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Referred to Committee on EDUCATION

Introduced by:
(ED)

**AN ACT CONCERNING AUTHORIZATION OF STATE GRANT
COMMITMENTS FOR SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECTS AND
CHANGES TO THE STATUTES CONCERNING SCHOOL BUILDING
PROJECTS.**

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of
2 Administrative Services, having reviewed applications for state grants
3 for public school building projects in accordance with section 10-283 of
4 the general statutes, as amended by this act, on the basis of priorities
5 for such projects and standards for school construction established by
6 the State Board of Education, and having prepared a listing of all such
7 eligible projects ranked in order of priority, including a separate
8 schedule of previously authorized projects which have changed
9 substantially in scope or cost, as determined by said commissioner
10 together with the amount of the estimated grant with respect to each
11 eligible project, and having submitted such listing of eligible projects,
12 prior to December 15, 2014, to a committee of the General Assembly
13 established under section 10-283a of the general statutes for the
14 purpose of reviewing such listing, is hereby authorized to enter into

15 grant commitments on behalf of the state in accordance with said
16 section 10-283 with respect to the priority listing of such projects and in
17 such estimated amounts as approved by said committee prior to
18 February 1, 2015, as follows:

19 (1) Estimated Grant Commitments.

T1	School District	Estimated	Estimated
T2	School	Project Costs	Grant
T3	Project Number		
T4			
T5	SOUTH WINDSOR		
T6	Orchard Hill Elementary School		
T7	132-0083 N	\$33,521,724	\$11,611,925
T8			
T9	STAMFORD		
T10	Rogers Interdistrict Magnet Extension		
T11	135-0277 MAG/PF	77,312,385	61,849,908
T12			
T13	CREC		
T14	Aerospace Elementary		
T15	241-0105 MAG/N/PS	61,572,181	49,257,745
T16			
T17	GOODWIN COLLEGE		
T18	Goodwin College Early Childhood		
T19	Magnet School		
T20	542-0005 MAG/N	19,935,061	15,948,049
T21			
T22	NORTH HAVEN		
T23	North Haven Middle School		
T24	101-0047 EA/RR	69,814,452	27,674,449
T25			
T26	SIMSBURY		
T27	Squadron Line School		
T28	128-0105 A	1,050,000	345,030
T29			
T30	SIMSBURY		
T31	Henry James Memorial School		
T32	128-0106 A/CV	1,055,000	346,673
T33			

T34	REGION 1		
T35	Housatonic Valley Regional High		
T36	School		
T37	201-0044 A	318,198	137,493
T38			
T39	CLINTON		
T40	Jared Eliot School		
T41	027-0062 A/EC	600,000	267,840
T42			
T43	NEW CANAAN		
T44	South School		
T45	090-0046 A/EC	2,533,367	515,794
T46			
T47	NEW LONDON		
T48	Bennie Dover Jackson Middle School		
T49	095-0089 EC	1,989,963	1,549,385
T50			
T51	OLD SAYBROOK		
T52	Kathleen E. Goodwin School		
T53	106-0039 EC	1,610,243	454,250
T54			
T55	WINDHAM		
T56	W. B. Sweeney School		
T57	163-0074 EC	100,000	79,290
T58			
T59	WINDHAM		
T60	Windham Middle School		
T61	163-0075 EC	1,720,000	1,363,788
T62			
T63	WINDSOR LOCKS		
T64	Windsor Locks High School		
T65	165-0079 EC	7,555,000	4,101,610
T66			
T67	WOODBIDGE		
T68	Beecher Road School		
T69	167-0025 A/RR/EC	13,345,000	3,717,917
T70			
T71	ACES		
T72	ACES Village School		
T73	244-0038 SP/EC	1,231,748	985,398
T74			

T75	ACES		
T76	ACES Mill Road School		
T77	244-0039 SP/EC	1,223,678	978,942

20 (2) Previously Authorized Projects That Have Changed
 21 Substantially in Scope or Cost which are Seeking First Reauthorization.

		Authorized	Requested
T78	School District		
T79	School		
T80	Project Number		
T81			
T82	BRIDGEPORT		
T83	New Harding High School		
T84	015-0173		
T85			
T86	Estimated...		
T87	Total Project Costs	\$78,254,163	\$106,629,000
T88	Total Grant	\$61,202,581	\$83,394,541
T89			
T90	BRIDGEPORT		
T91	Central High School		
T92	015-0174 EA/RR		
T93			
T94	Estimated...		
T95	Total Project Costs	\$73,418,940	\$86-419,000
T96	Total Grant	\$57,420,953	\$67,588,300
T97			
T98	NAUGATUCK		
T99	Naugatuck High School		
T100	088-0067 BE/RNV/E		
T101			
T102	Estimated...		
T103	Total Project Costs	\$77,967,900	\$79,100,300
T104	Total Grant	\$58,475,925	\$59,325,300
T105			
T106	NAUGATUCK		
T107	Central Administration		
T108	088-0068 BE/RNV		
T109			
T110	Estimated...		

