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**"AN ACT ADJUSTING THE STATE BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM
ENDING JUNE 30, 2017."**

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

3 "Sec. 501. Section 2-71c of the general statutes is repealed and the
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

5 (a) The Joint Committee on Legislative Management shall create a
6 legislative Office of Legislative Research and a legislative Office of
7 Fiscal Analysis.

8 (b) The legislative Office of Legislative Research shall assist the
9 General Assembly and the Legislative Department, legislative
10 commissions and legislative committees in a research and advisory
11 capacity as follows: (1) Assisting the development of legislative
12 programs; (2) analyzing the long-range implications of the several
13 alternative programs; (3) preparing abstracts, summaries, explanations

14 of state executive agency and federal government reports; (4)
15 informing the legislative leaders of action taken by the federal
16 government with regard to problems of their particular concern and
17 federal law; (5) assisting in the research and writing of interim reports;
18 (6) preparing bill analyses and summaries; (7) assisting in hearings by
19 preparing agendas, contacting potential witnesses, scheduling their
20 appearances and analyzing testimonies; and (8) performing such other
21 research and analysis services as may be determined by the Joint
22 Committee on Legislative Management.

23 (c) The legislative Office of Fiscal Analysis shall assist the General
24 Assembly and the Legislative Department, legislative commissions
25 and legislative committees in a research and advisory capacity as
26 follows: (1) Reviewing department and program operating budget
27 requests; (2) analyzing and helping to establish priorities with regard
28 to capital programs; (3) checking executive revenue estimates for
29 accuracy; (4) recommending potential untapped sources of revenue; (5)
30 assisting in legislative hearings and helping to schedule and prepare
31 the agenda of such hearings; (6) assisting in the development of means
32 by which budgeted programs can be periodically reviewed; (7)
33 preparing short analyses of the costs and long-range projections of
34 executive programs and proposed agency regulations; (8) keeping
35 track of federal aid programs to make sure that Connecticut is taking
36 full advantage of opportunities for assistance; (9) reviewing, on a
37 continuous basis, departmental budgets and programs; (10) analyzing
38 and preparing critiques of the Governor's proposed budget; (11)
39 studying, in depth, selected executive programs during the interim;
40 (12) performing such other services in the field of finance as may be
41 requested by the Joint Committee on Legislative Management; (13)
42 preparing the fiscal notes, required under section 2-24, upon favorably
43 reported bills which require expenditure of state or municipal funds or
44 affect state or municipal revenue; [and] (14) preparing at the end of
45 each fiscal year a compilation of all fiscal notes on legislation and
46 agency regulations taking effect in the next fiscal year, including the
47 total costs, savings and revenue effects estimated in such notes; and

48 (15) assessing potential revenue gain or loss resulting from economic
49 growth or decline associated with changes to state tax law. The
50 governing body of any municipality, if requested, shall provide the
51 Office of Fiscal Analysis, within two working days, with any
52 information that may be necessary for analysis in preparation of such
53 fiscal notes. Each officer, board, commission or department of the state
54 government shall assist the Office of Fiscal Analysis in carrying out its
55 duties and, if requested, shall make its records and accounts available
56 to the office in a timely manner, except that where there are statutory
57 requirements of confidentiality with regard to such records and
58 accounts, the identity of any person to whom such records or accounts
59 relate shall not be disclosed.

60 (d) Such legislative offices shall undertake research assignments as
61 they may be assigned and in accordance with procedures established
62 by the Joint Committee on Legislative Management.

63 (e) The Joint Committee on Legislative Management shall appoint
64 an executive director of the Joint Committee on Legislative
65 Management, a director of the legislative Office of Legislative Research
66 and a director of the legislative Office of Fiscal Analysis and may
67 employ professional and research staff, clerical assistants and other
68 personnel as may be required to staff such offices, and the Comptroller
69 is directed to draw his order on the Treasurer in payment of any sum
70 approved by such committee from the appropriation to the Joint
71 Committee on Legislative Management and legislative appropriations
72 for the current and subsequent fiscal year.

73 Sec. 502. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the
74 provisions of section 9-705 of the general statutes, the amount of any
75 grant issued pursuant to said section to the qualified candidate
76 committee of a candidate who has a primary for nomination to any
77 office for a primary held in 2016 and the amount of any grant issued
78 pursuant to said section to the qualified candidate committee of any
79 candidate who has been nominated to any office or has qualified to
80 appear on the ballot for any office for any election held in 2016 shall be

81 reduced by fifty per cent.

