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"AN ACT INCREASING THE PENALTY FOR ENGAGING A POLICE OFFICER IN PURSUIT."

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

3 "Sec. 501. Section 53a-167c of the general statutes is repealed and the
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2009*):

5 (a) A person is guilty of assault of public safety, [or] emergency
6 medical or public transit personnel when, with intent to prevent a
7 reasonably identifiable peace officer, special policeman appointed
8 under section 29-18b, Department of Motor Vehicles inspector
9 appointed under section 14-8 and certified pursuant to section 7-294d,
10 firefighter or employee of an emergency medical service organization,
11 as defined in section 53a-3, emergency room physician or nurse,
12 employee of the Department of Correction, member or employee of the
13 Board of Pardons and Paroles, probation officer, employee of the

14 Judicial Branch assigned to provide pretrial secure detention and
15 programming services to juveniles accused of the commission of a
16 delinquent act, employee of the Department of Children and Families
17 assigned to provide direct services to children and youths in the care
18 or custody of the department, employee of a municipal police
19 department assigned to provide security at the police department's
20 lockup and holding facility, [or] active individual member of a
21 volunteer canine search and rescue team, as defined in section 5-249, or
22 public transit employee from performing his or her duties, and while
23 such peace officer, special policeman, motor vehicle inspector,
24 firefighter, employee, physician, nurse, member, probation officer or
25 active individual member is acting in the performance of his or her
26 duties, (1) such person causes physical injury to such peace officer,
27 special policeman, motor vehicle inspector, firefighter, employee,
28 physician, nurse, member, probation officer or active individual
29 member, or (2) such person throws or hurls, or causes to be thrown or
30 hurled, any rock, bottle, can or other article, object or missile of any
31 kind capable of causing physical harm, damage or injury, at such peace
32 officer, special policeman, motor vehicle inspector, firefighter,
33 employee, physician, nurse, member, probation officer or active
34 individual member, or (3) such person uses or causes to be used any
35 mace, tear gas or any like or similar deleterious agent against such
36 peace officer, special policeman, motor vehicle inspector, firefighter,
37 employee, physician, nurse, member, probation officer or active
38 individual member, or (4) such person throws or hurls, or causes to be
39 thrown or hurled, any paint, dye or other like or similar staining,
40 discoloring or coloring agent or any type of offensive or noxious
41 liquid, agent or substance at such peace officer, special policeman,
42 motor vehicle inspector, firefighter, employee, physician, nurse,
43 member, probation officer or active individual member, or (5) such
44 person throws or hurls, or causes to be thrown or hurled, any bodily
45 fluid including, but not limited to, urine, feces, blood or saliva at such
46 peace officer, special policeman, motor vehicle inspector, firefighter,
47 employee, physician, nurse, member, probation officer or active
48 individual member. For the purposes of this section, "public transit

49 employee" means a person employed by the state, a political
50 subdivision of the state, a transit district formed under chapter 103a or
51 a person with whom the Commissioner of Transportation has
52 contracted in accordance with section 13b-34 to provide transportation
53 services who operates a vehicle or vessel providing public rail service,
54 ferry service or fixed route bus service or performs duties directly
55 related to the operation of such vehicle or vessel.

56 (b) Assault of public safety, [or] emergency medical or public transit
57 personnel is a class C felony. If any person who is confined in an
58 institution or facility of the Department of Correction is sentenced to a
59 term of imprisonment for assault of an employee of the Department of
60 Correction under this section, such term shall run consecutively to the
61 term for which the person was serving at the time of the assault."