AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATE BUDGET FOR THE BIENNium ENDING JUNE 30, 2019, APPROPRIATIONS AND IMPLEMENTING PROVISIONS THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING AND ADJUSTING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR VARIOUS PURPOSES.

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

Section 1. (Effective from passage) The following sums are appropriated from the GENERAL FUND for the annual periods indicated for the purposes described.

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| Fire Training School - Wolcott               | 100,162| 100,162|
| Fire Training School - Fairfield             | 70,395 | 70,395 |
| Fire Training School - Hartford              | 169,336| 169,336|
| Fire Training School - Middletown            | 59,053 | 59,053 |
| Fire Training School - Stamford              | 55,432 | 55,432 |
| **AGENCY TOTAL**                             | 174,096,556 | 176,452,736 |

**MILITARY DEPARTMENT**

| Personal Services                           | 2,711,254 | 2,711,254 |
| Other Expenses                              | 2,036,120 | 2,056,301 |
| Honor Guards                                | 525,000   | 525,000   |
| Veteran's Service Bonuses                   | 93,800    | 93,800    |
| **AGENCY TOTAL**                            | 5,366,174 | 5,386,355 |

**DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION**

| Personal Services                           | 12,937,213 | 12,937,213 |
| Other Expenses                              | 1,132,707  | 1,132,707  |
| **AGENCY TOTAL**                            | 14,069,920 | 14,069,920 |

**LABOR DEPARTMENT**

| Personal Services                           | 8,747,739  | 8,747,739  |
| Other Expenses                              | 882,309    | 882,309    |
| CETC Workforce                              | 619,591    | 619,591    |
| Workforce Investment Act                    | 34,149,177 | 34,149,177 |
| Connecticut's Youth Employment Program      | 2,500,000  | 2,500,000  |
| Jobs First Employment Services              | 14,869,606 | 14,869,606 |
| STRIDE                                      | 414,892    | 414,892    |
| Connecticut Career Resource Network         | 131,113    | 131,113    |
| STRIVE                                      | 189,443    | 189,443    |
| Veterans’ Opportunity Pilot                 | 353,553    | 353,553    |
| Second Chance Initiative                    | 1,270,828  | 1,270,828  |
| Workforce Initiatives                       | 2,337,884  | 2,337,884  |
| **AGENCY TOTAL**                            | 66,466,135 | 66,466,135 |

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### DEBT SERVICE - STATE TREASURER

| Debt Service                  | 614,679,938 | 680,223,716 |

### STATE COMPTROLLER - MISCELLANEOUS

| Nonfunctional - Change to Accruals | 675,402 | 213,133 |

### STATE COMPTROLLER - FRINGE BENEFITS

| Unemployment Compensation     | 203,548 | 203,548 |
| State Employees Retirement Contributions | 132,842,942 | 144,980,942 |
| Insurance - Group Life         | 273,357 | 277,357 |
| Employers Social Security Tax | 15,655,534 | 15,674,834 |
| State Employees Health Service Cost | 46,110,687 | 50,218,403 |
| AGENCY TOTAL                  | 195,086,068 | 211,355,084 |

### RESERVE FOR SALARY ADJUSTMENTS

| Reserve For Salary Adjustments | 7,301,186 | 2,301,186 |
Sec. 3. (Effective from passage) The following sums are appropriated from the MASHANTUCKET PEQUOT AND MOHEGAN FUND for the annual periods indicated for the purposes described.

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Sec. 5. (Effective from passage) The following sums are appropriated from the BANKING FUND for the annual periods indicated for the purposes described.

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Sec. 7. *(Effective from passage)* The following sums are appropriated from the CONSUMER COUNSEL AND PUBLIC UTILITY CONTROL FUND for the annual periods indicated for the purposes described.

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**NON-FUNCTIONAL**

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| **STATE COMPTROLLER - MISCELLANEOUS** | | |
| Nonfunctional - Change to Accruals | 116,945 | 116,945 |
| **TOTAL - INSURANCE FUND** | 89,503,916 | 90,629,589 |

*House Bill No. 7501*
Sec. 8. (Effective from passage) The following sums are appropriated from the WORKERS’ COMPENSATION FUND for the annual periods indicated for the purposes described.

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<td><strong>TOTAL - CONSUMER COUNSEL AND PUBLIC UTILITY CONTROL FUND</strong></td>
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| **GENERAL GOVERNMENT**                  |           |           |
| **DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE**       |           |           |
| Personal Services                       | 369,969   | 369,969   |
| Other Expenses                          | 10,428    | 10,428    |
| Fringe Benefits                         | 306,273   | 306,273   |
| **AGENCY TOTAL**                        | 686,670   | 686,670   |

| **REGULATION AND PROTECTION**           |           |           |
| **LABOR DEPARTMENT**                    |           |           |
| Occupational Health Clinics             | 687,148   | 687,148   |

| **WORKERS’ COMPENSATION COMMISSION**    |           |           |
| Personal Services                       | 9,905,669 | 9,905,669 |
| Other Expenses                          | 2,111,669 | 2,449,666 |
| Equipment                               | 1         | 1         |
| Fringe Benefits                         | 7,931,229 | 7,931,229 |
| Indirect Overhead                       | 291,637   | 291,637   |
| **AGENCY TOTAL**                        | 20,240,205| 20,578,202|

| **HUMAN SERVICES**                      |           |           |
Sec. 9. (Effective from passage) The following sums are appropriated from the CRIMINAL INJURIES COMPENSATION FUND for the annual periods indicated for the purposes described.

Sec. 10. (Effective from passage) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 2-35, 4-73, 10a-77, 10a-99, 10a-105 and 10a-143 of the general statutes, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may make reductions in allotments in any budgeted agency and fund of the state for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, in order to reduce labor-management expenditures by $700,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, and by $867,600,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019.
(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 10a-77, 10a-99, 10a-105 and 10a-143 of the general statutes, any reductions in allotments pursuant to subsection (a) of this section that are applicable to the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities, The University of Connecticut and The University of Connecticut Health Center shall be credited to the General Fund.

Sec. 11. (Effective from passage) (a) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may make reductions in allotments for the executive branch for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, in order to achieve budget savings of $40,000,000 in the General Fund during each such fiscal year.

(b) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may make reductions in allotments for the legislative branch for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, in order to achieve budget savings of $500,000 in the General Fund during each such fiscal year. Such reductions shall be achieved as determined by the president pro tempore and majority leader of the Senate, the speaker and majority leader of the House of Representatives, the Senate Republican president pro tempore and the minority leader of the House of Representatives.

(c) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may make reductions in allotments for the judicial branch for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, in order to achieve budget savings of $3,000,000 in the General Fund during each such fiscal year. Such reductions shall be achieved as determined by the Chief Justice and Chief Public Defender.

Sec. 12. (Effective from passage) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may make reductions in allotments in any budgeted agency of the state in order to achieve targeted budget savings in the General Fund of $56,972,184 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018,
Sec. 13. (Effective from passage) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may make increases in allotments in any budgeted agency of the state in order to reflect budget costs associated with the delay in passage of a state budget act as of July 1, 2017, in the General Fund of $20,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

Sec. 14. (Effective from passage) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may make reductions in allotments in any budgeted agency of the state in order to achieve targeted budget savings in the General Fund of $144,016,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, and $177,771,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019.

Sec. 15. (Effective from passage) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may make reductions in allotments in any budgeted agency of the state for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, in order to achieve budget savings of $12,000,000 in the Special Transportation Fund during each such fiscal year.

Sec. 16. (Effective from passage) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, the Department of Social Services and the Department of Children and Families may, with the approval of the Office of Policy and Management, and in compliance with any advanced planning document approved by the federal Department of Health and Human Services, establish receivables for the reimbursement anticipated from approved projects.

Sec. 17. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 4-85 of the general statutes, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall not allot funds appropriated in sections 1 to 9, inclusive, of this act for Nonfunctional – Change to Accruals.

Sec. 18. (Effective from passage) (a) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may transfer amounts appropriated for
Personal Services in sections 1 to 9, inclusive, of this act from agencies to the Reserve for Salary Adjustments account to reflect a more accurate impact of collective bargaining and related costs.

(b) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may transfer funds appropriated in section 1 of this act, for Reserve for Salary Adjustments, to any agency in any appropriated fund to give effect to salary increases, other employee benefits, agency costs related to staff reductions including accrual payments, achievement of agency personal services reductions, or other personal services adjustments authorized by this act or any other act or other applicable statute.

Sec. 19. (Effective from passage) (a) That portion of unexpended funds, as determined by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, appropriated in public act 15-244, as amended by public act 16-2 of the May Special Session, which relate to collective bargaining agreements and related costs, shall not lapse on June 30, 2017, and such funds shall continue to be available for such purpose during the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019.

(b) That portion of unexpended funds, as determined by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, appropriated in sections 1 to 9, inclusive, of this act, which relate to collective bargaining agreements and related costs for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, shall not lapse on June 30, 2018, and such funds shall continue to be available for such purpose during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019.

Sec. 20. (Effective from passage) Any appropriation, or portion thereof, made to any agency, under sections 1 to 9, inclusive, of this act, may be transferred at the request of such agency to any other agency by the Governor, with the approval of the Finance Advisory Committee, to take full advantage of federal matching funds, provided both agencies shall certify that the expenditure of such transferred funds by the
receiving agency will be for the same purpose as that of the original appropriation or portion thereof so transferred. Any federal funds generated through the transfer of appropriations between agencies may be used for reimbursing appropriated expenditures or for expanding program services or a combination of both as determined by the Governor, with the approval of the Finance Advisory Committee.

Sec. 21. (Effective from passage) (a) Any appropriation, or portion thereof, made to any agency under sections 1 to 9, inclusive, of this act, may be adjusted by the Governor, with approval of the Finance Advisory Committee, in order to maximize federal funding available to the state, consistent with the relevant federal provisions of law.

(b) The Governor shall report on any such adjustment permitted under subsection (a) of this section, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies and finance, revenue and bonding.

Sec. 22. (Effective from passage) Any appropriation, or portion thereof, made to The University of Connecticut Health Center in section 1 of this act may be transferred by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management to the Medicaid account in the Department of Social Services for the purpose of maximizing federal reimbursement.

Sec. 23. (Effective from passage) All funds appropriated to the Department of Social Services for DMHAS - Disproportionate Share shall be expended by the Department of Social Services in such amounts and at such times as prescribed by the Office of Policy and Management. The Department of Social Services shall make disproportionate share payments to hospitals in the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services for operating expenses and for
related fringe benefit expenses. Funds received by the hospitals in the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, for fringe benefits, shall be used to reimburse the Comptroller. All other funds received by the hospitals in the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services shall be deposited to grants - other than federal accounts. All disproportionate share payments not expended in grants - other than federal accounts shall lapse at the end of the fiscal year.

Sec. 24. (Effective from passage) Any appropriation, or portion thereof, made to the Department of Veterans' Affairs in section 1 of this act may be transferred by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management to the Medicaid account in the Department of Social Services for the purpose of maximizing federal reimbursement.

Sec. 25. (Effective from passage) During the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, $1,000,000 of the federal funds received by the Department of Education, from Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), shall be transferred to the Office of Early Childhood in each such fiscal year, for the Birth-to-Three program, in order to carry out Part B responsibilities consistent with the IDEA.

Sec. 26. (Effective from passage) (a) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the distribution of priority school district grants, pursuant to subsection (a) of section 10-266p of the general statutes, shall be as follows: (1) For priority school districts in the amount of $31,609,003, (2) for extended school building hours in the amount of $2,994,752, and (3) for school accountability in the amount of $3,499,699.

(b) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, the distribution of priority school district grants, pursuant to subsection (a) of section 10-266p of the general statutes, shall be as follows: (1) For priority school districts in the amount of $15,804,502, (2) for extended school building hours in the amount of $2,994,752, and (3) for school accountability in...
the amount of $3,499,699.

Sec. 27. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 17a-17 of the general statutes, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, the provisions of said section shall not be considered in any increases or decreases to residential rates or allowable per diem payments to private residential treatment centers licensed pursuant to section 17a-145 of the general statutes.

Sec. 28. (Effective from passage) (a) For all allowable expenditures made pursuant to a contract subject to cost settlement with the Department of Developmental Services by an organization in compliance with performance requirements of such contract, one hundred per cent, or an alternative amount as identified by the Commissioner of Developmental Services and approved by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, of the difference between actual expenditures incurred and the amount received by the organization from the Department of Developmental Services pursuant to such contract shall be reimbursed to the Department of Developmental Services during each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019.

(b) For expenditures incurred by nonprofit providers with purchase of service contracts with the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services for which year-end cost reconciliation currently occurs, and where such providers are in compliance with performance requirements of such contract, one hundred per cent, or an alternative amount as identified by the Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services and approved by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and as allowed by applicable state and federal laws and regulations, of the difference between actual expenditures incurred and the amount received by the organization from the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services pursuant to such contract shall be reimbursed to the Department of Mental Health and
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Addiction Services for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019.

Sec. 29. (Effective from passage) The sum of $1,040,770 of the amount appropriated in section 7 of public act 16-2 of the May special session, to the Workers' Compensation Commission, for Other Expenses, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, shall not lapse on June 30, 2017, and such funds shall continue to be available for the development of the e-court migration project during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

Sec. 30. (Effective from passage) The unexpended balance of funds transferred from the Reserve for Salary Adjustment account in the Special Transportation Fund, to the Department of Motor Vehicles, in section 39 of special act 00-13, and carried forward in subsection (a) of section 34 of special act 01-1 of the June special session, and subsection (a) of section 41 of public act 03-1 of the June 30 special session, and section 43 of public act 05-251, and section 42 of public act 07-1 of the June special session, and section 26 of public act 09-3 of the June special session, and section 17 of public act 11-6, and section 36 of public act 13-184, and section 29 of public act 15-244 for the Commercial Vehicle Information Systems and Networks Project, shall not lapse on June 30, 2017, and such funds shall continue to be available for expenditure for such purpose during the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019.

Sec. 31. (Effective from passage) (a) The unexpended balance of funds appropriated to the Department of Motor Vehicles in section 49 of special act 99-10, and carried forward in subsection (b) of section 34 of special act 01-1 of the June special session, and subsection (b) of section 41 of public act 03-1 of the June 30 special session, and subsection (a) of section 45 of public act 05-251, and subsection (a) of section 43 of public act 07-1 of the June special session, and subsection (a) of section 27 of public act 09-3 of the June special session, and subsection (a) of
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section 18 of public act 11-6, and subsection (a) of section 30 of public act 15-244 for the purpose of upgrading the Department of Motor Vehicles' registration and driver license data processing systems, shall not lapse on June 30, 2017, and such funds shall continue to be available for expenditure for such purpose, including for implementation of the Passport to State Parks program, during the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019.

(b) Up to $7,000,000 of the unexpended balance appropriated to the Department of Transportation, for Personal Services, in section 12 of public act 03-1 of the June 30 special session, and carried forward and transferred to the Department of Motor Vehicles' Reflective License Plates account by section 33 of public act 04-216, and carried forward by section 72 of public act 04-2 of the May special session, and subsection (b) of section 45 of public act 05-251, and subsection (b) of section 43 of public act 07-1 of the June special session, and subsection (b) of section 27 of public act 09-3 of the June special session, and subsection (b) of section 18 of public act 11-6, and subsection (b) of section 37 of public act 13-184, and subsection (b) of section 30 of public act 15-244 shall not lapse on June 30, 2017, and such funds shall continue to be available for expenditure for the purpose of upgrading the Department of Motor Vehicles' registration and driver license data processing systems, including for implementation of the Passport to State Parks program, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019.

(c) Up to $8,500,000 of the unexpended balance appropriated to the State Treasurer, for Debt Service, in section 12 of public act 03-1 of the June 30 special session, and carried forward and transferred to the Department of Motor Vehicles' Reflective License Plates account by section 33 of public act 04-216, and carried forward by section 72 of public act 04-2 of the May special session, and subsection (c) of section
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45 of public act 05-251, and subsection (c) of section 43 of public act 07-1 of the June special session, and subsection (c) of section 27 of public act 09-3 of the June special session, and subsection (c) of section 18 of public act 11-6, and subsection (c) of section 37 of public act 13-184, and subsection (c) of section 30 of public act 15-244 shall not lapse on June 30, 2017, and such funds shall continue to be available for expenditure for the purpose of upgrading the Department of Motor Vehicles’ registration and driver license data processing systems, including for implementation of the Passport to State Parks program, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019.

Sec. 32. Section 5-156a of the general statutes is amended by adding subsection (h) as follows (Effective from passage):

(NEW) (h) Any recovery of pension costs from appropriated or nonappropriated sources other than the General Fund and Special Transportation Fund that causes the payments to the State Employees Retirement System to exceed the actuarially determined employer contribution for any fiscal year shall be deposited into the State Employees Retirement Fund as an additional employer contribution at the end of such fiscal year.

