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

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and  
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Section 29 of public act 12-179, as amended by section 5 of  
4 public act 13-243, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
5 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

6 (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general  
7 statutes, as amended by this act, or any regulation adopted by the State  
8 Board of Education or the Department of [Construction]  
9 Administrative Services requiring a completed grant application be  
10 submitted prior to June 30, 2011, and the provisions of section 10-66bb

11 of the general statutes concerning limitations on enrollment, an  
12 extension and alteration project for Common Ground High School in  
13 New Haven with costs not to exceed [seven million four hundred fifty  
14 thousand] nine million seven hundred fifty thousand dollars shall be  
15 included in subdivision (1) of section 1 of public act 12-179, provided a  
16 complete grant application is submitted prior to June 30, 2014, and a  
17 lease meeting the terms and conditions of section 10-282 of the general  
18 statutes has been approved by the Commissioner of Construction  
19 Services in consultation with the Commissioner of Education. Such  
20 building project shall be eligible for a reimbursement rate of seventy-  
21 eight and ninety-three hundredths per cent. All final calculations  
22 completed by the Department of [Construction] Administrative  
23 Services for such school building project shall include a computation of  
24 the state grant for the school building project amortized on a straight  
25 line basis over a twenty-year period. If such building ceases to be used  
26 as Common Ground High School during such amortization period, the  
27 governing authority of Common Ground High School shall refund to  
28 the state the unamortized balance of the state grant remaining as of the  
29 date the alternate use for the building project initially occurs. The  
30 amortization period for a project shall begin on the date the project  
31 was accepted as complete by the governing authority.

32 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general  
33 statutes, as amended by this act, or any regulation adopted by the State  
34 Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
35 pursuant to said section 10-283 limiting the number of times a project  
36 may be submitted to the legislature for authorization due to a change  
37 in cost or score, or requiring that no such project that has changed in  
38 scope or cost to the degree determined by the commissioner shall be  
39 eligible for reimbursement under this chapter unless it appears on such  
40 list, the change in cost and scope identified in subsection (a) of this  
41 section shall be deemed to have been authorized by the legislature and  
42 shall not be considered when determining the number of times the  
43 project is submitted for authorization by the Department of  
44 Administrative Services, provided plans and specifications have been

45 submitted to the Department of Administrative Services.

46 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 173 of the general  
47 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
48 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said chapter,  
49 the town of New Haven may use any private, federal or state funds,  
50 other than grants received under said chapter, for the purpose of the  
51 extension and alteration project described in subsection (a) of this  
52 section, provided the reimbursement received from such other private,  
53 federal or state funds shall not be deducted from the total project costs  
54 eligible for grant assistance under said chapter. If the total amount of  
55 any such private, federal or state funds received for the purpose of  
56 such project exceeds the local share of project costs, then such excess  
57 funds shall be used for educational purposes associated with Common  
58 Ground High School.

59 Sec. 502. Section 226 of public act 12-1 of the June special session, as  
60 amended by section 20 of public act 14-90, is repealed and the  
61 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

62 (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 173 of the general  
63 statutes, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
64 the Department of Administrative Services under said chapter 173  
65 requiring a completed grant application be submitted prior to June 30,  
66 2011, and prohibiting reimbursement for costs associated with the  
67 construction of outdoor athletic facilities, a new construction project  
68 for Bowen Field in New Haven with costs not to exceed eleven million  
69 dollars shall be included in subdivision (1) of section 1 of public act 12-  
70 179, provided a complete grant application is submitted prior to June  
71 30, 2013. Such building project may include the installation of synthetic  
72 surfaces on the site of a formerly contaminated area and shall be  
73 eligible for a reimbursement rate of sixty-eight and ninety-three-  
74 hundredths per cent.

75 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 173 of the general  
76 statutes or any regulation adopted under said chapter, the town of

77 New Haven is authorized to illuminate the athletic fields at Bowen  
78 Field in an amount not to exceed six hundred thousand dollars and  
79 shall be subsequently eligible for school construction grant assistance  
80 provided a completed grant application is submitted to the  
81 Department of Administrative Services prior to June 30, 2013. The full  
82 cost of the illumination project shall be deemed eligible costs for the  
83 purpose of grant calculation. The grant for construction assistance  
84 shall be calculated using the same rate of reimbursement as assigned  
85 to school building projects for the town of New Haven.

86 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 173 of the general  
87 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
88 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said chapter,  
89 the town of New Haven may use any private, federal or state funds,  
90 other than grants received under said chapter, for the purpose of  
91 polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB) removal, demolition and any other  
92 supplemental purposes for the projects described in subsections (a)  
93 and (b) of this section, provided the reimbursement received from such  
94 other grants related to such removal of polychlorinated biphenyls  
95 (PCB), demolition and any other supplemental purposes shall not be  
96 deducted from the total project costs eligible for grant assistance under  
97 said chapter.

98 Sec. 503. Section 34 of public act 13-243 is repealed and the  
99 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

100 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general  
101 statutes, as amended by this act, or any regulation adopted by the State  
102 Board of Education or the Department of [Construction]  
103 Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring a  
104 completed grant application be submitted prior to June 30, 2012, or  
105 subsection (d) of section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by  
106 this act, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
107 the Department of [Construction] Administrative Services requiring  
108 local funding authorization for the local share of project costs prior to  
109 application, a new construction project for Helene Grant School

110 [(Project Number TMP-093-PQQG)] (Project Number 093-0365) in the  
111 town of New Haven with costs not to exceed [forty-one] forty-eight  
112 million six hundred thousand dollars shall be included in subdivision  
113 (1) of section 1 of [this act] public act 13-243 and shall subsequently be  
114 considered for a grant commitment from the state, provided the town  
115 of New Haven files an application for a school building project prior to  
116 June 30, 2014, meets all other provisions of chapter 173 of the general  
117 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
118 the Department of [Construction] Administrative Services pursuant to  
119 said chapter 173 and is eligible for grant assistance pursuant to said  
120 chapter 173.

