



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 425

February Session, 2014



AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATE EDUCATION RESOURCE CENTER.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is hereby
2 established and created a body politic and corporate, constituting a
3 public instrumentality and political subdivision of the state of
4 Connecticut established and created to be a public educational
5 authority acting on behalf of the state of Connecticut, to be known as
6 the State Education Resource Center. The center shall not be construed
7 to be a department, institution or agency of the state.

8 (b) (1) The powers of the center shall be vested in and exercised by a
9 board of directors, which shall consist of the following members: (A)
10 Four appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of both
11 houses of the General Assembly; (B) two appointed by the State Board
12 of Education; (C) one appointed by the president pro tempore of the
13 Senate; (D) one appointed by the majority leader of the Senate; (E) one
14 appointed by the minority leader of the Senate; (F) one appointed by
15 the speaker of the House of Representatives; (G) one appointed by the
16 majority leader of the House of Representatives; (H) one appointed by
17 the minority leader of the House of Representatives; and (I) the
18 Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's designee. Each
19 member appointed by the Governor or the State Board of Education

20 shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor but not longer than the term
21 of office of the Governor or until the member's successor is appointed
22 and qualified, whichever term is longer. Each member appointed by a
23 member of the General Assembly shall serve in accordance with the
24 provisions of section 4-1a of the general statutes. Any appointed
25 member who fails to attend fifty per cent of all meetings of the board
26 held during any calendar year shall be deemed to have resigned from
27 the board. Each appointing authority shall make his or her initial
28 appointment to the board not later than August 15, 2014. The first
29 meeting of the board shall take place not later than September 15, 2014.

30 (2) The Governor shall appoint the chairperson of the board from
31 among the members of such board with the advice and consent of both
32 houses of the General Assembly. Such chairperson shall serve at the
33 pleasure of the Governor.

34 (3) The chairperson shall, with the approval of the members of the
35 board of directors, appoint an executive director of the center who
36 shall be an employee of the center and paid a salary prescribed by the
37 board. The executive director shall supervise the administrative affairs
38 and technical activities of the center in accordance with the directives
39 of the board.

40 (c) A majority of the appointed members of the board shall
41 constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business or the exercise
42 of any power of the State Education Resource Center. For the
43 transaction of any business or the exercise of any power of the center,
44 and except as otherwise provided in this section and sections 2 to 4,
45 inclusive, of this act, the center may act by a majority of the members
46 present at any meeting at which a quorum is in attendance.

47 (d) Members shall receive no compensation for their services but
48 shall be entitled to reimbursement for such members' actual and
49 necessary expenses incurred during the performance of such members'
50 official duties. Members may engage in private employment, or in a
51 profession or business, subject to any applicable laws, rules and

52 regulations of the state regarding official ethics or conflict of interest. It
53 shall not constitute a conflict of interest for a trustee, director, partner
54 or officer of any person, firm or corporation, or any individual having
55 a financial interest in a person, firm or corporation, to serve as a
56 member of the board of directors of the center, provided such trustee,
57 director, partner, officer or individual shall comply with all applicable
58 provisions of chapter 10 of the general statutes.

59 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) The purposes of the State
60 Education Resource Center, established pursuant to section 1 of this
61 act, shall be to assist the State Board of Education in the provision of
62 programs and activities that will promote educational equity and
63 excellence. Such activities may include training and professional
64 development seminars, publication of technical materials, research and
65 evaluation, and other related activities. The center may support
66 programs and activities concerning early childhood education,
67 improving school and district academic performance, and closing the
68 academic achievement gap between socio-economic subgroups, and
69 other related programs and activities. For such purposes the center is
70 authorized and empowered to:

71 (1) Have perpetual succession as a body politic and corporate and to
72 adopt bylaws for the regulation of its affairs and the conduct of its
73 business;

74 (2) Adopt an official seal and alter the same at pleasure;

75 (3) Maintain an office at such place or places as it may designate;

76 (4) Sue and be sued in its own name, and plead and be impleaded;

77 (5) (A) Employ such assistants, agents and other employees as may
78 be necessary or desirable who shall not be employees, as defined in
79 subsection (b) of section 5-270 of the general statutes; (B) establish all
80 necessary or appropriate personnel practices and policies, including
81 those relating to hiring, promotion, compensation, retirement and
82 collective bargaining, which need not be in accordance with chapter 68

