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Referred to Committee on EDUCATION

Introduced by:
(ED)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE MASTER PLAN BY THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP TASK FORCE AND THE RECEIPT OF THE MASTER PLAN BY THE INTERAGENCY COUNCIL FOR ENDING THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP.

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

1 Section 1. Section 10-16nn of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 (a) There is established an Interagency Council for Ending the
4 Achievement Gap. The council shall consist of: (1) The Lieutenant
5 Governor, or the Lieutenant Governor's designee, (2) the
6 Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's designee, (3) the
7 Commissioner of Children and Families, or the commissioner's
8 designee, (4) the Commissioner of Social Services, or the
9 commissioner's designee, (5) the Commissioner of Public Health, or the
10 commissioner's designee, (6) the president of the Board of Regents for
11 Higher Education, or the president's designee, (7) the Commissioner of
12 Economic and Community Development, or the commissioner's
13 designee, (8) the Commissioner of Administrative Services, or the

14 commissioner's designee, and (9) the Secretary of the Office of Policy
15 and Management, or the secretary's designee. The chairperson of the
16 council shall be the Lieutenant Governor, or the Lieutenant Governor's
17 designee. The council shall meet at least quarterly.

18 (b) The Interagency Council for Ending the Achievement Gap shall
19 (1) assist the achievement gap task force, established pursuant to
20 section 10-16mm, as amended by this act, in the development of the
21 master plan to eliminate the academic achievement gaps in
22 Connecticut, described in section 10-16mm, as amended by this act, (2)
23 implement the provisions of such master plan, and, if necessary, make
24 recommendations for legislation relating to such master plan to the
25 joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance
26 of matters relating to education, and (3) submit annual progress
27 reports on the implementation of such master plan to the joint
28 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
29 matters relating to education and the achievement gap task force
30 established pursuant to section 10-16mm, as amended by this act, in
31 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a.

32 (c) The Interagency Council for Ending the Achievement Gap shall
33 be within the Department of Education for administrative purposes
34 only.

35 (d) Not later than thirty days after the achievement gap task force
36 has submitted the master plan to each member of the Interagency
37 Council for Ending the Achievement Gap, pursuant to subsection (g)
38 of section 10-16mm, as amended by this act, (1) the State Board of
39 Education shall adopt, at a meeting duly called, a resolution formally
40 acknowledging receipt of the master plan, and (2) the Secretary of the
41 Office of Policy and Management, the president of the Board of
42 Regents for Higher Education and the Commissioners of Children and
43 Families, Social Services, Public Health, Economic and Community
44 Development and Administrative Services shall submit a signed letter
45 to the achievement gap task force acknowledging receipt of the master

46 plan.

47 Sec. 2. Subsection (g) of section 10-16mm of the general statutes is
48 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
49 *passage*):

50 (g) (1) Not later than [~~January 15~~] October 1, 2013, the task force
51 shall submit the master plan described in subsection (a) of this section
52 to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having
53 cognizance of matters relating to education, in accordance with the
54 provisions of section 11-4a, and each member of the Interagency
55 Council for Ending the Achievement Gap described in section 10-16nn,
56 as amended by this act.

57 (2) Not later than July 1, [~~2013~~] 2014, and annually thereafter until
58 January 1, 2020, the task force shall submit progress reports on the
59 implementation of the master plan described in subsection (a) of this
60 section and recommendations for implementing said master plan to
61 the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having
62 cognizance of matters relating to education, in accordance with the
63 provisions of section 11-4a.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	10-16nn
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	10-16mm(g)

Statement of Purpose:

To ensure that the Interagency Council for Ending the Achievement Gap has received the master plan developed by the achievement gap task force.

[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.]