121 Sec. 504. Section 35 of public act 13-243 is repealed and the  
122 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

123 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general  
124 statutes, as amended by this act, or any regulation adopted by the State  
125 Board of Education or the Department of [Construction]  
126 Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring a  
127 completed grant application be submitted prior to June 30, 2012, or  
128 subsection (d) of section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by  
129 this act, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
130 the Department of [Construction] Administrative Services requiring  
131 local funding authorization for the local share of project costs prior to  
132 application, a new construction project for central administration  
133 offices [(Project Number TMP-093-PQDF)] (Project Number 093-0366)  
134 in the town of New Haven with costs not to exceed [one] two million  
135 four hundred thousand dollars shall be included in subdivision (1) of  
136 section 1 of [this act] public act 13-243 and shall subsequently be  
137 considered for a grant commitment from the state, provided the town  
138 of New Haven files an application for a school building project prior to  
139 June 30, 2014, meets all other provisions of chapter 173 of the general  
140 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
141 the Department of [Construction] Administrative Services pursuant to  
142 said chapter 173 and is eligible for grant assistance pursuant to said

143 chapter 173.

144 Sec. 505. Section 36 of public act 13-243 is repealed and the  
145 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

146 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general  
147 statutes, as amended by this act, or any regulation adopted by the State  
148 Board of Education or the Department of [Construction]  
149 Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring a  
150 completed grant application be submitted prior to June 30, 2012, or  
151 subsection (d) of section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by  
152 this act, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
153 the Department of [Construction] Administrative Services requiring  
154 local funding authorization for the local share of project costs prior to  
155 application, an alteration project for New Haven Academy [(Project  
156 Number TMP-093-SLNZ)] (Project Number 093-0364) in the town of  
157 New Haven with costs not to exceed [forty] forty-four million dollars  
158 shall be included in subdivision (1) of section 1 of [this act] public act  
159 13-243 and shall subsequently be considered for a grant commitment  
160 from the state, provided the town of New Haven files an application  
161 for a school building project prior to June 30, 2014, meets all other  
162 provisions of chapter 173 of the general statutes or any regulation  
163 adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department of  
164 [Construction] Administrative Services pursuant to said chapter 173  
165 and is eligible for grant assistance pursuant to said chapter 173.

166 Sec. 506. Section 21 of public act 14-90 is repealed and the following  
167 is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

168 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general  
169 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
170 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to section 10-283  
171 of the general statutes, as amended by [this act] public act 14-90,  
172 requiring a completed grant application be submitted prior to June 30,  
173 2013, a new construction project for the Strong 21st Century  
174 Communications Magnet School and Laboratory in the town of New

175 Haven with costs not to exceed forty-five million dollars shall be  
176 included in subdivision (1) of section 1 of [this act] public act 14-90 and  
177 shall subsequently be considered for a grant commitment from the  
178 state with a reimbursement percentage of seventy-nine and twenty-  
179 nine hundredths, provided the town of New Haven files an  
180 application for a school building project prior to June 30, [2015] 2016,  
181 meets all other provisions of chapter 173 of the general statutes and is  
182 eligible for grant assistance pursuant to chapter 173 of the general  
183 statutes.

184 Sec. 507. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
185 section 10-287 of the general statutes, or any regulation adopted by the  
186 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
187 pursuant to said section 10-287, requiring a competitive bidding  
188 process for orders and contracts for school building projects receiving  
189 state assistance under chapter 173 of the general statutes, the town of  
190 New Haven shall be permitted to submit the public advertisements for  
191 each subcontract and a signed affidavit from the construction manager  
192 as evidence that all contracts were publicly bid and awarded to the  
193 lowest qualified bidder for the alteration and roof replacement project  
194 (Project Number 093-0340 A/RR) at Worthington Hooker School.

195 Sec. 508. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
196 section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any  
197 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department  
198 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring  
199 that the description of a project type for a school building project be  
200 made at the time of application for a school building project grant and  
201 the provisions of subdivision (18) of section 10-282 of the general  
202 statutes, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
203 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-  
204 282 concerning the definition of renovation, the town of New Britain  
205 may change the description of the extension and alteration project  
206 (Project Number 089-0167 EA) at the Gaffney School to a renovation  
207 project and subsequently qualify as a renovation, as defined in

208 subdivision (18) of said section 10-282.

209 Sec. 509. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
210 subsection (d) of section 10-286 of the general statutes or any  
211 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department  
212 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-286 requiring all  
213 change orders or other change directives issued on or after July 1, 2008,  
214 to be submitted not later than six months after the date of such  
215 issuance, the town of Hartford may submit change orders issued after  
216 such six-month time limit for the project at the Sport and Medical  
217 Sciences Academy (Project Number 064-0279 MAG/N) for  
218 reimbursement of eligible costs from the state, provided change orders  
219 have been reviewed and approved the Department of Administrative  
220 Services.

221 Sec. 510. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
222 subsection (d) of section 10-286 of the general statutes or any  
223 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department  
224 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-286 requiring all  
225 change orders or other change directives issued on or after July 1, 2008,  
226 to be submitted not later than six months after the date of such  
227 issuance, the town of Hartford may submit change orders issued after  
228 such six-month time limit for the project at the University High School  
229 of Science and Engineering (Project Number 064-0287 MAG/N) for  
230 reimbursement of eligible costs from the state, provided change orders  
231 have been reviewed and approved the Department of Administrative  
232 Services.

233 Sec. 511. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
234 section 10-286 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the  
235 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
236 pursuant to said section 10-286 concerning the calculation of grants  
237 using the state standard space specifications, the town of Hartford  
238 shall be exempt from the state standard space specifications for the  
239 purpose of calculation of the grant for the extension and alteration and  
240 roof replacement project (Project Number 064-0298 EA/RR) at the

241 Asian Studies Academy at Bellizzi School.

242 Sec. 512. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
243 section 10-286 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the  
244 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
245 pursuant to said section 10-286 concerning the calculation of grants  
246 using the state standard space specifications, the town of Hartford  
247 shall be exempt from the state standard space specifications for the  
248 purpose of calculation of the grant for the extension and alteration and  
249 roof replacement project (Project Number 064-0296 EA/RR) at the  
250 Journalism and Media Academy Magnet School.

251 Sec. 513. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
252 section 10-286 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the  
253 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
254 pursuant to said section 10-286 concerning the calculation of grants  
255 using the state standard space specifications, the town of Hartford  
256 shall be exempt from the state standard space specifications for the  
257 purpose of calculation of the grant for the alteration and energy  
258 conservation project (Project Number 064-0294 A/EC) at the Global  
259 Communications Academy IB.