83 of the general statutes, and the center shall not be an employer as
84 defined in subsection (a) of section 5-270 of the general statutes; and
85 (C) engage consultants, attorneys and appraisers as may be necessary
86 or desirable to carry out its purposes in accordance with this section
87 and sections 1, 3 and 4 of this act;

88 (6) Receive and accept aid or contributions from any source of
89 money, property, labor or other things of value, to be held, used and
90 applied to carry out the purposes of this section and sections 1, 3 and 4
91 of this act, subject to such conditions upon which such grants and
92 contributions may be made, including, but not limited to, gifts or
93 grants from any department, agency or instrumentality of the United
94 States or this state for any purpose consistent with this section and
95 sections 1, 3 and 4 of this act;

96 (7) Borrow money for the purpose of obtaining working capital;

97 (8) Make and enter into all contracts and agreements necessary or
98 incidental to the performance of its duties and the execution of its
99 powers under this section and sections 1, 3 and 4 of this act, including
100 contracts and agreements for such professional services as the center
101 deems necessary, including, but not limited to, financial consultants,
102 underwriters and technical specialists;

103 (9) Acquire, lease, purchase, own, manage, hold and dispose of
104 personal property, and lease, convey or deal in or enter into
105 agreements with respect to such property on any terms necessary or
106 incidental to the carrying out of these purposes;

107 (10) Invest in, acquire, lease, purchase, own, manage, hold and
108 dispose of real property and lease, convey or deal in or enter into
109 agreements with respect to such property on any terms necessary or
110 incidental to carrying out the purposes of this section and sections 1, 3
111 and 4 of this act, provided such transactions shall be subject to
112 approval, review or regulation by any state agency pursuant to title 4b
113 of the general statutes or any other provision of the general statutes;

114 (11) Procure insurance against any liability or loss in connection
115 with its property and other assets, in such amounts and from such
116 insurers as it deems desirable and to procure insurance for employees;

117 (12) Account for and audit funds of the center and funds of any
118 recipients of funds from the center;

119 (13) Hold patents, copyrights, trademarks, marketing rights,
120 licenses, or any other evidences of protection or exclusivity as to any
121 products as defined in this section and sections 1, 3 and 4 of this act,
122 issued under the laws of the United States or any state or any nation;

123 (14) Establish advisory committees to assist in accomplishing its
124 duties under this section and sections 1, 3 and 4 of this act, which may
125 include one or more members of the board of directors and persons
126 other than members; and

127 (15) Do all acts and things necessary or convenient to carry out the
128 purposes of this section and sections 1, 3 and 4 of this act, and the
129 powers expressly granted by this section and sections 1, 3 and 4 of this
130 act.

131 (b) The State Education Resource Center shall establish a
132 Connecticut School Reform Resource Center either within the State
133 Education Resource Center or by contract through a regional
134 educational service center, established pursuant to section 10-66a of
135 the general statutes. The Connecticut School Reform Resource Center
136 shall operate year-round and shall focus on serving the needs of all
137 public schools. The Connecticut School Reform Resource Center shall
138 (1) publish and distribute reports on the most effective practices for
139 improving student achievement by successful schools; (2) provide a
140 program of professional development activities for (A) school leaders,
141 including curriculum coordinators, principals, superintendents and
142 board of education members, and (B) teachers to educate students that
143 includes research-based child development and reading instruction
144 tools and practices; (3) provide information on successful models for

145 evaluating student performance and managing student data; (4)
146 develop strategies for assisting such students who are in danger of
147 failing; (5) develop culturally-relevant methods for educating students
148 whose primary language is not English; and (6) provide other
149 programs and materials to assist in the improvement of public schools.

150 (c) The State Education Resource Center shall be subject to (1) rules,
151 regulations and restrictions on purchasing, procurement, personal
152 service agreements and the disposition of assets generally applicable to
153 Connecticut state agencies, including those contained in titles 4, 4a and
154 4b of the general statutes, section 4e-19 of the general statutes and the
155 corresponding rules and regulations, and (2) audit by the Auditors of
156 Public Accounts under section 2-90 of the general statutes.

