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**"AN ACT CONCERNING EDUCATOR CERTIFICATION."**

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the  
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Section 10-145a of the general statutes, as amended by  
4 section 8 of public act 08-160, is repealed and the following is  
5 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

6 (a) The State Board of Education may, in accordance with section 10-  
7 19 and such regulations and qualifications as it prescribes, issue  
8 certificates of qualification to teach, to administer, to supervise or to  
9 serve in other positions requiring certification pursuant to regulations  
10 adopted by the State Board of Education in any public school in the  
11 state and may revoke the same. Any such regulations shall provide  
12 that the qualifications to maintain any administrator, supervisor or  
13 special service certificate shall incorporate the continuing education  
14 provisions of subsection [(1)] (i) of section 10-145b, as amended by this  
15 act. The certificates of qualification issued under this section shall be

16 accepted by boards of education in lieu of any other certificate,  
17 provided additional qualifications may be required by a board of  
18 education, in which case the state certificate shall be accepted for such  
19 subjects as it includes.

20 (b) Any candidate in a program of teacher preparation leading to  
21 professional certification shall be encouraged to successfully complete  
22 an intergroup relations component of such a program which shall be  
23 developed with the participation of both sexes, and persons of various  
24 ethnic, cultural and economic backgrounds. Such intergroup relations  
25 program shall have the following objectives: (1) The imparting of an  
26 appreciation of the contributions to American civilization of the  
27 various ethnic, cultural and economic groups composing American  
28 society and an understanding of the life styles of such groups; (2) the  
29 counteracting of biases, discrimination and prejudices; and (3) the  
30 assurance of respect for human diversity and personal rights. The State  
31 Board of Education, the Board of Governors of Higher Education, the  
32 Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities and the Permanent  
33 Commission on the Status of Women shall establish a joint committee  
34 composed of members of the four agencies, which shall develop and  
35 implement such programs in intergroup relations.

36 (c) Any candidate in a program of teacher preparation leading to  
37 professional certification shall be encouraged to complete a (1) health  
38 component of such a program, which includes, but need not be limited  
39 to, human growth and development, nutrition, first aid, disease  
40 prevention and community and consumer health, and (2) mental  
41 health component of such a program, which includes, but need not be  
42 limited to, youth suicide, child abuse and alcohol and drug abuse.

43 (d) Any candidate in a program of teacher preparation leading to  
44 professional certification shall be encouraged to complete a school  
45 violence, bullying and suicide prevention and conflict resolution  
46 component of such a program.

47 (e) On and after July 1, 1998, any candidate in a program of teacher

48 preparation leading to professional certification shall complete a  
49 computer and other information technology skills component of such  
50 program, as applied to student learning and classroom instruction,  
51 communications and data management.

52 (f) On and after July 1, 2006, any program of teacher preparation  
53 leading to professional certification shall include, as part of the  
54 curriculum, instruction in literacy skills and processes that reflects  
55 current research and best practices in the field of literacy training. Such  
56 instruction shall be incorporated into requirements of student major  
57 and concentration.

58 (g) On and after July 1, 2006, any program of teacher preparation  
59 leading to professional certification shall include, as part of the  
60 curriculum, instruction in the concepts of second language learning  
61 and second language acquisition and processes that reflects current  
62 research and best practices in the field of second language learning and  
63 second language acquisition. Such instruction shall be incorporated  
64 into requirements of student major and concentration.

65 (h) On and after July 1, 2012, any candidate entering a program of  
66 teacher preparation leading to professional certification shall be  
67 required to complete training in competency areas contained in the  
68 professional teaching standards established by the State Board of  
69 Education, including, but not limited to, development and  
70 characteristics of learners, evidence-based and standards-based  
71 instruction, evidence-based classroom and behavior management, and  
72 assessment and professional behaviors and responsibilities.

73 Sec. 2. Section 10-145b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
74 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

75 (a) The State Board of Education, upon receipt of a proper  
76 application, shall issue an initial educator certificate to any person who  
77 has graduated (1) from a four-year baccalaureate program of teacher  
78 education as approved by said state board, or (2) from a four-year  
79 baccalaureate program approved by said state board or from a college

80 or university accredited by the board of governors or regionally  
81 accredited, provided such person has taken such teacher training  
82 equivalents as the State Board of Education shall require and, unless  
83 such equivalents are taken at institutions outside of this state, as the  
84 board of governors shall accredit. In addition, on and after July 1, 1993,  
85 each applicant shall have completed a subject area major as defined by  
86 the State Board of Education, except as provided in section 10 of this  
87 act. Each such initial educator certificate shall be valid for three years,  
88 except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, and may be  
89 extended by the Commissioner of Education for an additional year for  
90 good cause upon the request of the superintendent in whose school  
91 district such person is employed or upon the request of the assessment  
92 team reviewing such person's performance.

93 (b) During the period of employment in a public school, a person  
94 holding an initial educator certificate shall (1) be under the supervision  
95 of the superintendent of schools or of a principal, administrator or  
96 supervisor designated by such superintendent who shall regularly  
97 observe, guide and evaluate the performance of assigned duties by  
98 such holder of an initial certificate, and (2) participate in a beginning  
99 educator program if there is such a program for such person's  
100 certification endorsement area.

101 (c) (1) The State Board of Education, upon request of a local or  
102 regional board of education, shall issue a temporary ninety-day  
103 certificate to any applicant in the certification endorsement areas of  
104 elementary education, middle grades education, secondary academic  
105 subjects, special subjects or fields, special education, early childhood  
106 education and administration and supervision when the following  
107 conditions are met:

108 (A) The employing agent of a board of education makes a written  
109 request for the issuance of such certificate and attests to the existence  
110 of a special plan for supervision of temporary ninety-day certificate  
111 holders;

112 (B) The applicant meets the following requirements, except as  
113 otherwise provided in subparagraph (C) of this subdivision:

114 (i) Holds a bachelor's degree from an institution of higher education  
115 accredited by the Board of Governors of Higher Education or  
116 regionally accredited with a major either in or closely related to the  
117 certification endorsement area in which the requesting board of  
118 education is placing the applicant or, in the case of secondary or  
119 special subject or field endorsement area, possesses at least the  
120 minimum total number of semester hours of credit required for the  
121 content area, except as provided in section 10 of this act;

122 (ii) Has met the requirements pursuant to subsection (b) of section  
123 10-145f, as amended by this act;

124 (iii) Presents a written application on such forms as the  
125 Commissioner of Education shall prescribe;

126 (iv) Has successfully completed [a program of classroom  
127 management and instructional methodology approved by the State  
128 Board of Education and, within available appropriations, provided  
129 under contract with an institution of higher education designated] an  
130 alternate route to certification program provided by the Department of  
131 Higher Education or public or independent institutions of higher  
132 education, regional educational service centers or private teacher or  
133 administrator training organizations and approved by the State Board  
134 of Education;

135 (v) Possesses an undergraduate college overall grade point average  
136 of at least "B" or, if the applicant has completed at least twenty-four  
137 hours of graduate credit, possesses a graduate grade point average of  
138 at least "B"; and

139 (vi) Presents supporting evidence of appropriate experience  
140 working with children; and

141 (C) The Commissioner of Education may waive the requirements of

142 subparagraphs (B)(v) or (B)(vi), or both, of this subdivision upon a  
143 showing of good cause.

144 (2) A person serving under a temporary ninety-day certificate shall  
145 participate in a beginning support and assessment program pursuant  
146 to section 10-220a, as amended by this act, which is specifically  
147 designed by the state Department of Education for holders of  
148 temporary ninety-day certificates.

149 (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section  
150 to the contrary, on and after July 1, 1989, the State Board of Education,  
151 upon receipt of a proper application, shall issue an initial educator  
152 certificate, which shall be valid for three years, to any person who has  
153 taught successfully while holding a temporary ninety-day certificate  
154 and meets the requirements pursuant to regulations adopted pursuant  
155 to section 10-145d.

156 [(d) On and after July 1, 1986, and prior to July 1, 1989, a person  
157 who has graduated (1) from a four-year baccalaureate program of  
158 teacher education as approved by the state board, or (2) from a four-  
159 year baccalaureate program approved by the state board or from a  
160 college or university accredited by the Board of Governors of Higher  
161 Education or regionally accredited, provided such person has taken  
162 such teacher training equivalents as the State Board of Education shall  
163 require and, unless such equivalents are taken at institutions outside of  
164 this state, as the Board of Governors of Higher Education shall  
165 accredit, shall be issued upon proper application a provisional  
166 teaching certificate by the state board which shall be valid for up to ten  
167 years.]

168 [(e)] (d) In order to be eligible to obtain a provisional teaching  
169 certificate, a provisional educator certificate or an initial educator  
170 certificate, each person shall be required to complete a course of study  
171 in special education comprised of not fewer than thirty-six hours,  
172 which shall include an understanding of the growth and development  
173 of exceptional children, including handicapped and gifted and talented

174 children and children who may require special education, and  
175 methods for identifying, planning for and working effectively with  
176 special needs children in a regular classroom. Notwithstanding the  
177 provisions of this subsection to the contrary, each applicant for such  
178 certificates who has met all requirements for certification except the  
179 completion of the course in special education shall be entitled to a  
180 certificate (1) for a period not to exceed one year, provided the  
181 applicant completed a teacher preparation program either in the state  
182 prior to July 1, 1987, or outside the state, or completed the necessary  
183 combination of professional experience or coursework as required by  
184 the State Board of Education or (2) for a period not to exceed two years  
185 if the applicant applies for certification in an area for which a  
186 bachelor's degree is not required.