260 Sec. 514. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
261 section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any  
262 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department  
263 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring a  
264 completed grant application be submitted prior to June 30, 2014, the  
265 energy conservation project (Project Number 005-0016 EC) at  
266 Barkhamsted Elementary School in the town of Barkhamsted with  
267 costs not to exceed seven hundred fifty-nine thousand eight hundred  
268 ten dollars shall be included in subdivision (1) of section 1 of this act  
269 and shall subsequently be considered for a grant commitment from the  
270 state, provided the town of Barkhamsted files an application for such  
271 school building project prior to June 30, 2015, and meets all other  
272 provisions of chapter 173 of the general statutes or any regulation  
273 adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department of

274 Administrative Services pursuant to said chapter 173 and is eligible for  
275 grant assistance pursuant to said chapter 173.

276 Sec. 515. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
277 section 10-286 of the general statutes or any regulations adopted by the  
278 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
279 pursuant to said section 10-286 concerning the calculation of grants  
280 using the state standard space specifications, the town of Watertown  
281 shall be exempt from the state standard space specifications for the  
282 purpose of the calculation of the grant for the renovation project  
283 (Project Number 153-0048 RNV) at Swift Middle School.

284 Sec. 516. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions  
285 of section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any  
286 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department  
287 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring a  
288 completed grant application be submitted prior to June 30, 2014, the  
289 energy conservation project (Project Number 073-0016 EC) at Lisbon  
290 Central School in the town of Lisbon with costs not to exceed two  
291 hundred thirty-five thousand two hundred dollars shall be included in  
292 subdivision (1) of section 1 of this act and shall subsequently be  
293 considered for a grant commitment from the state, provided the town  
294 of Lisbon files an application for such school building project prior to  
295 November 30, 2015, and meets all other provisions of chapter 173 of  
296 the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of  
297 Education or the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to  
298 said chapter 173 and is eligible for grant assistance pursuant to said  
299 chapter 173.

300 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-286 of the general  
301 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
302 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-  
303 286 concerning the calculation of grants using the state standard space  
304 specifications, the town of Lisbon shall be exempt from the state  
305 standard space specifications for the purpose of calculation of the  
306 grant for the energy conservation project (Project Number 073-0016

307 EC) at Lisbon Central School.

308 Sec. 517. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions  
309 of section 10-292 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by  
310 the State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative  
311 Services requiring that a bid not be let out until plans and  
312 specifications have been approved by the Department of  
313 Administrative Services, the town of Woodbridge may let out for bid  
314 on and commence a project for alteration, roof replacement and energy  
315 conservation (Project Number 167-0025 A/RR/EC) at Beecher Road  
316 School and shall be eligible to subsequently be considered for a grant  
317 commitment from the state, provided plans and specifications have  
318 been approved by the Department of Administrative Services.

319 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-286 of the general  
320 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
321 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-  
322 286 concerning the calculation of grants using the state standard space  
323 specifications, the town of Woodbridge shall be exempt from the state  
324 standard space specifications for the purpose of calculation of the  
325 grant for the alteration, roof replacement and energy conservation  
326 project (Project Number 167-0025 A/RR/EC) at Beecher Road School.

327 Sec. 518. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
328 section 10-286 of the general statutes or any regulations adopted by the  
329 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
330 pursuant to said section 10-286 concerning the calculation of grants  
331 using the state standard space specifications, the town of Bloomfield  
332 shall be exempt from the state standard space specifications for the  
333 purpose of the calculation of the grant for the extension and alteration  
334 and roof replacement project at Bloomfield High School (Project  
335 Number 011-0077 EA/RR).

336 Sec. 519. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
337 section 10-286 of the general statutes or any regulations adopted by the  
338 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services

339 pursuant to said section 10-286 concerning the calculation of grants  
340 using the state standard space specifications, the town of Bloomfield  
341 shall be exempt from the state standard space specifications for the  
342 purpose of the calculation of the grant for the alteration and roof  
343 replacement project at Carmen Arace Middle School (Project Number  
344 011-0075 A/RR).

345 Sec. 520. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
346 section 10-286 of the general statutes or any regulations adopted by the  
347 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
348 pursuant to said section 10-286 concerning the calculation of grants  
349 using the state standard space specifications, the town of Bloomfield  
350 shall be exempt from the state standard space specifications for the  
351 purpose of the calculation of the grant for the extension and alteration  
352 at Metacomet Elementary School (Project Number 011-0078 EA).

353 Sec. 521. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
354 section 10-286 of the general statutes or any regulations adopted by the  
355 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
356 pursuant to said section 10-286 concerning the calculation of grants  
357 using the state standard space specifications, the town of Windsor  
358 Locks shall be exempt from the state standard space specifications for  
359 the purpose of the calculation of the grant for the energy conservation  
360 project at Windsor Locks High School (Project Number 165-0079 EC).

361 Sec. 522. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
362 section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any  
363 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department  
364 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring  
365 that no project that has changed in scope or cost to the degree  
366 determined by the commissioner shall be eligible for reimbursement  
367 under this chapter unless it appears on the school construction priority  
368 list to be considered by the General Assembly in the 2015 regular  
369 legislative session, project costs for alteration project at Broad Brook  
370 Elementary School (Project Number 047-0035 E/EC) in the town of  
371 East Windsor may be increased to six million five hundred thousand

372 dollars and shall be deemed to have been authorized by the legislature.

373 Sec. 523. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
374 subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 10-286 of the general  
375 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
376 the Department of Administrative Services concerning projected  
377 enrollment for a school building project for purposes of calculating  
378 eligible costs for a school building project grant, the town of Danbury  
379 may use five hundred ninety-six as its projected enrollment figure for  
380 the extension and alteration project (Project Number 034-0139 EA) at  
381 Park Avenue School.

382 Sec. 524. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
383 section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any  
384 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department  
385 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring a  
386 completed grant application be submitted prior to June 30, 2014, the  
387 facility purchase and alteration project for a central office facility  
388 (Project Number 035-0111 BE/PF/A) in the town of Darien with costs  
389 not to exceed six million five hundred fifty-five thousand two hundred  
390 five dollars shall be included in subdivision (1) of section 1 of this act  
391 and shall subsequently be considered for a grant commitment from the  
392 state, provided the town of Darien files an application for such school  
393 building project prior to June 30, 2015, and meets all other provisions  
394 of chapter 173 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the  
395 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
396 pursuant to said chapter 173 and is eligible for grant assistance  
397 pursuant to said chapter 173.

