



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 7352**

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**AN ACT CONCERNING A PILOT PROGRAM FOR AN INTERDISTRICT  
MAGNET SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE INTERDISTRICT MAGNET  
SCHOOL PER PUPIL GRANT.**

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

1       Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2007*) (a) Notwithstanding any  
2       provision of title 10 of the general statutes, for the fiscal years ending  
3       June 30, 2008, to June 30, 2012, inclusive, the Department of Education  
4       shall conduct a pilot program for an interdistrict magnet school  
5       district.

6       (b) An eligible applicant for the program pursuant to this section  
7       shall be a local or regional school district that is a (1) district for a town  
8       (A) with a population greater than twenty thousand, but not more than  
9       thirty thousand, and (B) that is less than six square miles in area, in  
10      which at least fifty per cent of the property is exempt from taxation  
11      pursuant to chapter 203 of the general statutes, and (2) priority school  
12      district pursuant to section 10-266p of the general statutes. Eligible  
13      applicants may apply in such manner and at such time as the  
14      Commissioner of Education prescribes.

15      (c) The Commissioner of Education shall select one applicant district  
16      for participation and designate the schools under the jurisdiction of  
17      such district as interdistrict magnet schools for the purposes of section  
18      10-264h of the general statutes. No school in such district shall be

19 eligible to receive a grant pursuant to subsection (c) of section 10-264l  
20 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, unless such school  
21 operates as an "interdistrict magnet school program", as defined in  
22 subsection (a) of said section 10-264l, and meets the enrollment  
23 requirements pursuant to said subsection (a). Such district shall be  
24 subject to the provisions set forth in subsections (f), (h) and (i) of said  
25 section 10-264l.

26 (d) Not later than January 1, 2010, the department shall, in  
27 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,  
28 report on the progress of the district participating in the program  
29 pursuant to this section in meeting the enrollment requirements  
30 required pursuant to subsection (a) of section 10-264l of the general  
31 statutes, and in providing that each school under its jurisdiction  
32 operates as an "interdistrict magnet school program" as defined in said  
33 subsection (a), to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly  
34 having cognizance of matters relating to education.

35 Sec. 2. Subsection (c) of section 10-264l of the general statutes is  
36 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
37 *1, 2007*):

38 (c) (1) The maximum amount each interdistrict magnet school  
39 program, except those described in subparagraph (A) of subdivision  
40 (3) of this subsection, shall be eligible to receive per enrolled student  
41 shall be determined as follows: [(A)] For each participating district  
42 whose magnet school program enrollment is [equal to or less than  
43 thirty] greater than fifty-five per cent of the magnet school program  
44 total enrollment, [ninety per cent of the foundation as defined in  
45 subdivision (9) of section 10-262f; (B) for each participating district  
46 whose magnet school program enrollment is greater than thirty per  
47 cent but less than or equal to sixty per cent of the magnet school  
48 program total enrollment, a percentage between sixty and ninety per  
49 cent of said foundation that is inversely proportional to the percentage  
50 of magnet school program students from such district; and (C) for each  
51 participating district whose magnet school program enrollment is

52 greater than sixty per cent but less than or equal to ninety per cent of  
53 the magnet school program total enrollment, a percentage between  
54 zero and sixty per cent of said foundation that is inversely  
55 proportional to the percentage of magnet school program students  
56 from such district] (A) six thousand sixteen dollars for the fiscal year  
57 ending June 30, 2008, (B) six thousand seven hundred thirty dollars for  
58 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, (C) seven thousand four hundred  
59 forty dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, and (D) eight  
60 thousand one hundred fifty-eight dollars for the fiscal year ending  
61 June 30, 2011. The amounts so determined shall be proportionately  
62 adjusted, if necessary, within the limit of the available appropriation,  
63 and in no case shall any grant pursuant to this section exceed the  
64 reasonable operating budget of the magnet school program, less  
65 revenues from other sources. Any magnet school program operating  
66 less than full-time but at least half-time shall be eligible to receive a  
67 grant equal to sixty-five per cent of the grant amount determined  
68 pursuant to this subsection.

69 (2) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, and each fiscal year  
70 thereafter, the commissioner may, within available appropriations,  
71 provide supplemental grants for the purposes of enhancing  
72 educational programs in such interdistrict magnet schools, as the  
73 commissioner determines. Such grants shall be made after the  
74 commissioner has reviewed and approved the total operating budget  
75 for such schools, including all revenue and expenditure estimates.

76 (3) (A) Each interdistrict magnet school operated by a regional  
77 educational service center that enrolls less than fifty-five per cent of the  
78 school's students from a single town shall receive a per pupil grant in  
79 the amount of (i) six thousand two hundred fifty dollars for the fiscal  
80 year ending June 30, 2006, [and in the amount of] (ii) six thousand five  
81 hundred dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, [and for each  
82 fiscal year thereafter] (iii) seven thousand sixty dollars for the fiscal  
83 year ending June 30, 2008, (iv) seven thousand six hundred twenty  
84 dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, (v) eight thousand one  
85 hundred eighty dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, and (vi)

86 eight thousand seven hundred forty-one dollars for the fiscal year  
87 ending June 30, 2011.

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

93 (4) Within available appropriations, the commissioner may make  
94 grants to regional educational service centers that provide summer  
95 school educational programs approved by the commissioner to  
96 students participating in the interdistrict magnet school program.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	10-2641(c)

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*Joint Favorable Subst. C/R*

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