187 [(f) During the period of employment, a person holding a  
188 provisional teaching certificate pursuant to subsection (d) of this  
189 section shall be under the direct supervision of the superintendent of  
190 schools or of a principal, administrator or supervisor designated by  
191 such superintendent who shall regularly observe, guide and evaluate  
192 the performance of assigned duties by such holder of a provisional  
193 teaching certificate as well as cooperate with and counsel such holder  
194 in accordance with the provisions of sections 10-145a to 10-145d,  
195 inclusive, and 10-146b.]

196 [(g)] (e) On and after July 1, 1989, the State Board of Education,  
197 upon receipt of a proper application, shall issue a provisional educator  
198 certificate to any person who (1) has successfully completed a  
199 beginning educator program and one school year of successful  
200 teaching as attested to by the superintendent, or the superintendent's  
201 designee, in whose local or regional school district such person was  
202 employed, (2) has completed at least three years of successful teaching  
203 in a public school in another state or a nonpublic school approved by  
204 the State Board of Education or appropriate governing body in another  
205 state within ten years prior to application for such provisional  
206 educator certificate, as attested to by the superintendent, or the  
207 superintendent's designee, in whose school district such person was

208 employed, or by the supervising agent of the nonpublic school in  
209 which such person was employed, and has met preparation and  
210 eligibility requirements for an initial educator certificate, [(3) has  
211 taught successfully in public schools in this state for the 1988-1989  
212 school year under a temporary emergency permit and has met the  
213 preparation and eligibility requirements for an initial educator  
214 certificate,] or [(4)] (3) has successfully taught with a provisional  
215 teaching certificate for the year immediately preceding an application  
216 for a provisional educator certificate as an employee of a local or  
217 regional board of education or facility approved for special education  
218 by the State Board of Education.

219 [(h) Prior to July 1, 1989, to qualify for a standard certificate, a  
220 person who holds or has held a provisional teaching certificate  
221 pursuant to subsection (d) of this section shall have completed thirty  
222 credit hours of course work beyond the baccalaureate degree. Such  
223 course work need not necessarily lead to a master's degree and may  
224 include graduate or undergraduate courses. It shall consist of (1) a  
225 planned program at an institution of higher education accredited by  
226 the board of governors or regionally accredited or (2) an individual  
227 program which is mutually determined or approved by the teacher  
228 and the supervisory agent of the local or regional board of education  
229 or by the supervisory agent of a nonpublic school approved by the  
230 State Board of Education and which is designed to increase the ability  
231 of the teacher to improve student learning. Such an individual  
232 program may include course work taken at one or more institutions for  
233 higher education approved by the board of governors and may include  
234 in-service programs sponsored by local or regional boards of education  
235 or nonpublic schools approved by the State Board of Education. Such  
236 in-service programs shall have been approved by the joint  
237 subcommittee of the Board of Governors of Higher Education and the  
238 State Board of Education established pursuant to section 10-155b of the  
239 revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 1983.

240 (i) Unless otherwise provided in regulations adopted under section  
241 10-145d, in not less than three years nor more than ten years after the

242 issuance of a provisional teaching certificate pursuant to subsection (d)  
243 of this section and upon the statement of the employing board of  
244 education or nonpublic school approved by the State Board of  
245 Education that the person who holds or has held a provisional  
246 certificate has a record of competency in the discharge of his or her  
247 duties during such provisional period, the state board, upon receipt of  
248 a proper application, shall issue to a person who holds or has held a  
249 provisional certificate, a standard teaching certificate prior to July 1,  
250 1989, and a professional educator certificate on or after said date. A  
251 signed recommendation from the superintendent of schools for the  
252 local or regional board of education or by the superintendent of a  
253 nonpublic school approved by the State Board of Education shall be  
254 evidence of competency. Such recommendation shall state that the  
255 person who holds or has held a provisional teaching certificate has  
256 successfully completed at least three school years of satisfactory  
257 teaching for one or more local or regional boards of education or  
258 approved nonpublic schools. Each applicant for a certificate pursuant  
259 to this subsection shall provide to the Department of Education, in  
260 such manner and form as prescribed by the commissioner, evidence  
261 that the applicant has successfully completed coursework pursuant to  
262 subsection (h) or (j) of this section, as appropriate.]

263 (f) Any person holding a standard or permanent certificate on July  
264 1, 1989, shall be eligible to receive upon application a professional  
265 educator certificate to replace said standard or permanent certificate.  
266 On and after July 1, 1989, standard and permanent certificates shall no  
267 longer be valid.

268 [(j)] (g) On or after July 1, 1989, and prior to July 1, 2016, to qualify  
269 for a professional educator certificate, a person who holds or has held a  
270 provisional educator certificate under subsection [(g)] (e) of this section  
271 shall have completed thirty credit hours of course work beyond the  
272 baccalaureate degree. It is not necessary that such course work be  
273 taken for a master's degree and such work may include graduate or  
274 undergraduate courses. [Such course work shall consist of (1) a  
275 planned program at an institution of higher education accredited by

276 the board of governors or regionally accredited and shall be related  
277 directly to the subject areas or grade levels for which the person holds  
278 endorsement or shall be in an area or areas related to the person's  
279 ability to provide instruction effectively or to meet locally determined  
280 goals and objectives or (2) an individual program which is mutually  
281 determined or approved by the teacher and the supervisory agent of  
282 the local or regional board of education or by the supervisory agent of  
283 a nonpublic school approved by the State Board of Education. Such  
284 program shall be designed to increase the ability of the teacher to  
285 improve student learning.] On and after July 1, 2016, to qualify for a  
286 professional educator certificate, a person who holds or has held a  
287 provisional educator certificate under subsection (d) of this section  
288 shall have completed thirty credit hours of graduate coursework at a  
289 regionally accredited institution of higher education.

290 [(k)] (h) (1) Unless otherwise provided in regulations adopted under  
291 section 10-145d, in not less than three years or more than eight years  
292 after the issuance of a provisional educator certificate pursuant to  
293 subsection [(g)] (e) of this section and upon the statement of the  
294 superintendent, or the superintendent's designee, in whose school  
295 district such certificate holder was employed, or the supervisory agent  
296 of a nonpublic school approved by the State Board of Education, in  
297 whose school such certificate holder was employed, that the  
298 provisional educator certificate holder and such superintendent, or  
299 such superintendent's designee, or supervisory agent have mutually  
300 determined or approved an individual program pursuant to  
301 subdivision (2) of subsection [(j)] (g) of this section and upon the  
302 statement of such superintendent, or such superintendent's designee,  
303 or supervisory agent that such certificate holder has a record of  
304 competency in the discharge of such certificate holder's duties during  
305 such provisional period, the state board upon receipt of a proper  
306 application shall issue such certificate holder a professional educator  
307 certificate. A signed recommendation from the superintendent of  
308 schools, or the superintendent's designee, for the local or regional  
309 board of education or from the supervisory agent of a nonpublic

310 school approved by the State Board of Education shall be evidence of  
311 competency. Such recommendation shall state that the person who  
312 holds or has held a provisional educator certificate has successfully  
313 completed at least three school years of satisfactory teaching for one or  
314 more local or regional boards of education or such nonpublic schools.  
315 Each applicant for a certificate pursuant to this subsection shall  
316 provide to the Department of Education, in such manner and form as  
317 prescribed by the commissioner, evidence that the applicant has  
318 successfully completed coursework pursuant to subsection [(h) or (j)]  
319 (g) of this section, as appropriate. Notwithstanding the provisions of  
320 this subsection, on and after July 1, 2012, experience teaching in a  
321 nonpublic school shall not be accepted for purposes of issuing a  
322 professional educator certificate, but may be accepted to renew the  
323 provisional educator certificate.

324 (2) Upon receipt of a proper application, the State Board of  
325 Education shall issue to a teacher from another state, territory or  
326 possession of the United States or the District of Columbia or the  
327 Commonwealth of Puerto Rico who (A) is nationally board certified by  
328 an organization deemed appropriate by the Commissioner of  
329 Education to issue such certifications, and (B) has taught in another  
330 state, territory or possession of the United States or the District of  
331 Columbia or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico for a minimum of  
332 three years in the preceding ten years (i) a provisional educator  
333 certificate with the appropriate endorsement, or (ii) if such teacher has,  
334 prior to July 1, 2016, completed thirty credit hours of undergraduate or  
335 graduate coursework beyond the baccalaureate degree, [in accordance  
336 with subdivision (1) of subsection (j) of this section] and on and after  
337 July 1, 2016, completed thirty credit hours of graduate coursework, a  
338 professional educator certificate with the appropriate endorsement,  
339 subject to the provisions of subsection [(m)] (j) of this section relating  
340 to denial of applications for certification.

