



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 7232

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**AN ACT CONCERNING A MUNICIPAL PILOT PROJECT WITH
RESPECT TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
SOCIAL SERVICES ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) For the fiscal years ending June 30,
2 2008, and June 30, 2009, the Commissioner of Social Services shall
3 permit the town of Hamden to administer, on a pilot program basis,
4 the energy assistance programs that are funded by the Department of
5 Social Services and which are currently administered by the
6 Community Action Agency of New Haven. The town of Hamden shall
7 be permitted to perform all functions currently performed by said
8 community action agency with respect to the administration of such
9 programs. Functions performed by the town with respect to the
10 administration of programs shall include, but are not limited to,
11 acceptance of applications, certification of applications, transmission of
12 applications to the department, authorization of fuel deliveries,
13 performance of case management services, outreach activities and
14 payment of vendors participating in such programs. The
15 Commissioner of Social Services, after consultation with officials of the
16 town of Hamden and the Community Action Agency of New Haven,
17 may elect to allow said community action agency to retain certain
18 functions with respect to the administration of the energy assistance
19 program if the commissioner determines that the retention of certain

20 functions by the community action agency will promote the
21 administrative efficiency of programs. All provisions of the
22 Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies concerning energy
23 assistance programs administered by the Department of Social Services
24 shall remain in full force and effect with respect to the pilot program.
25 Not later than April 1, 2009, the Commissioner of Social Services, after
26 consultation with officials from the town of Hamden, shall determine
27 if the town shall continue to administer energy assistance programs
28 beyond the date of June 30, 2009.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section

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Joint Favorable Subst. C/R

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