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"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A SCHOOL NURSE ADVISORY COUNCIL."

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

3 "Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2013*) (a) The Commissioner of
4 Education shall establish a School Nurse Advisory Council consisting
5 of the following members:

6 (1) One representative from each state-wide bargaining
7 representative organization that represents school nurses;

8 (2) One representative of the Association of School Nurses of
9 Connecticut who is employed in a private or parochial school;

10 (3) One representative of the Connecticut Nurses Association;

11 (4) One representative of the Connecticut Association of Public
12 School Superintendents;

13 (5) One representative of the Connecticut Federation of School
14 Administrators;

15 (6) One representative of the Connecticut Association of Boards of
16 Education;

17 (7) Two school district medical advisors, one of whom is a member
18 of the American Academy of Pediatrics;

19 (8) One representative of the Connecticut Association for Healthcare
20 at Home who is a school nurse; and

21 (9) The Commissioners of Education and Public Health, or the
22 commissioners' designees who shall be ex-officio, nonvoting members
23 and shall attend meetings of the advisory council.

24 (b) The advisory council shall advise the Commissioners of
25 Education and Public Health concerning professional development for
26 school nurses, school nurse staffing levels, the delivery of health care
27 services by school nurses in schools and other matters that affect
28 school nurses.

29 (c) Members shall receive no compensation except for
30 reimbursement for necessary expenses incurred in performing their
31 duties.

32 (d) The Commissioner of Education shall schedule the first meeting
33 of the advisory council, which shall be held not later than September 1,
34 2013. The members shall elect the chairperson of the advisory council
35 from among the members of the council who are school nurses. A
36 majority of the council members shall constitute a quorum. A majority
37 vote of a quorum shall be required for any official action of the
38 advisory council. The advisory council shall meet upon the call of the
39 chairperson or upon the majority request of the council members.

40 (e) Not later than February 1, 2014, and not less than annually
41 thereafter, the advisory council shall submit a report on its
42 recommendations to the Commissioners of Education and Public

43 Health and to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly
 44 having cognizance of matters relating to education and public health,
 45 in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general
 46 statutes. Such report shall include, but need not be limited to,
 47 recommendations concerning: (1) Professional development for school
 48 nurses; (2) school nurse staffing levels; (3) the delivery of health care
 49 services by school nurses in schools; (4) protocols for emergency
 50 mediation administration; and (5) protocols for evaluating certain
 51 temporary medical conditions that may be symptomatic of serious
 52 illnesses or injuries.

53 (f) The Commissioner of Education shall notify each local and
 54 regional board of education of the advisory council's recommendations
 55 not later than thirty days after the commissioner's receipt of the
 56 advisory council's report containing such recommendations."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	New section