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LCO No. 3281

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Referred to Committee on Planning and Development

Introduced by:  
(PD)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE SMALL TOWN ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.***

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 4-66g of the general statutes is  
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
3 *October 1, 2011*):

4 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the  
5 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the  
6 Office of Policy and Management for a small town economic assistance  
7 program the purpose of which shall be to provide grants-in-aid to any  
8 municipality [that] or group of municipalities, provided the  
9 municipality and each municipality that is part of a group of  
10 municipalities is not economically distressed within the meaning of  
11 subsection (b) of section 32-9p, does not have an urban center in any  
12 plan adopted by the General Assembly pursuant to section 16a-30 and  
13 is not a public investment community within the meaning of  
14 subdivision (9) of subsection (a) of section 7-545. Such grants shall be  
15 used for purposes for which funds would be available under section 4-  
16 66c. No municipality or group of municipalities may receive more than

17 five hundred thousand dollars in any one fiscal year under said  
18 program. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection and  
19 section 4-66c, a municipality that is (1) a distressed municipality within  
20 the meaning of subsection (b) of section 32-9p or a public investment  
21 community within the meaning of subdivision (9) of subsection (a) of  
22 section 7-545, and (2) otherwise eligible under this subsection for the  
23 small town economic assistance program may elect to be eligible for  
24 said program or be eligible for said program as part of a group of  
25 municipalities in lieu of being eligible for financial assistance under  
26 section 4-66c, by a vote of its legislative body or, in the case of a  
27 municipality in which the legislative body is a town meeting, its board  
28 of selectmen, and submitting a written notice of such vote to the  
29 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management. Any such election  
30 shall be for the four-year period following submission of such notice to  
31 the secretary and may be extended for additional four-year periods in  
32 accordance with the same procedure for the initial election.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2011	4-66g(b)

**Statement of Purpose:**

To encourage regional cooperation by making small town economic assistance grants available to groups of municipalities.

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