341 [(l)] (i) (1) For certified employees of local and regional boards of  
342 education, except as provided in this subdivision, each professional  
343 educator certificate shall be valid for five years and continued every

344 five years thereafter upon the successful completion of professional  
345 development activities which shall consist of not less than ninety hours  
346 of continuing education, as determined by the local or regional board  
347 of education in accordance with this section, or documented  
348 completion of a national board certification assessment in the  
349 appropriate endorsement area, during each successive five-year  
350 period. (A) Such continuing education completed by certified  
351 employees with an early childhood nursery through grade three or an  
352 elementary endorsement who hold a position requiring such an  
353 endorsement shall include at least fifteen hours of training in the  
354 teaching of reading and reading readiness and assessment of reading  
355 performance, including methods of teaching language skills necessary  
356 for reading, reading comprehension skills, phonics and the structure of  
357 the English language during each five-year period. (B) Such continuing  
358 education requirement completed by certified employees with  
359 elementary, middle grades or secondary academic endorsements who  
360 hold a position requiring such an endorsement shall include at least  
361 fifteen hours of training in the use of computers in the classroom  
362 during each five-year period unless such employees are able to  
363 demonstrate technology competency, in a manner determined by their  
364 local or regional board of education, based on state-wide standards for  
365 teacher competency in the use of technology for instructional purposes  
366 adopted pursuant to section 4d-85. (C) Such continuing education  
367 completed by (i) the superintendent of schools, and (ii) employees  
368 employed in positions requiring an intermediate administrator or  
369 supervisory certificate, or the equivalent thereof, and whose  
370 administrative or supervisory duties equal at least fifty per cent of  
371 their assigned time, shall include at least fifteen hours of training in the  
372 evaluation of teachers pursuant to section 10-151b during each five-  
373 year period. (D) In the case of certified employees with a bilingual  
374 education endorsement who hold positions requiring such an  
375 endorsement (i) in an elementary school and who do not hold an  
376 endorsement in elementary education, such continuing education  
377 taken on or after July 1, 1999, shall only count toward the ninety-hour  
378 requirement if it is in language arts, reading and mathematics, and (ii)

379 in a middle or secondary school and who do not hold an endorsement  
380 in the subject area they teach, such continuing education taken on or  
381 after July 1, 1999, shall only count toward the ninety-hour requirement  
382 if it is in such subject area or areas. On and after July 1, 2011, such  
383 continuing education shall be as determined by the local or regional  
384 board of education in full consideration of the provisions of this  
385 section and the priorities and needs related to student outcomes as  
386 determined by the State Board of Education. During each five-year  
387 period in which a professional educator certificate is valid, a holder of  
388 such certificate who has not completed the ninety hours of continuing  
389 education required pursuant to this subdivision, and who has not been  
390 employed while holding such certificate by a local or regional board of  
391 education for all or part of the five-year period, shall, upon  
392 application, be reissued such certificate for five years minus any period  
393 of time such holder was employed while holding such certificate by a  
394 local or regional board of education, provided there shall be only one  
395 such reissuance during each five-year period in which such certificate  
396 is valid. A certified employee of a local or regional board of education  
397 who is a member of the General Assembly and who has not completed  
398 the ninety hours of continuing education required pursuant to this  
399 subdivision for continuation of a certificate, upon application, shall be  
400 reissued a professional educator certificate for a period of time equal to  
401 six months for each year the employee served in the General Assembly  
402 during the previous five years. Continuing education hours completed  
403 during the previous five years shall be applied toward such ninety-  
404 hour requirement which shall be completed during the reissuance  
405 period in order for such employee to be eligible to have a certificate  
406 continued. The cost of the professional development activities required  
407 under this subsection for certified employees of local or regional  
408 boards of education shall be shared by the state and local or regional  
409 boards of education, except for those activities identified by the State  
410 Board of Education as the responsibility of the certificate holder. Each  
411 local and regional board of education shall make available, annually, at  
412 no cost to its certified employees not fewer than eighteen hours of  
413 professional development activities for continuing education credit.

414 Such activities may be made available by a board of education directly,  
415 through a regional educational service center or cooperative  
416 arrangement with another board of education or through  
417 arrangements with any continuing education provider approved by  
418 the State Board of Education. Local and regional boards of education  
419 shall grant continuing education credit for professional development  
420 activities which the certified employees of the board of education are  
421 required to attend, professional development activities offered in  
422 accordance with the plan developed pursuant to subsection (b) of  
423 section 10-220a, as amended by this act, or professional development  
424 activities which the board may approve for any individual certified  
425 employee. Each board of education shall determine the specific  
426 professional development activities to be made available with the  
427 advice and assistance of the teachers employed by such board,  
428 including representatives of the exclusive bargaining unit for such  
429 teachers pursuant to section 10-153b, and on and after July 1, 2011, in  
430 full consideration of priorities and needs related to student outcomes  
431 as determined by the State Board of Education. The time and location  
432 for the provision of such activities shall be in accordance with either an  
433 agreement between the board of education and the exclusive  
434 bargaining unit pursuant to said section 10-153b or, in the absence of  
435 such agreement or to the extent such agreement does not provide for  
436 the time and location of all such activities, in accordance with a  
437 determination by the board of education.

438 (2) Each local and regional board of education shall attest to the  
439 state Department of Education, in such form and at such time as the  
440 commissioner shall prescribe, that professional development activities  
441 for which continuing education credit is granted by the board: (A) Are  
442 planned in response to identified needs, (B) are provided by qualified  
443 instructional personnel, as appropriate, (C) have the requirements for  
444 participation in the activity shared with participants before the  
445 commencement of the activity, (D) are evaluated in terms of its  
446 effectiveness and its contribution to the attainment of school or  
447 district-wide goals, and (E) are documented in accordance with

448 procedures established by the State Board of Education. At the end of  
449 each five-year period each professional educator shall attest to the state  
450 Department of Education, in such form and at such time as the  
451 commissioner shall prescribe, that the professional educator has  
452 successfully completed ninety hours of continuing education.

453 (3) In the event that the state Department of Education notifies the  
454 local or regional board of education that the provisions of subdivision  
455 (2) of this subsection have not been met and that specific corrective  
456 action is necessary, the local or regional board of education shall take  
457 such corrective action immediately. The department shall not  
458 invalidate continuing education credit awarded prior to such notice.

459 [(m)] (j) (1) The State Board of Education may revoke any certificate,  
460 authorization or permit issued pursuant to sections 10-144o to 10-149,  
461 inclusive, as amended by this act, for any of the following reasons: (A)  
462 The holder of the certificate, authorization or permit obtained such  
463 certificate, authorization or permit through fraud or misrepresentation  
464 of a material fact; (B) the holder has persistently neglected to perform  
465 the duties for which the certificate, authorization or permit was  
466 granted; (C) the holder is professionally unfit to perform the duties for  
467 which the certificate, authorization or permit was granted; (D) the  
468 holder is convicted in a court of law of a crime involving moral  
469 turpitude or of any other crime of such nature that in the opinion of  
470 the board continued holding of a certificate, authorization or permit by  
471 the person would impair the standing of certificates, authorizations or  
472 permits issued by the board; or (E) other due and sufficient cause. The  
473 State Board of Education shall revoke any certificate, authorization or  
474 permit issued pursuant to said sections if the holder is found to have  
475 intentionally disclosed specific questions or answers to students or  
476 otherwise improperly breached the security of any administration of a  
477 state-wide examination pursuant to section 10-14n. In any revocation  
478 proceeding pursuant to this section, the State Board of Education shall  
479 have the burden of establishing the reason for such revocation by a  
480 preponderance of the evidence. Revocation shall be in accordance with  
481 procedures established by the State Board of Education pursuant to

482 chapter 54.

483 (2) When the Commissioner of Education is notified, pursuant to  
484 section 10-149a or 17a-101i, as amended by this act, that a person  
485 holding a certificate, authorization or permit issued by the State Board  
486 of Education under the provisions of sections 10-144o to 10-149,  
487 inclusive, as amended by this act, has been convicted of (A) a capital  
488 felony, pursuant to section 53a-54b, (B) arson murder, pursuant to  
489 section 53a-54d, (C) a class A felony, (D) a class B felony, except a  
490 violation of section 53a-122, 53a-252 or 53a-291, (E) a crime involving  
491 an act of child abuse or neglect as described in section 46b-120, or (F) a  
492 violation of section 53-21, 53-37a, 53a-49, 53a-60b, 53a-60c, 53a-71, 53a-  
493 72a, 53a-72b, 53a-73a, 53a-88, 53a-90a, 53a-99, 53a-103a, 53a-181c, 53a-  
494 191, 53a-196, 53a-196c, 53a-216, 53a-217b or 21a-278 or subsection (a) of  
495 section 21a-277, any certificate, permit or authorization issued by the  
496 State Board of Education and held by such person shall be deemed  
497 revoked and the commissioner shall notify such person of such  
498 revocation, provided such person may request reconsideration  
499 pursuant to regulations adopted by the State Board of Education, in  
500 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54. As part of such  
501 reconsideration process, the board shall make the initial determination  
502 as to whether to uphold or overturn the revocation. The commissioner  
503 shall make the final determination as to whether to uphold or overturn  
504 the revocation.

505 (3) The State Board of Education may deny an application for a  
506 certificate, authorization or permit for any of the following reasons: (A)  
507 The applicant seeks to obtain a certificate, authorization or permit  
508 through fraud or misrepresentation of a material fact; (B) the applicant  
509 has been convicted in a court of law of a crime involving moral  
510 turpitude or of any other crime of such nature that in the opinion of  
511 the board issuance of a certificate, authorization or permit would  
512 impair the standing of certificates, authorizations or permits issued by  
513 the board; or (C) other due and sufficient cause. Any applicant denied  
514 a certificate, authorization or permit shall be notified in writing of the  
515 reasons for denial. Any applicant denied a certificate, authorization or

516 permit may request a review of such denial by the State Board of  
517 Education.

518 (4) A person whose certificate, permit or authorization has been  
519 revoked may not be employed in a public school during the period of  
520 revocation.

521 (5) Any local or regional board of education or private special  
522 education facility approved by the commissioner shall report to the  
523 commissioner when an employee, who holds a certificate, permit or  
524 authorization, is dismissed pursuant to subdivision (3) of subsection  
525 (d) of section 10-151.

526 [(n)] (k) [Within] Not later than thirty days after receipt of  
527 notification, any initial educator certificate holder who is not granted a  
528 provisional educator certificate, [or any provisional certificate holder  
529 who is not granted a standard certificate,] or any provisional educator  
530 [or provisional teaching certificate] holder who is not granted a  
531 professional educator certificate, or any professional educator  
532 certificate holder who is not granted a continuation, under the  
533 provisions of sections 10-145a to 10-145d, inclusive, and 10-146b, may  
534 appeal to the State Board of Education for reconsideration. Said board  
535 shall review the records of the appropriate certification period, [hold a  
536 hearing within sixty days if such] and, if a hearing is requested in  
537 writing, hold such hearing not later than sixty days after such request  
538 and render a written decision [within thirty days] not later than thirty  
539 days after the conclusion of such hearing. Any teacher aggrieved by  
540 the decision of said board may appeal [therefrom] from such decision  
541 in accordance with the provisions of section 4-183 and such appeal  
542 shall be privileged with respect to assignment [thereof] of such appeal.