82 Sec. 503. Subsection (a) of section 12-217g of the 2016 supplement to
83 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
84 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2016*):

85 (a) (1) There shall be allowed a credit for any taxpayer against the
86 tax imposed under this chapter for any income year with respect to
87 each apprenticeship in the manufacturing trades commenced by such
88 taxpayer in such year under a qualified apprenticeship training
89 program as described in this section, certified in accordance with
90 regulations adopted by the Labor Commissioner and registered with
91 the Connecticut State Apprenticeship Council established under
92 section 31-22n, in an amount equal to six dollars per hour multiplied
93 by the total number of hours worked during the income year by
94 apprentices in the first half of a two-year term of apprenticeship and
95 the first three-quarters of a four-year term of apprenticeship, provided
96 the amount of credit allowed for any income year with respect to each
97 such apprenticeship may not exceed seven thousand five hundred
98 dollars or fifty per cent of actual wages paid in such income year to an
99 apprentice in the first half of a two-year term of apprenticeship or in
100 the first three-quarters of a four-year term of apprenticeship,
101 whichever is less.

102 (2) Effective for income years commencing on and after January 1,
103 2015, for purposes of this subsection, (A) "taxpayer" includes an
104 affected business entity; [, as defined in section 12-284b] (B) "affected
105 business entity" means any S corporation, limited liability company,
106 limited liability partnership or limited partnership; (C) "S corporation"
107 means any corporation that is an S corporation for federal income tax
108 purposes and that is either (i) a domestic S corporation, or (ii) a foreign
109 S corporation that is required to obtain a certificate of authority from
110 the Secretary of the State before transacting business in this state,
111 whether or not it has obtained such a certificate; (D) "limited liability
112 company" means any limited liability company that is, for federal
113 income tax purposes, either treated as a partnership, if it has two or

114 more members, or disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, if
115 it has a single member, and that is either (i) a domestic limited liability
116 company, or (ii) a foreign limited liability company that is required to
117 register with the Secretary of the State before transacting business in
118 this state, whether or not it has so registered; (E) "limited liability
119 partnership" means any limited liability partnership that is either (i) a
120 domestic limited liability partnership, or (ii) a foreign limited liability
121 partnership that is required to file a certificate of authority with the
122 Secretary of the State before transacting business in this state, whether
123 or not it has filed such certificate; (F) "limited partnership" means any
124 limited partnership that is either (i) a domestic limited partnership, or
125 (ii) a foreign limited partnership that is required under chapter 610 to
126 register with the Secretary of the State before transacting business in
127 this state, whether or not it has so registered; (G) "domestic S
128 corporation", "domestic limited liability company", "domestic limited
129 liability partnership" or "domestic limited partnership" means any
130 such corporation, company or partnership that is formed under the
131 laws of this state; and (H) "foreign S corporation", "foreign limited
132 liability company", "foreign limited liability partnership" or "foreign
133 limited partnership" means any such corporation, company or
134 partnership that is not a domestic corporation, company or
135 partnership. Any affected business entity allowed a credit under this
136 subsection may sell, assign or otherwise transfer such credit, in whole
137 or in part, to one or more taxpayers to offset any state tax due or
138 otherwise payable by such taxpayers under this chapter, or, with
139 respect to income years commencing on or after January 1, 2016,
140 chapter 212 or 227, provided such credit may be sold, assigned or
141 otherwise transferred, in whole or in part, not more than three times.

142 Sec. 504. Subsection (e) of section 12-217jj of the 2016 supplement to
143 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
144 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2016*):

145 (e) (1) On and after July 1, 2006, and for income years commencing
146 on or after January 1, 2006, any credit allowed pursuant to this section
147 may be sold, assigned or otherwise transferred, in whole or in part, to

148 one or more taxpayers, provided (A) no credit, after issuance, may be
149 sold, assigned or otherwise transferred, in whole or in part, more than
150 three times, (B) in the case of a credit allowed for the income year
151 commencing on or after January 1, 2011, and prior to January 1, 2012,
152 any entity that is not subject to tax under chapter 207 or this chapter
153 may transfer not more than fifty per cent of such credit in any one
154 income year, and (C) in the case of a credit allowed for an income year
155 commencing on or after January 1, 2012, any entity that is not subject
156 to tax under chapter 207 or this chapter may transfer not more than
157 twenty-five per cent of such credit in any one income year.

158 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (1) of this
159 subsection, any entity that is not subject to tax under this chapter or
160 chapter 207 shall not be subject to the limitations on the transfer of
161 credits provided in subparagraphs (B) and (C) of subdivision (1),
162 provided such entity owns not less than fifty per cent, directly or
163 indirectly, of a business entity. [subject to tax under section 12-284b.]
164 For the purposes of this subdivision, (A) "business entity" means any S
165 corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership or
166 limited partnership; (B) "S corporation" means any corporation that is
167 an S corporation for federal income tax purposes and that is either (i) a
168 domestic S corporation, or (ii) a foreign S corporation that is required
169 to obtain a certificate of authority from the Secretary of the State before
170 transacting business in this state, whether or not it has obtained such a
171 certificate; (C) "limited liability company" means any limited liability
172 company that is, for federal income tax purposes, either treated as a
173 partnership, if it has two or more members, or disregarded as an entity
174 separate from its owner, if it has a single member, and that is either (i)
175 a domestic limited liability company, or (ii) a foreign limited liability
176 company that is required to register with the Secretary of the State
177 before transacting business in this state, whether or not it has so
178 registered; (D) "limited liability partnership" means any limited
179 liability partnership that is either (i) a domestic limited liability
180 partnership, or (ii) a foreign limited liability partnership that is
181 required to file a certificate of authority with the Secretary of the State