Sec. 33. (Effective from passage) During the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, no (1) lapse or other reduction specified in section 1 of this act, or (2) reduction in allotment requisitions or allotments in force authorized under the provisions of section 4-85 of the general statutes shall be made or achieved by reducing the amounts appropriated in section 1 of this act to the following accounts for said fiscal years: (A) The Department of Developmental Services, for Employment Opportunities and Day Services, (B) the Department of Social Services, for Community Residential Services, and (C) the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, for (i) Grants for Substance Abuse Services, and (ii) Grants for Mental Health Services.
Sec. 34. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (j) of section 45a-82 of the general statutes, any balance in the Probate Court Administration Fund on June 30, 2017, shall remain in said fund and shall not be transferred to the General Fund, regardless of whether such balance is in excess of an amount equal to fifteen per cent of the total expenditures authorized pursuant to subsection (a) of section 45a-84 of the general statutes for the immediately succeeding fiscal year.

Sec. 35. Section 12-122a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

Any municipality which has more than one taxing district may by a majority vote of its legislative body set a uniform city-wide mill rate for taxation of motor vehicles, except that if the charter of such municipality provides that any mill rate for property tax purposes shall be set by the board of finance of such municipality, such uniform city-wide mill rate may be set by a majority vote of such board of finance. [No uniform city-wide mill rate may exceed the amount set forth in section 12-71e.]

Sec. 36. (Effective from passage) (a) For purposes of this section, "qualified taxpayer" means a taxpayer that: (1) Failed to file a tax return, or failed to report the full amount of tax properly due on a previously filed tax return, that was due on or before December 31, 2016; (2) voluntarily comes forward prior to receiving a billing notice or a notice from the Department of Revenue Services that an audit is being conducted in relation to the tax type and taxable period or periods for which the taxpayer is seeking a fresh start agreement; (3) is not a party to a closing agreement with the Commissioner of Revenue Services in relation to the tax type and taxable period or periods for which the taxpayer is seeking a fresh start agreement; (4) has not made an offer of compromise that has been accepted by the commissioner in relation to the tax type and taxable period or periods for which the
taxpayer is seeking a fresh start agreement; (5) has not protested a determination of an audit for the tax type and taxable period or periods for which the taxpayer is seeking a fresh start agreement; (6) is not a party to litigation against the commissioner in relation to the tax type and taxable period or periods for which the taxpayer is seeking a fresh start agreement; and (7) makes application for a fresh start agreement in the form and manner prescribed by the commissioner.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, the Commissioner of Revenue Services is authorized to implement a fresh start program and may, at the commissioner's sole discretion, enter into fresh start agreements with qualified taxpayers during the period from the effective date of this section, to October 31, 2018, inclusive, except taxes imposed under chapter 222 of the general statutes shall not be eligible for a fresh start agreement. Any fresh start agreement shall provide for (1) the waiver of all penalties that may be imposed under title 12 of the general statutes, and (2) the waiver of fifty per cent of the interest related to a failure to pay any amount due to the commissioner by the date prescribed for payment. A fresh start agreement for a qualified taxpayer that has failed to file a tax return or returns may also provide for a limited look-back period.

(c) As part of any fresh start agreement, a qualified taxpayer shall: (1) Voluntarily and fully disclose on the application all material facts pertinent to such taxpayer's liability for taxes due to the commissioner; (2) file any tax returns or documents that may be required by the commissioner; (3) pay in full the tax and interest as set forth in the fresh start agreement in the form and manner prescribed by the commissioner; (4) agree to timely file any required tax returns and pay any associated tax obligations to this state for a period of three years after the date the fresh start agreement is signed by the parties to such agreement; and (5) waive, for the taxable period or periods for which the commissioner has agreed to waive penalties and interest, all
administrative and judicial rights of appeal that have not run or expired.

(d) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) to (c), inclusive, of this section or of any fresh start agreement, the waiver of penalties and interest shall not be binding on the commissioner if the commissioner finds that any of the following circumstances exist: (1) The qualified taxpayer misrepresented any material fact in applying for or entering into the fresh start agreement; (2) the qualified taxpayer fails to provide any information required for any taxable period covered by the fresh start agreement on or before the due date prescribed under the terms of the fresh start agreement; (3) the qualified taxpayer fails to pay any tax, penalty or interest due in the time, form or manner prescribed under the terms of the fresh start agreement; (4) the tax reported by the qualified taxpayer for any taxable period covered by the fresh start agreement, including any amount shown on an amended tax return, understates by ten per cent or more the tax due and such taxpayer cannot demonstrate to the satisfaction of the commissioner that a good faith effort was made to accurately compute the tax; or (5) the qualified taxpayer fails to timely file any required tax returns or pay any associated tax obligations to this state, during the three-year period after the date the fresh start agreement was signed by the parties to such agreement. No payment made by a qualified taxpayer for a taxable period covered by a fresh start agreement shall be refunded to such taxpayer or credited to a taxable period other than the taxable period for which such payment was made.

Sec. 37. Section 12-263i of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Ambulatory surgical center" means [an entity included within
the definition of said term that is set forth in 42 CFR 416.2 and that is licensed by the Department of Public Health as an outpatient surgical facility, and any other ambulatory surgical center that is Medicare certified] any distinct entity that (A) operates exclusively for the purpose of providing surgical services to patients not requiring hospitalization and in which the expected duration of services would not exceed twenty-four hours following an admission; (B) has an agreement with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to participate in Medicare as an ambulatory surgical center; and (C) meets the general and specific conditions for participation in Medicare set forth in 42 CFR Part 416, Subparts B and C, as amended from time to time;

(2) "Ambulatory surgical center services" means, in accordance with 42 CFR 433.56(a)(9), as amended from time to time, services that are furnished in connection with covered surgical procedures performed in an ambulatory surgical center as provided in 42 CFR 416.164(a), as amended from time to time, for which payment is included in the ambulatory surgical center payment established under 42 CFR 416.171, as amended from time to time, for the covered surgical procedure. "Ambulatory surgical center services" includes facility services only and does not include surgical procedures;

[(2)] (3) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Revenue Services; and

[(3)] (4) "Department" means the Department of Revenue Services.

(b) (1) For each calendar quarter commencing on or after October 1, 2015, but prior to October 1, 2017, there is hereby imposed a tax on each ambulatory surgical center in this state to be paid each calendar quarter. The tax imposed by this section shall be at the rate of six per cent of the gross receipts of each ambulatory surgical center, except that such tax shall not be imposed on any amount of such gross
receipts that constitutes either (A) the first million dollars of gross receipts of the ambulatory surgical center in the applicable fiscal year, or (B) net patient revenue of a hospital that is subject to the tax imposed under this chapter. Nothing in this section shall prohibit an ambulatory surgical center from seeking remuneration for the tax imposed by this section.

(2) Each ambulatory surgical center shall, on or before January 31, 2016, and thereafter on or before the last day of January, April, July and October of each year prior to October 1, 2017, render to the commissioner a return, on forms prescribed or furnished by the commissioner, reporting the name and location of such ambulatory surgical center, the entire amount of gross receipts generated by such ambulatory surgical center during the calendar quarter ending on the last day of the preceding month and such other information as the commissioner deems necessary for the proper administration of this section. The tax imposed under this section shall be due and payable on the due date of such return. Each ambulatory surgical center shall be required to file such return electronically with the department and to make payment of such tax by electronic funds transfer in the manner provided by chapter 228g, regardless of whether such ambulatory surgical center would have otherwise been required to file such return electronically or to make such tax payment by electronic funds transfer under the provisions of chapter 228g.

(c) (1) For each calendar quarter commencing on or after October 1, 2017, there is hereby imposed a tax on each ambulatory surgical center in this state to be paid each calendar quarter. The tax imposed by this section shall be at the rate of six per cent of the total net revenue received by each ambulatory surgical center for the provision of ambulatory surgical center services, except that such tax shall not be imposed on any amount of such net revenue that constitutes net patient revenue of a hospital that is subject to the tax imposed under
this chapter. Nothing in this section shall prohibit an ambulatory surgical center from seeking remuneration for the tax imposed by this section.

(2) Each ambulatory surgical center shall, on or before January 31, 2018, and thereafter on or before the last day of January, April, July and October of each year, render to the commissioner a return, on forms prescribed or furnished by the commissioner, reporting the name and location of such ambulatory surgical center, the entire amount of the net revenue under subdivision (1) of this subsection generated by such ambulatory surgical center during the calendar quarter ending on the last day of the preceding month and such other information as the commissioner deems necessary for the proper administration of this section. The tax imposed under this section shall be due and payable on the due date of such return. Each ambulatory surgical center shall be required to file such return electronically with the department and to make payment of such tax by electronic funds transfer in the manner provided by chapter 228g, regardless of whether such ambulatory surgical center would have otherwise been required to file such return electronically or to make such tax payment by electronic funds transfer under the provisions of chapter 228g.

[(c)] (d) Whenever the tax imposed under this section is not paid when due, a penalty of ten per cent of the amount due and unpaid or fifty dollars, whichever is greater, shall be imposed and interest at the rate of one per cent per month or fraction thereof shall accrue on such tax from the due date of such tax until the date of payment.

[(d)] (e) The provisions of sections 12-548, 12-550 to 12-554, inclusive, and 12-555a shall apply to the provisions of this section in the same manner and with the same force and effect as if the language of said sections had been incorporated in full into this section and had expressly referred to the tax imposed under this section, except to the extent that any provision is inconsistent with a provision in this
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[(e) (f)] For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, and each fiscal year thereafter, the Comptroller is authorized to record as revenue for each fiscal year the amount of tax imposed under the provisions of this section prior to the end of each fiscal year and which tax is received by the Commissioner of Revenue Services not later than five business days after the last day of July immediately following the end of each fiscal year.

Sec. 38. Section 12-391 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective January 1, 2018, and applicable to estates of decedents dying on or after January 1, 2018):

(a) With respect to estates of decedents who die prior to January 1, 2005, and except as otherwise provided in section 59 of public act 03-1 of the June 30 special session, a tax is imposed upon the transfer of the estate of each person who at the time of death was a resident of this state. The amount of the tax shall be the amount of the federal credit allowable for estate, inheritance, legacy and succession taxes paid to any state or the District of Columbia under the provisions of the federal internal revenue code in force at the date of such decedent's death in respect to any property owned by such decedent or subject to such taxes as part of or in connection with the estate of such decedent. If real or tangible personal property of such decedent is located outside [of] this state and is subject to estate, inheritance, legacy, or succession taxes by any state or states, other than the state of Connecticut, or by the District of Columbia for which such federal credit is allowable, the amount of tax due under this section shall be reduced by the lesser of:

(1) The amount of any such taxes paid to such other state or states or said district and allowed as a credit against the federal estate tax; or (2) an amount computed by multiplying such federal credit by a fraction, (A) the numerator of which is the value of that part of the decedent's gross estate over which such other state or states or said district have
jurisdiction for estate tax purposes to the same extent to which this state would assert jurisdiction for estate tax purposes under this chapter with respect to the residents of such other state or states or said district, and (B) the denominator of which is the value of the decedent's gross estate. Property of a resident estate over which this state has jurisdiction for estate tax purposes includes real property situated in this state, tangible personal property having an actual situs in this state, and intangible personal property owned by the decedent, regardless of where it is located. The amount of any estate tax imposed under this subsection shall also be reduced, but not below zero, by the amount of any tax that is imposed under chapter 216 and that is actually paid to this state.

(b) With respect to the estates of decedents who die prior to January 1, 2005, and except as otherwise provided in section 59 of public act 03-1 of the June 30 special session, a tax is imposed upon the transfer of the estate of each person who at the time of death was a nonresident of this state, the amount of which shall be computed by multiplying (1) the federal credit allowable for estate, inheritance, legacy, and succession taxes paid to any state or states or the District of Columbia under the provisions of the federal internal revenue code in force at the date of such decedent's death in respect to any property owned by such decedent or subject to such taxes as a part of or in connection with the estate of such decedent by (2) a fraction, (A) the numerator of which is the value of that part of the decedent's gross estate over which this state has jurisdiction for estate tax purposes and (B) the denominator of which is the value of the decedent's gross estate. Property of a nonresident estate over which this state has jurisdiction for estate tax purposes includes real property situated in this state and tangible personal property having an actual situs in this state. The amount of any estate tax imposed under this subsection shall also be reduced, but not below zero, by the amount of any tax that is imposed under chapter 216 and that is actually paid to this state.
(c) For purposes of this section and section 12-392:

(1) (A) "Connecticut taxable estate" means, with respect to the estates of decedents dying on or after January 1, 2005, but prior to January 1, 2010, (i) the gross estate less allowable deductions, as determined under Chapter 11 of the Internal Revenue Code, plus (ii) the aggregate amount of all Connecticut taxable gifts, as defined in section 12-643, made by the decedent for all calendar years beginning on or after January 1, 2005, but prior to January 1, 2010. The deduction for state death taxes paid under Section 2058 of said code shall be disregarded.

(B) "Connecticut taxable estate" means, with respect to the estates of decedents dying on or after January 1, 2010, but prior to January 1, 2015, (i) the gross estate less allowable deductions, as determined under Chapter 11 of the Internal Revenue Code, plus (ii) the aggregate amount of all Connecticut taxable gifts, as defined in section 12-643, made by the decedent for all calendar years beginning on or after January 1, 2005. The deduction for state death taxes paid under Section 2058 of said code shall be disregarded.

(C) "Connecticut taxable estate" means, with respect to the estates of decedents dying on or after January 1, 2015, (i) the gross estate less allowable deductions, as determined under Chapter 11 of the Internal Revenue Code, plus (ii) the aggregate amount of all Connecticut taxable gifts, as defined in section 12-643, made by the decedent for all calendar years beginning on or after January 1, 2005, other than Connecticut taxable gifts that are includable in the gross estate for federal estate tax purposes of the decedent, plus (iii) the amount of any tax paid to this state pursuant to section 12-642 by the decedent or the decedent's estate on any gift made by the decedent or the decedent's spouse during the three-year period preceding the date of the decedent's death. The deduction for state death taxes paid under Section 2058 of the Internal Revenue Code shall be disregarded.
(2) "Internal Revenue Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to time, except in the event of repeal of the federal estate tax, then all references to the Internal Revenue Code in this section shall mean the Internal Revenue Code as in force on the day prior to the effective date of such repeal.

(3) "Gross estate" means the gross estate, for federal estate tax purposes.

(4) "Federal basic exclusion amount" means the dollar amount published annually by the Internal Revenue Service at which a decedent would be required to file a federal estate tax return based on the value of the decedent's gross estate and federally taxable gifts.

(d) (1) (A) With respect to the estates of decedents who die on or after January 1, 2005, but prior to January 1, 2010, a tax is imposed upon the transfer of the estate of each person who at the time of death was a resident of this state. The amount of the tax shall be determined using the schedule in subsection (g) of this section. A credit shall be allowed against such tax for any taxes paid to this state pursuant to section 12-642 for Connecticut taxable gifts made on or after January 1, 2005, but prior to January 1, 2010.

(B) With respect to the estates of decedents who die on or after January 1, 2010, but prior to January 1, 2015, a tax is imposed upon the transfer of the estate of each person who at the time of death was a resident of this state. The amount of the tax shall be determined using the schedule in subsection (g) of this section. A credit shall be allowed against such tax for any taxes paid to this state pursuant to section 12-642 for Connecticut taxable gifts made on or after January 1, 2005, provided such credit shall not exceed the amount of tax imposed by this section.
(C) With respect to the estates of decedents who die on or after January 1, 2015, but prior to January 1, 2016, a tax is imposed upon the transfer of the estate of each person who at the time of death was a resident of this state. The amount of the tax shall be determined using the schedule in subsection (g) of this section. A credit shall be allowed against such tax for (i) any taxes paid to this state pursuant to section 12-642 by the decedent or the decedent's estate for Connecticut taxable gifts made on or after January 1, 2005, and (ii) any taxes paid by the decedent's spouse to this state pursuant to section 12-642 for Connecticut taxable gifts made by the decedent on or after January 1, 2005, that are includable in the gross estate of the decedent, provided such credit shall not exceed the amount of tax imposed by this section.

(D) With respect to the estates of decedents who die on or after January 1, 2016, but prior to January 1, 2018, a tax is imposed upon the transfer of the estate of each person who at the time of death was a resident of this state. The amount of the tax shall be determined using the schedule in subsection (g) of this section. A credit shall be allowed against such tax for (i) any taxes paid to this state pursuant to section 12-642 by the decedent or the decedent's estate for Connecticut taxable gifts made on or after January 1, 2005, and (ii) any taxes paid by the decedent's spouse to this state pursuant to section 12-642 for Connecticut taxable gifts made by the decedent on or after January 1, 2005, that are includable in the gross estate of the decedent, provided such credit shall not exceed the amount of tax imposed by this section. In no event shall the amount of tax payable under this section exceed twenty million dollars. Such twenty-million-dollar limit shall be reduced by the amount of (I) any taxes paid to this state pursuant to section 12-642 by the decedent or the decedent's estate for Connecticut taxable gifts made on or after January 1, 2016, and (II) any taxes paid by the decedent's spouse to this state pursuant to section 12-642 for Connecticut taxable gifts made by the decedent on or after January 1, 2016, that are includable in the gross estate of the decedent, but in no
event shall the amount be reduced below zero.