157 Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) The members of the board of
158 directors of the State Education Resource Center, established pursuant
159 to section 1 of this act, shall adopt written procedures, in accordance
160 with the provisions of section 1-121 of the general statutes, for: (1)
161 Adopting an annual budget and plan of operations, including a
162 requirement of board approval before the budget or plan may take
163 effect; (2) hiring, dismissing, promoting and compensating employees
164 of the center, including an affirmative action policy and a requirement
165 of board approval before a position may be created or a vacancy filled;
166 (3) acquiring real and personal property and personal services,
167 including a requirement of board approval for any nonbudgeted
168 expenditure in excess of an amount to be determined by the board; and
169 (4) contracting for financial, legal, consulting and other professional
170 services, including a requirement that the center solicit proposals at
171 least once every three years for each such service which it uses.

172 Sec. 4. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) For the fiscal year ending June
173 30, 2015, and each fiscal year thereafter, the State Education Resource
174 Center shall annually submit a yearly budget, projected revenue
175 statement and financial audit to the State Board of Education and the
176 joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance
177 of matters relating to education, in accordance with the provisions of

178 section 11-4a of the general statutes.

179 Sec. 5. Subdivision (12) of section 1-79 of the 2014 supplement to the
180 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
181 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

182 (12) "Quasi-public agency" means Connecticut Innovations,
183 Incorporated, and the Connecticut Health and Education Facilities
184 Authority, Connecticut Higher Education Supplemental Loan
185 Authority, Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, State Housing
186 Authority, Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority, Capital Region
187 Development Authority, Connecticut Lottery Corporation, Connecticut
188 Airport Authority, Health Information Technology Exchange of
189 Connecticut, Connecticut Health Insurance Exchange, [and] Clean
190 Energy Finance and Investment Authority and State Education
191 Resource Center.

192 Sec. 6. Subdivision (1) of section 1-120 of the general statutes is
193 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
194 *passage*):

195 (1) "Quasi-public agency" means Connecticut Innovations,
196 Incorporated, and the Connecticut Health and Educational Facilities
197 Authority, Connecticut Higher Education Supplemental Loan
198 Authority, Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, Connecticut
199 Housing Authority, Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority,
200 Capital Region Development Authority, Connecticut Lottery
201 Corporation, Connecticut Airport Authority, Health Information
202 Technology Exchange of Connecticut, Connecticut Health Insurance
203 Exchange, [and] Clean Energy Finance and Investment Authority and
204 State Education Resource Center.

205 Sec. 7. Section 1-124 of the general statutes is repealed and the
206 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

207 (a) Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, the Connecticut Health
208 and Educational Facilities Authority, the Connecticut Higher

209 Education Supplemental Loan Authority, the Connecticut Housing
210 Finance Authority, the Connecticut Housing Authority, the
211 Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority, the Health Information
212 Technology Exchange of Connecticut, the Connecticut Airport
213 Authority, the Capital Region Development Authority, the
214 Connecticut Health Insurance Exchange, [and] the Clean Energy
215 Finance and Investment Authority and the State Education Resource
216 Center shall not borrow any money or issue any bonds or notes which
217 are guaranteed by the state of Connecticut or for which there is a
218 capital reserve fund of any kind which is in any way contributed to or
219 guaranteed by the state of Connecticut until and unless such
220 borrowing or issuance is approved by the State Treasurer or the
221 Deputy State Treasurer appointed pursuant to section 3-12. The
222 approval of the State Treasurer or said deputy shall be based on
223 documentation provided by the authority that it has sufficient
224 revenues to (1) pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and notes
225 issued, (2) establish, increase and maintain any reserves deemed by the
226 authority to be advisable to secure the payment of the principal of and
227 interest on such bonds and notes, (3) pay the cost of maintaining,
228 servicing and properly insuring the purpose for which the proceeds of
229 the bonds and notes have been issued, if applicable, and (4) pay such
230 other costs as may be required.