543 [(o)] (l) For the purposes of this section "supervisory agent" means  
544 the superintendent of schools or the principal, administrator or  
545 supervisor designated by such superintendent to provide direct  
546 supervision to a provisional certificate holder.

547 [(p)] (m) Upon application to the State Board of Education for the

548 issuance of any certificate in accordance with this section and section  
549 10-145d there shall be paid to the board by or on behalf of the  
550 applicant a nonreturnable fee of one hundred dollars in the case of an  
551 applicant for an initial educator certificate, two hundred dollars in the  
552 case of an applicant for a provisional educator certificate and three  
553 hundred dollars in the case of an applicant for a professional educator  
554 certificate, except that applicants for certificates for teaching adult  
555 education programs mandated under subdivision (1) of subsection (a)  
556 of section 10-69 shall pay a fee of fifty dollars; persons eligible for a  
557 certificate or endorsement for which the fee is less than that applied for  
558 shall receive an appropriate refund; persons not eligible for any  
559 certificate shall receive a refund of the application fee minus fifty  
560 dollars; and persons holding standard or permanent certificates on  
561 July 1, 1989, who apply for professional certificates to replace the  
562 standard or permanent certificates, shall not be required to pay such a  
563 fee. Upon application to the State Board of Education for the issuance  
564 of a subject area endorsement there shall be paid to the board by or on  
565 behalf of such applicant a nonreturnable fee of fifty dollars. With each  
566 request for a duplicate copy of any such certificate or endorsement  
567 there shall be paid to the board a nonreturnable fee of twenty-five  
568 dollars.

569 Sec. 3. Section 10-145f of the general statutes is repealed and the  
570 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

571 (a) No person shall be formally admitted to a State Board of  
572 Education approved teacher preparation program until such person  
573 has achieved satisfactory scores on [all components, in one  
574 administration, or, on and after January 1, 1995, has achieved  
575 satisfactory scores on all components of] the state reading, writing and  
576 mathematics competency examination prescribed by and administered  
577 under the direction of the [board] State Board of Education, or has  
578 [achieved a combined score of one thousand or more on a Scholastic  
579 Aptitude Test administered on or before March 31, 1995, or a  
580 combined score of eleven hundred or more on a Scholastic Aptitude  
581 Test administered on or after April 1, 1995, or an equivalent score as

582 determined by the board on a test deemed equivalent by the board,  
583 provided, if the Scholastic Aptitude Test or the equivalent test was a  
584 non-English-language version, the person shall demonstrate a  
585 satisfactory level of English proficiency as determined by the board on  
586 a test prescribed by the board. Such competency examination shall be  
587 conducted at least twice during each year] qualified for a waiver of  
588 such test based on criteria established by the State Board of Education.

589 (b) (1) [Except as otherwise provided in subsection (i) of section 10-  
590 145b, any] Any person who does not hold a valid certificate pursuant  
591 to section 10-145b, as amended by this act, shall (A) achieve  
592 satisfactory scores on [all components, in one administration, or, on  
593 and after January 1, 1995, satisfactory scores on all components of] the  
594 state reading, writing and mathematics competency examination  
595 prescribed by and administered under the direction of the [board]  
596 State Board of Education, or [achieve a combined score of one  
597 thousand or more on a Scholastic Aptitude Test administered on or  
598 before March 31, 1995, or a combined score of eleven hundred or more  
599 on a Scholastic Aptitude Test administered on or after April 1, 1995, or  
600 an equivalent score as determined by the board on a test deemed  
601 equivalent by the board, provided, if the Scholastic Aptitude Test or  
602 the equivalent test is a non-English-language version, the person shall  
603 demonstrate a satisfactory level of English proficiency as determined  
604 by the board on a test prescribed by the board] qualify for a waiver of  
605 such test based on criteria approved by the State Board of Education,  
606 and (B) achieve a satisfactory evaluation on the appropriate State  
607 Board of Education approved subject area assessment in order to be  
608 eligible for a certificate pursuant to said section unless such assessment  
609 has not been approved by the State Board of Education at the time of  
610 application, in which case the applicant shall not be denied a certificate  
611 solely because of the lack of an evaluation on such assessment. A  
612 person who has three years of experience as a school administrator  
613 during the ten-year period prior to the date of application for a  
614 certificate in a school administration endorsement area shall not be  
615 required to meet the state reading, writing and mathematics

616 competency examination.

617 (2) Any person applying for an additional certification endorsement  
618 shall achieve a satisfactory evaluation on the appropriate State Board  
619 of Education approved subject area assessment in order to be eligible  
620 for such additional endorsement, unless such assessment has not been  
621 approved by the State Board of Education at the time of application, in  
622 which case the applicant shall not be denied the additional  
623 endorsement solely because of the lack of an evaluation on such  
624 assessment. [The State Board of Education shall complete the  
625 development of such area assessments for all appropriate  
626 endorsements not later than December 1, 1990.]

627 (3) [(A)] On and after July 1, 1992, any teacher who held a valid  
628 teaching certificate but whose certificate lapsed and who had  
629 completed all requirements for the issuance of a new certificate  
630 pursuant to section 10-145b, as amended by this act, except for filing  
631 an application for such certificate, prior to the date on which the lapse  
632 occurred, may file, within one year of the date on which the lapse  
633 occurred, an application with the Commissioner of Education for the  
634 issuance of such certificate. Upon the filing of such an application, the  
635 commissioner may grant such certificate and such certificate shall be  
636 retroactive to the date on which the lapse occurred, provided the  
637 commissioner finds that the lapse of the certificate occurred as a result  
638 of a hardship or extenuating circumstances beyond the control of the  
639 applicant. If such teacher has attained tenure and is reemployed by the  
640 same board of education in any equivalent unfilled position for which  
641 the person is qualified as a result of the issuance of a certificate  
642 pursuant to this subdivision, the lapse period shall not constitute a  
643 break in employment for such person reemployed and shall be used  
644 for the purpose of calculating continuous employment pursuant to  
645 section 10-151. If such teacher has not attained tenure, the time  
646 unemployed due to the lapse of a certificate shall not be counted  
647 toward tenure, except that if such teacher is reemployed by the same  
648 board of education as a result of the issuance of a certificate pursuant  
649 to this subdivision, such teacher may count the previous continuous

650 employment immediately prior to the lapse towards tenure. Using  
651 information provided by the Teachers' Retirement Board, the  
652 Department of Education shall annually notify each local or regional  
653 board of education of the name of each teacher employed by such  
654 board of education whose provisional certificate will expire during the  
655 period of twelve months following such notice. Upon receipt of such  
656 notice the superintendent of each local and regional board of education  
657 shall notify each such teacher in writing, at such teacher's last known  
658 address, that the teacher's provisional certificate will expire. [(B)  
659 Notwithstanding the provisions of this subdivision to the contrary, for  
660 any teacher employed by a local or regional board of education or on  
661 authorized leave from such a board of education, during the 1987-1988  
662 school year, (i) whose teaching certificate lapsed on or after January 15,  
663 1988, (ii) who successfully completed the competency examination in  
664 accordance with the provisions of this section subsequent to the date  
665 on which the lapse occurred, (iii) whose teaching certificate was  
666 reissued subsequent to the date on which the lapse occurred, and (iv)  
667 who was reemployed by the same board of education during the 1988-  
668 1989 school year, such lapse period shall not constitute a break in  
669 employment for such teacher and shall be used for the purpose of  
670 calculating continuous employment pursuant to section 10-151.]

671 (4) Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection to the  
672 contrary, to be eligible for a certificate to teach subjects for which a  
673 bachelor's degree is not required, any applicant who is otherwise  
674 eligible for certification in such endorsement areas shall be entitled to a  
675 certificate without having met the requirements of the competency  
676 examination and subject area assessment pursuant to this subsection  
677 for a period not to exceed two years, except that for a certificate to  
678 teach skilled trades or trade-related or occupational subjects, the  
679 commissioner may waive the requirement that the applicant take the  
680 competency examination. The commissioner may, upon the showing  
681 of good cause, extend the certificate.

682 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section and section 10-  
683 145b, as amended by this act, the following persons shall be eligible for

684 a nonrenewable temporary certificate: (1) A person who has resided in  
685 a state other than Connecticut during the year immediately preceding  
686 application for certification in Connecticut and meets the requirements  
687 for certification, excluding successful completion of the competency  
688 examination and subject matter assessment, if such person holds  
689 current teacher certification in a state other than Connecticut and has  
690 completed at least one year of successful teaching in another state in a  
691 public school or a nonpublic school approved by the appropriate state  
692 board of education, (2) a person who has graduated from a teacher  
693 preparation program at a college or university outside of the state and  
694 regionally accredited, and meets the requirements for certification,  
695 excluding successful completion of the competency examination and  
696 subject matter assessment, and (3) a person hired by a charter school  
697 after July first in any school year for a teaching position that school  
698 year, provided the person hired after said date could reasonably be  
699 expected to complete the requirements prescribed in subparagraphs  
700 (B) and (C) of subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of section 10-145b, [by  
701 the commencement of the school year following the school year in  
702 which such person held such temporary certificate] as amended by this  
703 act. The nonrenewable temporary certificate shall be valid for one year  
704 from the date it is issued. [Any board of education employing a person  
705 who holds a nonrenewable temporary certificate issued pursuant to  
706 the provisions of subdivision (2) of this subsection shall provide a  
707 program to assist each such person who has not successfully  
708 completed the competency examination by January fifteenth of the  
709 school year in which such certificate was issued. Said program,  
710 developed in consultation with the Department of Education, shall  
711 include academic and classroom support service components. Each  
712 such person who does not successfully complete said examination by  
713 said January fifteenth shall participate in said program.]