(E) With respect to the estates of decedents who die on or after January 1, 2018, a tax is imposed upon the transfer of the estate of each person who at the time of death was a resident of this state. The amount of the tax shall be determined using the schedule in subsection (g) of this section. A credit shall be allowed against such tax for (i) any taxes paid to this state pursuant to section 12-642 by the decedent or the decedent's estate for Connecticut taxable gifts made on or after January 1, 2005, and (ii) any taxes paid by the decedent's spouse to this state pursuant to section 12-642 for Connecticut taxable gifts made by the decedent on or after January 1, 2005, that are includable in the gross estate of the decedent, provided such credit shall not exceed the amount of tax imposed by this section. In no event shall the amount of tax payable under this section exceed twenty million dollars. Such twenty-million-dollar limit shall be reduced by the amount of (I) any taxes paid to this state pursuant to section 12-642 by the decedent or the decedent's estate for Connecticut taxable gifts made on or after January 1, 2016, and (II) any taxes paid by the decedent's spouse to this state pursuant to section 12-642 for Connecticut taxable gifts made by the decedent on or after January 1, 2016, that are includable in the gross estate of the decedent, but in no event shall the amount be reduced below zero.

(2) If real or tangible personal property of such decedent is located outside of this state, the amount of tax due under this section shall be reduced by an amount computed by multiplying the tax otherwise due pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection, without regard to the credit allowed for any taxes paid to this state pursuant to section 12-642, by a fraction, (A) the numerator of which is the value of that part of the decedent's gross estate attributable to real or tangible personal property located outside of the state, and (B) the denominator of which is the value of the decedent's gross estate.
(3) For a resident estate, the state shall have the power to levy the estate tax upon real property situated in this state, tangible personal property having an actual situs in this state and intangible personal property included in the gross estate of the decedent, regardless of where it is located. The state is permitted to calculate the estate tax and levy said tax to the fullest extent permitted by the Constitution of the United States.

(e) (1) (A) With respect to the estates of decedents who die on or after January 1, 2005, but prior to January 1, 2010, a tax is imposed upon the transfer of the estate of each person who at the time of death was a nonresident of this state. The amount of such tax shall be computed by multiplying (i) the amount of tax determined using the schedule in subsection (g) of this section by (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is the value of that part of the decedent's gross estate over which this state has jurisdiction for estate tax purposes, and the denominator of which is the value of the decedent's gross estate. A credit shall be allowed against such tax for any taxes paid to this state pursuant to section 12-642, for Connecticut taxable gifts made on or after January 1, 2005, but prior to January 1, 2010.

(B) With respect to the estates of decedents who die on or after January 1, 2010, but prior to January 1, 2016, a tax is imposed upon the transfer of the estate of each person who at the time of death was a nonresident of this state. The amount of such tax shall be computed by multiplying (i) the amount of tax determined using the schedule in subsection (g) of this section by (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is the value of that part of the decedent's gross estate over which this state has jurisdiction for estate tax purposes, and the denominator of which is the value of the decedent's gross estate. A credit shall be allowed against such tax for any taxes paid to this state pursuant to section 12-642, for Connecticut taxable gifts made on or after January 1, 2005, provided such credit shall not exceed the amount of tax imposed
(C) With respect to the estates of decedents who die on or after January 1, 2016, a tax is imposed upon the transfer of the estate of each person who at the time of death was a nonresident of this state. The amount of such tax shall be computed by multiplying (i) the amount of tax determined using the schedule in subsection (g) of this section by (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is the value of that part of the decedent's gross estate over which this state has jurisdiction for estate tax purposes, and the denominator of which is the value of the decedent's gross estate. A credit shall be allowed against such tax for any taxes paid to this state pursuant to section 12-642 for Connecticut taxable gifts made on or after January 1, 2005, provided such credit shall not exceed the amount of tax imposed by this section. In no event shall the amount of tax payable under this section exceed twenty million dollars. Such twenty-million-dollar limit shall be reduced by the amount of (I) any taxes paid to this state pursuant to section 12-642 by the decedent or the decedent's estate for Connecticut taxable gifts made on or after January 1, 2016, and (II) any taxes paid by the decedent's spouse to this state pursuant to section 12-642 for Connecticut taxable gifts made by the decedent on or after January 1, 2016, that are includable in the gross estate of the decedent, but in no event shall the amount be reduced below zero.

(D) With respect to the estates of decedents who die on or after January 1, 2018, a tax is imposed upon the transfer of the estate of each person who at the time of death was a nonresident of this state. The amount of such tax shall be computed by multiplying the amount of tax determined using the schedule in subsection (g) of this section by a fraction, the numerator of which is the value of that part of the decedent's gross estate over which this state has jurisdiction for estate tax purposes, and the denominator of which is the value of the decedent's gross estate. A credit shall be allowed against such tax for
(i) any taxes paid to this state pursuant to section 12-642 by the
decedent or the decedent's estate for Connecticut taxable gifts made on
or after January 1, 2005, and (ii) any taxes paid by the decedent's
spouse to this state pursuant to section 12-642 for Connecticut taxable
gifts made by the decedent on or after January 1, 2005, that are
includable in the gross estate of the decedent, provided such credit
shall not exceed the amount of tax imposed by this section. In no event
shall the amount of tax payable under this section exceed twenty
million dollars. Such twenty-million-dollar limit shall be reduced by
the amount of (I) any taxes paid to this state pursuant to section 12-642
by the decedent or the decedent's estate for Connecticut taxable gifts
made on or after January 1, 2016, and (II) any taxes paid by the
decedent's spouse to this state pursuant to section 12-642 for
Connecticut taxable gifts made by the decedent on or after January 1,
2016, that are includable in the gross estate of the decedent, but in no
event shall the amount be reduced below zero.

(2) For a nonresident estate, the state shall have the power to levy
the estate tax upon all real property situated in this state and tangible
personal property having an actual situs in this state. The state is
permitted to calculate the estate tax and levy said tax to the fullest
extent permitted by the Constitution of the United States.

(f) (1) For purposes of the tax imposed under this section, the value
of the Connecticut taxable estate shall be determined taking into
account all of the deductions available under the Internal Revenue
Code of 1986, specifically including, but not limited to, the deduction
available under Section 2056(b)(7) of said code for a qualifying income
interest for life in a surviving spouse.

(2) An election under said Section 2056(b)(7) may be made for state
estate tax purposes regardless of whether any such election is made for
federal estate tax purposes. The value of the gross estate shall include
the value of any property in which the decedent had a qualifying
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income interest for life for which an election was made under this subsection.

(g) (1) With respect to the estates of decedents dying on or after January 1, 2005, but prior to January 1, 2010, the tax based on the Connecticut taxable estate shall be as provided in the following schedule:

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<td>$402,800 plus 12% of the excess over $5,100,000</td>
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<td>$522,800 plus 12.8% of the excess over $6,100,000</td>
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<td>$650,800 plus 13.6% of the excess over $7,100,000</td>
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<td>$786,800 plus 14.4% of the excess over $8,100,000</td>
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<td>Over $9,100,000 but not over $10,100,000</td>
<td>$930,800 plus 15.2% of the excess over $9,100,000</td>
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Over $10,100,000  $1,082,800 plus 16% of the excess over $10,100,000

(2) With respect to the estates of decedents dying on or after January 1, 2010, but prior to January 1, 2011, the tax based on the Connecticut taxable estate shall be as provided in the following schedule:

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<td>$7,200 plus 7.8% of the excess</td>
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<td>$46,200 plus 8.4% of the excess</td>
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<td>$130,200 plus 9.0% of the excess</td>
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<td>$220,200 plus 9.6% of the excess</td>
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(3) With respect to the estates of decedents dying on or after January 1, 2011, but prior to January 1, 2018, the tax based on the Connecticut taxable estate shall be as provided in the following schedule:
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<td>$748,200 plus 12% of the excess over $10,100,000</td>
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(4) With respect to the estates of decedents dying on or after January 1, 2018, but prior to January 1, 2019, the tax based on the Connecticut taxable estate shall be as provided in the following schedule:

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<td>$72,000 plus 7.8% of the excess over $3,600,000</td>
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(5) With respect to the estates of decedents dying on or after January 1, 2019, but prior to January 1, 2020, the tax based on the Connecticut taxable estate shall be as provided in the following schedule:

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Over $8,100,000 but not over $9,100,000 $435,000 plus 11.2% of the excess over $8,100,000
Over $9,100,000 but not over $10,100,000 $547,000 plus 11.6% of the excess over $9,100,000
Over $10,100,000 $663,000 plus 12% of the excess over $10,100,000

(6) With respect to the estates of decedents dying on or after January 1, 2020, the tax based on the Connecticut taxable estate shall be as provided in the following schedule:

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<td>Not over the federal basic exclusion amount</td>
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<td>Over the federal basic exclusion amount but not over $6,100,000</td>
<td>10% of the excess over the federal basic exclusion amount</td>
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<td>10.4% of the excess over the federal basic exclusion amount</td>
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<td>Over $10,100,000</td>
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(h) (1) For the purposes of this chapter, each decedent shall be presumed to have died a resident of this state. The burden of proof in an estate tax proceeding shall be upon any decedent's estate claiming exemption by reason of the decedent's alleged nonresidency.

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(2) Any person required to make and file a tax return under this chapter, believing that the decedent died a nonresident of this state, may file a request for determination of domicile in writing with the Commissioner of Revenue Services, stating the specific grounds upon which the request is founded provided (A) such person has filed such return, (B) at least two hundred seventy days, but no more than three years, has elapsed since the due date of such return or, if an application for extension of time to file such return has been granted, the extended due date of such return, (C) such person has not been notified, in writing, by said commissioner that a written agreement of compromise with the taxing authorities of another jurisdiction, under section 12-395a, is being negotiated, and (D) the commissioner has not previously determined whether the decedent died a resident of this state. Not later than one hundred eighty days following receipt of such request for determination, the commissioner shall determine whether such decedent died a resident or a nonresident of this state. If the commissioner commences negotiations over a written agreement of compromise with the taxing authorities of another jurisdiction after a request for determination of domicile is filed, the one-hundred-eighty-day period shall be tolled for the duration of such negotiations. When, before the expiration of such one-hundred-eighty-day period, both the commissioner and the person required to make and file a tax return under this chapter have consented in writing to the making of such determination after such time, the determination may be made at any time prior to the expiration of the period agreed upon. The period so agreed upon may be extended by subsequent agreements in writing made before the expiration of the period previously agreed upon. The commissioner shall mail notice of his proposed determination to the person required to make and file a tax return under this chapter. Such notice shall set forth briefly the commissioner's findings of fact and the basis of such proposed determination. Sixty days after the date on which it is mailed, a notice of proposed determination shall constitute a final determination unless the person required to make and file a tax
return under this chapter has filed, as provided in subdivision (3) of this subsection, a written protest with the Commissioner of Revenue Services.

(3) On or before the sixtieth day after mailing of the proposed determination, the person required to make and file a tax return under this chapter may file with the commissioner a written protest against the proposed determination in which such person shall set forth the grounds on which the protest is based. If such a protest is filed, the commissioner shall reconsider the proposed determination and, if the person required to make and file a tax return under this chapter has so requested, may grant or deny such person or the authorized representatives of such person an oral hearing.

(4) Notice of the commissioner's determination shall be mailed to the person required to make and file a tax return under this chapter and such notice shall set forth briefly the commissioner's findings of fact and the basis of decision in each case decided adversely to such person.

(5) The action of the commissioner on a written protest shall be final upon the expiration of one month from the date on which he mails notice of his action to the person required to make and file a tax return under this chapter unless within such period such person seeks review of the commissioner's determination pursuant to subsection (b) of section 12-395.

(6) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to relieve any person filing a request for determination of domicile of the obligation to pay the correct amount of tax on or before the due date of the tax.

(i) The tax calculated pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be reduced in an amount equal to half of the amount invested by a decedent in a private investment fund or fund of funds pursuant to...
subdivision (43) of section 32-39, provided (1) any such reduction shall not exceed five million dollars for any such decedent, (2) any such amount invested by the decedent shall have been invested in such fund or fund of funds for ten years or more, and (3) the aggregate amount of all taxes reduced under this subsection shall not exceed thirty million dollars.

Sec. 39. Section 12-642 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective January 1, 2018, and applicable to gifts made on or after January 1, 2018):

(a) (1) With respect to calendar years commencing prior to January 1, 2001, the tax imposed by section 12-640 for the calendar year shall be at a rate of the taxable gifts made by the donor during the calendar year set forth in the following schedule:

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<td>$7,500, plus 6% of the excess over $200,000</td>
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(2) With respect to the calendar years commencing January 1, 2001, January 1, 2002, January 1, 2003, and January 1, 2004, the tax imposed by section 12-640 for each such calendar year shall be at a rate of the taxable gifts made by the donor during the calendar year set forth in
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(3) With respect to Connecticut taxable gifts, as defined in section 12-643, made by a donor during a calendar year commencing on or after January 1, 2005, but prior to January 1, 2010, including the aggregate amount of all Connecticut taxable gifts made by the donor during all calendar years commencing on or after January 1, 2005, but prior to January 1, 2010, the tax imposed by section 12-640 for the calendar year shall be at the rate set forth in the following schedule, with a credit allowed against such tax for any tax previously paid to this state pursuant to this subdivision:

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(7) With respect to Connecticut taxable gifts, as defined in section 12-643, made by a donor during a calendar year commencing on or after January 1, 2019, but prior to January 1, 2020, including the aggregate amount of all Connecticut taxable gifts made by the donor during all calendar years commencing on or after January 1, 2005, the tax imposed by section 12-640 for the calendar year shall be at the rate set forth in the following schedule, with a credit allowed against such tax for any tax previously paid to this state pursuant to this subdivision or pursuant to subdivision (3), (4), (5) or (6) of this subsection, provided such credit shall not exceed the amount of tax imposed by this section:

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Over $6,100,000 $223,000 plus 10.4% of the excess
but not over $7,100,000 over $6,100,000
Over $7,100,000 $327,000 plus 10.8% of the excess
but not over $8,100,000 over $7,100,000
Over $8,100,000 $435,000 plus 11.2% of the excess
but not over $9,100,000 over $8,100,000
Over $9,100,000 $547,000 plus 11.6% of the excess
but not over $10,100,000 over $9,100,000
Over $10,100,000 $663,000 plus 12% of the excess

(8) With respect to Connecticut taxable gifts, as defined in section 12-643, made by a donor during a calendar year commencing on or after January 1, 2020, including the aggregate amount of all Connecticut taxable gifts made by the donor during all calendar years commencing on or after January 1, 2005, the tax imposed by section 12-640 for the calendar year shall be at the rate set forth in the following schedule, with a credit allowed against such tax for any tax previously paid to this state pursuant to this subdivision or pursuant to subdivision (3), (4), (5), (6) or (7) of this subsection, provided such credit shall not exceed the amount of tax imposed by this section:

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(b) The tax imposed by section 12-640 shall be paid by the donor. If the gift tax is not paid when due the donee of any gift shall be personally liable for the tax to the extent of the value of the gift.

(c) With respect to Connecticut taxable gifts, as defined in section 12-643, made by a donor during a calendar year commencing on or after January 1, 2016, the aggregate amount of tax imposed by section 12-640 for all calendar years commencing on or after January 1, 2016, shall not exceed twenty million dollars.

Sec. 40. Section 12-643 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective January 1, 2018, and applicable to gifts made on or after January 1, 2018):

[(a) The term "taxable gifts"] (1) "Taxable gifts" means the transfers by gift which are included in taxable gifts for federal gift tax purposes under Section 2503 and Sections 2511 to 2514, inclusive, and Sections 2516 to 2519, inclusive, of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to time, less the deductions allowed in Sections 2522 to 2524, inclusive, of said Internal Revenue Code, except in the event of repeal of the federal gift tax, then all references
to the Internal Revenue Code in this section shall mean the Internal Revenue Code as in force on the day prior to the effective date of such repeal.

[(b)] (2) In the administration of the tax under this chapter, the Commissioner of Revenue Services shall apply the provisions of Sections 2701 to 2704, inclusive, of said Internal Revenue Code. The words "secretary or his delegate" as used in the aforementioned sections of the Internal Revenue Code means the Commissioner of Revenue Services.

