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**"AN ACT CONCERNING THE COMMUNITY INVESTMENT ACCOUNT."**

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

3 "Section 1. Section 22-137a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2011*):

5 (a) There is established, within available appropriations, the  
6 Connecticut Milk Promotion Board which shall be within the  
7 Department of Agriculture for administrative purposes only.

8 (b) The board shall consist of nine members: (1) One appointed by  
9 the majority leader of the Senate, who shall be a Connecticut licensed  
10 dairy producer and a member of a dairy cooperative; (2) one  
11 appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, who shall be a  
12 Connecticut licensed milk producer and a member of a dairy  
13 cooperative; (3) one appointed by the speaker of the House of

14 Representatives, who shall be an independent Connecticut licensed  
15 milk producer; (4) one appointed by the minority leader of the House  
16 of Representatives, who shall be a Connecticut licensed milk producer  
17 and a member of a dairy cooperative; (5) one appointed by the  
18 minority leader of the Senate, who shall be a Connecticut licensed milk  
19 producer and a member of a dairy cooperative; (6) one appointed by  
20 the majority leader of the House of Representatives, who shall be a  
21 member of a state-wide health and nutrition organization promoting  
22 consumer interests; (7) the Commissioner of Agriculture, or the  
23 commissioner's designee; and (8) the chairpersons of the joint standing  
24 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
25 relating to agriculture, who shall be ex-officio members without the  
26 right to vote. The board shall elect a chairperson and a vice-  
27 chairperson from among its members. Any person absent from (A)  
28 three consecutive meetings of the commission, or (B) fifty per cent of  
29 such meetings during any calendar year shall be deemed to have  
30 resigned from the board, effective immediately. Vacancies on the  
31 board shall be filled by the appointing authority. Members of the  
32 board serve without compensation but shall, within the limits of  
33 available funds, be reimbursed for expenses necessarily incurred in the  
34 performance of their duties. The board shall meet as often as deemed  
35 necessary by the chairperson or a majority of the board.

36 (c) The board shall: (1) Develop, coordinate and implement  
37 promotional, research and other programs designed to promote  
38 Connecticut dairy farms and milk consumption; and (2) prepare and  
39 submit to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly  
40 having cognizance of matters relating to agriculture an annual report  
41 concerning its activities.

42 (d) The board may use such funds as may be available from federal,  
43 state or other sources and may enter into contracts to carry out the  
44 purposes of this section. Any money collected by the board pursuant  
45 to the provisions of this section shall not be deemed state funds and  
46 shall be deposited pursuant to section 4-33, in a qualified public  
47 depository in Connecticut. Such funds shall be expended by the board

48 for expenses incurred in administering the budget recommended by  
49 the board.

50 (e) The board may, subject to the provisions of chapter 67, employ  
51 any necessary staff within such available funds or appropriations.

52 (f) On and after October 1, 2011, the board shall undertake those  
53 duties anticipated and required by 7 USC 4504. In performing such  
54 duties, the board shall: Assess a fee of ten cents per hundredweight  
55 upon milk delivered by Connecticut milk producers, or a fee that is  
56 commensurate with the credit allowed for producer contributions to  
57 state qualified programs under 7 USC 4504. Such fee shall be collected  
58 as follows: (1) Any dealer who purchases milk directly from producers  
59 shall withhold from each Connecticut milk producer a fee of ten cents  
60 per hundredweight on all milk produced and shall forward such fee to  
61 the board not later than the last day of the month following the month  
62 in which such milk was produced, and (2) all producer dealers shall  
63 pay to the board a fee of ten cents per hundredweight on all milk  
64 produced by the producer dealer not later than the last day of the  
65 month following the month in which such milk was produced."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2011	22-137a