398 Sec. 525. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
399 section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any  
400 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department  
401 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring a  
402 completed grant application be submitted prior to June 30, 2014, the  
403 new construction project (Project Number TMP-095-FHKN) at New  
404 London High School in the town of New London with costs not to

405 exceed ninety-eight million twenty-six thousand dollars shall be  
406 included in subdivision (1) of section 1 of this act and shall  
407 subsequently be considered for a grant commitment from the state,  
408 provided the town of New London (1) files an application for such  
409 school building project prior to June 30, 2015, (2) the Commissioner of  
410 Education has deemed reasonable the plan submitted pursuant to  
411 section 37 of public act 14-90, and (3) meets all other provisions of  
412 chapter 173 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the  
413 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
414 pursuant to said chapter 173 and is eligible for grant assistance  
415 pursuant to said chapter 173.

416 Sec. 526. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
417 section 10-292 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the  
418 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
419 requiring that a bid not be let out until plans and specifications have  
420 been approved by the Department of Administrative Services, the  
421 town of Litchfield may let out for bid on and commence a project for  
422 code violation at Litchfield Center School (Project Number TMP-074-  
423 ZKFX) and at Litchfield Intermediate School (Project Number TMP-  
424 074-PWMX) and shall be eligible to subsequently be considered for a  
425 grant commitment from the state, provided plans and specifications  
426 have been approved by the Department of Administrative Services.

427 Sec. 527. Section 30 of public act 07-249, as amended by section 23 of  
428 public act 07-3 of the June special session, section 104 of public act 11-  
429 57, section 19 of public act 12-179 and section 37 of public act 14-90, is  
430 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
431 *passage*):

432 (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of title 10 of the general statutes,  
433 a local or regional school district that is a (1) district for a town (A)  
434 with a population greater than twenty thousand, but not more than  
435 thirty thousand, and (B) that is less than six square miles in area, in  
436 which at least fifty per cent of the property is exempt from taxation  
437 pursuant to chapter 203 of the general statutes, and (2) priority school

438 district pursuant to section 10-266p of the general statutes shall qualify  
439 as an interdistrict magnet district.

440 (b) (1) The Commissioner of Education may designate schools under  
441 the jurisdiction of such district as interdistrict magnet schools for the  
442 purposes of section 10-264h of the general statutes, provided the  
443 district submits a plan to the commissioner detailing how the district  
444 will meet the enrollment requirements provided for in subdivision (2)  
445 of this subsection and the commissioner deems such plan reasonable.  
446 No school in such district shall be eligible to receive a grant pursuant  
447 to subsection (c) of section 10-264l of the general statutes, unless such  
448 school operates as an "interdistrict magnet school program", as defined  
449 in subsection (a) of said section 10-264l, and meets the district-wide  
450 enrollment requirements pursuant to subdivision (2) of this subsection.

451 (2) Not later than three years after the reopening of the schools of  
452 the interdistrict magnet school district following school construction  
453 projects for such schools, reimbursed at the rate provided for in section  
454 10-264h of the general statutes, the local or regional board of education  
455 of such district shall, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a  
456 of the general statutes, report to the joint standing committee of the  
457 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education  
458 on the progress of such district in enrolling students from other school  
459 districts. If such district does not, on or before June 30, 2017, enroll  
460 students from other districts at a rate that is at least fifteen per cent of  
461 its total district-wide enrollment, such district shall be liable to the  
462 state for repayment of the amount representing the difference between  
463 the school building project grant received pursuant to this section and  
464 section 10-264h of the general statutes, and the grant such district  
465 would have otherwise received for such projects pursuant to the  
466 provisions of section 10-286 of the general statutes. [ as amended by  
467 this act.]

468 (3) For purposes of this subsection, "district-wide enrollment" means  
469 the total number of students enrolled in the New London public  
470 schools.

471 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general  
472 statutes, as amended by [this act] public act 14-90 and this act, or any  
473 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education requiring a  
474 completed grant application be submitted prior to June 30, 2006, or  
475 subsection (d) of section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by  
476 [this act] public act 14-90 and this act, or any regulation adopted by the  
477 board requiring local funding authorization for the local share of  
478 project costs prior to application, the projects for the local or regional  
479 school district that qualifies as an interdistrict magnet school district  
480 under subsection (a) of this section shall be included in subdivision (1)  
481 of section 1 of public act 07-249, provided the school district secures  
482 the funding authorization for the local share and files a completed  
483 grant application prior to June 30, [2008] 2016, and meets all other  
484 provisions of chapter 173 of the general statutes or any regulation  
485 adopted by the State Board of Education, except as provided for in this  
486 section.

487 (d) Any school so designated by the commissioner as a magnet  
488 school under this section that enrolls less than twenty-five per cent of  
489 the school's students from a town outside of the school district in  
490 which such school is located shall be eligible to receive a per pupil  
491 grant, pursuant to subsection (c) of section 10-264~~l~~ of the general  
492 statutes, for each enrolled student who is not a resident of the town in  
493 which such school is located.

494 Sec. 528. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions  
495 of section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any  
496 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department  
497 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring  
498 that the description of a project type for a school building project be  
499 made at the time of application for a school building project grant, the  
500 town of Stratford may expand the description of the extension and  
501 alteration and roof replacement project (Project Number 138-0097  
502 EA/RR) at Stratford High School to include site acquisition costs not to  
503 exceed seven hundred thousand dollars.

504 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general  
505 statutes, as amended by this act, or any regulation adopted by the State  
506 Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
507 pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring that the description of a  
508 project type for a school building project be made at the time of  
509 application for a school building project grant and the provisions of  
510 subdivision (18) of section 10-282 of the general statutes, or any  
511 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department  
512 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-282 concerning  
513 the definition of renovation, the town of Stratford may change the  
514 description of the extension and alteration and roof replacement  
515 project (Project Number 138-0097 EA/RR) at Stratford High School to a  
516 renovation project and subsequently qualify as a renovation, as  
517 defined in subdivision (18) of said section 10-282.

518 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-286 of the general  
519 statutes or any regulations adopted by the State Board of Education or  
520 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-  
521 286 concerning the calculation of grants using the state standard space  
522 specifications, the town of Stratford shall be exempt from the state  
523 standard space specifications for the purpose of the calculation of the  
524 grant for the extension and alteration and roof replacement project  
525 (Project Number 138-0097 EA/RR) at Stratford High School.

526 Sec. 529. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions  
527 of section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any  
528 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department  
529 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring  
530 that the description of a project type for a school building project be  
531 made at the time of application for a school building project grant and  
532 the provisions of subdivision (18) of section 10-282 of the general  
533 statutes, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
534 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-  
535 282 concerning the definition of renovation, the town of East Hampton  
536 may change the description of the extension and alteration and roof

537 replacement project (Project Number 042-0041 EA/RR) at East  
538 Hampton High School to a renovation project and subsequently  
539 qualify as a renovation, as defined in subdivision (18) of said section  
540 10-282.

