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**"AN ACT CONCERNING THE GREENWAY COMMONS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT IN SOUTHWINGTON, THE REED PUTNAM DISTRICT IN NORWALK, THE NAUGATUCK ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND DONATION OF OPEN SPACE LAND BY WATER COMPANIES."**

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

3 "Sec. 501. Section 7-326 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2008*):

5 At such meeting, the voters may establish a district for any or all of  
6 the following purposes: To extinguish fires, to light streets, to plant  
7 and care for shade and ornamental trees, to construct and maintain  
8 roads, sidewalks, crosswalks, drains and sewers, to appoint and  
9 employ watchmen or police officers, to acquire, construct, maintain  
10 and regulate the use of recreational facilities, to plan, lay out, acquire,  
11 construct, reconstruct, repair, maintain, supervise and manage a flood  
12 or erosion control system, to plan, lay out, acquire, construct, maintain,

13 operate and regulate the use of a community water system, to collect  
14 garbage, ashes and all other refuse matter in any portion of such  
15 district and provide for the disposal of such matter, to implement tick  
16 control measures, to install highway sound barriers, to maintain water  
17 quality in lakes, to establish a zoning commission and a zoning board  
18 of appeals or a planning commission, or both, by adoption of chapter  
19 124 or chapter 126, excluding section 8-29, or both chapters, as the case  
20 may be, which commissions or board shall be dissolved upon adoption  
21 by the town of subdivision or zoning regulations by the town planning  
22 or zoning commission; and to adopt building regulations, which  
23 regulations shall be superseded upon adoption by the town of building  
24 regulations. Any district may contract with a town, city, borough or  
25 other district for carrying out any of the purposes for which such  
26 district was established.

27 Sec. 502. Section 7-328 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
28 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2008*):

29 (a) The territorial limits of the district shall constitute a separate  
30 taxing district, and the assessor or assessors of the town shall separate  
31 the property within the district from the other property in the town  
32 and shall annually furnish the clerk of the district with a copy of the  
33 grand list of all property in the district after it has been completed by  
34 the board of assessment appeals of the town. If the legislative body of  
35 the town elects, pursuant to section 12-62c, to defer all or any part of  
36 the amount of the increase in the assessed value of real property in the  
37 year a revaluation becomes effective and in any succeeding year in  
38 which such deferment is allowed, the grand list furnished to the clerk  
39 of the district for each such year shall reflect assessments based upon  
40 such deferment. When the district meeting has fixed the tax rate, the  
41 clerk shall prepare a rate bill, apportioning to each owner of property  
42 his proportionate share of the taxes, which rate bill, when prepared,  
43 shall be delivered to the treasurer; and the district and the treasurer  
44 thereof shall have the same powers as towns and collectors of taxes to  
45 collect and enforce payment of such taxes, and such taxes when laid  
46 shall be a lien upon the property in the same manner as town taxes,

47 and such liens may be continued by certificates recorded in the land  
48 record office of the town, and foreclosed in the same manner as liens  
49 for town taxes. The assessor or board of assessment appeals shall  
50 promptly forward to the clerk of the district any certificate of  
51 correction or notice of any other lawful change to the grand list of the  
52 district. The district clerk shall, within ten days of receipt of any such  
53 certificate or notice, forward a copy thereof to the treasurer, and the  
54 assessment of the property for which such certificate or notice was  
55 issued and the rate bill related thereto shall be corrected accordingly. If  
56 the district constructs any drain, sewer, sidewalk, curb or gutter, such  
57 proportion of the cost thereof as such district determines may be  
58 assessed by the board of directors, in the manner prescribed by such  
59 district, upon the property specially benefited by such drain, sewer,  
60 sidewalk, curb or gutter, and the balance of such costs shall be paid  
61 from the general funds of the district. [In the construction of any flood  
62 or erosion control system, the cost to such district] The cost to such  
63 district in the construction of any flood or erosion control system or the  
64 maintenance of water quality in a lake may be assessed and shall be  
65 payable in accordance with sections 25-87 to 25-93, inclusive. Subject to  
66 the provisions of the general statutes, the district may issue bonds and  
67 the board of directors may pledge the credit of the district for any  
68 money borrowed for the construction of any public works or the  
69 acquisition of recreational facilities authorized by sections 7-324 to 7-  
70 329, inclusive, and such board shall keep a record of all notes, bonds  
71 and certificates of indebtedness issued, disposed of or pledged by the  
72 district. All moneys received by the directors on behalf of the district  
73 shall be paid to the treasurer. No contract or obligation which involves  
74 an expenditure in the amount of (1) ten thousand dollars or more in  
75 districts where the grand list is less than or equal to twenty million  
76 dollars, or (2) twenty thousand dollars or more in districts where the  
77 grand list is greater than twenty million dollars, in any one year shall  
78 be made by the board of directors, unless the same is specially  
79 authorized by a vote of the district, nor shall the directors borrow  
80 money without like authority. The clerk of the district shall give  
81 written notice to the treasurer of the town in which the district is

82 located of any final decision of the board of directors to borrow money,  
83 not later than thirty days after the date of such decision. The district  
84 may adopt ordinances, with penalties to secure their enforcement, for  
85 the purpose of regulating the carrying out of the provisions of sections  
86 7-324 to 7-329, inclusive, and defining the duties and compensation of  
87 its officers and the manner in which their duties shall be carried out.

88 (b) Upon the request of the clerk of any district, the registrar of  
89 voters and the assessor of the town in which the district is located shall  
90 provide a list of voters of the district."