231 (b) To the extent Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, and the
232 Connecticut Higher Education Supplemental Loan Authority,
233 Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, Connecticut Housing
234 Authority, Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority, Connecticut
235 Health and Educational Facilities Authority, the Health Information
236 Technology Exchange of Connecticut, the Connecticut Airport
237 Authority, the Capital Region Development Authority, the
238 Connecticut Health Insurance Exchange, [or] the Clean Energy Finance
239 and Investment Authority or the State Education Resource Center is
240 permitted by statute and determines to exercise any power to
241 moderate interest rate fluctuations or enter into any investment or
242 program of investment or contract respecting interest rates, currency,

243 cash flow or other similar agreement, including, but not limited to,
244 interest rate or currency swap agreements, the effect of which is to
245 subject a capital reserve fund which is in any way contributed to or
246 guaranteed by the state of Connecticut, to potential liability, such
247 determination shall not be effective until and unless the State
248 Treasurer or his or her deputy appointed pursuant to section 3-12 has
249 approved such agreement or agreements. The approval of the State
250 Treasurer or his or her deputy shall be based on documentation
251 provided by the authority that it has sufficient revenues to meet the
252 financial obligations associated with the agreement or agreements.

253 Sec. 8. Section 1-125 of the general statutes is repealed and the
254 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

255 The directors, officers and employees of Connecticut Innovations,
256 Incorporated, and the Connecticut Higher Education Supplemental
257 Loan Authority, Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, Connecticut
258 Housing Authority, Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority,
259 including ad hoc members of the Connecticut Resources Recovery
260 Authority, Connecticut Health and Educational Facilities Authority,
261 Capital Region Development Authority, the Health Information
262 Technology Exchange of Connecticut, Connecticut Airport Authority,
263 Connecticut Lottery Corporation, Connecticut Health Insurance
264 Exchange, [and] the Clean Energy Finance and Investment Authority
265 and the State Education Resource Center and any person executing the
266 bonds or notes of the agency shall not be liable personally on such
267 bonds or notes or be subject to any personal liability or accountability
268 by reason of the issuance thereof, nor shall any director or employee of
269 the agency, including ad hoc members of the Connecticut Resources
270 Recovery Authority, be personally liable for damage or injury, not
271 wanton, reckless, wilful or malicious, caused in the performance of his
272 or her duties and within the scope of his or her employment or
273 appointment as such director, officer or employee, including ad hoc
274 members of the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority. The
275 agency shall protect, save harmless and indemnify its directors,

276 officers or employees, including ad hoc members of the Connecticut
277 Resources Recovery Authority, from financial loss and expense,
278 including legal fees and costs, if any, arising out of any claim, demand,
279 suit or judgment by reason of alleged negligence or alleged
280 deprivation of any person's civil rights or any other act or omission
281 resulting in damage or injury, if the director, officer or employee,
282 including ad hoc members of the Connecticut Resources Recovery
283 Authority, is found to have been acting in the discharge of his or her
284 duties or within the scope of his or her employment and such act or
285 omission is found not to have been wanton, reckless, wilful or
286 malicious.

287 Sec. 9. Section 10-4q of the 2014 supplement to the general statutes is
288 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
289 *passage*):

290 [(a) The State Board of Education shall establish a State Education
291 Resource Center to assist the board in the provision of programs and
292 activities that will promote educational equity and excellence. Such
293 activities, to be provided by the State Education Resource Center or a
294 regional educational service center, may include training and
295 professional development seminars, publication of technical materials,
296 research and evaluation, and other related activities. The center may
297 support programs and activities concerning early childhood education,
298 the federal No Child Left Behind Act, P.L. 107-110, and closing the
299 academic achievement gap between socio-economic subgroups, and
300 other related programs. The center shall be subject to (1) the
301 competitive bidding requirements of section 4a-57, and (2) audit by the
302 Auditors of Public Accounts under section 2-90. The center shall be
303 considered a public agency, as defined in section 1-200, for purposes of
304 chapter 14, and a state agency, as defined in section 4-212, for purposes
305 of chapter 55a.]

306 [(b)] The Commissioner of Education, with the assistance of the
307 State Education Resource Center, established pursuant to section 1 of
308 this act, may provide grants to local and regional boards of education

309 for school districts [identified as in need of improvement under the
310 provisions of section 10-223e. The] designated as alliance districts,
311 pursuant to section 10-262u. Such grants shall be for the creation and
312 acquisition of new curricula, training in the use of [the] such curricula
313 and related supporting textbooks and other materials. [Local] Such
314 local and regional boards of education may use such grants only for
315 curricula, training and related textbooks and materials that have been
316 authorized by the commissioner. [Local] Such local and regional
317 boards of education shall apply for grants pursuant to this subsection
318 at such time and in such manner as the commissioner prescribes, and
319 the commissioner shall determine the amount of the grant awards.