182 before transacting business in this state, whether or not it has filed
183 such certificate; (E) "limited partnership" means any limited
184 partnership that is either (i) a domestic limited partnership, or (ii) a
185 foreign limited partnership that is required under chapter 610 to
186 register with the Secretary of the State before transacting business in
187 this state, whether or not it has so registered; (F) "domestic S
188 corporation", "domestic limited liability company", "domestic limited
189 liability partnership" or "domestic limited partnership" means any
190 such corporation, company or partnership that is formed under the
191 laws of this state; and (G) "foreign S corporation", "foreign limited
192 liability company", "foreign limited liability partnership" or "foreign
193 limited partnership" means any such corporation, company or
194 partnership that is not a domestic corporation, company or
195 partnership.

196 (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (1) of this
197 subsection, any qualified production that is created in whole or in
198 significant part, as determined by the Commissioner of Economic and
199 Community Development, at a qualified production facility shall not
200 be subject to the limitations of subparagraph (B) or (C) of said
201 subdivision (1). For purposes of this subdivision, "qualified production
202 facility" means a facility (A) located in this state, (B) intended for film,
203 television or digital media production, and (C) that has had a
204 minimum investment of three million dollars, or less if the
205 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development determines
206 such facility otherwise qualifies.

207 Sec. 505. Section 31-3ww of the general statutes is repealed and the
208 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2016*):

209 (a) For purposes of this section, (1) "qualified apprenticeship
210 training program" has the same meaning as provided in section 12-
211 217g, as amended by this act; [and] (2) "taxpayer" means an affected
212 business entity; [as defined in section 12-284b] (3) "affected business
213 entity" means any S corporation, limited liability company, limited
214 liability partnership or limited partnership; (4) "S corporation" means

215 any corporation that is an S corporation for federal income tax
216 purposes and that is either (A) a domestic S corporation, or (B) a
217 foreign S corporation that is required to obtain a certificate of authority
218 from the Secretary of the State before transacting business in this state,
219 whether or not it has obtained such a certificate; (5) "limited liability
220 company" means any limited liability company that is, for federal
221 income tax purposes, either treated as a partnership, if it has two or
222 more members, or disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, if
223 it has a single member, and that is either (A) a domestic limited
224 liability company, or (B) a foreign limited liability company that is
225 required to register with the Secretary of the State before transacting
226 business in this state, whether or not it has so registered; (6) "limited
227 liability partnership" means any limited liability partnership that is
228 either (A) a domestic limited liability partnership, or (B) a foreign
229 limited liability partnership that is required to file a certificate of
230 authority with the Secretary of the State before transacting business in
231 this state, whether or not it has filed such certificate; (7) "limited
232 partnership" means any limited partnership that is either (A) a
233 domestic limited partnership, or (B) a foreign limited partnership that
234 is required under chapter 610 to register with the Secretary of the State
235 before transacting business in this state, whether or not it has so
236 registered; (8) "domestic S corporation", "domestic limited liability
237 company", "domestic limited liability partnership" or "domestic limited
238 partnership" means any such corporation, company or partnership that
239 is formed under the laws of this state; and (9) "foreign S corporation",
240 "foreign limited liability company", "foreign limited liability
241 partnership" or "foreign limited partnership" means any such
242 corporation, company or partnership that is not a domestic
243 corporation, company or partnership.

244 (b) The Labor Commissioner shall establish and implement a
245 program of grants for taxpayers that employ apprentices under a
246 qualified apprenticeship training program in the manufacturing
247 trades, plastics and plastics-related trades or construction trades. The
248 eligibility requirements for such apprenticeship grants shall be the

249 same as those imposed by section 12-217g. Grants awarded by the
 250 commissioner pursuant to this section shall be in the amounts
 251 provided in said section 12-217g for apprentices in the appropriate
 252 trade.

253 (c) The total amount of grants available under such program shall
 254 not exceed fifty thousand dollars. Taxpayers shall apply for grants to
 255 the commissioner, on forms and in the manner provided by the
 256 commissioner. The commissioner shall award such grants on a first-
 257 come, first-served basis.

258 Sec. 506. Section 12-284b of the general statutes is repealed. (*Effective*
 259 *July 1, 2016*)"

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| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: | | |
| Sec. 501 | <i>from passage</i> | 2-71c |
| Sec. 502 | <i>from passage</i> | New section |
| Sec. 503 | <i>July 1, 2016</i> | 12-217g(a) |
| Sec. 504 | <i>July 1, 2016</i> | 12-217jj(e) |
| Sec. 505 | <i>July 1, 2016</i> | 31-3ww |
| Sec. 506 | <i>July 1, 2016</i> | Repealer section |