[(c) The term "Connecticut taxable gifts"] (3) "Connecticut taxable gifts" means taxable gifts made during a calendar year commencing on or after January 1, 2005, that are, [(1)] (A) for residents of this state, taxable gifts, wherever located, but excepting gifts of real estate or tangible personal property located outside this state, and [(2)] (B) for nonresidents of this state, gifts of real estate or tangible personal property located within this state.

(4) "Federal basic exclusion amount" means the dollar amount published annually by the Internal Revenue Service over which a donor would owe federal gift tax based on the value of the donor's lifetime federally taxable gifts.

Sec. 41. Section 12-392 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective January 1, 2018, and applicable to the estates of decedents dying on or after January 1, 2018):

(a) (1) For the estates of decedents dying prior to July 1, 2009, the tax imposed by this chapter shall become due at the date of the taxable transfer and shall become payable, and shall be paid, without assessment, notice or demand, to the Commissioner of Revenue Services at the expiration of nine months from the date of death. [f]or the estates of decedents dying on or after July 1, 2009, the tax
imposed by this chapter shall become due at the date of the taxable transfer and shall become payable and shall be paid, without assessment, notice or demand, to the commissioner at the expiration of six months from the date of death. Executors, administrators, trustees, grantees, donees, beneficiaries and surviving joint owners shall be liable for the tax and for any interest or penalty thereon until it is paid, notwithstanding any provision of chapter 802b, except that no executor, administrator, trustee, grantee, donee, beneficiary or surviving joint owner shall be liable for a greater sum than the value of the property actually received by him or her. If the amount of tax reported to be due on the return is not paid, for the estates of decedents dying prior to July 1, 2009, within such nine months, or for the estates of decedents dying on or after July 1, 2009, within such six months, there shall be imposed a penalty equal to ten per cent of such amount due and unpaid, or fifty dollars, whichever is greater. Such amount shall bear interest at the rate of one per cent per month or fraction thereof from the due date of such tax until the date of payment. Subject to the provisions of section 12-3a, the commissioner may waive all or part of the penalties provided under this chapter when it is proven to the commissioner's satisfaction that the failure to pay any tax was due to reasonable cause and was not intentional or due to neglect.

(2) The Commissioner of Revenue Services may, for reasonable cause shown, extend the time for payment. The commissioner may require the filing of a tentative return and the payment of the tax reported to be due thereon in connection with such extension. Any additional tax which may be found to be due on the filing of a return as allowed by such extension shall bear interest at the rate of one per cent per month or fraction thereof from the original due date of such tax to the date of actual payment.

(3) (A) Whenever there is [an] a claimed overpayment of the tax
imposed by this chapter, the Commissioner of Revenue Services shall return to the fiduciary or transferee the overpayment which shall bear interest at the rate of two-thirds of one per cent per month or fraction thereof, such interest commencing, for the estates of decedents dying prior to July 1, 2009, from the expiration of nine months after the death of the transferor or date of payment, whichever is later, or, for the estates of decedents dying on or after July 1, 2009, from the expiration of six months after the death of the transferor or date of payment, whichever is later, as provided in subparagraphs (B) and (C) of this subdivision.

(B) In case of such overpayment pursuant to a tax return, no interest shall be allowed or paid under this subdivision on such overpayment for any month or fraction thereof prior to (i) the ninety-first day after the last day prescribed for filing the tax return associated with such overpayment, determined without regard to any extension of time for filing, or (ii) the ninety-first day after the date such return was filed, whichever is later.

(C) In case of such overpayment pursuant to an amended tax return, no interest shall be allowed or paid under this subdivision on such overpayment for any month or fraction thereof prior to the ninety-first day after the date such amended tax return was filed.

(b) (1) The tax imposed by this chapter shall be reported on a tax return which shall be filed on or before the date fixed for paying the tax, determined without regard to any extension of time for paying the tax. The commissioner shall design a form of return and forms for such additional statements or schedules as the commissioner may require to be filed. Such forms shall provide for the setting forth of such facts as the commissioner deems necessary for the proper enforcement of this chapter. The commissioner shall [cause a supply of such forms to be printed and shall] furnish appropriate [blank] forms to each taxpayer upon application or otherwise as the commissioner deems necessary.
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Failure to receive a form shall not relieve any person from the obligation to file a return under the provisions of this chapter. In any case in which the commissioner believes that it would be advantageous to him or her in the administration of the tax imposed by this chapter, the commissioner may require that a true copy of the federal estate tax return made to the Internal Revenue Service be provided.

(2) Any tax return or other document, including any amended tax return under section 12-398, that is required to be filed under this chapter shall be filed, and shall be treated as filed, only if filed with [both] (A) the Commissioner of Revenue Services, if required under subdivision (3) of this subsection, and (B) (i) the court of probate for the district within which the decedent resided at the date of his or her death or, (ii) if the decedent died a nonresident of this state, in the court of probate for the district within which real estate or tangible personal property of the decedent is situated. The return shall contain a statement, to be signed under penalty of false statement by the person who is required to make and file the return under this chapter, that the return has been filed with [both] the Commissioner of Revenue Services, if required under subdivision (3) of this subsection, and the appropriate court of probate.

(3) (A) A tax return shall be filed, in the case of every decedent who died prior to January 1, 2005, and at the time of death was (i) a resident of this state, or (ii) a nonresident of this state whose gross estate includes any real property situated in this state or tangible personal property having an actual situs in this state, whenever the personal representative of the estate is required by the laws of the United States to file a federal estate tax return.

(B) A tax return shall be filed, in the case of every decedent who dies on or after January 1, 2005, but prior to January 1, 2010, and at the time of death was (i) a resident of this state, or (ii) a nonresident of this state...
whose gross estate includes any real property situated in this state or tangible personal property having an actual situs in this state. If the decedent's Connecticut taxable estate is over two million dollars, such tax return shall be filed with the Commissioner of Revenue Services and a copy of such return shall be filed with the court of probate for the district within which the decedent resided at the date of his or her death or, if the decedent died a nonresident of this state, the court of probate for the district within which such real property or tangible personal property is situated. If the decedent's Connecticut taxable estate is two million dollars or less, such return shall be filed with the court of probate for the district within which the decedent resided at the date of his or her death or, if the decedent died a nonresident of this state, the court of probate for the district within which such real property or tangible personal property is situated, and no such return shall be filed with the Commissioner of Revenue Services. The judge of probate for the district in which such return is filed shall review each such return and shall issue a written opinion to the estate representative in each case in which the judge determines that the estate is not subject to tax under this chapter.

(C) A tax return shall be filed, in the case of every decedent who dies on or after January 1, 2010, but prior to January 1, 2011, and at the time of death was (i) a resident of this state, or (ii) a nonresident of this state whose gross estate includes any real property situated in this state or tangible personal property having an actual situs in this state. If the decedent's Connecticut taxable estate is over three million five hundred thousand dollars, such tax return shall be filed with the Commissioner of Revenue Services and a copy of such return shall be filed with the court of probate for the district within which the decedent resided at the date of his or her death or, if the decedent died a nonresident of this state, the court of probate for the district within which such real property or tangible personal property is situated. If the decedent's Connecticut taxable estate is three million five hundred
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(D) A tax return shall be filed, in the case of every decedent who dies on or after January 1, 2011, but prior to January 1, 2018, and at the time of death was (i) a resident of this state, or (ii) a nonresident of this state whose gross estate includes any real property situated in this state or tangible personal property having an actual situs in this state. If the decedent's Connecticut taxable estate is over two million dollars, such tax return shall be filed with the Commissioner of Revenue Services and a copy of such return shall be filed with the court of probate for the district within which the decedent resided at the date of his or her death or, if the decedent died a nonresident of this state, the court of probate for the district within which such real property or tangible personal property is situated. If the decedent's Connecticut taxable estate is two million dollars or less, such return shall be filed with the court of probate for the district within which the decedent resided at the date of his or her death or, if the decedent died a nonresident of this state, the court of probate for the district within which such real property or tangible personal property is situated, and no such return shall be filed with the Commissioner of Revenue Services. The judge of probate for the district in which such return is filed shall review each such return and shall issue a written opinion to the estate representative in each case in which the judge determines that the estate is not subject to tax under this chapter.
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(E) A tax return shall be filed, in the case of every decedent who dies on or after January 1, 2018, but prior to January 1, 2019, and at the time of death was (i) a resident of this state, or (ii) a nonresident of this state whose gross estate includes any real property situated in this state or tangible personal property having an actual situs in this state. If the decedent's Connecticut taxable estate is over two million six hundred thousand dollars, such tax return shall be filed with the Commissioner of Revenue Services and a copy of such return shall be filed with the court of probate for the district within which the decedent resided at the date of his or her death or, if the decedent died a nonresident of this state, the court of probate for the district within which such real property or tangible personal property is situated. If the decedent's Connecticut taxable estate is two million six hundred thousand dollars or less, such return shall be filed with the court of probate for the district within which the decedent resided at the date of his or her death or, if the decedent died a nonresident of this state, the court of probate for the district within which such real property or tangible personal property is situated, and no such return shall be filed with the Commissioner of Revenue Services. The judge of probate for the district in which such return is filed shall review each such return and shall issue a written opinion to the estate representative in each case in which the judge determines that the estate is not subject to tax under this chapter.

(F) A tax return shall be filed, in the case of every decedent who dies on or after January 1, 2019, but prior to January 1, 2020, and at the time of death was (i) a resident of this state, or (ii) a nonresident of this state whose gross estate includes any real property situated in this state or tangible personal property having an actual situs in this state. If the decedent's Connecticut taxable estate is over three million six hundred thousand dollars, such tax return shall be filed with the Commissioner of Revenue Services and a copy of such return shall be filed with the court of probate for the district within which the decedent resided at
the date of his or her death or, if the decedent died a nonresident of this state, the court of probate for the district within which such real property or tangible personal property is situated. If the decedent's Connecticut taxable estate is three million six hundred thousand dollars or less, such return shall be filed with the court of probate for the district within which the decedent resided at the date of his or her death or, if the decedent died a nonresident of this state, the court of probate for the district within which such real property or tangible personal property is situated, and no such return shall be filed with the Commissioner of Revenue Services. The judge of probate for the district in which such return is filed shall review each such return and shall issue a written opinion to the estate representative in each case in which the judge determines that the estate is not subject to tax under this chapter.

(G) A tax return shall be filed, in the case of every decedent who dies on or after January 1, 2020, and at the time of death was (i) a resident of this state, or (ii) a nonresident of this state whose gross estate includes any real property situated in this state or tangible personal property having an actual situs in this state. If the decedent's Connecticut taxable estate is over the federal basic exclusion amount, such tax return shall be filed with the Commissioner of Revenue Services and a copy of such return shall be filed with the court of probate for the district within which the decedent resided at the date of his or her death or, if the decedent died a nonresident of this state, the court of probate for the district within which such real property or tangible personal property is situated. If the decedent's Connecticut taxable estate is equal to or less than the federal basic exclusion amount, such return shall be filed with the court of probate for the district within which the decedent resided at the date of his or her death or, if the decedent died a nonresident of this state, the court of probate for the district within which such real property or tangible personal property is situated, and no such return shall be filed with the
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Commissioner of Revenue Services. The judge of probate for the district in which such return is filed shall review each such return and shall issue a written opinion to the estate representative in each case in which the judge determines that the estate is not subject to tax under this chapter.

[(E)] (4) The duly authorized executor or administrator shall file the return. If there is more than one executor or administrator, the return shall be made jointly by all. If there is no executor or administrator appointed, qualified and acting, each person in actual or constructive possession of any property of the decedent is constituted an executor for purposes of the tax and shall make and file a return. If in any case the executor is unable to make a complete return as to any part of the gross estate, the executor shall provide all the information available to him or her with respect to such property, including a full description, and the name of every person holding a legal or beneficial interest in the property. If the executor is unable to make a return as to any property, each person holding a legal or equitable interest in such property shall, upon notice from the commissioner, make a return as to that part of the gross estate.

[(F)] (5) On or before the last day of the month next succeeding each calendar quarter, and commencing with the calendar quarter ending September 30, 2005, each court of probate shall file with the commissioner a report for the calendar quarter in such form as the commissioner may prescribe. The report shall pertain to returns filed with the court of probate during the calendar quarter.

[(4)] (6) The Commissioner of Revenue Services may, for reasonable cause shown, extend the time for filing the return.

[(5)] (7) If any person required to make and file the tax return under this chapter fails to file the return within the time prescribed, the commissioner may assess and compute the tax upon the best
information obtainable. To the tax imposed upon the basis of such return, there shall be added an amount equal to ten per cent of such tax or fifty dollars, whichever is greater. The tax shall bear interest at the rate of one per cent per month or fraction thereof from the due date of such tax until the date of payment.

[(6)] (8) The commissioner shall provide notice of any (A) deficiency assessment with respect to the payment of any tax under this chapter, (B) assessment with respect to any failure to make and file a return under this chapter by a person required to file, and (C) tax return or other document, including any amended tax return under section 12-398 that is required to be filed under this chapter to the court of probate for the district within which the commissioner contends that the decedent resided at the date of his or her death or, if the decedent died a nonresident of this state, to the court of probate for the district within which the commissioner contends that real estate or tangible personal property of the decedent is situated.

(c) No person shall be subject to a penalty under both subsections (a) and (b) of this section in relation to the same tax period.

Sec. 42. Subsection (e) of section 12-398 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective January 1, 2018, and applicable to estates of decedents dying on or after January 1, 2018):

(e) (1) Any person shall be entitled to a certificate of release of lien with respect to the interest of the decedent in such real property, if either the court of probate for the district within which the decedent resided at the date of his death or, if the decedent died a nonresident of this state, for the district within which real estate or tangible personal property of the decedent is situated, or the Commissioner of Revenue Services finds, upon evidence satisfactory to said court or said commissioner, as the case may be, that payment of the tax imposed
under this chapter with respect to the interest of the decedent in such real property is adequately assured, or that no tax imposed under this chapter is due. [If the decedent died prior to January 1, 2010, and such decedent's Connecticut taxable estate is two million dollars or less, or if the decedent died on or after January 1, 2010, but prior to January 1, 2011, and such decedent's Connecticut taxable estate is three million five hundred thousand dollars or less, or if the decedent died on or after January 1, 2011, and such decedent's Connecticut taxable estate is two million dollars or less, the] The certificate of release of lien shall be issued by the court of probate, unless a tax return is required to be filed with the commissioner under subdivision (3) of subsection (b) of section 12-392, in which case the certificate of release of lien shall be issued by the commissioner. Any certificate of release of lien shall be valid if issued by a probate court prior to May 4, 2011, and recorded in the office of the town clerk of the town in which such real property is situated prior to May 4, 2011, for the estate of a decedent who died on or after January 1, 2011, and whose Connecticut taxable estate is more than two million dollars but equal to or less than three million five hundred thousand dollars. [Such]

(2) A certificate of release of lien may be recorded in the office of the town clerk of the town within which such real property is situated, and it shall be conclusive proof that such real property has been released from the operation of such lien.

(3) The commissioner may adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 that establish procedures to be followed by a court of probate or by said commissioner, as the case may be, for issuing certificates of release of lien, and that establish the requirements and conditions that must be satisfied in order for a court of probate or for the commissioner, as the case may be, to find that the payment of such tax is adequately assured or that no tax imposed under this chapter is due.
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Sec. 43. Section 12-202 of the general statutes, as amended by section 3 of public act 17-125, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) Each domestic insurance company shall, annually, pay a tax on the total net direct premiums received by such company during the calendar year next preceding from policies written on property or risks located or resident in this state. The rate of tax on all net direct insurance premiums received (1) on [and] or after January 1, 1995, and prior to January 1, 2018, shall be one and three-quarters per cent, and (2) on and after January 1, 2018, shall be one and one-half per cent. The franchise tax imposed under this section on premium income for the privilege of doing business in the state is in addition to the tax imposed under chapter 208. In the case of any local domestic insurance company the admitted assets of which as of the end of an income year do not exceed ninety-five million dollars, eighty per cent of the tax paid by such company under chapter 208 during such income year reduced by any refunds of taxes paid by such company and granted under said chapter within such income year and eighty per cent of the assessment paid by such company under section 38a-48 during such income year shall be allowed as a credit in the determination of the tax under this chapter payable with respect to total net direct premiums received during such income year, provided that these two credits shall not reduce the tax under this chapter to less than zero, and provided further in the case of a local domestic insurance company that is a member of an insurance holding company system, as defined in section 38a-129, these credits shall apply if the total admitted assets of the local domestic insurance company and its affiliates, as defined in said section, do not exceed two hundred fifty million dollars or, in the alternative, in the case of a local domestic insurance company that is a member of an insurance holding company system, these credits shall apply only if total direct written premiums are derived from policies issued or delivered in Connecticut, on risk located in Connecticut and,
as of the end of the income year the company and its affiliates have
admitted assets minus unpaid losses and loss adjustment expenses that
are also discounted for federal and state tax purposes and that for such
local domestic insurance company and its affiliates, as defined in
section 38a-129, do not exceed two hundred fifty million dollars.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section,
the tax shall not apply to surplus lines insurance policies issued by
domestic insurance companies designated as surplus lines insurers
pursuant to section 1 of [this act] public act 17-125.