320 [(c) Within available appropriations, the Department of Education
321 shall establish a Connecticut School Reform Resource Center within
322 the State Education Resource Center established pursuant to
323 subsection (a) of this section or by contract through a regional
324 educational service center. The center shall operate year-round and
325 focus on serving the needs of all public schools. The center shall (1)
326 publish and distribute reports on the most effective practices for
327 improving student achievement by successful schools, (2) provide a
328 program of professional development activities for (A) school leaders,
329 including curriculum coordinators, principals, superintendents and
330 board of education members, and (B) teachers to educate such students
331 that includes research-based child development and reading
332 instruction tools and practices, (3) provide information on successful
333 models for evaluating student performance and managing student
334 data, (4) develop strategies for assisting such students who are in
335 danger of failing, (5) develop culturally relevant methods for
336 educating students whose primary language is not English, and (6)
337 provide other programs and materials to assist in the improvement of
338 public schools.]

339 Sec. 10. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of
340 Education may allocate funds to allow the State Education Resource
341 Center, established pursuant to section 1 of this act, to provide

342 professional development services, technical assistance and evaluation
343 activities, policy analysis and other forms of assistance to local and
344 regional boards of education, the Department of Education, state and
345 local charter schools, as defined in section 10-66aa of the general
346 statutes, the technical high school system, established pursuant to
347 section 10-95 of the general statutes, providers of school readiness
348 programs, as defined in section 10-16p of the general statutes and other
349 educational entities and providers. The State Education Resource
350 Center shall expend such funds in accordance with procedures and
351 conditions prescribed by the commissioner.

352 Sec. 11. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) On and after the effective date
353 of this section, the State Education Resource Center, established
354 pursuant to section 1 of this act, shall assume all responsibilities of the
355 State Education Resource Center, as described in section 10-4q of the
356 2014 supplement to the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to
357 January 1, 2013, pursuant to any provision of the general statutes. The
358 transfer of functions, powers, duties, personnel and obligations,
359 including, but not limited to, contract obligations, the continuance of
360 orders and regulations, the effect upon pending actions and
361 proceedings, the completion of unfinished business, and the transfer of
362 records and property between the State Education Resource Center, as
363 described in section 10-4q of the 2014 supplement to the general
364 statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 2013, as said State
365 Education Resource Center existed immediately prior to the effective
366 date of this section, and the State Education Resource Center,
367 established pursuant to section 1 of this act, shall be governed by the
368 provisions of sections 4-38d, 4-38e and 4-39 of the general statutes.

369 Sec. 12. Section 10-76n of the general statutes is repealed and the
370 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

371 [(a)] The [State Board of Education shall continue to] State
372 Education Resource Center, established pursuant to section 1 of this
373 act, shall maintain the Special Education Resource Center, with federal
374 funds granted to the state for the maintenance of said center under the

375 provisions of the federal Education for the Handicapped Act, for
376 purposes consistent with the provisions of said act as it may from time
377 to time be amended. The Commissioner of Education is authorized to
378 accept any federal funds allotted to the state for such purposes and
379 shall administer such funds in accordance with federal law.

380 [(b) The Special Education Resource Center described in subsection
381 (a) of this section may be conducted by the State Education Resource
382 Center, established pursuant to section 10-4q, as part of its program of
383 activities.]

384 Sec. 13. Section 10-155j of the general statutes is repealed and the
385 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

386 The Department of Education [, through the State Education
387 Resource Center and within available appropriations for such
388 purposes,] shall, within available appropriations, promote and
389 encourage professional development activities for school
390 paraprofessionals with instructional responsibilities. Such activities
391 may include, but shall not be limited to, providing local and regional
392 boards of education with training modules and curricula for
393 professional development for paraprofessionals and assisting boards
394 of education in the effective use of paraprofessionals and the
395 development of strategies to improve communications between
396 teachers and paraprofessionals in the provision of effective student
397 instruction.