714 (d) Any person who is first issued a certificate valid after July 1,  
715 1989, or who is reissued a certificate after July 1, 1989, shall, except as  
716 otherwise provided in this subsection, be required to achieve a  
717 satisfactory evaluation on a professional knowledge clinical

718 assessment not later than the end of the second year of teaching in a  
719 public school if hired prior to January first or, if hired on or after  
720 January first, not later than the end of the second full school year of  
721 teaching following the year in which such person was hired in order to  
722 retain the certificate. The commissioner (1) may waive the requirement  
723 that such satisfactory evaluation on a professional knowledge clinical  
724 assessment be achieved upon a determination that such assessment is  
725 not valid for the person's teaching assignment, or (2) upon a showing  
726 of good cause, may extend the time limit for the assessment for a  
727 period of time not exceeding two years. The requirement of a clinical  
728 assessment shall not apply to any such person who has completed at  
729 least three years of successful teaching in a public school or a  
730 nonpublic school approved by the appropriate state board of  
731 education during the ten years immediately preceding the date of  
732 application or who successfully taught with a provisional teaching  
733 certificate during the year immediately preceding an application for a  
734 provisional educator certificate as an employee of a local or regional  
735 board of education or facility approved for special education by the  
736 State Board of Education. Notwithstanding the provisions of this  
737 subsection, the State Board of Education may reissue an initial  
738 educator certificate to a person who held such certificate and did not  
739 achieve a satisfactory evaluation on a professional knowledge clinical  
740 assessment provided the person submits evidence demonstrating  
741 significant intervening study and experience, in accordance with  
742 standards established by the State Board of Education.

743 (e) The board shall, by regulation, set all fees to be charged to each  
744 person who applies to take the State Board of Education administered  
745 competency examination, the subject area assessment or the  
746 professional knowledge clinical assessment, which shall be not less  
747 than seventy-five dollars for the competency examination and subject  
748 area assessment for the elementary level. Notwithstanding the  
749 provisions of this section to the contrary, the Commissioner of  
750 Education may waive any fee under this section due to a candidate's  
751 inability to pay.

752 (f) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, any person who  
753 holds a valid teaching certificate that is at least equivalent to an initial  
754 educator certificate, as determined by the State Board of Education,  
755 and such certificate is issued by a state other than Connecticut in the  
756 subject area or endorsement area for which such person is seeking  
757 certification in Connecticut shall not be required to successfully  
758 complete the competency examination and subject matter assessment  
759 pursuant to this section, if such person has either (1) successfully  
760 completed at least three years of teaching experience in the subject area  
761 for which such person is seeking certification in Connecticut in the past  
762 ten years in a public school or a nonpublic school approved by the  
763 appropriate state board of education in such other state, or (2) holds a  
764 master's degree or higher in the subject area for which such person is  
765 seeking certification in Connecticut.

766 Sec. 4. Subsection (d) of section 10-145h of the general statutes is  
767 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
768 *1, 2009*):

769 (d) (1) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, for the period  
770 from July 1, 2005, to [July 1, 2009] June 30, 2010, inclusive, the State  
771 Board of Education shall require an applicant for certification as a  
772 bilingual education teacher to demonstrate competency in English and  
773 the other language of instruction as a condition of certification.  
774 Competency in English shall be demonstrated by successful passage of  
775 the oral proficiency test in English and an essential skills test approved  
776 by the State Board of Education. Oral and written competency in the  
777 other language shall be demonstrated by passage of an examination, if  
778 available, of comparable difficulty as specified by the Department of  
779 Education. If such an examination is not available, competency shall be  
780 demonstrated by an appropriate alternative method as specified by the  
781 department.

782 (2) Notwithstanding subsection (b) of this section, for the period  
783 from July 1, 2005, to [July 1, 2009] June 30, 2010, inclusive, the State  
784 Board of Education shall require persons seeking to become (A)

785 elementary level bilingual education teachers to be certified in (i)  
786 bilingual education and achieve a satisfactory evaluation on the  
787 appropriate State Board of Education approved assessment for  
788 elementary education, or (ii) elementary education and have  
789 completed six semester hours of credit in English as a second language  
790 course work as approved by the State Board of Education, and (B)  
791 secondary level bilingual education teachers to be certified in (i)  
792 bilingual education and achieve a satisfactory evaluation on the  
793 appropriate State Board of Education approved subject area  
794 assessment, or (ii) the subject area they will teach and have completed  
795 six semester hours of credit in English as a second language course  
796 work as approved by the State Board of Education. Such certificates  
797 shall be valid for subject-specific bilingual education. Certification in  
798 elementary bilingual education shall be valid for grades kindergarten  
799 to eight, inclusive, and certification in secondary subject-specific  
800 bilingual education shall be valid for grades seven to twelve, inclusive.

801 Sec. 5. Section 10-145i of the general statutes is repealed and the  
802 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

803 Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 10-144o to 10-146b,  
804 inclusive, as amended by this act, and 10-149, the State Board of  
805 Education shall not issue or reissue any certificate, authorization or  
806 permit pursuant to said sections if (1) the applicant for such certificate,  
807 authorization or permit has been convicted of any of the following: (A)  
808 A capital felony, as defined in section 53a-54b; (B) arson murder, as  
809 defined in section 53a-54d; (C) any class A felony; (D) any class B  
810 felony except a violation of section 53a-122, 53a-252 or 53a-291; (E) a  
811 crime involving an act of child abuse or neglect as described in section  
812 46b-120; or (F) a violation of section 53-21, 53-37a, 53a-49, 53a-60b, 53a-  
813 60c, 53a-71, 53a-72a, 53a-72b, 53a-73a, 53a-88, 53a-90a, 53a-99, 53a-103a,  
814 53a-181c, 53a-191, 53a-196, 53a-196c, 53a-216, 53a-217b or 21a-278 or a  
815 violation of subsection (a) of section 21a-277, and (2) the applicant  
816 completed serving the sentence for such conviction within the five  
817 years immediately preceding the date of the application, except that  
818 this section shall not prevent the issuance or reissuance of any

819 certificate, authorization or permit based on a conviction of a crime  
820 described in subdivision (1) of this section that served as the basis for  
821 revocation of a certificate, authorization or permit pursuant to  
822 subdivision (2) of subsection (j) of section 10-145b, as amended by this  
823 act, when such certificate, authorization or permit was subsequently  
824 reinstated pursuant to said subdivision.

825 Sec. 6. Subsection (a) of section 10-146b of the general statutes is  
826 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
827 *1, 2009*):

828 (a) Any person who holds a provisional educator or provisional  
829 teaching certificate or held such certificate within one year of  
830 application for extension of such certificate and is unable to complete  
831 the requirements for a professional educator certificate within the  
832 period required, or any person who holds a professional educator  
833 certificate or held such certificate within one year of application for  
834 extension of such certificate and is unable to complete the  
835 requirements for continuation of such professional educator certificate  
836 within the period required may appeal to [said board] the  
837 commissioner for an extension of the applicable period for good cause,  
838 [and said board, if it] If the commissioner finds a hardship exists in the  
839 case of such person or [if it] finds an emergency situation because of a  
840 shortage of certified teachers in the school district where such person is  
841 employed, the commissioner may extend such certificate for no more  
842 than twenty-four months, effective as of or retroactive to the expiration  
843 date of such certificate, [such applicable period within which such  
844 person shall complete such requirements for such time as to said board  
845 seems reasonable,] provided not more than one extension shall be  
846 granted to such person and, provided further, the record of such  
847 person is satisfactory under the provisions of sections 10-145a to 10-  
848 145d, inclusive, as amended by this act, and this section. For the  
849 purposes of section 10-151, any lapse period pursuant to this section  
850 shall not constitute a break in employment for such person if  
851 reemployed and shall be used for the purpose of calculating  
852 continuous employment.

853 Sec. 7. Section 10-146c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
854 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

855 [The Interstate Agreement on Qualification of Educational  
856 Personnel is hereby enacted into law and entered into by this state  
857 with all states legally joining therein, in the form substantially as  
858 follows:

859 Article I  
860 Purpose, Findings, and Policy

861 1. The states party to this agreement, desiring by common action to  
862 improve their respective school systems by utilizing the teacher or  
863 other professional educational person wherever educated, declare that  
864 it is the policy of each of them, on the basis of cooperation with one  
865 another, to take advantage of the preparation and experience of such  
866 persons wherever gained, thereby serving the best interests of society,  
867 of education, and of the teaching profession. It is the purpose of this  
868 agreement to provide for the development and execution of such  
869 programs of cooperation as will facilitate the movement of teachers  
870 and other professional educational personnel among the states party to  
871 it, and to authorize specific interstate educational personnel contracts  
872 to achieve that end.

873 2. The party states find that included in the large movement of  
874 population among all sections of the nation are many qualified  
875 educational personnel who move for family and other personal  
876 reasons but who are hindered in using their professional skill and  
877 experience in their new locations. Variations from state to state in  
878 requirements for qualifying educational personnel discourage such  
879 personnel from taking the steps necessary to qualify in other states. As  
880 a consequence, a significant number of professionally prepared and  
881 experienced educators is lost to our school systems. Facilitating the  
882 employment of qualified educational personnel, without reference to  
883 their states of origin, can increase the available educational resources.  
884 Participation in this compact can increase the availability of

885 educational manpower.

886 Article II

887 Definitions

888 As used in this agreement and contracts made pursuant to it, unless  
889 the context clearly requires otherwise:

890 1. "Educational personnel" means persons who must meet  
891 requirements pursuant to state law as a condition of employment in  
892 educational programs.