541 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-286 of the general  
542 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
543 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-  
544 286 concerning the calculation of grants using the state standard space  
545 specifications, the town of East Hampton may use one hundred  
546 nineteen thousand square feet as the maximum square footage for the  
547 extension and alteration and roof replacement project (Project Number  
548 042-0041 EA/RR) at East Hampton High School for purposes of  
549 calculating eligible costs for a school building project grant.

550 Sec. 530. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
551 subsection (d) of section 10-286 of the general statutes or any  
552 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department  
553 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-286 requiring all  
554 change orders or other change directives issued on or after July 1, 2008,  
555 to be submitted not later than six months after the date of such  
556 issuance, the town of Fairfield may submit change orders issued after  
557 such six-month time limit for the project at Fairfield Woods Middle  
558 School (Project Number 051-0122 EA) for reimbursement of eligible  
559 costs from the state, provided change orders have been reviewed and  
560 approved the Department of Administrative Services.

561 Sec. 531. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
562 section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any  
563 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department  
564 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring a  
565 completed grant application be submitted prior to June 30, 2014, the  
566 energy conservation and code violation project (Project Number 144-  
567 0103 EC/CV) at Middlebrook Elementary School in the town of  
568 Trumbull with costs not to exceed one million five hundred thirty-four  
569 thousand dollars shall be included in subdivision (1) of section 1 of this

570 act and shall subsequently be considered for a grant commitment from  
571 the state, provided the town of Trumbull files an application for such  
572 school building project prior to June 30, 2015, and meets all other  
573 provisions of chapter 173 of the general statutes or any regulation  
574 adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department of  
575 Administrative Services pursuant to said chapter 173 and is eligible for  
576 grant assistance pursuant to said chapter 173.

577 Sec. 532. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
578 section 10-286 of the general statutes or any regulations adopted by the  
579 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
580 pursuant to said section 10-286 concerning the calculation of grants  
581 using the state standard space specifications, the town of Newington  
582 shall be exempt from the state standard space specifications for the  
583 purpose of the calculation of the grant for the alteration project (Project  
584 Number 094-0101 A) at Martin Kellogg Middle School.

585 Sec. 533. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
586 section 10-286 of the general statutes or any regulations adopted by the  
587 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
588 pursuant to said section 10-286 concerning the calculation of grants  
589 using the state standard space specifications, the town of Newington  
590 shall be exempt from the state standard space specifications for the  
591 purpose of the calculation of the grant for the alteration project (Project  
592 Number 094-0102 A) at John Wallace Middle School.

593 Sec. 534. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions  
594 of section 10-286 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by  
595 the State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative  
596 Services pursuant to said section 10-286 concerning the calculation of  
597 grants using the state standard space specifications, the town of North  
598 Haven may use one hundred thirty-five thousand eight hundred forty-  
599 seven square feet as the maximum square footage for the extension  
600 and alteration and roof replacement project (Project Number 101-0047  
601 EA/RR) at North Haven Middle School for purposes of calculating  
602 eligible costs for a school building project grant.

603 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 173 of the general  
604 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
605 the Department of Administrative Services, costs associated with the  
606 alterations to the gymnasium, cafeteria, auditorium and storage areas  
607 shall be reimbursed as eligible project costs for the extension, alteration  
608 and roof replacement project (Project Number 101-0047 EA/RR) at  
609 North Haven Middle School, provided such costs shall not exceed two  
610 million fifty-two thousand thirty-six dollars.

611 Sec. 535. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
612 section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any  
613 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department  
614 of Administrative Services requiring a completed grant application be  
615 submitted prior to June 30, 2015, or subsection (d) of said section 10-  
616 283, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the  
617 Department of Administrative Services requiring local funding  
618 authorization for the local share of project costs prior to application,  
619 for the school construction priority list to be considered by the General  
620 Assembly in the 2016 regular legislative session, the Commissioner of  
621 Administrative Services shall give review and approval priority to a  
622 school building project for the Shepaug Valley School in Region 12,  
623 provided a complete grant application that includes the highest  
624 projected enrollment and with funding authorization for the local  
625 share of the project costs is filed on or before November 15, 2015, and  
626 further provided that such project is approved by the agricultural  
627 science and technology education center for Region 12.

628 Sec. 536. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions  
629 of section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any  
630 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department  
631 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring a  
632 completed grant application be submitted prior to June 30, 2014, the  
633 extension and alteration project (Project Number 007-0234 EA) at  
634 Bennet Middle School in the town of Manchester with costs not to  
635 exceed seventeen million nine hundred sixty-one thousand eight

636 hundred twenty-six dollars shall be included in subdivision (1) of  
637 section 1 of this act and shall subsequently be considered for a grant  
638 commitment from the state, provided the town of Manchester files an  
639 application for such school building project prior to June 30, 2015, and  
640 meets all other provisions of chapter 173 of the general statutes or any  
641 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department  
642 of Administrative Services pursuant to said chapter 173 and is eligible  
643 for grant assistance pursuant to said chapter 173.

644 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general  
645 statutes, as amended by this act, or any regulation adopted by the State  
646 Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
647 pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring that the description of a  
648 school building project be made at the time of application for a school  
649 building project grant, the town of Manchester may expand the  
650 description of the extension and alteration project (Project Number  
651 077-0234 EA) at Bennet Middle School to include improvements to the  
652 former Cheney School and boiler plant buildings at 39/41 School  
653 Street, including roof replacement, connecting said buildings to the  
654 Bennet Middle School via a second-story pedestrian connector and a  
655 grade level restricted access, gated courtyard to integrate the campus;  
656 alterations to the Bennet Academy art and music instructional and  
657 custodial areas; and site improvements to create a cohesive campus  
658 encompassing all school buildings with enhanced parking, traffic  
659 circulation, landscaping, fencing and recreational areas.

660 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general  
661 statutes, as amended by this act, or any regulation adopted by the State  
662 Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
663 pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring that the description of a  
664 project type for a school building project be made at the time of  
665 application for a school building project grant or the provisions of  
666 subdivision (18) of section 10-282 of the general statutes, or any  
667 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department  
668 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-282, the town of

669 Manchester may change the description of the extension and alteration  
670 project (Project Number 007-0234 EA) at Bennet Middle School to a  
671 renovation project and subsequently qualify as a renovation project, as  
672 defined in subdivision (18) of section 10-282 of the general statutes.