398 Sec. 14. Subdivision (20) of section 10-183b of the general statutes is
399 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
400 *passage*):

401 (20) "Public school" means any day school conducted within or
402 without this state under the orders and superintendence of a duly
403 elected school committee, a board of education, the State Board of
404 Education, the board of governors or any of its constituent units, the E.
405 O. Smith School, the Children's Center and its successors, the State

406 Education Resource Center, established pursuant to section [10-4q] 1 of
407 this act, joint activities of boards of education authorized by subsection
408 (b) of section 10-158a and any institution supported by the state at
409 which teachers are employed or any incorporated secondary school
410 not under the orders and superintendence of a duly elected school
411 committee or board of education but located in a town not maintaining
412 a high school and providing free tuition to pupils of the town in which
413 it is located, and which has been approved by the State Board of
414 Education under the provisions of part II of chapter 164, provided that
415 such institution or such secondary school is classified as a public
416 school by the retirement board.

417 Sec. 15. Subdivision (26) of section 10-183b of the general statutes is
418 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
419 *passage*):

420 (26) "Teacher" means (A) any teacher, permanent substitute teacher,
421 principal, assistant principal, supervisor, assistant superintendent or
422 superintendent employed by the public schools in a professional
423 capacity while possessing a certificate or permit issued by the State
424 Board of Education, provided on and after July 1, 1975, such certificate
425 shall be for the position in which the person is then employed, except
426 as provided for in section 10-183qq, (B) certified personnel who
427 provide health and welfare services for children in nonprofit schools,
428 as provided in section 10-217a, under an oral or written agreement, (C)
429 any person who is engaged in teaching or supervising schools for
430 adults if the annual salary paid for such service is equal to or greater
431 than the minimum salary paid for a regular, full-time teaching position
432 in the day schools in the town where such service is rendered, (D) a
433 member of the professional staff of the State Board of Education or of
434 the Board of Regents for Higher Education or any of the constituent
435 units, and (E) a member of the staff of the State Education Resource
436 Center established pursuant to section 10-4q of the 2014 supplement to
437 the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 2013,
438 employed in a professional capacity while possessing a certificate or

439 permit issued by the State Board of Education. A "permanent
440 substitute teacher" is one who serves as such for at least ten months
441 during any school year.

442 Sec. 16. Subdivision (17) of subsection (b) of section 10-183e of the
443 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
444 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

445 (17) Service prior to July 1, 2007, as a member of the staff of the State
446 Education Resource Center established pursuant to section 10-4q of the
447 general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 2007, employed
448 in a professional capacity while possessing a certificate or permit
449 issued by the State Board of Education.

450 Sec. 17. Subsection (a) of section 10-222i of the general statutes is
451 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
452 *passage*):

453 (a) The Department of Education, in consultation with the State
454 Education Resource Center, established pursuant to section 1 of this
455 act, the Governor's Prevention Partnership and the Commission on
456 Children, shall establish, within available appropriations, a state-wide
457 safe school climate resource network for the identification, prevention
458 and education of school bullying in the state. Such state-wide safe
459 school climate resource network shall make available to all schools
460 information, training opportunities and resource materials to improve
461 the school climate to diminish bullying.

462 Sec. 18. Subsection (c) of section 10-290f of the general statutes is
463 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
464 *passage*):

465 (c) The Department of Administrative Services may use the services
466 of the [state education resource center pursuant to section 10-4q] State
467 Education Resource Center, established pursuant to section 1 of this
468 act, to carry out the provisions of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 3	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 4	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 5	<i>from passage</i>	1-79(12)
Sec. 6	<i>from passage</i>	1-120(1)
Sec. 7	<i>from passage</i>	1-124
Sec. 8	<i>from passage</i>	1-125
Sec. 9	<i>from passage</i>	10-4q
Sec. 10	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 11	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 12	<i>from passage</i>	10-76n
Sec. 13	<i>from passage</i>	10-155j
Sec. 14	<i>from passage</i>	10-183b(20)
Sec. 15	<i>from passage</i>	10-183b(26)
Sec. 16	<i>from passage</i>	10-183e(b)(17)
Sec. 17	<i>from passage</i>	10-222i(a)
Sec. 18	<i>from passage</i>	10-290f(c)

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