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"AN ACT CONCERNING CERTIFICATES OF MERIT."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2011*) (a) There is established a
4 Medical Malpractice Premium Relief Fund to provide professional
5 liability insurance premium support for clinics in accordance with this
6 section. The fund may contain any moneys required or permitted by
7 law to be deposited in the fund and shall be held by the Treasurer
8 separate and apart from all other moneys, funds and accounts.
9 Investment earnings credited to the assets of said fund shall become
10 part of the assets of said fund. Any balance remaining in said fund at
11 the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in said fund for the
12 fiscal year next succeeding. The Insurance Commissioner shall
13 administer the fund.

14 (b) The commissioner shall provide, within available funds,
15 professional liability insurance premium support for any clinic (1)

16 licensed by the Department of Public Health, (2) recognized as tax
17 exempt pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of
18 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the
19 United States, as from time to time amended, and (3) that provides
20 primary health care services at no charge to at least one hundred
21 individuals annually in a municipality having a population of fifty
22 thousand or more.

23 (c) Any clinic that meets the criteria set forth in subsection (b) of this
24 section may apply for compensation from the fund on such form and
25 in such manner as the commissioner prescribes.

26 (d) The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with
27 chapter 54 of the general statutes, to implement this section and section
28 502 of this act.

29 Sec. 502. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2011*) Each attorney who collects
30 a fee in excess of the percentage limitations of subsection (b) of section
31 52-251c of the general statutes shall remit to the Insurance
32 Commissioner ten per cent of the amount in excess of said limitation.
33 The commissioner shall deposit moneys received pursuant to this
34 section in the Medical Malpractice Premium Relief Fund established in
35 section 501 of this act. Attorneys shall remit such fees to the Insurance
36 Commissioner in such manner as the commissioner prescribes."