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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE ISSUANCE OF PHOTO IDENTIFICATION CARDS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Section 17b-105a of the 2006 supplement to the general
4 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
5 (*Effective July 1, 2006*):

6 (a) The Commissioner of Social Services shall seek a waiver from
7 federal law to allow persons who live in an area in which (1) the
8 unemployment rate is greater than ten per cent, or (2) there is an
9 insufficient number of jobs to provide such persons with employment,
10 to be exempt from the three-month participation limit of the food
11 stamp program implemented pursuant to the Food Stamp Act of 1977.

12 (b) The Commissioner of Social Services shall implement the federal
13 option to allow applicants for, or recipients of, food stamps to retain a

14 car valued up to the limit established under [the temporary family
15 assistance program] 7 CFR 273.8(f)(4).

16 (c) The Commissioner of Social Services, pursuant to 7 USC
17 2014(e)(6), shall implement the federal option to mandate the use of a
18 standard utility allowance, to be used in place of actual utility costs, for
19 purposes of calculating the excess shelter deduction of applicants for,
20 or recipients of, food stamp program benefits. Pursuant to 7 USC
21 2014(e)(6)(C)(iii)(III), the commissioner shall not prorate a standard
22 utility allowance based upon the fact that an assisted household shares
23 the utility with an individual who is not a member of the assisted
24 household."