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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 204

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**"AN ACT PROMOTING THE PHYSICAL HEALTH NEEDS OF STUDENTS."**

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

3 "Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) Not later than January  
4 1, 2007, the Department of Education shall (1) develop guidelines for  
5 addressing the physical health needs of students in a comprehensive  
6 manner that coordinates services, including services provided by  
7 municipal parks and recreation departments, and (2) make available to  
8 each local and regional board of education a copy of the guidelines.  
9 The department shall develop the guidelines after consultation with  
10 (A) the chairpersons and ranking members of (i) the joint standing  
11 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
12 relating to education, and (ii) the select committee of the General  
13 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to children, (B) at least  
14 one state-wide nonprofit organization with expertise in child wellness

15 or physical exercise, and (C) the Connecticut Recreation and Parks  
 16 Association. The guidelines shall not be deemed to be regulations, as  
 17 defined in section 4-166 of the general statutes. Local and regional  
 18 boards of education may establish and implement plans based on the  
 19 guidelines in accordance with subsection (c) of this section.

20 (b) The guidelines shall include, but need not be limited to: (1) Plans  
 21 for engaging students in daily physical exercise during regular school  
 22 hours and strategies for engaging students in daily physical exercise  
 23 before and after regular school hours in coordination with municipal  
 24 parks and recreation departments, (2) strategies for coordinating  
 25 school-based health education, programs and services, (3) procedures  
 26 for assessing the need for community-based services such as services  
 27 provided by school-based health clinics, municipal parks and  
 28 recreation departments, family resource centers and after-school  
 29 programs, and (4) procedures for maximizing monetary and other  
 30 resources from local, state and federal sources to address the physical  
 31 health needs of students.

32 (c) Not later than April 1, 2007, each local and regional board of  
 33 education may (1) establish a comprehensive and coordinated plan to  
 34 address the physical health needs of students, and (2) base its plan on  
 35 the guidelines developed pursuant to subsection (a) of this section. The  
 36 board may implement such plan for the 2007-2008 school year and  
 37 may have a plan in place for each school year thereafter."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section