893 2. "Designated state official" means the education official of a state  
894 selected by that state to negotiate and enter into, on behalf of his state,  
895 contracts pursuant to this agreement.

896 3. "Accept", or any variant thereof, means to recognize and give  
897 effect to one or more determinations of another state relating to the  
898 qualifications of educational personnel in lieu of making or requiring a  
899 like determination that would otherwise be required by or pursuant to  
900 the laws of a receiving state.

901 4. "State" means a state, territory, or possession of the United States;  
902 the District of Columbia; or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

903 5. "Originating state" means a state (and the subdivisions thereof, if  
904 any) whose determination that certain educational personnel are  
905 qualified to be employed for specific duties in schools is acceptable in  
906 accordance with the terms of a contract made pursuant to Article III.

907 6. "Receiving state" means a state (and the subdivisions thereof)  
908 which accept educational personnel in accordance with the terms of a  
909 contract made pursuant to Article III.

910 Article III

911 Interstate Educational Personnel Contracts

912 1. The designated state official of a party state may make one or

913 more contracts on behalf of his state with one or more other party  
914 states providing for the acceptance of educational personnel. Any such  
915 contract for the period of its duration shall be applicable to and  
916 binding on the states whose designated state officials enter into it, and  
917 the subdivisions of those states, with the same force and effect as if  
918 incorporated in this agreement. A designated state official may enter  
919 into a contract pursuant to this article only with states in which he  
920 finds that there are programs of education, certification standards or  
921 other acceptable qualifications that assure preparation or qualification  
922 of educational personnel on a basis sufficiently comparable, even  
923 though not identical to that prevailing in his own state.

924 2. Any such contract shall provide for:

925 (a) Its duration.

926 (b) The criteria to be applied by an originating state in qualifying  
927 educational personnel for acceptance by a receiving state.

928 (c) Such waivers, substitutions, and conditional acceptances as shall  
929 aid the practical effectuation of the contract without sacrifice of basic  
930 educational standards.

931 (d) Any other necessary matters.

932 3. No contract made pursuant to this agreement shall be for a term  
933 longer than five years but any such contract may be renewed for like  
934 or lesser periods.

935 4. Any contract dealing with acceptance of educational personnel on  
936 the basis of their having completed an educational program shall  
937 specify the earliest date or dates on which originating state approval of  
938 the program or programs involved can have occurred. No contract  
939 made pursuant to this agreement shall require acceptance by a  
940 receiving state of any persons qualified because of successful  
941 completion of a program prior to January 1, 1954.

942 5. The certification or other acceptance of a person who has been

943 accepted pursuant to the terms of a contract shall not be revoked or  
944 otherwise impaired because the contract has expired or been  
945 terminated. However, any certificate or other qualifying document  
946 may be revoked or suspended on any ground which would be  
947 sufficient for revocation or suspension of a certificate or other  
948 qualifying document initially granted or approved in the receiving  
949 state.

950 6. A contract committee composed of the designated state officials of  
951 the contracting states or their representatives shall keep the contract  
952 under continuous review, study means of improving its  
953 administration, and report no less frequently than once a year to the  
954 heads of the appropriate education agencies of the contracting states.

#### 955 Article IV

#### 956 Approved and Accepted Programs

957 1. Nothing in this agreement shall be construed to repeal or  
958 otherwise modify any law or regulation of a party state relating to the  
959 approval of programs of educational preparation having effect solely  
960 on the qualification of educational personnel within that state.

961 2. To the extent that contracts made pursuant to this agreement deal  
962 with the educational requirements for the proper qualification of  
963 educational personnel, acceptance of a program of educational  
964 preparation shall be in accordance with such procedures and  
965 requirements as may be provided in the applicable contract.

#### 966 Article V

#### 967 Interstate Cooperation

968 The party states agree that:

969 1. They will, so far as practicable, prefer the making of multilateral  
970 contracts pursuant to Article III of this agreement.

971 2. They will facilitate and strengthen cooperation in interstate

972 certification and other elements of educational personnel qualification  
973 and for this purpose shall cooperate with agencies, organizations, and  
974 associations interested in certification and other elements of  
975 educational personnel qualification.

976 Article VI  
977 Agreement Evaluation

978 The designated state officials of any party states may meet from  
979 time to time as a group to evaluate progress under the agreement, and  
980 to formulate recommendations for changes.

981 Article VII  
982 Other Arrangements

983 Nothing in this agreement shall be construed to prevent or inhibit  
984 other arrangements or practices of any party state or states to facilitate  
985 the interchange of educational personnel.

986 Article VIII  
987 Effect and Withdrawal

988 1. This agreement shall become effective when enacted into law by  
989 two states. Thereafter it shall become effective as to any state upon its  
990 enactment of this agreement.

991 2. Any party state may withdraw from this agreement by enacting a  
992 statute repealing the same, but no such withdrawal shall take effect  
993 until one year after the Governor of the withdrawing state has given  
994 notice in writing of the withdrawal to the Governors of all other party  
995 states.

996 3. No withdrawal shall relieve the withdrawing state of any  
997 obligation imposed upon it by a contract to which it is a party. The  
998 duration of contracts and the methods and conditions of withdrawal  
999 therefrom shall be those specified in their terms.

1000 Article IX  
1001 Construction and Severability

1002 This agreement shall be liberally construed so as to effectuate the  
1003 purposes thereof. The provisions of this agreement shall be severable  
1004 and if any phrase, clause, sentence, or provision of this agreement is  
1005 declared to be contrary to the constitution of any state or of the United  
1006 States, or the application thereof to any government, agency, person,  
1007 or circumstances is held invalid, the validity of the remainder of this  
1008 agreement and the applicability thereof to any government, agency,  
1009 person, or circumstance shall not be affected thereby. If this agreement  
1010 shall be held contrary to the constitution of any state participating  
1011 therein, the agreement shall remain in full force and effect as to the  
1012 state affected as to all severable matters.] The Commissioner of  
1013 Education, or the commissioner's designee, as agent for the state may  
1014 establish or join interstate agreements to facilitate the certification of  
1015 qualified educators, provided candidates for certification, at a  
1016 minimum, hold a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited  
1017 college or university, fulfill assessment requirements as approved by  
1018 the State Board of Education and meet all conditions as mandated by  
1019 such interstate agreement.

1020 Sec. 8. Section 10-221d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1021 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

1022 (a) [On and after July 1, 1994, each] Each local and regional board of  
1023 education shall (1) require each applicant for a position in a public  
1024 school to state whether such person has ever been convicted of a crime  
1025 or whether criminal charges are pending against such person at the  
1026 time of such person's application, (2) require, subject to the provisions  
1027 of subsection (d) of this section, each person hired by the board after  
1028 July 1, 1994, to submit to state and national criminal history records  
1029 checks within thirty days from the date of employment and may  
1030 require, subject to the provisions of subsection (d) of this section, any  
1031 person hired prior to said date to submit to state and national criminal  
1032 history records checks, and (3) require each worker (A) placed within a

1033 school under a public assistance employment program, [or] (B)  
1034 employed by a provider of supplemental services pursuant to the No  
1035 Child Left Behind Act, P.L. 107-110, or (C) on and after July 1, 2010, in  
1036 a nonpaid, noncertified position completing preparation requirements  
1037 for the issuance of an educator certificate pursuant to chapter 166, who  
1038 performs a service involving direct student contact to submit to state  
1039 and national criminal history records checks within thirty days from  
1040 the date such worker begins to perform such service. The criminal  
1041 history records checks required by this subsection shall be conducted  
1042 in accordance with section 29-17a. If the local or regional board of  
1043 education receives notice of a conviction of a crime which has not  
1044 previously been disclosed by such person to the board, the board may  
1045 (i) terminate the contract of a certified employee, in accordance with  
1046 the provisions of section 10-151, and (ii) dismiss a noncertified  
1047 employee provided such employee is notified of the reason for such  
1048 dismissal, is provided the opportunity to file with the board, in  
1049 writing, any proper answer to such criminal conviction and a copy of  
1050 the notice of such criminal conviction, the answer and the dismissal  
1051 order are made a part of the records of the board. In addition, if the  
1052 local or regional board of education receives notice of a conviction of a  
1053 crime by a person (I) holding a certificate, authorization or permit  
1054 issued by the State Board of Education, [or] (II) employed by a  
1055 provider of supplemental services, or (III) on and after July 1, 2010, in a  
1056 nonpaid, noncertified position completing preparation requirements  
1057 for the issuance of an educator certificate pursuant to chapter 106, the  
1058 local or regional board of education shall send such notice to the State  
1059 Board of Education. The supervisory agent of a private school may  
1060 require any applicant for a position in such school or any employee of  
1061 such school to submit to state and national criminal history records  
1062 checks in accordance with the procedures described in this subsection.

1063 (b) If a local or regional board of education, endowed or  
1064 incorporated academy approved by the State Board of Education  
1065 pursuant to section 10-34, or special education facility approved by the  
1066 State Board of Education pursuant to section 10-76d requests, a

1067 regional educational service center shall arrange for the fingerprinting  
1068 of any person required to submit to state and national criminal history  
1069 records checks pursuant to this section or for conducting any other  
1070 method of positive identification required by the State Police Bureau of  
1071 Identification or the Federal Bureau of Investigation and shall forward  
1072 such fingerprints or other positive identifying information to the State  
1073 Police Bureau of Identification which shall conduct criminal history  
1074 records checks in accordance with section 29-17a. Such regional  
1075 educational service centers shall provide the results of such checks to  
1076 such local or regional board of education, endowed or incorporated  
1077 academy or special education facility. Such regional educational  
1078 service centers shall provide such results to any other local or regional  
1079 board of education or regional educational service center upon the  
1080 request of such person.