673 (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-286 of the general  
674 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
675 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-  
676 286 concerning the calculation of grants using the state standard space  
677 specifications, the town of Manchester shall be exempt from the state  
678 standard space specifications for the purpose of calculation of the  
679 grant for the extension and alteration project at Bennet Middle School  
680 (Project Number 077-0234 EA).

681 Sec. 537. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
682 subsection (d) of section 10-286 of the general statutes or any  
683 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department  
684 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-286 requiring all  
685 change orders or other change directives issued on or after July 1, 2008,  
686 to be submitted not later than six months after the date of such  
687 issuance, the town of Waterbury may submit change orders issued  
688 after such six-month time limit for the project at Duggan Elementary  
689 School (Project Number 151-0252 RNV/E) for reimbursement of  
690 eligible costs from the state, provided change orders have been  
691 reviewed and approved by the Department of Administrative Services.

692 Sec. 538. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
693 subsection (d) of section 10-286 of the general statutes or any  
694 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department  
695 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-286 requiring all  
696 change orders or other change directives issued on or after July 1, 2008,  
697 to be submitted not later than six months after the date of such  
698 issuance, the town of Waterbury may submit change orders issued  
699 after such six-month time limit for the project at the Reed School  
700 (Project Number 151-0253 N/PS) for reimbursement of eligible costs  
701 from the state, provided change orders have been reviewed and

702 approved by the Department of Administrative Services.

703 Sec. 539. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
704 section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any  
705 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department  
706 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring a  
707 completed grant application be submitted prior to June 30, 2014, the  
708 extension and alteration project at Alice Peck Elementary School in the  
709 town of Hamden with costs not to exceed two million five hundred  
710 forty thousand four hundred dollars shall be included in subdivision  
711 (1) of section 1 of this act and shall subsequently be considered for a  
712 grant commitment from the state, provided the town of Hamden files  
713 an application for such school building project prior to September 30,  
714 2015, and meets all other provisions of chapter 173 of the general  
715 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
716 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said chapter  
717 173 and is eligible for grant assistance pursuant to said chapter 173.

718 Sec. 540. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
719 section 10-286 of the general statutes or any regulations adopted by the  
720 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
721 pursuant to said section 10-286 concerning the calculation of grants  
722 using the state standard space specifications, the town of Southington  
723 shall be exempt from the state standard space specifications for the  
724 purpose of the calculation of the grant for the extension and alteration  
725 and roof replacement project (Project Number 131-0110 EA/RR) at  
726 Thalberg Elementary School.

727 Sec. 541. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
728 subdivision (4) of subsection (c) of section 10-286 of the general  
729 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
730 the Department of Administrative Services limiting the amount of  
731 grant assistance for a project when the total eligible construction  
732 change orders or other change directives exceed five per cent of the  
733 authorized total project cost, the town of Southington shall be  
734 reimbursed at the project's reimbursement rate for the full eligible

735 costs of construction change orders or other change directives in an  
736 amount not to exceed eight per cent of the authorized total project cost  
737 for the extension and alteration, roof replacement and purchase of site  
738 project (Project Number 131-0127 EA/RR/PS) at Joseph A. DePaolo  
739 Middle School.

740 Sec. 542. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
741 subdivision (4) of subsection (c) of section 10-286 of the general  
742 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
743 the Department of Administrative Services limiting the amount of  
744 grant assistance for a project when the total eligible construction  
745 change orders or other change directives exceed five per cent of the  
746 authorized total project cost, the town of Southington shall be  
747 reimbursed at the project's reimbursement rate for the full eligible  
748 costs of construction change orders or other change directives in an  
749 amount not to exceed eight per cent of the authorized total project cost  
750 for the extension and alteration, roof replacement and purchase of site  
751 project (Project Number 131-0128 EA/RR/PS) at John F. Kennedy  
752 Middle School.

753 Sec. 543. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions  
754 of section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any  
755 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department  
756 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring  
757 that the description of a project type for a school building project be  
758 made at the time of application for a school building project grant and  
759 the provisions of subdivision (18) of section 10-282 of the general  
760 statutes, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
761 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-  
762 282 concerning the definition of renovation, the town of West Haven  
763 may change the description of the extension and alteration and roof  
764 replacement project (Project Number 156-0138 EA/RR) at West Haven  
765 High School to a renovation project and subsequently qualify as a  
766 renovation, as defined in subdivision (18) of said section 10-282.

767 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-286 of the general

768 statutes or any regulations adopted by the State Board of Education or  
769 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-  
770 286 concerning the calculation of grants using the state standard space  
771 specifications, the town of West Haven shall be exempt from the state  
772 standard space specifications for the purpose of the calculation of the  
773 grant for the extension and alteration and roof replacement project  
774 (Project Number 156-0138 EA/RR) at West Haven High School.

775       Sec. 544. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions  
776 of section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any  
777 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department  
778 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring a  
779 completed grant application be submitted prior to June 30, 2014, the  
780 new construction project (Project Number TMP-119-JCRM) at the  
781 Intermediate School in the town of Rocky Hill with costs not to exceed  
782 thirty-one million seven hundred ninety-two thousand one hundred  
783 eighty-two dollars shall be included in subdivision (1) of section 1 of  
784 this act and shall subsequently be considered for a grant commitment  
785 from the state, provided the town of Rocky Hill files an application for  
786 such school building project prior to June 30, 2015, and meets all other  
787 provisions of chapter 173 of the general statutes or any regulation  
788 adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department of  
789 Administrative Services pursuant to said chapter 173 and is eligible for  
790 grant assistance pursuant to said chapter 173.

791       (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-285a of the general  
792 statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
793 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-  
794 285a concerning the reimbursement percentage that a local board of  
795 education may be eligible to receive for a school building project, the  
796 town of Rocky Hill may increase the reimbursement percentage by  
797 fifteen per cent for the new construction project (Project Number TMP-  
798 119-JCRM) at the Intermediate School. For purposes of this section,  
799 such fifteen per cent increase reflects the amount at which the costs to  
800 the state associated with increasing the reimbursement percentage for

801 the town of Rocky Hill is equal to the amount of the savings achieved  
802 by the state for the costs associated with increasing the enrollment of  
803 students in the open choice program, pursuant to section 10-266aa of  
804 the general statutes, at the Intermediate School in Rocky Hill in lieu of  
805 participation in the interdistrict magnet school program, pursuant to  
806 section 10-264l of the general statutes.

