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**"AN ACT ENCOURAGING SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENTS
BETWEEN BOARDS OF EDUCATION."**

1 Strike sections 2 and 3 in their entirety and insert the following in
2 lieu thereof:

3 "Sec. 2. Section 10-266m of the 2010 supplement to the general
4 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
5 (*Effective from passage*):

6 (a) A local or regional board of education providing transportation
7 in accordance with the provisions of sections 10-54, 10-66ee, 10-97, 10-
8 158a, 10-273a, 10-277 and 10-281 shall be reimbursed for a percentage
9 of such transportation costs as follows:

10 (1) The percentage of pupil transportation costs reimbursed to a
11 local board of education shall be determined by (A) ranking each town
12 in the state in descending order from one to one hundred sixty-nine
13 according to such town's adjusted equalized net grand list per capita,
14 as defined in section 10-261; (B) based upon such ranking, and

15 notwithstanding the provisions of section 2-32a, (i) except as otherwise
16 provided in this subparagraph, a percentage of zero shall be assigned
17 to towns ranked from one to thirteen and a percentage of not less than
18 zero nor more than sixty shall be determined for the towns ranked
19 from fourteen to one hundred sixty-nine on a continuous scale, except
20 that any such percentage shall be increased by twenty percentage
21 points in accordance with section 10-97, where applicable, and (ii) for
22 the fiscal year ending June 30, 1997, and for each fiscal year thereafter,
23 a percentage of zero shall be assigned to towns ranked from one to
24 seventeen and a percentage of not less than zero nor more than sixty
25 shall be determined for the towns ranked from eighteen to one
26 hundred sixty-nine on a continuous scale.

27 (2) The percentage of pupil transportation costs reimbursed to a
28 regional board of education shall be determined by its ranking. Such
29 ranking shall be determined by (A) multiplying the total population, as
30 defined in section 10-261, of each town in the district by such town's
31 ranking, as determined in subdivision (1) of this section, (B) adding
32 together the figures determined under subparagraph (A) of this
33 subdivision, and (C) dividing the total computed under subparagraph
34 (B) of this subdivision by the total population of all towns in the
35 district. The ranking of each regional board of education shall be
36 rounded to the next higher whole number and each such board shall
37 receive the same reimbursement percentage as would a town with the
38 same rank, provided such percentage shall be increased in the case of a
39 secondary regional school district by an additional five percentage
40 points and, in the case of any other regional school district by an
41 additional ten percentage points.

42 (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivisions (1) and (2) of
43 this section, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1997, and for each fiscal
44 year thereafter, no local or regional board of education shall receive a
45 grant of less than one thousand dollars.

46 (4) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal
47 years ending June 30, 2004, to June 30, 2011, inclusive, the amount of

48 transportation grants payable to local or regional boards of education
49 shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such grants in such year
50 exceeds the amount appropriated for such grants for such year.

51 (5) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the
52 Commissioner of Education may provide grants, within available
53 appropriations, in an amount not to exceed two thousand dollars per
54 pupil, to local and regional boards of education and regional
55 educational service centers that transport (A) out-of-district students to
56 technical high schools located in Hartford, or (B) Hartford students
57 attending a technical high school or a regional agricultural science and
58 technology education center outside of the district, to assist the state in
59 meeting the goals of the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al.
60 v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as determined by the commissioner, for
61 the costs associated with such transportation.

62 (6) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, in addition to the
63 reimbursements and grants payable under subdivisions (1) to (5),
64 inclusive, of this subsection, the Commissioner of Education shall
65 provide a grant when (A) two or more boards of education enter into a
66 cooperative agreement in accordance with section 10-158a to transport
67 students to schools operated by the boards of education during the
68 fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, and (B) such cooperative arrangement
69 results in a savings, as determined by the commissioner, over the
70 transportation costs incurred by the boards of education during the
71 fiscal year ending June 30, 2010. This grant, which shall be returned to
72 the municipalities in which the participating boards of education are
73 located in accordance with the terms of the written cooperative
74 arrangement, shall be equal to half of the difference in the amount the
75 boards of education would have been reimbursed in the fiscal year
76 ending June 30, 2012, for pupil transportation costs but for the savings
77 realized in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, pursuant to the
78 cooperative arrangement.

79 (b) A cooperative arrangement established pursuant to section 10-
80 158a which provides transportation in accordance with said section

81 shall be reimbursed for a percentage of such transportation costs in
82 accordance with its ranking pursuant to this subsection. The ranking
83 shall be determined by (1) multiplying the total population, as defined
84 in section 10-261, of each town in the cooperative arrangement by such
85 town's ranking as determined pursuant to subsection (a) of this
86 section, (2) adding such products, and (3) dividing such sum by the
87 total population of all towns in the cooperative arrangement. The
88 ranking of each cooperative arrangement shall be rounded to the next
89 higher whole number and each cooperative arrangement shall receive
90 the same reimbursement percentage as a town with the same rank."