Sec. 44. Subsection (a) of section 12-202a of the general statutes, as
amended by section 13 of public act 17-198, is repealed and the
following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) Each health care center, as defined in section 38a-175, that is
governed by sections 38a-175 to 38a-194, inclusive, shall pay a tax to
the Commissioner of Revenue Services for the calendar year
commencing [on] January 1, 1995, and annually thereafter [, at the rate
of one and three-quarters per cent of] on the total net direct subscriber
charges received by such health care center during each such calendar
year on any new or renewal contract or policy approved by the
Insurance Commissioner under section 38a-183. The rate of tax on the
total net direct subscriber charges received (1) prior to January 1, 2018,
shall be one and three-quarters per cent, and (2) on or after January 1,
2018, shall be one and one-half per cent. Such payment shall be in
addition to any other payment required under section 38a-48.

Sec. 45. Subsection (b) of section 12-210 of the general statutes is
repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from
passage):

(b) Each insurance company incorporated by or organized under
the laws of any other state or foreign government and doing business
in this state shall, annually, on and after January 1, 1995, pay to said
[Commissioner of Revenue Services] commissioner, in addition to any
other taxes imposed on such company or its agents, a tax [of one and
three-quarters per cent of] on all net direct premiums received by such
company in the calendar year next preceding from policies written on
property or risks located or resident in this state, excluding premiums
for ocean marine insurance, and, upon ceasing to transact new
business in this state, shall continue to pay a tax upon the renewal
premiums derived from its business remaining in force in this state at
the rate [which] that was applicable when such company ceased to
transact new business in this state. The rate of tax on all net direct
premiums received (1) prior to January 1, 2018, shall be one and three-
quarters per cent, and (2) on or after January 1, 2018, shall be one and
one-half per cent.

Sec. 46. Section 12-217jj of the general statutes is repealed and the
following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Revenue Services.

(2) "Department" means the Department of Economic and
Community Development.

(3) (A) "Qualified production" means entertainment content created
in whole or in part within the state, including motion pictures, except
as otherwise provided in this subparagraph; documentaries; long-
form, specials, mini-series, series, sound recordings, videos and music
videos and interstitials television programming; interactive television;
relocated television production; interactive games; videogames;
commercials; any format of digital media, including an interactive web
site, created for distribution or exhibition to the general public; and
any trailer, pilot, video teaser or demo created primarily to stimulate
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the sale, marketing, promotion or exploitation of future investment in either a product or a qualified production via any means and media in any digital media format, film or videotape, provided such program meets all the underlying criteria of a qualified production. For [the] state fiscal years ending on or after June 30, 2014, [June 30, 2015, June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017,] "qualified production" shall not include a motion picture that has not been designated as a state-certified qualified production prior to July 1, 2013, and no tax credit voucher for such motion picture may be issued [during said years] for such motion picture, except, for [the] state fiscal years ending June 30, 2015, [June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017,] "qualified production" shall include a motion picture for which twenty-five per cent or more of the principal photography shooting days are in this state at a facility that receives not less than twenty-five million dollars in private investment and opens for business on or after July 1, 2013, and a tax credit voucher may be issued for such motion picture.

(B) "Qualified production" shall not include any ongoing television program created primarily as news, weather or financial market reports; a production featuring current events, other than a relocated television production, sporting events, an awards show or other gala event; a production whose sole purpose is fundraising; a long-form production that primarily markets a product or service; a production used for corporate training or in-house corporate advertising or other similar productions; or any production for which records are required to be maintained under 18 USC 2257, as amended from time to time, with respect to sexually explicit content.

(4) "Eligible production company" means a corporation, partnership, limited liability company, or other business entity engaged in the business of producing qualified productions on a one-time or ongoing basis, and qualified by the Secretary of the State to engage in business in the state.
(5) "Production expenses or costs" means all expenditures clearly and demonstrably incurred in the state in the preproduction, production or postproduction costs of a qualified production, including:

(A) Expenditures incurred in the state in the form of either compensation or purchases including production work, production equipment not eligible for the infrastructure tax credit provided in section 12-217kk, production software, postproduction work, postproduction equipment, postproduction software, set design, set construction, props, lighting, wardrobe, makeup, makeup accessories, special effects, visual effects, audio effects, film processing, music, sound mixing, editing, location fees, soundstages and any and all other costs or services directly incurred in connection with a state-certified qualified production;

(B) Expenditures for distribution, including preproduction, production or postproduction costs relating to the creation of trailers, marketing videos, commercials, point-of-purchase videos and any and all content created on film or digital media, including the duplication of films, videos, CDs, DVDs and any and all digital files now in existence and those yet to be created for mass consumer consumption; the purchase, by a company in the state, of any and all equipment relating to the duplication or mass market distribution of any content created or produced in the state by any digital media format which is now in use and those formats yet to be created for mass consumer consumption; and

(C) "Production expenses or costs" does not include the following: (i) On and after January 1, 2008, compensation in excess of fifteen million dollars paid to any individual or entity representing an individual, for services provided in the production of a qualified production and on or after January 1, 2010, compensation subject to Connecticut personal income tax in excess of twenty million dollars.
paid in the aggregate to any individuals or entities representing individuals, for star talent provided in the production of a qualified production; (ii) media buys, promotional events or gifts or public relations associated with the promotion or marketing of any qualified production; (iii) deferred, leveraged or profit participation costs relating to any and all personnel associated with any and all aspects of the production, including, but not limited to, producer fees, director fees, talent fees and writer fees; (iv) costs relating to the transfer of the production tax credits; (v) any amounts paid to persons or businesses as a result of their participation in profits from the exploitation of the qualified production; and (vi) any expenses or costs relating to an independent certification, as required by subsection (g) of this section, or as the department may otherwise require, pertaining to the amount of production expenses or costs set forth by an eligible production company in its application for a production tax credit.

(6) "Sound recording" means a recording of music, poetry or spoken-word performance, but does not include the audio portions of dialogue or words spoken and recorded as part of a motion picture, video, theatrical production, television news coverage or athletic event.

(7) "State-certified qualified production" means a qualified production produced by an eligible production company that (A) is in compliance with regulations adopted pursuant to subsection (k) of this section, (B) is authorized to conduct business in this state, and (C) has been approved by the department as qualifying for a production tax credit under this section.

(8) "Interactive web site" means a web site, the production costs of which (A) exceed five hundred thousand dollars per income year, and (B) is primarily (i) interactive games or end user applications, or (ii) animation, simulation, sound, graphics, story lines or video created or repurposed for distribution over the Internet. An interactive web site does not include a web site primarily used for institutional, private,
industrial, retail or wholesale marketing or promotional purposes, or which contains obscene content.

(9) "Post-certification remedy" means the recapture, disallowance, recovery, reduction, repayment, forfeiture, decertification or any other remedy that would have the effect of reducing or otherwise limiting the use of a tax credit provided by this section.

(10) "Compensation" means base salary or wages and does not include bonus pay, stock options, restricted stock units or similar arrangements.

(11) "Relocated television production" means:

(A) An ongoing television program all of the prior seasons of which were filmed outside this state, and may include current events shows, except those referenced in subparagraph (B)(i) of this subdivision.

(B) An eligible production company's television programming in this state that (i) is not a general news program, sporting event or game broadcast, and (ii) is created at a qualified production facility that has had a minimum investment of twenty-five million dollars made by such eligible production company on or after January 1, 2012, at which facility the eligible production company creates ongoing television programming as defined in subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, and creates at least two hundred new jobs in Connecticut on or after January 1, 2012. For purposes of this subdivision, "new job" means a full-time job, as defined in section 12-217ii, that did not exist in this state prior to January 1, 2012, and is filled by a new employee, and "new employee" includes a person who was employed outside this state by the eligible production company prior to January 1, 2012, but does not include a person who was employed in this state by the eligible production company or a related person, as defined in section 12-217ii, with respect to the eligible production company during the
prior twelve months.

(C) A relocated television production may be a state-certified qualified production for not more than ten successive income years, after which period the eligible production company shall be ineligible to resubmit an application for certification.

(b) (1) The Department of Economic and Community Development shall administer a system of tax credit vouchers within the resources, requirements and purposes of this section for eligible production companies producing a state-certified qualified production in the state.

[(1) For income years commencing on or after January 1, 2006, but prior to January 1, 2010, any eligible production company incurring production expenses or costs in excess of fifty thousand dollars shall be eligible for a credit against the tax imposed under chapter 207 or this chapter equal to thirty per cent of such production expenses or costs.]

(2) [For income years commencing on or after January 1, 2010, (A) any] Any eligible production company incurring production expenses or costs shall be eligible for a credit (A) for income years commencing on or after January 1, 2010, but prior to January 1, 2018, against the tax imposed under chapter 207 or this chapter, and (B) for income years commencing on or after January 1, 2018, against the tax imposed under chapter 207 or 219 or this chapter, as follows: (i) For any such company incurring [production] such expenses or costs of not less than one hundred thousand dollars, but not more than five hundred thousand dollars, [shall be eligible for a credit against the tax imposed under chapter 207 or this chapter] a credit equal to ten per cent of such [production] expenses or costs, [(B)] (ii) any such company incurring such expenses or costs of more than five hundred thousand dollars, but not more than one million dollars, [shall be eligible for a credit against the tax imposed under chapter 207 or this chapter] a credit equal to fifteen per cent of such [production] expenses or costs,
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[(C) (iii)] any such company incurring such expenses or costs of more than one million dollars, [shall be eligible for a credit against the tax imposed under chapter 207 or this chapter] a credit equal to thirty per cent of such [production] expenses or costs.

(c) No eligible production company incurring an amount of production expenses or costs that qualifies for such credit shall be eligible for such credit unless on or after January 1, 2010, such company conducts (1) not less than fifty per cent of principal photography days within the state, or (2) expends not less than fifty per cent of postproduction costs within the state, or (3) expends not less than one million dollars of postproduction costs within the state.

[(d) (1)] For income years commencing on or after January 1, 2009, but prior to January 1, 2010, fifty per cent of production expenses or costs shall be counted toward such credit when incurred outside the state and used within the state, and one hundred per cent of such expenses or costs shall be counted toward such credit when incurred within the state and used within the state.]

[(2)] (d) For income years commencing on or after January 1, 2010, no expenses or costs incurred outside the state and used within the state shall be eligible for a credit, and one hundred per cent of such expenses or costs shall be counted toward such credit when incurred within the state and used within the state.

(e) (1) On and after July 1, 2006, and for income years commencing on or after January 1, 2006, any credit allowed pursuant to this section may be sold, assigned or otherwise transferred, in whole or in part, to one or more taxpayers, provided (A) no credit, after issuance, may be sold, assigned or otherwise transferred, in whole or in part, more than three times, (B) in the case of a credit allowed for the income year commencing on or after January 1, 2011, and prior to January 1, 2012, any entity that is not subject to tax under chapter 207 or this chapter
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may transfer not more than fifty per cent of such credit in any one income year, and (C) in the case of a credit allowed for an income year commencing on or after January 1, 2012, any entity that is not subject to tax under chapter 207 or this chapter may transfer not more than twenty-five per cent of such credit in any one income year.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection, any entity that is not subject to tax under this chapter or chapter 207 shall not be subject to the limitations on the transfer of credits provided in subparagraphs (B) and (C) of said subdivision (1), provided such entity owns not less than fifty per cent, directly or indirectly, of a business entity subject to tax under section 12-284b.

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

(4) For income years commencing on or after January 1, 2018, any credit that is sold, assigned or otherwise transferred, in whole or in part, to one or more taxpayers pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection, which credit is claimed against the tax imposed under chapter 219, shall be subject to the following limits:

(A) The taxpayer may only claim ninety-five per cent of the amount of such credit entered by the department on the production tax credit voucher; and
(B) If such taxpayer is an entity that owns at least fifty per cent of the eligible production company that sold, assigned or otherwise transferred such credit, such taxpayer may only claim ninety-two per cent of the amount of such credit entered by the department on the production tax credit voucher.

(f) (1) On and after July 1, 2006, and for income years commencing on or after January 1, 2006, all or part of any such credit allowed under this [subsection shall] section may be claimed against the tax imposed under chapter 207 or this chapter for the income year in which the production expenses or costs were incurred, or in the three immediately succeeding income years.

(2) For production tax credit vouchers issued on or after July 1, 2015, all or part of any such credit [shall] may be claimed against (A) the tax imposed under chapter 207 or this chapter, or (B) for income years commencing on or after January 1, 2018, the tax imposed under chapter 207 or 219 or this chapter, for the income year in which the production expenses or costs were incurred, or in the five immediately succeeding income years.

(3) Any production tax credit allowed under this subsection shall be nonrefundable.

(g) (1) An eligible production company shall apply to the department for a tax credit voucher on an annual basis, but not later than ninety days after the first production expenses or costs are incurred in the production of a qualified production, and shall provide with such application such information as the department may require to determine such company's eligibility to claim a credit under this section. No production expenses or costs may be listed more than once for purposes of the tax credit voucher pursuant to this section, or pursuant to section 12-217kk or 12-217ll, and if a production expense or cost has been included in a claim for a credit, such production
expense or cost may not be included in any subsequent claim for a credit.

(2) Not later than ninety days after the end of the annual period, or after the last production expenses or costs are incurred in the production of a qualified production, an eligible production company shall apply to the department for a production tax credit voucher, and shall provide with such application such information and independent certification as the department may require pertaining to the amount of such company's production expenses or costs. Such independent certification shall be provided by an audit professional chosen from a list compiled by the department. If the department determines that such company is eligible to be issued a production tax credit voucher, the department shall enter on the voucher the amount of production expenses or costs that has been established to the satisfaction of the department and the amount of such company's credit under this section. The department shall provide a copy of such voucher to the commissioner, upon request.

(3) The department shall charge a reasonable administrative fee sufficient to cover the department's costs to analyze applications submitted under this section.

(h) If an eligible production company sells, assigns or otherwise transfers a credit under this section to another taxpayer, the transferor and transferee shall jointly submit written notification of such transfer to the department not later than thirty days after such transfer. If such transferee sells, assigns or otherwise transfers a credit under this section to a subsequent transferee, such transferee and such subsequent transferee shall jointly submit written notification of such transfer to the department not later than thirty days after such transfer. The notification after each transfer shall include the credit voucher number, the date of transfer, the amount of such credit transferred, the tax credit balance before and after the transfer, the tax identification
numbers for both the transferor and the transferee, and any other information required by the department. Failure to comply with this subsection will result in a disallowance of the tax credit until there is full compliance on the part of the transferor and the transferee, and for a second or third transfer, on the part of all subsequent transferors and transferees. The department shall provide a copy of the notification of assignment to the commissioner upon request.

(i) Any eligible production company that submits information to the department that it knows to be fraudulent or false shall, in addition to any other penalties provided by law, be liable for a penalty equal to the amount of such company's credit entered on the production tax credit [certificate] voucher issued under this section.

(j) No tax credits transferred pursuant to this section shall be subject to a post-certification remedy, and the department and the commissioner shall have no right, except in the case of possible material misrepresentation or fraud, to conduct any further or additional review, examination or audit of the expenditures or costs for which such tax credits were issued. The sole and exclusive remedy of the department and the commissioner shall be to seek collection of the amount of such tax credits from the entity that committed the fraud or misrepresentation.

(k) The department, in consultation with the commissioner, shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, as may be necessary for the administration of this section.

Sec. 47. Subsection (a) of section 12-211a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) (1) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, and except as otherwise provided in subdivision (5) of this subsection or in
subsection (b) of this section, the amount of tax credit or credits otherwise allowable against the tax imposed under this chapter for any calendar year shall not exceed seventy per cent of the amount of tax due from such taxpayer under this chapter with respect to such calendar year of the taxpayer prior to the application of such credit or credits.

(2) For the calendar year commencing January 1, 2011, "type one tax credits" means tax credits allowable under section 12-217jj, 12-217kk or 12-217ll; "type two tax credits" means tax credits allowable under section 38a-88a; "type three tax credits" means tax credits that are not type one tax credits or type two tax credits; "thirty per cent threshold" means thirty per cent of the amount of tax due from a taxpayer under this chapter prior to the application of tax credit; "fifty-five per cent threshold" means fifty-five per cent of the amount of tax due from a taxpayer under this chapter prior to the application of tax credits; and "seventy per cent threshold" means seventy per cent of the amount of tax due from a taxpayer under this chapter prior to the application of tax credits.