1081 (c) State and national criminal history records checks for substitute  
1082 teachers completed within one year prior to the date of employment  
1083 with a local or regional board of education and submitted to the  
1084 employing board of education shall meet the requirements of  
1085 subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section. A local or regional  
1086 board of education shall not require substitute teachers to submit to  
1087 state and national criminal history records checks pursuant to  
1088 subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section if they are continuously  
1089 employed by such local or regional board of education. For purposes  
1090 of this section, substitute teachers shall be deemed to be continuously  
1091 employed by a local or regional board of education if they are  
1092 employed at least one day of each school year by such local or regional  
1093 board of education.

1094 (d) (1) The provisions of this section shall not apply to a person  
1095 required to submit to a criminal history records check pursuant to the  
1096 provisions of subsection (d) of section 14-44.

1097 (2) The provisions of this section shall not apply to a student  
1098 employed by the local or regional school district in which the student  
1099 attends school.

1100 (3) The provisions of subsection (a) of this section requiring state  
1101 and national criminal history records checks shall, at the discretion of a  
1102 local or regional board of education, apply to a person employed by a  
1103 local or regional board of education as a teacher for a noncredit adult  
1104 class or adult education activity, as defined in section 10-67, who is not  
1105 required to hold a teaching certificate pursuant to section 10-145b, as  
1106 amended by this act, for his or her position.

1107 (e) The State Board of Education shall submit, periodically, a  
1108 database of applicants for an initial issuance of certificate,  
1109 authorization or permit pursuant to sections 10-144o to 10-149,  
1110 inclusive, as amended by this act, to the State Police Bureau of  
1111 Identification. The State Police Bureau of Identification shall conduct a  
1112 state criminal history records check against such database and notify  
1113 the State Board of Education of any such applicant who has a criminal  
1114 conviction. The State Board of Education shall not issue a certificate,  
1115 authorization or permit until it receives and evaluates the results of  
1116 such check and may deny an application in accordance with the  
1117 provisions of subsection [(m)] (j) of section 10-145b, as amended by this  
1118 act.

1119 (f) The State Board of Education shall submit, periodically, a  
1120 database of all persons who hold certificates, authorizations or permits  
1121 to the State Police Bureau of Identification. The State Police Bureau of  
1122 Identification shall conduct a state criminal history records check  
1123 against such database and shall notify the State Board of Education of  
1124 any such person who has a criminal conviction. The State Board of  
1125 Education may revoke the certificate, authorization or permit of such  
1126 person in accordance with the provisions of subsection [(m)] (j) of  
1127 section 10-145b, as amended by this act.

1128 Sec. 9. Subdivision (7) of section 10-144o of the general statutes is  
1129 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
1130 *1, 2009*):

1131 (7) "Professional educator certificate" means a license to teach issued

1132 on or after July 1, 1989, initially to a person who has successfully  
1133 completed not less than three school years of teaching in a public  
1134 school or nonpublic school approved by the State Board of Education  
1135 while holding a provisional educator or provisional teaching certificate  
1136 and has successfully completed not fewer than thirty semester hours of  
1137 credit beyond a bachelor's degree. Said certificate shall be continued  
1138 every five years after issuance upon the successful completion of [not  
1139 less than ninety hours of] continuing education, in accordance with  
1140 subsection [(l)] (i) of section 10-145b, as amended by this act, during  
1141 each successive five-year period. The successful completion of  
1142 continuing education units shall only be required for certified  
1143 employees of local and regional boards of education.

1144 Sec. 10. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2009*) On and after July 1, 2010, the  
1145 State Board of Education shall allow an applicant for certification to  
1146 teach in a subject shortage area pursuant to section 10-8b of the general  
1147 statutes, or a certified employee seeking to teach in such a subject  
1148 shortage area to substitute achievement of an excellent score, as  
1149 determined by the State Board of Education, on any appropriate State  
1150 Board of Education approved subject area assessment for the subject  
1151 area requirements for certification pursuant to section 10-145f of the  
1152 general statutes, as amended by this act.

1153 Sec. 11. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2009*) (a) Subject to the provisions of  
1154 subsection (g) of this section, the State Board of Education, upon the  
1155 request of a local or regional board of education or a regional  
1156 educational service center, may issue an adjunct instructor permit to  
1157 any applicant with specialized training, experience or expertise in the  
1158 arts, as defined in subsection (a) of section 10-16b of the general  
1159 statutes. Such certificate shall authorize a person to hold a part-time  
1160 position, of no more than fifteen classroom instructional hours per  
1161 week at a part-time interdistrict arts magnet high school in existence  
1162 on July 1, 2009, and approved pursuant to section 10-264/ of the  
1163 general statutes, or the Cooperative Arts and Humanities Magnet High  
1164 School, as a teacher of art, music, dance, theater or any other subject  
1165 related to such holder's artistic specialty. Except as provided in

1166 subsection (g) of this section, such applicant shall (1) hold a bachelor's  
1167 degree from an institution of higher education accredited by the Board  
1168 of Governors of Higher Education or regionally accredited, (2) have a  
1169 minimum of three years of work experience in the arts, or one year of  
1170 work experience and two years of specialized schooling related to such  
1171 applicant's artistic specialty, and (3) attest to the State Board of  
1172 Education that he or she has at least one hundred eighty hours of  
1173 cumulative experience working with children, in a private or public  
1174 setting, including, but not limited to, afterschool programs, group  
1175 lessons, children's theater, dance studio lessons and artist-in-residence  
1176 programs, or at least two years experience as a full-time faculty  
1177 member at an institution of higher education.

1178 (b) During the period of employment in such part-time interdistrict  
1179 arts magnet high school or the Cooperative Arts and Humanities  
1180 Magnet High School, a person holding an adjunct instructor permit  
1181 shall be under the supervision of the superintendent of schools or of a  
1182 principal, administrator or supervisor designated by such  
1183 superintendent who shall regularly observe, guide and evaluate the  
1184 performance of assigned duties by such holder of an adjunct instructor  
1185 permit.

1186 (c) Each such adjunct instructor permit shall be valid for three years  
1187 and may be renewed by the Commissioner of Education for good  
1188 cause upon the request of the superintendent of schools for the district  
1189 employing such person or the regional educational service center  
1190 operating such part-time interdistrict arts magnet high school or the  
1191 Cooperative Arts and Humanities Magnet High School employing  
1192 such person.

1193 (d) Any board of education or regional educational service center  
1194 employing a person who holds an adjunct instructor permit issued  
1195 under this section shall provide a program to assist each such person.  
1196 Such program, developed in consultation with the Department of  
1197 Education, shall include academic and classroom support service  
1198 components.

1199 (e) No person holding an adjunct instructor permit shall fill a  
1200 position that will result in the displacement of any person holding a  
1201 teaching certificate under section 10-145b of the general statutes, as  
1202 amended by this act, who is already employed at such part-time  
1203 interdistrict arts magnet high school or the Cooperative Arts and  
1204 Humanities Magnet High School.

1205 (f) Any person holding an adjunct instructor permit pursuant to this  
1206 section shall not be deemed to be eligible for membership in the  
1207 teachers' retirement system solely by reason of such permit, provided  
1208 any such person who holds a regular teacher's certificate issued by the  
1209 State Board of Education shall not be excluded from membership in  
1210 said system.

1211 (g) Any person who, prior to July 1, 2009, was employed as a  
1212 teacher of art, music, dance, theater or any other subject related to such  
1213 person's artistic specialty in a part-time interdistrict arts magnet high  
1214 school approved pursuant to section 10-264l of the general statutes, or  
1215 the Cooperative Arts and Humanities Magnet High School for at least  
1216 one year shall qualify for and be granted an adjunct instructor permit.

1217 Sec. 12. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2009*) On or before January 1, 2010,  
1218 the Attorney General, in consultation with the Commissioners of  
1219 Education and Higher Education, shall report, in accordance with the  
1220 provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing  
1221 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
1222 relating to education on any investigation conducted regarding  
1223 behavior analysis services for children with autism spectrum disorder  
1224 performed in the state. Such report shall include any findings based on  
1225 such investigation, recommendations for statutory changes and  
1226 recommendations for an appropriate in-state certifying agency for  
1227 behavioral analysis services.

1228 Sec. 13. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2009*) (a) The State Board of  
1229 Education, upon receipt of a proper application, shall issue a resident  
1230 teacher certificate to any applicant in the certification endorsement

1231 areas of elementary education, middle grades education, secondary  
1232 academic subjects, special subjects or fields, special education, early  
1233 childhood education and administration and supervision, who (1)  
1234 holds a bachelor's degree from an institution of higher education  
1235 accredited by the Board of Governors of Higher Education or  
1236 regionally accredited, (2) possesses a minimum undergraduate college  
1237 cumulative grade point average of 3.00, (3) has achieved a qualifying  
1238 score, as determined by the State Board of Education, on the  
1239 appropriate State Board of Education approved subject area  
1240 assessment, and (4) is enrolled in an approved alternate route to  
1241 certification program, pursuant to section 10-155d of the general  
1242 statutes, that meets the guidelines established by the No Child Left  
1243 Behind Act, P.L. 107-110.

1244 (b) Each such resident teacher certificate shall be valid for one year,  
1245 and may be extended by the Commissioner of Education for an  
1246 additional one year for good cause upon the request of the  
1247 superintendent of schools for the school district employing such  
1248 person.

1249 (c) During the period of employment in a public school, a person  
1250 holding a resident teacher certificate shall be the teacher of record and  
1251 be under the supervision of the superintendent of schools or of a  
1252 principal, administrator or supervisor designated by such  
1253 superintendent who shall regularly observe, guide and evaluate the  
1254 performance of assigned duties by such holder of a resident teacher  
1255 certificate.

