sell, (3) in consultation with the
995 Department of Education, facilitate purchases from local farmers by
996 such interested districts, schools and other educational institutions,
997 and (4) provide outreach and guidance to farmers concerning the value
998 of and procedure for selling their products to such interested districts,
999 schools and other educational institutions.

1000 (b) The Department of Education, in consultation with the
1001 Department of Agriculture, school food service directors and
1002 interested farming organizations, shall (1) establish a week-long
1003 promotional event, to be known as Connecticut-Grown for
1004 Connecticut Kids Week, in late September or early October each year,
1005 that will promote Connecticut agriculture and foods to children
1006 through school meal and classroom programs, at farms, farmers'
1007 markets and other locations in the community, (2) encourage and
1008 solicit school districts, individual schools and other educational
1009 institutions under its jurisdiction to purchase Connecticut-grown farm
1010 products, (3) provide outreach, guidance and training to districts,
1011 parent and teacher organizations, schools and school food service
1012 directors concerning the value of and procedure for purchasing and
1013 incorporating into their regular menus Connecticut-grown farm
1014 products, (4) in consultation with the Department of Agriculture,
1015 arrange for local, regional and state-wide events where potential
1016 purchasers and farmers can interact, and (5) arrange for interaction
1017 between students and farmers, including field trips to farms and in-

1018 school presentations by farmers.

1019 Sec. 22. Section 10-10a of the general statutes is amended by adding
1020 subsection (d) as follows (*Effective July 1, 2006*):

1021 (NEW) (d) Local and regional boards of education and preschool
1022 programs which receive state or federal funding shall participate, in a
1023 manner prescribed by the Commissioner of Education, in the state-
1024 wide public school information system described in subsection (a) of
1025 this section. Participation for purposes of this subsection shall include,
1026 but not be limited to, reporting on (1) student experiences in preschool
1027 by program type and by numbers of months in each such program,
1028 and (2) the readiness of students entering kindergarten and student
1029 progress in kindergarten. Such reporting shall be done by October 1,
1030 2007, and annually thereafter.

1031 Sec. 23. Subdivision (3) of subsection (e) of section 10-16p of the 2006
1032 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is
1033 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2006*):

1034 (3) If a town that is eligible for a grant pursuant to subsection (c) of
1035 this section does not submit, by October first, a plan which is
1036 subsequently approved for the expenditure of the entire amount of
1037 funds for which such town is eligible, the department may use [up to
1038 seventy per cent of any amounts] funds that such town has not
1039 earmarked for expenditure, to provide supplemental grants to other
1040 towns that are eligible for grants pursuant to subsection (c) of this
1041 section, [and the remaining thirty per cent of any amounts such town
1042 has not earmarked for expenditure,] for school readiness professional
1043 development, including, but not limited to, scholarship assistance for
1044 school readiness staff to attain early childhood education certification
1045 and staff training to enhance literacy teaching skills, and to conduct
1046 activities related to preschool and kindergarten student developmental
1047 evaluations or assessments.

1048 Sec. 24. Subsection (b) of section 10-16q of the 2006 supplement to
1049 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu

1050 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2006*):

1051 (b) (1) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, the per child cost of
1052 the Department of Education school readiness component of the
1053 program offered by a school readiness provider shall not exceed six
1054 thousand six hundred fifty dollars.

1055 (2) For fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, and each fiscal year
1056 thereafter, the per child cost of the Department of Education school
1057 readiness component of the program offered by a school readiness
1058 provider shall not exceed six thousand nine hundred twenty-five
1059 dollars. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (e) of section 10-
1060 16p of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes, as amended by this
1061 act, the Department of Education shall not provide funding to any
1062 school readiness provider that (A) on or before January 1, 2004, first
1063 entered into a contract with a town to provide school readiness
1064 services pursuant to this section and is not accredited on January 1,
1065 2007, or (B) after January 1, 2004, first entered into a contract with a
1066 town to provide school readiness services pursuant to this section and
1067 does not become accredited by the date three years after the date on
1068 which the provider first entered into such a contract.

1069 (3) A school readiness provider may provide child day care services
1070 and the cost of such child day care services shall not be subject to such
1071 per child cost limitation.

1072 Sec. 25. (*Effective July 1, 2006*) The Department of Higher Education,
1073 in consultation with the Department of Education, shall develop
1074 alternate route to certification programs for (1) school administrators
1075 and superintendents, and (2) early childhood education teachers. The
1076 programs shall include mentored apprenticeships and criteria for
1077 admission to the programs.