(3) For the calendar year commencing January 1, 2012, "type one tax credits" means the tax credit allowable under section 12-217ll; "type two tax credits" means tax credits allowable under section 38a-88a; "type three tax credits" means tax credits that are not type one tax credits or type two tax credits; "thirty per cent threshold" means thirty per cent of the amount of tax due from a taxpayer under this chapter prior to the application of tax credit; "fifty-five per cent threshold" means fifty-five per cent of the amount of tax due from a taxpayer under this chapter prior to the application of tax credits; and "seventy per cent threshold" means seventy per cent of the amount of tax due from a taxpayer under this chapter prior to the application of tax credits.

(4) For [the] calendar years commencing on or after January 1, 2013,
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[January 1, 2014, January 1, 2015, and January 1, 2016,] "type one tax credits" means the tax credit allowable under sections 12-217jj, 12-217kk and 12-217ll; "type two tax credits" means tax credits allowable under section 38a-88a; "type three tax credits" means tax credits that are not type one tax credits or type two tax credits; "thirty per cent threshold" means thirty per cent of the amount of tax due from a taxpayer under this chapter prior to the application of tax credit; "fifty-five per cent threshold" means fifty-five per cent of the amount of tax due from a taxpayer under this chapter prior to the application of tax credits; and "seventy per cent threshold" means seventy per cent of the amount of tax due from a taxpayer under this chapter prior to the application of tax credits.

(5) For calendar years commencing on or after January 1, 2011, [and prior to January 1, 2017,] and subject to the provisions of subdivisions (2), (3) and (4) of this subsection, the amount of tax credit or credits otherwise allowable against the tax imposed under this chapter shall not exceed:

(A) If the tax credit or credits being claimed by a taxpayer are type three tax credits only, thirty per cent of the amount of tax due from such taxpayer under this chapter with respect to said calendar years of the taxpayer prior to the application of such credit or credits.

(B) If the tax credit or credits being claimed by a taxpayer are type one tax credits and type three tax credits, but not type two tax credits, fifty-five per cent of the amount of tax due from such taxpayer under this chapter with respect to said calendar years of the taxpayer prior to the application of such credit or credits, provided (i) type three tax credits shall be claimed before type one tax credits are claimed, (ii) the type three tax credits being claimed may not exceed the thirty per cent threshold, and (iii) the sum of the type one tax credits and the type three tax credits being claimed may not exceed the fifty-five per cent threshold.
(C) If the tax credit or credits being claimed by a taxpayer are type two tax credits and type three tax credits, but not type one tax credits, seventy per cent of the amount of tax due from such taxpayer under this chapter with respect to said calendar years of the taxpayer prior to the application of such credit or credits, provided (i) type three tax credits shall be claimed before type two tax credits are claimed, (ii) the type three tax credits being claimed may not exceed the thirty per cent threshold, and (iii) the sum of the type two tax credits and the type three tax credits being claimed may not exceed the seventy per cent threshold.

(D) If the tax credit or credits being claimed by a taxpayer are type one tax credits, type two tax credits and type three tax credits, seventy per cent of the amount of tax due from such taxpayer under this chapter with respect to said calendar years of the taxpayer prior to the application of such credits, provided (i) type three tax credits shall be claimed before type one tax credits or type two tax credits are claimed, and the type one tax credits shall be claimed before the type two tax credits are claimed, (ii) the type three tax credits being claimed may not exceed the thirty per cent threshold, (iii) the sum of the type one tax credits and the type three tax credits being claimed may not exceed the fifty-five per cent threshold, and (iv) the sum of the type one tax credits, the type two tax credits and the type three tax credits being claimed may not exceed the seventy per cent threshold.

(E) If the tax credit or credits being claimed by a taxpayer are type one tax credits and type two tax credits only, but not type three tax credits, seventy per cent of the amount of tax due from such taxpayer under this chapter with respect to said calendar years of the taxpayer prior to the application of such credits, provided (i) the type one tax credits shall be claimed before type two tax credits are claimed, (ii) the type one tax credits being claimed may not exceed the fifty-five per cent threshold, and (iii) the sum of the type one tax credits and the
Sec. 48. Section 2-71x of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, and each fiscal year thereafter, the Comptroller shall segregate [three million two hundred thousand] one million six hundred thousand dollars of the amount of the funds received by the state from the tax imposed under chapter 211 on public service companies providing community antenna television service in this state. The moneys segregated by the Comptroller shall be deposited with the Treasurer and made available to the Office of Legislative Management to defray the cost of providing the citizens of this state with Connecticut Television Network coverage of state government deliberations and public policy events.

Sec. 49. Subparagraph (B) of subdivision (20) of subsection (a) of section 12-701 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage and applicable to taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2017):

(B) There shall be subtracted therefrom (i) to the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, any income with respect to which taxation by any state is prohibited by federal law, (ii) to the extent allowable under section 12-718, exempt dividends paid by a regulated investment company, (iii) the amount of any refund or credit for overpayment of income taxes imposed by this state, or any other state of the United States or a political subdivision thereof, or the District of Columbia, to the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, (iv) to the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes and not otherwise subtracted from federal adjusted gross income pursuant to clause (x) of this subparagraph in computing Connecticut
adjusted gross income, any tier 1 railroad retirement benefits, (v) to the extent any additional allowance for depreciation under Section 168(k) of the Internal Revenue Code, as provided by Section 101 of the Job Creation and Worker Assistance Act of 2002, for property placed in service after December 31, 2001, but prior to September 10, 2004, was added to federal adjusted gross income pursuant to subparagraph (A)(ix) of this subdivision in computing Connecticut adjusted gross income for a taxable year ending after December 31, 2001, twenty-five per cent of such additional allowance for depreciation in each of the four succeeding taxable years, (vi) to the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, any interest income from obligations issued by or on behalf of the state of Connecticut, any political subdivision thereof, or public instrumentality, state or local authority, district or similar public entity created under the laws of the state of Connecticut, (vii) to the extent properly includable in determining the net gain or loss from the sale or other disposition of capital assets for federal income tax purposes, any gain from the sale or exchange of obligations issued by or on behalf of the state of Connecticut, any political subdivision thereof, or public instrumentality, state or local authority, district or similar public entity created under the laws of the state of Connecticut, in the income year such gain was recognized, (viii) any interest on indebtedness incurred or continued to purchase or carry obligations or securities the interest on which is subject to tax under this chapter but exempt from federal income tax, to the extent that such interest on indebtedness is not deductible in determining federal adjusted gross income and is attributable to a trade or business carried on by such individual, (ix) ordinary and necessary expenses paid or incurred during the taxable year for the production or collection of income which is subject to taxation under this chapter but exempt from federal income tax, or the management, conservation or maintenance of property held for the production of such income, and the amortizable bond premium for the taxable year on any bond the interest on which is subject to tax under
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this chapter but exempt from federal income tax, to the extent that such expenses and premiums are not deductible in determining federal adjusted gross income and are attributable to a trade or business carried on by such individual, (x) (I) for taxable years commencing prior to January 1, 2018, for a person who files a return under the federal income tax as an unmarried individual whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than fifty thousand dollars, or as a married individual filing separately whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than fifty thousand dollars, or for a husband and wife who file a return under the federal income tax as married individuals filing jointly whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than sixty thousand dollars or a person who files a return under the federal income tax as a head of household whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than sixty thousand dollars, an amount equal to the Social Security benefits includable for federal income tax purposes; [and] (II) for taxable years commencing prior to January 1, 2018, for a person who files a return under the federal income tax as an unmarried individual whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is fifty thousand dollars or more, or as a married individual filing separately whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is fifty thousand dollars or more, or for a husband and wife who file a return under the federal income tax as married individuals filing jointly whose federal adjusted gross income from such taxable year is sixty thousand dollars or more or for a person who files a return under the federal income tax as a head of household whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is sixty thousand dollars or more, an amount equal to the difference between the amount of Social Security benefits includable for federal income tax purposes and the lesser of twenty-five per cent of the Social Security benefits received during the taxable year, or twenty-five per cent of the excess described in Section 86(b)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code; (III) for the taxable year commencing January 1, 2018, and each taxable year thereafter, for
a person who files a return under the federal income tax as an unmarried individual whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than seventy-five thousand dollars, or as a married individual filing separately whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than seventy-five thousand dollars, or for a husband and wife who file a return under the federal income tax as married individuals filing jointly whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than one hundred thousand dollars or a person who files a return under the federal income tax as a head of household whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than one hundred thousand dollars, an amount equal to the Social Security benefits includable for federal income tax purposes; and (IV) for the taxable year commencing January 1, 2018, and each taxable year thereafter, for a person who files a return under the federal income tax as an unmarried individual whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is seventy-five thousand dollars or more, or as a married individual filing separately whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is seventy-five thousand dollars or more, or for a husband and wife who file a return under the federal income tax as married individuals filing jointly whose federal adjusted gross income from such taxable year is one hundred thousand dollars or more or for a person who files a return under the federal income tax as a head of household whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is one hundred thousand dollars or more, an amount equal to the difference between the amount of Social Security benefits includable for federal income tax purposes and the lesser of twenty-five per cent of the Social Security benefits received during the taxable year, or twenty-five per cent of the excess described in Section 86(b)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code, (xi) to the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, any amount rebated to a taxpayer pursuant to section 12-746, (xii) to the extent properly includable in the gross income for federal income tax purposes of a designated beneficiary, any distribution to such
beneficiary from any qualified state tuition program, as defined in Section 529(b) of the Internal Revenue Code, established and maintained by this state or any official, agency or instrumentality of the state, (xiii) to the extent allowable under section 12-701a, contributions to accounts established pursuant to any qualified state tuition program, as defined in Section 529(b) of the Internal Revenue Code, established and maintained by this state or any official, agency or instrumentality of the state, (xiv) to the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, the amount of any Holocaust victims' settlement payment received in the taxable year by a Holocaust victim, (xv) to the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes of an account holder, as defined in section 31-51ww, interest earned on funds deposited in the individual development account, as defined in section 31-51ww, of such account holder, (xvi) to the extent properly includable in the gross income for federal income tax purposes of a designated beneficiary, as defined in section 3-123aa, interest, dividends or capital gains earned on contributions to accounts established for the designated beneficiary pursuant to the Connecticut Homecare Option Program for the Elderly established by sections 3-123aa to 3-123ff, inclusive, (xvii) to the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, any income received from the United States government as retirement pay for a retired member of (I) the Armed Forces of the United States, as defined in Section 101 of Title 10 of the United States Code, or (II) the National Guard, as defined in Section 101 of Title 10 of the United States Code, (xviii) to the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes for the taxable year, any income from the discharge of indebtedness in connection with any reacquisition, after December 31, 2008, and before January 1, 2011, of an applicable debt instrument or instruments, as those terms are defined in Section 108 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended by Section 1231 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, to the extent any such income was added to federal
adjusted gross income pursuant to subparagraph (A)(xi) of this subdivision in computing Connecticut adjusted gross income for a preceding taxable year, (xix) to the extent not deductible in determining federal adjusted gross income, the amount of any contribution to a manufacturing reinvestment account established pursuant to section 32-9zz in the taxable year that such contribution is made, and (xx) to the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, for the taxable year commencing January 1, 2015, ten per cent of the income received from the state teachers' retirement system, for the taxable year commencing January 1, 2016, twenty-five per cent of the income received from the state teachers' retirement system, and for the taxable year commencing January 1, 2017, and each taxable year thereafter, fifty per cent of the income received from the state teachers' retirement system or the percentage, if applicable, pursuant to clause (xxi) of this subparagraph, and (xxi) to the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, except for retirement benefits under clause (iv) of this subparagraph and retirement pay under clause (xvii) of this subparagraph, for a person who files a return under the federal income tax as an unmarried individual whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than seventy-five thousand dollars, or as a married individual filing separately whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than seventy-five thousand dollars, or as a head of household whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than seventy-five thousand dollars, or for a husband and wife who file a return under the federal income tax as married individuals filing jointly whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than one hundred thousand dollars, (I) for the taxable year commencing January 1, 2019, fourteen per cent of any pension or annuity income, (II) for the taxable year commencing January 1, 2020, twenty-eight per cent of any pension or annuity income, (III) for the taxable year commencing January 1, 2021, forty-two per cent of any pension or annuity income, (IV) for the taxable
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year commencing January 1, 2022, fifty-six per cent of any pension or annuity income, (V) for the taxable year commencing January 1, 2023, seventy per cent of any pension or annuity income, (VI) for the taxable year commencing January 1, 2024, eighty-four per cent of any pension or annuity income, and (VII) for the taxable year commencing January 1, 2025, any pension or annuity income.

Sec. 50. Subdivision (1) of subsection (e) of section 12-704d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(e) (1) Any angel investor that intends to make a cash investment in a business on such list may apply to Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, to reserve a tax credit in the amount indicated by such investor. The aggregate amount of all tax credits under this section that may be reserved by Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, shall not exceed six million dollars annually for the fiscal years commencing July 1, 2010, to July 1, 2012, inclusive, and shall not exceed three million dollars in each fiscal year thereafter. Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, shall not reserve tax credits under this section for any investment made on or after [July 1, 2019] October 1, 2017.

Sec. 51. Subsection (e) of section 12-704e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage and applicable to taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2017):

(e) For purposes of this section, "applicable percentage" means: [thirty per cent, except (1) for the taxable year commencing on January 1, 2013, "applicable percentage" means twenty-five per cent, and (2) for taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2014, but prior to January 1, 2017, "applicable percentage" means twenty-seven and one-half per cent] (1) For a taxpayer claiming no children as dependents, five per cent; (2) for a taxpayer claiming one child as a dependent, ten
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per cent; (3) for a taxpayer claiming two children as dependents, fifteen per cent; and (4) for a taxpayer claiming three or more children as dependents, twenty-five per cent.

Sec. 52. Subsection (a) of section 12-264 of the general statutes, as amended by section 27 of public act 17-147, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) Each (1) municipality, or department or agency thereof, or district manufacturing, selling or distributing gas to be used for light, heat or power, (2) company the principal business of which is manufacturing, selling or distributing gas or steam to be used for light, heat or power, including each foreign electric company, as defined in section 16-246f, that holds property in this state, and (3) company required to register pursuant to section 16-258a, shall pay a quarterly tax upon gross earnings from such operations in this state. Gross earnings from such operations under subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection shall include, as determined by the Commissioner of Revenue Services, (A) all income included in operating revenue accounts in the uniform systems of accounts prescribed by the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority for operations within the taxable quarter and, with respect to each such company, (B) all income identified in said uniform systems of accounts as income from merchandising, jobbing and contract work, (C) all revenues identified in said uniform systems of accounts as income from nonutility operations, (D) all revenues identified in said uniform systems of accounts as nonoperating retail income, and (E) receipts from the sale of residuals and other by-products obtained in connection with the production of gas, electricity or steam. Gross earnings from such operations under subdivision (3) of this subsection shall be gross income from the sales of natural gas, provided gross income shall not include income from the sale of natural gas to an existing combined cycle facility comprised of three gas turbines providing electric
generation services, as defined in section 16-1, with a total capacity of
seven hundred seventy-five megawatts, for use in the production of
electricity.] Gross earnings of a gas company, as defined in section 16-
1, shall not include income earned in a taxable quarter commencing
prior to June 30, 2008, from the sale of natural gas or propane as a fuel
for a motor vehicle. No deductions shall be allowed from such gross
earnings for any commission, rebate or other payment, except a refund
resulting from an error or overcharge and those specifically mentioned
in section 12-265. Gross earnings of a company, as described in
subdivision (2) of this subsection, shall not include income earned in
any taxable quarter commencing on or after July 1, 2000, from the sale
of steam.

Sec. 53. Section 16-331hh of the general statutes is repealed and the
following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) of section 16-
331bb, the sum of $3,000,000 five million dollars shall be transferred
from the municipal video competition trust account and credited to the
resources of the General Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016,
and each fiscal year thereafter.

Sec. 54. (NEW) (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the
provisions of section 16-331cc of the general statutes, the sum of three
million five hundred thousand dollars shall be transferred from the
public, educational and governmental programming and education
technology investment account and credited to the resources of the
General Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, and each fiscal
year thereafter.