807 Sec. 545. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
808 section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any  
809 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department  
810 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring  
811 that the description of a project type for a school building project be  
812 made at the time of application for a school building project grant and  
813 the provisions of subdivision (18) of section 10-282 of the general  
814 statutes, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or  
815 the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-  
816 282 concerning the definition of renovation, the town of Putnam may  
817 change the description for all projects that appear on the school  
818 construction priority list considered by the General Assembly during  
819 the 2014 regular legislative session to renovation projects and  
820 subsequently qualify as renovations, as defined in subdivision (18) of  
821 said section 10-282.

822 Sec. 546. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
823 section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, or any  
824 regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department  
825 of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring  
826 that the description of a project type for a school building project be  
827 made at the time of application for a school building project grant, the  
828 Capitol Region Education Council may change the description and  
829 scope of the project (Project Number 241-0101) at Museum Academy to  
830 a new construction and site acquisition project.

831 Sec. 547. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
832 section 10-286 of the general statutes or any regulations adopted by the  
833 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services

834 pursuant to said section 10-286 concerning the calculation of grants  
835 using the state standard space specifications, the Capitol Region  
836 Education Council shall be exempt from the state standard space  
837 specifications for the purpose of the calculation of the grant for the  
838 new construction project (Project Number 241-0097 MAG/N) at Public  
839 Safety Academy.

840 Sec. 548. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
841 section 10-286 of the general statutes or any regulations adopted by the  
842 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
843 pursuant to said section 10-286 concerning the calculation of grants  
844 using the state standard space specifications, the Capitol Region  
845 Education Council shall be exempt from the state standard space  
846 specifications for the purpose of the calculation of the grant for the  
847 new construction project (Project Number 241-0100 MAG/N) at  
848 Discovery Academy.

849 Sec. 549. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
850 section 10-286 of the general statutes or any regulations adopted by the  
851 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
852 pursuant to said section 10-286 concerning the calculation of grants  
853 using the state standard space specifications, the Capitol Region  
854 Education Council shall be exempt from the state standard space  
855 specifications for the purpose of the calculation of the grant for the  
856 new construction project (Project Number 241-0099 MAG/N) at  
857 Academy of Aerospace.

858 Sec. 550. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
859 section 10-286 of the general statutes or any regulations adopted by the  
860 State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services  
861 pursuant to said section 10-286 concerning the calculation of grants  
862 using the state standard space specifications, the Capitol Region  
863 Education Council shall be exempt from the state standard space  
864 specifications for the purpose of the calculation of the grant for the  
865 new construction project (Project Number 241-0096 MAG/N) at  
866 Medical Professions and Teacher Preparation Academy.

867 Sec. 551. Section 10-292r of the general statutes is repealed and the  
868 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2015*):

869 (a) There is established a School Safety Infrastructure Council. The  
870 council shall consist of: (1) The Commissioner of Administrative  
871 Services, or the commissioner's designee; (2) the Commissioner of  
872 Emergency Services and Public Protection, or the commissioner's  
873 designee; (3) the Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's  
874 designee; (4) one appointed by the president pro tempore of the  
875 Senate, who shall be a person with expertise in building security,  
876 preferably school building security; (5) one appointed by the speaker  
877 of the House of Representatives, who shall be a licensed professional  
878 engineer who is a structural engineer; (6) one appointed by the  
879 majority leader of the Senate, who shall be a public school  
880 administrator certified by the State Board of Education; (7) one  
881 appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, who  
882 shall be a firefighter, emergency medical technician or a paramedic; (8)  
883 one appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, who shall be a  
884 school resource officer; (9) one appointed by the minority leader of the  
885 House of Representatives, who shall be a public school teacher  
886 certified by the State Board of Education; and (10) ~~one~~ two appointed  
887 by the Governor, ~~[who]~~ one of whom shall be a licensed building  
888 official and one of whom shall be a licensed architect. The  
889 Commissioner of Administrative Services shall serve as the  
890 chairperson of the council. The administrative staff of the Department  
891 of Administrative Services shall serve as staff for the council and assist  
892 with all ministerial duties.

893 (b) The School Safety Infrastructure Council shall develop school  
894 safety infrastructure ~~[standards]~~ criteria for school building projects  
895 ~~[under]~~ awarded grants pursuant to this chapter and ~~[projects~~  
896 ~~receiving reimbursement as part of]~~ the school security infrastructure  
897 competitive grant program, pursuant to section 84 of public act 13-3.  
898 Such school safety infrastructure ~~[standards]~~ criteria shall conform to  
899 industry standards for school building safety infrastructure and shall

900 [include,] address areas including, but not be limited to, [standards  
901 regarding] (1) entryways to school buildings and classrooms, such as,  
902 reinforcement of entryways, ballistic glass, solid core doors, double  
903 door access, computer-controlled electronic locks, remote locks on all  
904 entrance and exits and buzzer systems, (2) the use of cameras  
905 throughout the school building and at all entrances and exits,  
906 including the use of closed-circuit television monitoring, (3)  
907 penetration resistant vestibules, and (4) other security infrastructure  
908 improvements and devices as they become industry standards. The  
909 council shall meet at least annually to review and update, if necessary,  
910 the school safety infrastructure [standards] criteria and make such  
911 [standards] criteria available to local and regional boards of education.

912 (c) Not later than January 1, 2014, and annually thereafter, the  
913 School Safety Infrastructure Council shall submit the school safety  
914 infrastructure [standards] criteria to the Commissioners of Emergency  
915 Services and Public Protection and Education, the School Building  
916 Projects Advisory Council, established pursuant to section 10-292q,  
917 and the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having  
918 cognizance of matters relating to public safety and education, in  
919 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a.