1078 Sec. 26. Subsection (c) of section 10-66ee of the 2006 supplement to
1079 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
1080 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2006*):

1081 (c) (1) The state shall pay in accordance with this subsection, to the
1082 fiscal authority for a state charter school, for the fiscal year ending June
1083 30, 2006, seven thousand six hundred twenty-five dollars for each
1084 student enrolled in such school, and for the fiscal year ending June 30,
1085 2007, and for each fiscal year thereafter, eight thousand dollars for each
1086 student enrolled in such school. Such payments shall be made as
1087 follows: Twenty-five per cent of the amount not later than July
1088 fifteenth and September fifteenth based on estimated student
1089 enrollment on May first, and twenty-five per cent of the amount not
1090 later than January fifteenth and the remaining amount not later than
1091 April fifteenth, each based on student enrollment on October first. If,
1092 for any fiscal year, the total amount appropriated for grants pursuant
1093 to this subdivision exceeds [seven thousand two hundred fifty] eight
1094 thousand dollars per student, the amount of such grants payable per
1095 student shall be increased proportionately, except that such per
1096 student increase shall not exceed seventy dollars. Any amount of such
1097 appropriation remaining after such per student increase shall be used
1098 by the Department of Education for supplemental grants to
1099 interdistrict magnet schools pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection
1100 (c) of section 10-264l of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes. For
1101 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, such increase shall be limited to
1102 one hundred ten dollars per student. (2) In the case of a student
1103 identified as requiring special education, the school district in which
1104 the student resides shall: (A) Hold the planning and placement team
1105 meeting for such student and shall invite representatives from the
1106 charter school to participate in such meeting; and (B) pay the state
1107 charter school, on a quarterly basis, an amount equal to the difference
1108 between the reasonable cost of educating such student and the sum of
1109 the amount received by the state charter school for such student
1110 pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection and amounts received
1111 from other state, federal, local or private sources calculated on a per
1112 pupil basis. Such school district shall be eligible for reimbursement
1113 pursuant to section 10-76g, as amended. The charter school a student
1114 requiring special education attends shall be responsible for ensuring
1115 that such student receives the services mandated by the student's

1116 individualized education program whether such services are provided
 1117 by the charter school or by the school district in which the student
 1118 resides.

1119 Sec. 27. Section 10-266p of the 2006 supplement to the general
 1120 statutes is amended by adding subsection (g) as follows (*Effective July*
 1121 *1, 2006*):

1122 (NEW) (g) In addition to the amounts allocated in subsection (a) and
 1123 subsections (c) to (f), inclusive, of this section, for the fiscal year ending
 1124 June 30, 2007, and each fiscal year thereafter, the State Board of
 1125 Education shall allocate six million dollars as follows: Each priority
 1126 school district shall receive an allocation based on the ratio of the
 1127 amount it is eligible to receive pursuant to subsection (a) and
 1128 subsections (c) to (f), inclusive, of this section to the total amount all
 1129 priority school districts are eligible to receive pursuant to said
 1130 subsection (a) and said subsections (c) to (f), inclusive.

1131 Sec. 28. Subsection (h) of section 10-265f of the 2006 supplement to
 1132 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
 1133 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2006*):

1134 (h) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal
 1135 [years ending June 30, 2004, to] year ending June 30, 2007, the amount
 1136 available for the competitive grant program pursuant to this section
 1137 shall be one million seven hundred eighty-eight thousand one dollars
 1138 and the maximum administrative amount shall not be more than [two]
 1139 three hundred [three] fifty-three thousand six hundred forty-six
 1140 dollars."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	10-16p
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	PA 05-245, Sec. 35(b)
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	10-264l(c)
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	10-14n(g)
Sec. 5	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	10-262j(d)

Sec. 6	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	10a-29
Sec. 7	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	10a-77a(a)
Sec. 8	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	10a-99a(a)
Sec. 9	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	10a-109i(b)
Sec. 10	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	10a-143a(a)
Sec. 11	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	10a-8c
Sec. 12	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	10-264i(a)
Sec. 13	<i>from passage</i>	5-198(l)
Sec. 14	<i>from passage</i>	10-265g
Sec. 15	<i>from passage</i>	10-265l
Sec. 16	<i>from passage</i>	10-265m(a)
Sec. 17	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	10-265f(d)
Sec. 18	<i>from passage</i>	10-19o(a)
Sec. 19	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	10-262h(a)(6)
Sec. 20	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	New section
Sec. 21	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	New section
Sec. 22	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	10-10a
Sec. 23	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	10-16p(e)(3)
Sec. 24	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	10-16q(b)
Sec. 25	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	New section
Sec. 26	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	10-66ee (c)
Sec. 27	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	10-266p
Sec. 28	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	10-265f(h)