Sec. 55. Subsection (a) of section 12-541 of the general statutes is
repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
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(a) There is hereby imposed a tax of ten per cent of the admission charge to any place of amusement, entertainment or recreation, except that no tax shall be imposed with respect to any admission charge (1) when the admission charge is less than one dollar or, in the case of any motion picture show, when the admission charge is not more than five dollars, (2) when a daily admission charge is imposed which entitles the patron to participate in an athletic or sporting activity, (3) to any event, other than events held at the stadium facility, as defined in section 32-651, if all of the proceeds from the event inure exclusively to an entity which is exempt from federal income tax under the Internal Revenue Code, provided such entity actively engages in and assumes the financial risk associated with the presentation of such event, (4) to any event, other than events held at the stadium facility, as defined in section 32-651, which, in the opinion of the commissioner, is conducted primarily to raise funds for an entity which is exempt from federal income tax under the Internal Revenue Code, provided the commissioner is satisfied that the net profit which inures to such entity from such event will exceed the amount of the admissions tax which, but for this subdivision, would be imposed upon the person making such charge to such event, (5) other than for events held at the stadium facility, as defined in section 32-651, paid by centers of service for elderly persons, as described in subdivision (d) of section 17a-310, (6) to any production featuring live performances by actors or musicians presented at Gateway's Candlewood Playhouse, Ocean Beach Park or any nonprofit theater or playhouse in the state, provided such theater or playhouse possesses evidence confirming exemption from federal tax under Section 501 of the Internal Revenue Code, (7) to any carnival or amusement ride, (8) to any interscholastic athletic event held at the stadium facility, as defined in section 32-651, or (9) if the admission charge would have been subject to tax under the provisions of section 12-542 of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 1999; [L (10) to any event at (A) the XL Center in Hartford, or (B) the Webster Bank Arena in Bridgeport, (11) from July 1, 2015, to June 30,
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2017, to any athletic event presented by a member team of the Atlantic League of Professional Baseball at the Ballpark at Harbor Yard in Bridgeport, (12) to any event presented at the Dunkin' Donuts Park in Hartford, or (13) on and after July 1, 2017, to any athletic event presented by a member team of the Atlantic League of Professional Baseball at the New Britain Stadium.] On and after July 1, 2000, the tax imposed under this section on any motion picture show shall be eight per cent of the admission charge and, on and after July 1, 2001, the tax imposed on any such motion picture show shall be six per cent of such charge.

Sec. 56. (Effective from passage) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, the Connecticut Lottery Corporation, created under section 12-802 of the general statutes, shall reduce its expenses for each said fiscal year by one million dollars from the amount of its expenses in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017.

Sec. 57. Subsection (c) of section 29-11 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017, and applicable to background check services requested on or after October 1, 2017):

(c) The Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection shall charge the following fees for the service indicated: (1) Name search, thirty-six dollars; (2) fingerprint search, [fifty] seventy-five dollars; (3) personal record search, [fifty] seventy-five dollars; (4) letters of good conduct search, [fifty] seventy-five dollars; (5) bar association search, [fifty] seventy-five dollars; (6) fingerprinting, fifteen dollars; (7) criminal history record information search, [fifty] seventy-five dollars. Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the provisions of this subsection shall not apply to any federal, state or municipal agency.

Sec. 58. Subsection (d) of section 7-34a of the general statutes is
repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(d) In addition to the fees for recording a document under subsection (a) of this section, town clerks shall receive a fee of three dollars for each document recorded in the land records of the municipality. Not later than the fifteenth day of each month, town clerks shall remit two-thirds of the fees paid pursuant to this subsection during the previous calendar month to the State Treasurer for deposit in the General Fund and two-fifths of the fees paid pursuant to this subsection during the previous calendar month to the State Librarian for deposit in a bank account of the State Treasurer and crediting to the historic documents preservation account established under section 11-8i. [One-third] One-fifth of the amount paid for fees pursuant to this subsection shall be retained by town clerks and used for the preservation and management of historic documents. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to any document recorded on the land records by an employee of the state or of a municipality in conjunction with the employee's official duties. As used in this section "municipality" includes each town, consolidated town and city, city, consolidated town and borough, borough, district, as defined in chapter 105 or chapter 105a, and each municipal board, commission and taxing district not previously mentioned.

Sec. 59. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2017) (a) For purposes of this section:

(1) "Outpatient clinic" means an organization operated by a municipality or a corporation, other than a hospital, that provides (A) ambulatory medical care, including preventive and health promotion services, (B) dental care, or (C) mental health services in conjunction with medical or dental care for the purpose of diagnosing or treating a health condition that does not require the patient's overnight care; and
(2) "Urgent care center" means a free-standing facility, distinguished from an emergency department setting, that is licensed as an outpatient clinic under section 19a-491 of the general statutes and that (A) provides treatment of medical conditions that do not require critical or emergent intervention for a life-threatening or potentially permanent disabling condition, (B) offers treatment of such conditions without requiring an appointment, and (C) provides services during times of the day, weekends or holidays when primary care provider offices are not customarily open to patients.

(b) On or after April 1, 2018, no person acting individually or jointly with any other person shall establish, conduct, operate or maintain an urgent care center without obtaining a license as an outpatient clinic under section 19a-491 of the general statutes from the Department of Public Health.

(c) The Commissioner of Public Health may implement policies and procedures as necessary to carry out the provisions of this section while in the process of adopting the policies and procedures as regulations, provided notice of intent to adopt the regulations is published in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes.

(d) The Commissioner of Social Services may establish rates of payment to providers practicing in urgent care centers. The Commissioner of Social Services may implement policies and procedures as necessary to carry out the provisions of this section while in the process of adopting the policies and procedures as regulations, provided notice of intent to adopt the regulations is published in accordance with the provisions of section 17b-10 of the general statutes not later than twenty days after the date of implementation.

Sec. 60. Subsection (e) of section 19a-491 of the general statutes is
repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(e) The commissioner shall charge one thousand dollars for the licensing and inspection every three years of outpatient clinics that provide either medical or mental health service, urgent care services and well-child clinics, except those operated by municipal health departments, health districts or licensed nonprofit nursing or community health agencies.

Sec. 61. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) Definitions. As used in this section:

(1) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's designee;

(2) "Community public water system" means a public water system that regularly serves at least twenty-five year-round residents;

(3) "Consumer" has the same meaning as provided in section 25-32a of the general statutes;

(4) "Department" means the Department of Public Health;

(5) "Nontransient noncommunity public water system" means a public water system that is not a community public water system and that regularly serves at least twenty-five of the same persons over six months per year;

(6) "Public water system" means a water company that supplies drinking water to fifteen or more consumers or twenty-five or more persons daily at least sixty days of the year; and

(7) "Water company" has the same meaning as provided in section 25-32a of the general statutes.
(b) On and after July 1, 2018, no community public water system or nontransient noncommunity public water system may provide drinking water to the public unless the water company that owns such system has obtained a license to operate from the commissioner in accordance with the schedule established pursuant to subsection (c) of this section.

(c) The commissioner shall, in consultation with the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, establish a staggered license application system for community public water systems and nontransient noncommunity public water systems. Upon receipt of an application for an initial license to operate a community public water system or a nontransient noncommunity public water system made by the water company that owns such system, along with the required fee in accordance with subsection (g) of this section, the commissioner shall issue such license to operate to a water company if the water company that owns such community public water system or nontransient noncommunity public water system meets the requirements established under this section. The application shall be signed under oath by the owner of the water company or the person authorized to act on behalf of the owner and shall contain a notice that false statements made therein are punishable in accordance with section 53a-157b of the general statutes. Such community public water system or nontransient noncommunity public water system license to operate shall be in effect for two years.

(d) The commissioner shall renew a license to operate a community public water system or nontransient noncommunity public water system once every two years, upon receipt of the renewal application and required fee from the water company that owns such system.

(e) The commissioner may deny an application for, or may suspend or revoke, a water company's license to operate a community public water system or nontransient noncommunity public water system for:
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(1) Failure to comply with federal or state statutes and regulations applicable to water companies; (2) material misstatement of fact made on the initial or renewal application; or (3) imminent threat to public health with respect to such public water system as determined by the commissioner. A hearing shall be held in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes before the commissioner may suspend or revoke a water company's license to operate a community public water system or nontransient noncommunity public water system.

(f) Any change in ownership of the community public water system or nontransient noncommunity public water system for which the water company has a license to operate shall require a new license to operate in accordance with this section.

(g) The commissioner, in consultation with the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, shall publish on the department's Internet web site the fees for a license to operate a community public water system and a nontransient noncommunity public water system. The fee for a license to operate a community public water system shall be based on the number of service connections of the community public water system. A water company applying for a license to operate a community public water system may collect the fee for such license from the consumers of the water company's community public water system. The amount collected by the water company from an individual consumer shall be a pro rata share of the fee for such license based on the amount of water consumed by the consumer.

(h) Any water company that fails to pay the fee for a license to operate a community public water system or nontransient noncommunity public water system shall be assessed a civil penalty under the provisions of section 25-32e of the general statutes.

(i) The commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance with the
provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to carry out the provisions of this section.

(j) State agencies shall be exempt from the requirements of this section.

Sec. 62. Section 19a-55a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

[(a)] There is established a newborn screening account that shall be a separate nonlapsing account within the General Fund. The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited into the account. Any balance remaining in said account [at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in the account for the next fiscal year] on June 30, 2017, shall be credited to the resources of the General Fund and made available for expenditure by the Department of Public Health for the expenses of the testing required under sections 19a-55 and 19a-59 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

[(b)] Five hundred thousand dollars of the amount collected pursuant to section 19a-55, in each fiscal year, shall be credited to the newborn screening account, and be available for expenditure by the Department of Public Health for the expenses of the testing required by sections 19a-55 and 19a-59.]

Sec. 63. Subdivision (1) of section 12-408 of the general statutes, as amended by section 12 of public act 17-147, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017, and applicable to sales occurring on or after October 1, 2017):

(1) (A) For the privilege of making any sales, as defined in subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 12-407, at retail, in this state for a consideration, a tax is hereby imposed on all retailers at the rate of six and thirty-five-hundredths per cent of the gross receipts of any retailer from the sale of all tangible personal property sold at retail or
from the rendering of any services constituting a sale in accordance with subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 12-407, except, in lieu of said rate of six and thirty-five-hundredths per cent, the rates provided in subparagraphs (B) to (H), inclusive, of this subdivision;

(B) (i) At a rate of fifteen per cent with respect to each transfer of occupancy, from the total amount of rent received by a hotel or lodging house for the first period not exceeding thirty consecutive calendar days;

(ii) At a rate of eleven per cent with respect to each transfer of occupancy, from the total amount of rent received by a bed and breakfast establishment for the first period not exceeding thirty consecutive calendar days;

(C) With respect to the sale of a motor vehicle to any individual who is a member of the armed forces of the United States and is on full-time active duty in Connecticut and who is considered, under 50 App USC 574, a resident of another state, or to any such individual and the spouse thereof, at a rate of four and one-half per cent of the gross receipts of any retailer from such sales, provided such retailer requires and maintains a declaration by such individual, prescribed as to form by the commissioner and bearing notice to the effect that false statements made in such declaration are punishable, or other evidence, satisfactory to the commissioner, concerning the purchaser's state of residence under 50 App USC 574;

(D) (i) With respect to the sales of computer and data processing services occurring on or after July 1, 1997, and prior to July 1, 1998, at the rate of five per cent, on or after July 1, 1998, and prior to July 1, 1999, at the rate of four per cent, on or after July 1, 1999, and prior to July 1, 2000, at the rate of three per cent, on or after July 1, 2000, and prior to July 1, 2001, at the rate of two per cent, on or after July 1, 2001, at the rate of one per cent, and (ii) with respect to sales of Internet
access services, on and after July 1, 2001, such services shall be exempt from such tax;

(E) (i) With respect to the sales of labor that is otherwise taxable under subparagraph (C) or (G) of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 12-407 on existing vessels and repair or maintenance services on vessels occurring on and after July 1, 1999, such services shall be exempt from such tax;

(ii) With respect to the sale of a vessel, such sale shall be exempt from such tax provided such vessel is docked in this state for sixty or fewer days in a calendar year;

(F) With respect to patient care services for which payment is received by the hospital on or after July 1, 1999, and prior to July 1, 2001, at the rate of five and three-fourths per cent and on and after July 1, 2001, such services shall be exempt from such tax;

(G) With respect to the rental or leasing of a passenger motor vehicle for a period of thirty consecutive calendar days or less, at a rate of nine and thirty-five-hundredths per cent;

(H) With respect to the sale of (i) a motor vehicle for a sales price exceeding fifty thousand dollars, at a rate of seven and three-fourths per cent on the entire sales price, (ii) jewelry, whether real or imitation, for a sales price exceeding five thousand dollars, at a rate of per cent on the entire sales price, and (iii) an article of clothing or footwear intended to be worn on or about the human body, a handbag, luggage, umbrella, wallet or watch for a sales price exceeding one thousand dollars, at a rate of seven and three-fourths per cent on the entire sales price. For purposes of this subparagraph, "motor vehicle" has the meaning provided in section 14-1, but does not include a motor vehicle subject to the provisions of subparagraph (C) of this subdivision, a motor vehicle having a gross vehicle weight rating over twelve
thousand five hundred pounds, or a motor vehicle having a gross vehicle weight rating of twelve thousand five hundred pounds or less that is not used for private passenger purposes, but is designed or used to transport merchandise, freight or persons in connection with any business enterprise and issued a commercial registration or more specific type of registration by the Department of Motor Vehicles;

(I) The rate of tax imposed by this chapter shall be applicable to all retail sales upon the effective date of such rate, except that a new rate which represents an increase in the rate applicable to the sale shall not apply to any sales transaction wherein a binding sales contract without an escalator clause has been entered into prior to the effective date of the new rate and delivery is made within ninety days after the effective date of the new rate. For the purposes of payment of the tax imposed under this section, any retailer of services taxable under subparagraph (I) of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 12-407, who computes taxable income, for purposes of taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as from time to time amended, on an accounting basis which recognizes only cash or other valuable consideration actually received as income and who is liable for such tax only due to the rendering of such services may make payments related to such tax for the period during which such income is received, without penalty or interest, without regard to when such service is rendered;

(J) (i) For calendar quarters ending on or after September 30, 2011, [except for calendar quarters ending on or after July 1, 2016,] but prior to [July] October 1, 2017, the commissioner shall deposit into the regional planning incentive account, established pursuant to section 4-66k, six and seven-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (B) of this subdivision and ten and seven-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (G) of this subdivision;
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(ii) For calendar quarters ending on or after December 31, 2017, the commissioner shall deposit into the marketing, culture and tourism account established under section 65 of this act ten per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (B) of this subdivision;

(K) [(i)] Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for calendar months commencing on or after May 1, 2016, but prior to July 1, 2016, the commissioner shall deposit into the municipal revenue sharing account established pursuant to section 4-66l four and seven-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, and shall transfer any accrual related to said months on or after said July 1, 2016, date; and

[(ii) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2017, the commissioner shall deposit into the municipal revenue sharing account established pursuant to section 4-66l seven and nine-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision; and]

(L) (i) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for calendar months commencing on or after December 1, 2015, but prior to October 1, 2016, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 four and seven-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision;

(ii) For calendar months commencing on or after October 1, 2016, but prior to July 1, 2017, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 six and three-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision; [and]

(iii) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2017, the
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commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 seven and nine-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision; \[.\]

(iv) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2020, but prior to July 1, 2021, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 twenty per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision on the sale of a motor vehicle;

(v) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2021, but prior to July 1, 2022, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 forty per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision on the sale of a motor vehicle;

(vi) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2022, but prior to July 1, 2023, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 sixty per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision on the sale of a motor vehicle;

(vii) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2023, but prior to July 1, 2024, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 eighty per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision on the sale of a motor vehicle; and

(viii) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2024, but prior to July 1, 2025, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 one hundred per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed
under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision on the sale of a motor vehicle.