1256 (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of section 10-  
1257 145b of the general statutes, on and after July 1, 2009, the State Board of  
1258 Education, upon receipt of a proper application, shall issue an initial  
1259 educator certificate, which shall be valid for three years, to any person  
1260 who (1) successfully completed an approved alternate route to  
1261 certification program, pursuant to section 10-155d of the general  
1262 statutes, that meets the guidelines established by the No Child Left  
1263 Behind Act, P.L. 107-110, (2) taught successfully as the teacher of

1264 record while holding a resident teacher certificate, and (3) meets the  
1265 requirements established in subsection (b) of section 10-145f of the  
1266 general statutes, as amended by this act.

1267 Sec. 14. Section 10-145j of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1268 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

1269 (a) [The] Prior to July 1, 2011, the Department of Education may  
1270 permit qualified graduates of a national corps of teachers' training  
1271 program, approved by the Commissioner of Education, to be  
1272 employed under a durational shortage area permit in public schools  
1273 located in the towns of Bridgeport, Hartford and New Haven and state  
1274 charter schools located in Stamford.

1275 (b) Such persons may only be employed in a position at the  
1276 elementary or secondary level where no certified teacher suitable to  
1277 the position is available. Such persons shall (1) be enrolled in a  
1278 planned program leading to certification in the subject area they are  
1279 teaching, or enrolled in an approved alternate route to certification  
1280 program or a program with state approval pending and that meets the  
1281 standards for an alternate route to certification program, and (2) have  
1282 completed at least twelve semester hours of credit or have passed the  
1283 assessment approved by the State Board of Education in the subject  
1284 area they will teach. The State Board of Education may grant a  
1285 durational shortage area permit, endorsed consistent with this section,  
1286 to a person who meets the qualifications for such permit as modified  
1287 by this section. In granting such permits, the board shall give priority  
1288 to addressing the needs of the schools operated by the boards of  
1289 education for the towns of Bridgeport, Hartford and New Haven, and  
1290 then to the needs of state charter schools located in [such towns]  
1291 Bridgeport, Hartford, New Haven and Stamford. Such permit shall be  
1292 valid for one year and shall be renewable once.

1293 Sec. 15. Section 10-145 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1294 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

1295 (a) No teacher, supervisor, administrator, special service staff

1296 member or school superintendent, except as provided for in section 10-  
1297 157, shall be employed in any of the schools of any local or regional  
1298 board of education unless such person possesses an appropriate state  
1299 certificate, nor shall any such person be entitled to any salary unless  
1300 such person can produce such certificate dated previous to or the first  
1301 day of employment, except as provided for in section 10-157; provided  
1302 nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent the board of  
1303 education from prescribing qualifications additional to those  
1304 prescribed by the regulations of the State Board of Education and  
1305 provided nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent any  
1306 local or regional board of education from contracting with a licensed  
1307 drivers' school approved by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles for  
1308 the behind-the-wheel instruction of a driver instruction course, to be  
1309 given by driving instructors licensed by the Department of Motor  
1310 Vehicles. No person shall be employed in any of the schools of any  
1311 local or regional board of education as a substitute teacher unless such  
1312 person holds a bachelor's degree. [ provided the Commissioner of  
1313 Education may waive such requirement for good cause upon the  
1314 request of a superintendent of schools.]

1315 (b) If the State Board of Education determines that a local or  
1316 regional board of education is not in compliance with any provision of  
1317 sections 10-144o to 10-149, inclusive, as amended by this act, and  
1318 section 10-220a, as amended by this act, the State Board of Education  
1319 may require the local or regional board of education to forfeit of the  
1320 total sum which is paid to such board of education from the State  
1321 Treasury an amount to be determined by the State Board of Education,  
1322 which amount shall be not less than one thousand dollars nor more  
1323 than ten thousand dollars. The amount so forfeited shall be withheld  
1324 from a grant payment, as determined by the commissioner, during the  
1325 fiscal year following the fiscal year in which noncompliance is  
1326 determined pursuant to this subsection. Notwithstanding the penalty  
1327 provision of this section, the State Board of Education may waive such  
1328 forfeiture if the board determines that the failure of the local or  
1329 regional board of education to comply with such a provision was due

1330 to circumstances beyond its control.

1331 Sec. 16. Subsection (b) of section 10-220a of the general statutes is  
1332 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
1333 *1, 2009*):

1334 (b) Not later than a date prescribed by the commissioner, each local  
1335 and regional board of education shall [develop, with the advice and  
1336 assistance of the teachers and administrators employed by such  
1337 boards, including representatives of the exclusive bargaining  
1338 representative of such teachers and administrators chosen pursuant to  
1339 section 10-153b, and such other resources as the board deems  
1340 appropriate, a comprehensive professional development plan, to be  
1341 implemented not later than the school year 1994-1995] establish a  
1342 professional development committee consisting of certified employees,  
1343 and such other school personnel as the board deems appropriate,  
1344 including representatives of the exclusive bargaining representative  
1345 for such employees chosen pursuant to subsection (b) of section 10-153.  
1346 The duties of such committees shall include, but not be limited to, the  
1347 development, evaluation and annual updating of a comprehensive  
1348 local professional development plan for certified employees of the  
1349 district. Such plan shall: [be] (1) Be directly related to the educational  
1350 goals prepared by the local or regional board of education pursuant to  
1351 subsection (b) of section 10-220, (2) on and after July 1, 2011, be  
1352 developed with full consideration of the priorities and needs related to  
1353 student outcomes as determined by the State Board of Education, and  
1354 [shall] (3) provide for the ongoing and systematic assessment and  
1355 improvement of both teacher evaluation and professional  
1356 development of the professional staff members of each such board,  
1357 including personnel management and evaluation training or  
1358 experience for administrators, shall be related to regular and special  
1359 student needs and may include provisions concerning career  
1360 incentives and parent involvement. The State Board of Education shall  
1361 develop guidelines to assist local and regional boards of education in  
1362 determining the objectives of the plans and in coordinating staff  
1363 development activities with student needs and school programs.

1364 Sec. 17. Subsection (a) of section 17a-101i of the general statutes is  
1365 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
1366 *1, 2009*):

1367 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, after an  
1368 investigation has been completed and the Commissioner of Children  
1369 and Families, based upon the results of the investigation, has  
1370 reasonable cause to believe that a child has been abused by a school  
1371 employee who holds a certificate, permit or authorization issued by  
1372 the State Board of Education, and the commissioner has recommended  
1373 that such employee be placed on the child abuse and neglect registry  
1374 established pursuant to section 17a-101k, the commissioner shall, not  
1375 later than five working days after such finding, notify the employing  
1376 superintendent of such finding and shall provide records, whether or  
1377 not created by the department, concerning such investigation to the  
1378 superintendent who shall suspend such school employee. The  
1379 commissioner shall provide such notice whether or not the child was a  
1380 student in the employing school or school district. Such suspension  
1381 shall be with pay and shall not result in the diminution or termination  
1382 of benefits to such employee. Within seventy-two hours after such  
1383 suspension the superintendent shall notify the local or regional board  
1384 of education and the Commissioner of Education, or the  
1385 commissioner's representative, of the reasons for and conditions of the  
1386 suspension. The superintendent shall disclose such records to the  
1387 Commissioner of Education and the local or regional board of  
1388 education or its attorney for purposes of review of employment status  
1389 or the status of such employee's certificate, permit or authorization.  
1390 The suspension of a school employee employed in a position requiring  
1391 a certificate shall remain in effect until the board of education acts  
1392 pursuant to the provisions of section 10-151. If the contract of  
1393 employment of such certified school employee is terminated, the  
1394 superintendent shall notify the Commissioner of Education, or the  
1395 commissioner's representative, within seventy-two hours after such  
1396 termination. Upon receipt of such notice from the superintendent, the  
1397 Commissioner of Education may commence certification revocation

1398 proceedings pursuant to the provisions of subsection [(m)] (j) of  
 1399 section 10-145b. Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 1-210 and  
 1400 1-211, information received by the Commissioner of Education, or the  
 1401 commissioner's representative, pursuant to this section shall be  
 1402 confidential subject to regulations adopted by the State Board of  
 1403 Education under section 10-145g.

1404 Sec. 18. Subdivision (2) of subsection (c) of section 20-195o of the  
 1405 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
 1406 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

1407 (2) A person licensed pursuant to this chapter who holds a  
 1408 professional educator certificate that is endorsed for school social work  
 1409 and issued by the State Board of Education pursuant to sections 10-  
 1410 144o to 10-149, inclusive, may satisfy the continuing education  
 1411 requirements contained in regulations adopted pursuant to this section  
 1412 by successfully completing professional development activities  
 1413 pursuant to subsection [(l)] (i) of section 10-145b, provided the number  
 1414 of continuing education hours completed by such person is equal to  
 1415 the number of hours per registration period required by such  
 1416 regulations. For purposes of this subdivision, "registration period"  
 1417 means the one-year period during which a license has been renewed in  
 1418 accordance with section 19a-88 and is current and valid.

1419 Sec. 19. Sections 10-145e, 10-146d and 10-146e of the general statutes  
 1420 are repealed. (*Effective July 1, 2009*)"

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-145a
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-145b
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-145f
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-145h(d)
Sec. 5	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-145i
Sec. 6	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-146b(a)
Sec. 7	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-146c
Sec. 8	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-221d

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Sec. 9	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-144o(7)
Sec. 10	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	New section
Sec. 11	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	New section
Sec. 12	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	New section
Sec. 13	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	New section
Sec. 14	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-145j
Sec. 15	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-145
Sec. 16	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-220a(b)
Sec. 17	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	17a-101i(a)
Sec. 18	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	20-195o(c)(2)
Sec. 19	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	Repealer section