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"AN ACT CONCERNING EDUCATION ISSUES."

1 Strike section 1 in its entirety and renumber the remaining sections
2 and internal references accordingly

3 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
4 internal references accordingly:

5 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the
6 provisions of chapter 166 of the general statutes relating to
7 professional certification, a local or regional board of education may
8 employ any person certified by the United States armed forces to be an
9 instructor or assistant instructor of a Junior Reserve Officer Training
10 Corps program to serve as an instructor or assistant instructor of a
11 Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps program in a school.

12 Sec. 502. Subsection (f) of section 10-66bb of the general statutes is
13 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
14 *passage*):

15 (f) An application for the establishment of a state charter school
16 shall be (1) submitted to the State Board of Education for approval in
17 accordance with the provisions of this subsection, and (2) filed with the
18 local or regional board of education in the school district in which the
19 charter school is to be located. The state board shall: (A) Review such
20 application; (B) hold a public hearing on such application in the school
21 district in which such state charter school is to be located; (C) solicit
22 and review comments on the application from the local or regional
23 board of education for the school district in which such charter school
24 is to be located and from the local or regional boards of education for
25 school districts that are contiguous to the district in which such school
26 is to be located; and (D) vote on a complete application not later than
27 [seventy-five] ninety days after the date of receipt of such application.
28 The State Board of Education may approve an application and grant
29 the charter for the state charter school by a majority vote of the
30 members of the state board present and voting at a regular or special
31 meeting of the state board called for such purpose. The State Board of
32 Education may condition the opening of such school on the school's
33 meeting certain conditions determined by the Commissioner of
34 Education to be necessary and may authorize the commissioner to
35 release the charter when the commissioner determines such conditions
36 are met. Charters shall be granted for a period of time of up to five
37 years and may allow the applicant to delay its opening for a period of
38 up to one school year in order for the applicant to fully prepare to
39 provide appropriate instructional services.

40 Sec. 503. Subsection (k) of section 10-66ee of the general statutes is
41 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
42 *passage*):

43 (k) If in any fiscal year, more than one new state or local charter
44 school is approved pursuant to section 10-66bb, as amended by this
45 act, and is awaiting funding pursuant to the provisions of this section,
46 the State Board of Education shall determine which school is funded
47 first based on a consideration of the following factors in order of
48 importance as follows: (1) [Whether] The quality of the proposed

49 program as measured against the criteria required in the charter school
50 application process pursuant to section 10-66bb, as amended by this
51 act, (2) whether the applicant has a demonstrated record of academic
52 success by students, [(2)] (3) whether the school is located in a school
53 district with a demonstrated need for student improvement, and [(3)]
54 (4) whether the applicant has plans concerning the preparedness of
55 facilities, staffing and outreach to students.

56 Sec. 504. Subsection (a) of section 10-145j of the general statutes is
57 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
58 *1, 2011*):

59 (a) Prior to July 1, [2011] 2015, the Department of Education may
60 permit qualified graduates of a national corps of teachers' training
61 program, approved by the Commissioner of Education, to be
62 employed under a durational shortage area permit in public schools
63 located in the towns of Bridgeport, Hartford and New Haven and state
64 charter schools located in Stamford."