T111	Total Project Costs	\$3,032,100	\$1,900,000
T112	Total Grant	\$1,137,038	\$712,500
T113			
T114	CREC		
T115	CREC Discovery Academy		
T116	241-0100 MAG/PF/EA		
T117			
T118	Estimated...		
T119	Total Project Costs	\$35,675,000	\$52,046,374
T120	Total Grant	\$33,891,250	\$49,444,055
T121			
T122	ACES		
T123	Educational Center for the Arts-Little		
T124	Theater		
T125	244-0037 MAG/EA		
T126			
T127	Estimated...		
T128	Total Project Costs	\$6,986,129	\$8,959,583
T129	Total Grant	\$6,636,823	\$8,511,604

22 (3) Previously Authorized Project For The Technical High School
 23 System That Has Changed Substantially in Scope or Cost which is
 24 Seeking Reauthorization.

T130	School District	Authorized	Requested
T131	School		
T132	Project Number		
T133			
T134	CTHSS (BRIDGEPORT)		
T135	Bullard-Havens		
T136	900-0015 VT/EA		
T137			
T138	Estimated...		
T139	Total Project Costs	\$ 27,331,000	\$ 60,383,000
T140	Total Grant	\$ 27,331,000	\$ 60,383,000
T141			
T142	CTHSS (WINDHAM)		
T143	Windham		
T144	900-0016 VT/EA		

T145			
T146	Estimated...		
T147	Total Projects Costs	\$42,051,000	\$151,294,981
T148	Total Grant	\$42,051,000	\$151,294,981
T149			
T150	CTHSS (MIDDLETOWN)		
T151	Vinal		
T152	900-0017 VT/EA		
T153			
T154	Estimated...		
T155	Total Projects Costs	\$51,076,000	\$156,825,315
T156	Total Grant	\$51,076,000	\$156,825,315

25 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2015*) (a) Not later than October 1,
 26 2015, the Department of Administrative Services shall develop a
 27 standard checklist for construction projects of school buildings. Such
 28 checklist shall include, but need not be limited to, testing for
 29 polychlorinated biphenyls and asbestos.

30 (b) On and after October 1, 2015, the Department of Administrative
 31 Services shall conduct an assessment of any construction project of a
 32 school building receiving state funding for compliance with the
 33 standard checklist developed pursuant to subsection (a) of this section.

34 Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2015*) (a) The Department of
 35 Administrative Services shall establish a school building project
 36 clearinghouse for the collection and distribution of school building
 37 project designs, plans and specifications. Such clearinghouse shall
 38 consist of a publicly accessible database for the collection and storage
 39 of relevant publications and school building project designs, plans and
 40 specifications that have been approved by the department pursuant to
 41 chapter 173 of the general statutes.

42 (b) Any architect or professional engineer who is registered or
 43 licensed to practice such person's profession in accordance with the
 44 applicable provisions of the general statutes may submit school

45 building project designs, plans and specifications for posting in the
46 school building project clearinghouse. The licensed architect of record
47 or professional engineer of record shall retain ownership and liability
48 for any such design, plan or specifications submitted to the school
49 building project clearinghouse.

50 Sec. 4. Subsection (d) of section 10-283 of the general statutes is
51 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
52 *1, 2015*):

53 (d) No [application for a] school building project shall be [accepted
54 by the Commissioner of Education or] added to the list prepared by
55 the Commissioner of Administrative Services [on or after July 1, 2002]
56 pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, unless the applicant, prior to
57 submitting an application, has (1) secured funding authorization for
58 the local share of the project costs [prior to application] and such
59 authorization has become effective pursuant to the general statutes
60 and local ordinance or charter, or (2) scheduled and prepared a
61 referendum, if required, the results of which shall be submitted on or
62 before the fifteenth day of November in the year of application. The
63 reimbursement percentage for a project covered by this subsection
64 shall reflect the rates in effect during the fiscal year in which such local
65 funding authorization is secured.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2015</i>	New section
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2015</i>	New section
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2015</i>	10-283(d)

Statement of Purpose:

To authorize state grant commitments for school building projects, to require the Department of Administrative Services to develop a standard checklist for construction projects of school buildings and

establish a school building project clearinghouse, and to make revisions to the statutes relating to school building projects.

[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.]