920 Sec. 552. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 10-283 of the  
921 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
922 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2015*):

923 (a) (1) Each town or regional school district shall be eligible to apply  
924 for and accept grants for a school building project as provided in this  
925 chapter. Any town desiring a grant for a public school building project  
926 may, by vote of its legislative body, authorize the board of education of  
927 such town to apply to the Commissioner of Administrative Services  
928 and to accept or reject such grant for the town. Any regional school  
929 board may vote to authorize the supervising agent of the regional  
930 school district to apply to the Commissioner of Administrative  
931 Services for and to accept or reject such grant for the district.  
932 Applications for such grants under this chapter shall be made by the

933 superintendent of schools of such town or regional school district on  
934 the form provided and in the manner prescribed by the Commissioner  
935 of Administrative Services. The application form shall require the  
936 superintendent of schools to affirm that the school district considered  
937 the maximization of natural light, the use and feasibility of wireless  
938 connectivity technology and, on and after July 1, 2014, the school  
939 safety infrastructure [standards] criteria, developed by the School  
940 Safety Infrastructure Council, pursuant to section 10-292r, as amended  
941 by this act, in projects for new construction and alteration or  
942 renovation of a school building. The Commissioner of Administrative  
943 Services shall review each grant application for a school building  
944 project for compliance with educational requirements and on the basis  
945 of categories for building projects established by the Commissioner of  
946 Administrative Services in accordance with this section. The  
947 Commissioner of Education shall evaluate, if appropriate, whether the  
948 project will assist the state in meeting the goals of the 2008 stipulation  
949 and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended,  
950 or the goals of the 2013 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v.  
951 William A. O'Neill, et al. The Commissioner of Administrative Services  
952 shall consult with the Commissioner of Education in reviewing grant  
953 applications submitted for purposes of subsection (a) of section 10-65  
954 or section 10-76e on the basis of the educational needs of the applicant.  
955 The Commissioner of Administrative Services shall review each grant  
956 application for a school building project for compliance with standards  
957 for school building projects pursuant to regulations, adopted in  
958 accordance with section 10-287c, and, on and after July 1, 2014, the  
959 school safety infrastructure [standards] criteria, developed by the  
960 School Safety Infrastructure Council pursuant to section 10-292r, as  
961 amended by this act. Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter,  
962 the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on behalf  
963 of Quinebaug Valley Community College and Three Rivers  
964 Community College and the following entities that will operate an  
965 interdistrict magnet school that will assist the state in meeting the  
966 goals of the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William  
967 A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, or the goals of the 2013 stipulation and

968 order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as determined  
969 by the Commissioner of Education, may apply for and shall be eligible  
970 to receive grants for school building projects pursuant to section 10-  
971 264h for such a school: (A) The Board of Trustees of the Community-  
972 Technical Colleges on behalf of a regional community-technical  
973 college, (B) the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University  
974 System on behalf of a state university, (C) the Board of Trustees for The  
975 University of Connecticut on behalf of the university, (D) the board of  
976 governors for an independent college or university, as defined in  
977 section 10a-37, or the equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the  
978 independent college or university, (E) cooperative arrangements  
979 pursuant to section 10-158a, and (F) any other third-party not-for-  
980 profit corporation approved by the Commissioner of Education.

981 Sec. 553. Subsection (a) of section 10-284 of the general statutes is  
982 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
983 *1, 2015*):

984 (a) The Commissioner of Administrative Services shall have  
985 authority to receive and review applications for state grants under this  
986 chapter, and to approve any such application, or to disapprove any  
987 such application if (1) it does not comply with the requirements of the  
988 State Fire Marshal or the Department of Public Health, (2) it is not  
989 accompanied by a life-cycle cost analysis approved by the  
990 Commissioner of Administrative Services pursuant to section 16a-38,  
991 (3) it does not comply with the provisions of sections 10-290d and 10-  
992 291, (4) it does not meet (A) the standards or requirements established  
993 in regulations adopted in accordance with section 10-287c, or (B)  
994 school building categorization requirements described in section 10-  
995 283, (5) the estimated construction cost exceeds the per square foot cost  
996 for schools established in regulations adopted by the Commissioner of  
997 Administrative Services for the county in which the project is proposed  
998 to be located, (6) on and after July 1, 2014, the application does not  
999 comply with the school safety infrastructure [standards] criteria  
1000 developed by the School Safety Infrastructure Council, pursuant to

1001 section 10-292r, as amended by this act, except the Commissioner of  
1002 Administrative Services may waive any of the provisions of the school  
1003 safety infrastructure [standards] criteria if the commissioner  
1004 determines that the application demonstrates that the applicant has  
1005 made a good faith effort to address such [standards] criteria and that  
1006 compliance with such [standards] criteria would be infeasible,  
1007 unreasonable or excessively expensive, or (7) the Commissioner of  
1008 Education determines that the proposed educational specifications for  
1009 or theme of the project for which the applicant requests a state grant  
1010 duplicates a program offered by a technical high school or an  
1011 interdistrict magnet school in the same region.

1012 Sec. 554. Subsection (b) of section 10-292q of the general statutes is  
1013 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
1014 *1, 2015*):

1015 (b) The School Building Projects Advisory Council shall (1) develop  
1016 model blueprints for new school building projects that are in  
1017 accordance with industry standards for school buildings and the  
1018 school safety infrastructure [standards] criteria, developed pursuant to  
1019 section 10-292r, as amended by this act, (2) conduct studies, research  
1020 and analyses, and (3) make recommendations for improvements to the  
1021 school building projects processes to the Governor and the joint  
1022 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
1023 matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies,  
1024 education and finance, revenue and bonding.

1025 Sec. 555. Section 10-292s of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1026 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2015*):

1027 The Commissioner of Administrative Services may require any  
1028 town or regional board of education applying for a grant for a school  
1029 building project, pursuant to this chapter, to conduct a safety  
1030 assessment of the school building project to measure compliance with  
1031 the school safety infrastructure [standards] criteria, established  
1032 pursuant to section 10-292r, as amended by this act. Such town or

1033 regional board of education shall use an assessment tool designated by  
 1034 the commissioner or an alternative assessment tool that provides a  
 1035 comparable safety and security assessment of the project, as  
 1036 determined by the commissioner.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	<i>from passage</i>	PA 12-179, Sec. 29
Sec. 502	<i>from passage</i>	PA 12-1 of the June Sp. Sess., Sec. 226
Sec. 503	<i>from passage</i>	PA 13-243, Sec. 34
Sec. 504	<i>from passage</i>	PA 13-243, Sec. 35
Sec. 505	<i>from passage</i>	PA 13-243, Sec. 36
Sec. 506	<i>from passage</i>	PA 14-90, Sec. 21
Sec. 507	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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Sec. 527	<i>from passage</i>	PA 07-249, Sec. 30
Sec. 528	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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Sec. 550	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 551	<i>July 1, 2015</i>	10-292r
Sec. 552	<i>July 1, 2015</i>	10-283(a)(1)
Sec. 553	<i>July 1, 2015</i>	10-284(a)
Sec. 554	<i>July 1, 2015</i>	10-292q(b)
Sec. 555	<i>July 1, 2015</i>	10-292s