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"AN ACT CONCERNING COMMUNITY SCHOOLS."

1 In line 6, insert a period after "members" and delete "during hours in
2 which school is not in session."

3 Strike lines 19 to 55, inclusive, in their entirety and insert the
4 following in lieu thereof:

5 "(b) On and after July 1, 2013, a local or regional board of education
6 may designate an existing school or establish a new school to be a
7 community school. Such community school shall collaborate with
8 community partners to provide services to students, families and
9 community members.

10 (c) Following the designation or establishment of a community
11 school, but prior to the opening of such community school, the board
12 of education shall conduct (1) an operations and instructional audit, in
13 accordance with the provisions of subsection (c) of section 10-223h of
14 the general statutes, for an existing school that has been designated as

15 a community school, (2) a community needs audit to identify the
16 academic, physical, social, emotional, health, mental health and civic
17 needs of students and their families that may impact student learning
18 and academic achievement, and (3) a community resource assessment
19 of potential resources, services and opportunities available within or
20 near the community that students, families and community members
21 may access and integrate into the community school.

22 (d) The board of education shall develop a community school plan
23 for each school designated as a community school. When developing
24 such community school plan, such board shall use the results of the
25 community resource assessment to address the specific needs
26 identified in the operations and instructional audit and community
27 needs audit. Such community school plan shall coordinate, integrate
28 and enhance services for students, families and community members
29 at the community school to improve the academic achievement of such
30 students and increase family and community involvement in
31 education.

32 (e) Any local or regional board of education that has established a
33 community school shall, annually, at the conclusion of each school
34 year, submit a report to the Department of Education, in a form and
35 manner prescribed by the department, regarding each community
36 school. Such report shall (1) include an evaluation on the effectiveness
37 of the community school in providing services to students, families
38 and community members, including, but not limited to, whether the
39 implementation of the community school plan has improved student
40 academic achievement and increased family and community
41 involvement in education, (2) measure the development and
42 implementation of partnerships with community partners, (3) provide
43 information regarding the degree of communication between schools
44 and families, neighborhood safety, school climate, the degree of
45 parental participation in school activities, student health, student civic
46 participation, the number of students, families and community
47 members receiving services at the community school and any other

48 information that is relevant to evaluating the community school, and
49 (4) analyze, as appropriate, how student learning and academic
50 achievement, graduation rates, attendance rates, school readiness, the
51 number of suspensions and expulsions, graduate enrollment in
52 institutions of higher education have been affected by the
53 incorporation of services at the community school."