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Referred to Committee on Planning and Development

Introduced by:
(PD)

**AN ACT INCREASING THE STATE GRANT IN LIEU OF TAXES FOR
CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES.**

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 12-19a of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
3 *1, 2008*):

4 (a) On or before January first, annually, the Secretary of the Office of
5 Policy and Management shall determine the amount due, as a state
6 grant in lieu of taxes, to each town in this state wherein state-owned
7 real property, reservation land held in trust by the state for an Indian
8 tribe or a municipally owned airport, except that which was acquired
9 and used for highways and bridges, but not excepting property
10 acquired and used for highway administration or maintenance
11 purposes, is located. The grant payable to any town under the
12 provisions of this section in the state fiscal year commencing July 1,
13 1999, and each fiscal year thereafter, shall be equal to the total of (1) (A)
14 one hundred twenty per cent of the property taxes which would have
15 been paid with respect to any facility designated by the Commissioner
16 of Correction, on or before August first of each year, to be a

17 correctional facility administered under the auspices of the
18 Department of Correction or a juvenile detention center under
19 direction of the Department of Children and Families that was used for
20 incarcerative purposes during the preceding fiscal year. If a list
21 containing the name and location of such designated facilities and
22 information concerning their use for purposes of incarceration during
23 the preceding fiscal year is not available from the Secretary of the State
24 on the first day of August of any year, said commissioner shall, on said
25 first day of August, certify to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and
26 Management a list containing such information, (B) one hundred per
27 cent of the property taxes which would have been paid with respect to
28 that portion of the John Dempsey Hospital located at The University of
29 Connecticut Health Center in Farmington that is used as a permanent
30 medical ward for prisoners under the custody of the Department of
31 Correction. Nothing in this section shall be construed as designating
32 any portion of The University of Connecticut Health Center John
33 Dempsey Hospital as a correctional facility, and (C) in the state fiscal
34 year commencing July 1, 2001, and each fiscal year thereafter, one
35 hundred per cent of the property taxes which would have been paid
36 on any land designated within the 1983 Settlement boundary and
37 taken into trust by the federal government for the Mashantucket
38 Pequot Tribal Nation on or after June 8, 1999, (2) subject to the
39 provisions of subsection (c) of this section, sixty-five per cent of the
40 property taxes which would have been paid with respect to the
41 buildings and grounds comprising Connecticut Valley Hospital in
42 Middletown. Such grant shall commence with the fiscal year beginning
43 July 1, 2000, and continuing each year thereafter, (3) notwithstanding
44 the provisions of subsections (b) and (c) of this section, with respect to
45 any town in which more than fifty per cent of the property is state-
46 owned real property, one hundred per cent of the property taxes
47 which would have been paid with respect to such state-owned
48 property. Such grant shall commence with the fiscal year beginning
49 July 1, 1997, and continuing each year thereafter, (4) subject to the
50 provisions of subsection (c) of this section, forty-five per cent of the

51 property taxes which would have been paid with respect to all other
 52 state-owned real property, and (5) forty-five per cent of the property
 53 taxes which would have been paid with respect to all municipally
 54 owned airports; except for the exemption applicable to such property,
 55 on the assessment list in such town for the assessment date two years
 56 prior to the commencement of the state fiscal year in which such grant
 57 is payable. The grant provided pursuant to this section for any
 58 municipally owned airport shall be paid to any municipality in which
 59 the airport is located, except that the grant applicable to Sikorsky
 60 Airport shall be paid half to the town of Stratford and half to the city of
 61 Bridgeport. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, and in each fiscal
 62 year thereafter, the amount of the grant payable to each municipality
 63 in accordance with this section shall be reduced proportionately in the
 64 event that the total of such grants in such year exceeds the amount
 65 appropriated for the purposes of this section with respect to such year.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	12-19a(a)

Statement of Purpose:

To increase compensation to municipalities where correctional facilities are located by increasing the amount of the payment in lieu of taxes.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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