Sec. 64. Subdivision (1) of section 12-411 of the general statutes, as amended by sections 13 and 33 of public act 17-147, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017, and applicable to sales occurring on or after October 1, 2017):

(1) (A) An excise tax is hereby imposed on the storage, acceptance, consumption or any other use in this state of tangible personal property purchased from any retailer for storage, acceptance, consumption or any other use in this state, the acceptance or receipt of any services constituting a sale in accordance with subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 12-407, purchased from any retailer for consumption or use in this state, or the storage, acceptance, consumption or any other use in this state of tangible personal property which has been manufactured, fabricated, assembled or processed from materials by a person, either within or without this state, for storage, acceptance, consumption or any other use by such person in this state, to be measured by the sales price of materials, at the rate of six and thirty-five-hundredths per cent of the sales price of such property or services, except, in lieu of said rate of six and thirty-five-hundredths per cent;

(B) (i) At a rate of fifteen per cent of the rent paid to a hotel or lodging house for the first period not exceeding thirty consecutive calendar days;

(ii) At a rate of eleven per cent of the rent paid to a bed and breakfast establishment for the first period not exceeding thirty consecutive calendar days;

(C) With respect to the storage, acceptance, consumption or use in this state of a motor vehicle purchased from any retailer for storage,
acceptance, consumption or use in this state by any individual who is a member of the armed forces of the United States and is on full-time active duty in Connecticut and who is considered, under 50 App USC 574, a resident of another state, or to any such individual and the spouse of such individual at a rate of four and one-half per cent of the sales price of such vehicle, provided such retailer requires and maintains a declaration by such individual, prescribed as to form by the commissioner and bearing notice to the effect that false statements made in such declaration are punishable, or other evidence, satisfactory to the commissioner, concerning the purchaser's state of residence under 50 App USC 574;

(D) (i) With respect to the acceptance or receipt in this state of labor that is otherwise taxable under subparagraph (C) or (G) of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 12-407 on existing vessels and repair or maintenance services on vessels occurring on and after July 1, 1999, such services shall be exempt from such tax;

(ii) With respect to the storage, acceptance or other use of a vessel in this state, such storage, acceptance or other use shall be exempt from such tax, provided such vessel is docked in this state for sixty or fewer days in a calendar year;

(E) (i) With respect to the acceptance or receipt in this state of computer and data processing services purchased from any retailer for consumption or use in this state occurring on or after July 1, 1997, and prior to July 1, 1998, at the rate of five per cent of such services, on or after July 1, 1998, and prior to July 1, 1999, at the rate of four per cent of such services, on or after July 1, 1999, and prior to July 1, 2000, at the rate of three per cent of such services, on or after July 1, 2000, and prior to July 1, 2001, at the rate of two per cent of such services, on and after July 1, 2001, at the rate of one per cent of such services, and (ii) with respect to the acceptance or receipt in this state of Internet access services, on or after July 1, 2001, such services shall be exempt
from such tax;

(F) With respect to the acceptance or receipt in this state of patient care services purchased from any retailer for consumption or use in this state for which payment is received by the hospital on or after July 1, 1999, and prior to July 1, 2001, at the rate of five and three-fourths per cent and on and after July 1, 2001, such services shall be exempt from such tax;

(G) With respect to the rental or leasing of a passenger motor vehicle for a period of thirty consecutive calendar days or less, at a rate of nine and thirty-five-hundredths per cent;

(H) With respect to the sale of (i) a motor vehicle for a sales price exceeding fifty thousand dollars, at a rate of seven and three-fourths per cent on the entire sales price, (ii) jewelry, whether real or imitation, for a sales price exceeding five thousand dollars, at a rate of seven and three-fourths per cent on the entire sales price, and (iii) an article of clothing or footwear intended to be worn on or about the human body, a handbag, luggage, umbrella, wallet or watch for a sales price exceeding one thousand dollars, at a rate of seven and three-fourths per cent on the entire sales price. For purposes of this subparagraph, "motor vehicle" has the meaning provided in section 14-1, but does not include a motor vehicle subject to the provisions of subparagraph (C) of this subdivision, a motor vehicle having a gross vehicle weight rating over twelve thousand five hundred pounds, or a motor vehicle having a gross vehicle weight rating of twelve thousand five hundred pounds or less that is not used for private passenger purposes, but is designed or used to transport merchandise, freight or persons in connection with any business enterprise and issued a commercial registration or more specific type of registration by the Department of Motor Vehicles;

(I) (i) For calendar quarters ending on or after September 30, 2011,
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[except for calendar quarters ending on or after July 1, 2016,] but prior to [July] October 1, 2017, the commissioner shall deposit into the regional planning incentive account, established pursuant to section 4-66k, six and seven-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (B) of this subdivision and ten and seven-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (G) of this subdivision;

(ii) For calendar quarters ending on or after December 31, 2017, the commissioner shall deposit into the marketing, culture and tourism account established under section 70 of this act ten per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (B) of this subdivision;

(J) [(i)] Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for calendar months commencing on or after May 1, 2016, but prior to July 1, 2016, the commissioner shall deposit into the municipal revenue sharing account, established pursuant to section 4-66l, four and seven-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision and shall transfer any accrual related to such months on or after July 1, 2016; and

[(ii) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2017, the commissioner shall deposit into said municipal revenue sharing account seven and nine-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision;]

(K) (i) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for calendar months commencing on or after December 1, 2015, but prior to October 1, 2016, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund, established pursuant to section 13b-68, four and seven-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision;
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(ii) For calendar months commencing on or after October 1, 2016, but prior to July 1, 2017, the commissioner shall deposit into said Special Transportation Fund six and three-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision; [and]

(iii) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2017, the commissioner shall deposit into said Special Transportation Fund seven and nine-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision; []

(iv) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2020, but prior to July 1, 2021, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 twenty per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision on the sale of a motor vehicle;

(v) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2021, but prior to July 1, 2022, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 forty per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision on the sale of a motor vehicle;

(vi) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2022, but prior to July 1, 2023, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 sixty per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision on the sale of a motor vehicle;

(vii) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2023, but prior to July 1, 2024, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 eighty per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision on the sale of a motor vehicle;
and

(viii) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2024, but prior to July 1, 2025, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 one hundred per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision on the sale of a motor vehicle.

Sec. 65. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2017) There is established an account to be known as the "marketing, culture and tourism account" which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the General Fund. The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, in consultation with the Culture and Tourism Advisory Committee established under section 10-393 of the general statutes, to provide grants to private entities to carry out the provisions of subdivisions (1) to (3), inclusive, of subsection (a) of section 10-392 of the general statutes.

Sec. 66. Section 10-393 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There shall be a Culture and Tourism Advisory Committee which shall consist of twenty-eight voting members and nonvoting ex-officio members. Such ex-officio members shall be the executive directors of the Connecticut Trust for Historic Preservation and the Connecticut Humanities Council, the State Poet Laureate, the State Historian and the State Archaeologist. The State Poet Laureate, the State Historian and the State Archaeologist shall serve as members without being appointed and without receiving compensation for such service. The remaining twenty-three members shall be appointed as follows:
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(1) The Governor shall appoint seven members: (A) One member shall be an individual with knowledge of and experience in the tourism industry from within the state; (B) three members shall be individuals with knowledge of or experience or interest in history or humanities; (C) one member shall be an individual with knowledge of or experience or interest in the arts; and (D) two members shall be selected at large.

(2) The speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint three members: (A) One member shall be an individual with knowledge of and experience in the tourism industry from the western regional tourism district, established under section 10-397; (B) one member shall be an individual with knowledge of or experience or interest in history or humanities; and (C) one member shall be an individual with knowledge of or experience or interest in the arts.

(3) The president pro tempore of the Senate shall appoint three members: (A) One member shall be an individual with knowledge of and experience in the tourism industry from the central regional tourism district, established under section 10-397; (B) one member shall be an individual with knowledge of or experience or interest in history or humanities; and (C) one member shall be an individual with knowledge of or experience or interest in the arts.

(4) The majority leader of the House of Representatives shall appoint two members: (A) One member shall be an individual with knowledge of and experience in the tourism industry from the central regional tourism district, established under section 10-397; and (B) one member shall be an individual with knowledge of or experience or interest in the arts.

(5) The majority leader of the Senate shall appoint two members: (A) One member shall be an individual with knowledge of and experience in the tourism industry from the eastern regional tourism district; and
(B) one member shall be an individual with knowledge of or experience or interest in the arts.

(6) The minority leader of the House of Representatives shall appoint three members: (A) One member shall be an individual with knowledge of and experience in the tourism industry from within the state; (B) one member shall be an individual with knowledge of or experience or interest in history or humanities; and (C) one member shall be an individual with knowledge of or experience or interest in the arts.

(7) The minority leader of the Senate shall appoint three members: (A) One member shall be an individual with knowledge of and experience in the tourism industry from the western regional tourism district, established under section 10-397; (B) one member shall be an individual with knowledge of or experience or interest in history or humanities; (C) one member shall be an individual with knowledge of or experience or interest in the arts.

(b) Each member shall serve a term that is coterminous with such member's appointing authority.

(c) The voting members shall elect annually: A member from among the voting members to serve as chairperson of the advisory committee and one member as vice-chairperson. Members shall receive no compensation for the performance of their duties, but may be reimbursed for their necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. The advisory committee shall meet at least once during each calendar quarter and at such other times as the chairperson deems necessary or upon the request of the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development.

(d) Thirteen voting members of the board shall constitute a quorum and the affirmative vote of a majority of the voting members present at
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a meeting of the advisory committee shall be sufficient for any action taken by the advisory committee. Any recommendations by the advisory committee may be authorized by resolution at any regular or special meeting and shall take effect immediately unless otherwise provided in the resolution.

(e) (1) The advisory committee shall make recommendations annually to the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development for the amount of each grant recommended to be made in a fiscal year from the marketing, culture and tourism account established under section 65 of this act and the private entity to which such grant is recommended to be made.

(2) Prior to making any grants from said account, the commissioner and the advisory committee shall jointly determine any eligibility requirements, limits on the number or amount of grants made from said account, application requirements and any other requirements or procedures the commissioner and the advisory committee deem necessary for the purpose of making such grants.

[(e)] (f) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall provide administrative assistance to the advisory committee. The commissioner shall have the authority to: Establish rules for the internal operation of the advisory committee; contract for facilities, services and programs to implement the purposes of the commission established by law; and enter into agreements for funding from private sources, including corporate donations and other commercial sponsorships. The commissioner is authorized to do all things necessary to apply for, qualify for and accept any funds made available under any federal act for the purposes established under section 10-392. All funds received under this subsection shall be deposited into the culture and tourism account within the department, established under section 10-395. The commissioner may enter into contracts with the federal government concerning the use of such
Sec. 67. Section 10-392 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The General Assembly finds and declares that culture, history, the arts and the digital media and motion picture and tourism industries contribute significant value to the vitality, quality of life and economic health of Connecticut. The Connecticut Trust for Historic Preservation shall operate in conjunction with the Department of Economic and Community Development for purposes of joint strategic planning, annual reporting on appropriations and fiscal reporting. The department shall enhance and promote culture, history, the arts and the tourism and digital media and motion picture industries in Connecticut.

(b) The department shall:

(1) Market and promote Connecticut as a destination for leisure and business travelers through the development and implementation of a strategic state-wide marketing plan and provision of visitor services to enhance the economic impact of the tourism industry;

(2) Promote the arts;

(3) Recognize, protect, preserve and promote historic resources;

(4) Interpret and present Connecticut's history and culture;

(5) Promote Connecticut as a location in which to produce digital media and motion pictures and to establish and conduct business related to the digital media and motion picture industries to enhance these industries' economic impact in the state;

(6) Establish a uniform financial reporting system and forms to be used by each regional tourism district, established under section 10-
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397, in the preparation of the annual budget submitted to the General Assembly;

(7) Integrate funding and programs whenever possible; [and]

(8) In consultation with the Culture and Tourism Advisory Committee established under section 10-393, make grants to private entities from the marketing, culture and tourism account established under section 65 of this act for the purposes set forth in said section; and

[(8)] (9) On or before January 1, 2012, and biennially thereafter, develop and submit to the Governor and the General Assembly, in accordance with section 11-4a, a strategic plan to implement subdivisions (1) to (5), inclusive, of this subsection. Commencing with the plan required to be submitted on or before January 1, 2020, the strategic plan shall include a report of any grants made pursuant to subdivision (8) of this subsection in the preceding two years, including the names of the private entities that received any such grant and the amount of any such grant.

(c) The Department of Economic and Community Development shall be a successor agency to the Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism, State Commission on the Arts, the Connecticut Historical Commission, the Office of Tourism, the Connecticut Tourism Council, the Connecticut Film, Video and Media Commission and the Connecticut Film, Video and Media Office in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-38d and 4-39.

Sec. 68. Section 19a-527 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Citations issued pursuant to section 19a-524 for violations of statutory or regulatory requirements shall be classified according to the nature of the violation and shall state such classification and the

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amount of the civil penalty to be imposed on the face thereof. The Commissioner of Public Health shall, by regulation in accordance with chapter 54, classify each of the statutory and regulatory requirements set forth in section 19a-524 for which a violation may result in a citation as follows:

[(a)] (1) Class A violations are conditions that the Commissioner of Public Health determines present an immediate danger of death or serious harm to any patient in the nursing home facility or residential care home. For each class A violation, a civil penalty of not more than [five] twenty thousand dollars may be imposed; and

[(b)] (2) Class B violations are conditions that the Commissioner of Public Health determines present a probability of potential for death or serious harm in the reasonably foreseeable future to any patient in the nursing home facility or residential care home, but that he or she does not find constitute a class A violation. For each such violation, a civil penalty of not more than [three] ten thousand dollars may be imposed.

Sec. 69. Subsection (c) of section 4-28e of the general statutes, as amended by section 3 of public act 17-51, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

[(c) (1) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, disbursements from the Tobacco Settlement Fund shall be made as follows: (A) To the General Fund in the amount identified as "Transfer from Tobacco Settlement Fund" in the General Fund revenue schedule adopted by the General Assembly; (B) to the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services for a grant to the regional action councils in the amount of five hundred thousand dollars; and (C) to the Tobacco and Health Trust Fund in an amount equal to nineteen million five hundred thousand dollars.
(2) For each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2002, to June 30, 2015, inclusive, disbursements from the Tobacco Settlement Fund shall be made as follows: (A) To the Tobacco and Health Trust Fund in an amount equal to twelve million dollars, except in the fiscal years ending June 30, 2014, and June 30, 2015, said disbursement shall be in an amount equal to six million dollars; (B) to the Biomedical Research Trust Fund in an amount equal to four million dollars; (C) to the General Fund in the amount identified as "Transfer from Tobacco Settlement Fund" in the General Fund revenue schedule adopted by the General Assembly; and (D) any remainder to the Tobacco and Health Trust Fund.

(3) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, disbursements from the Tobacco Settlement Fund shall be made as follows: (A) To the General Fund (i) in the amount identified as "Transfer from Tobacco Settlement Fund" in the General Fund revenue schedule adopted by the General Assembly, and (ii) in an amount equal to four million dollars; and (B) any remainder (i) first, in an amount equal to four million dollars, to be carried forward and credited to the resources of the General Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, and (ii) if any funds remain, to the Tobacco and Health Trust Fund.

[(4)] (c) (1) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, disbursements from the Tobacco Settlement Fund shall be made as follows: (A) To the General Fund (i) in the amount identified as "Transfer from Tobacco Settlement Fund" in the General Fund revenue schedule adopted by the General Assembly, and (ii) in an amount equal to four million dollars; and (B) any remainder (i) first, in an amount equal to four million dollars, to be carried forward and credited to the resources of the General Fund.

[(5)] For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, and each fiscal year thereafter, disbursements from the Tobacco Settlement Fund shall be made as follows: (A) To the Tobacco and Health Trust Fund in an amount equal to six million dollars; (B) to the General Fund in the amount (i) identified as "Transfer from Tobacco Settlement Fund" in
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the General Fund revenue schedule adopted by the General Assembly, and (ii) in an amount equal to four million dollars; and (C) any remainder to the Tobacco and Health Trust Fund.

(6) For each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2008, to June 30, 2012, inclusive, the sum of ten million dollars shall be disbursed from the Tobacco Settlement Fund to the Regenerative Medicine Research Fund established by section 32-41kk for grants-in-aid to eligible institutions for the purpose of conducting embryonic or human adult stem cell research.]

[(7)] (2) For each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, to June 30, 2025, inclusive, the sum of ten million five hundred thousand dollars shall be disbursed from the Tobacco Settlement Fund to the smart start competitive operating grant account established [by] under section 10-507 for grants-in-aid to towns for the purpose of establishing or expanding a preschool program under the jurisdiction of the board of education for the town, [except that in the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, said disbursement shall be in an amount equal to five million dollars.]

Sec. 70. Subsection (b) of section 10-507 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(b) There is established an account to be known as the "smart start competitive operating grant account" which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the General Fund. The account shall contain moneys required by law to be deposited in the account, in accordance with the provisions of [subdivision (4) of] subsection (c) of section 4-28e. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Office of Early Childhood for the purposes of the Connecticut Smart Start competitive grant program established pursuant to section 10-506.
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Sec. 71. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-507 of the general statutes, the unexpended balance of funds on June 30, 2017, in the smart start competitive operating grant account shall be transferred from said account and credited to the resources of the General Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

Sec. 72. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 4-66aa of the general statutes, the following sums shall be transferred from the community investment account and credited to the resources of the General Fund: (1) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the sum of $2,500,000; and (2) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, the sum of $2,500,000.

Sec. 73. Section 5 of public act 17-51 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2017, through June 30, 2020, inclusive, the amount deemed appropriated pursuant to sections 3-20i and 3-115b of the general statutes in each of such fiscal years shall be one dollar.

Sec. 74. Subsection (a) of section 12-704c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage and applicable to taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2017):

(a) Any resident of this state, as defined in subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 12-701, who is subject to the tax under this chapter for any taxable year and (1) who has attained age sixty-five before the close of such taxable year, or (2) who files a return under the federal income tax for such taxable year validly claiming one or more dependents shall be entitled to a credit in determining the amount of tax liability under this chapter, for all or a portion, as permitted by this section, of the amount of property tax, as defined in this section, first
becoming due and actually paid during such taxable year by such person on such person's primary residence or motor vehicle in accordance with the provisions of this section, provided in the case of a person who files a return under the federal income tax for such taxable year as an unmarried individual, a married individual filing separately or a head of household, one motor vehicle shall be eligible for such credit and in the case of a husband and wife who file a return under federal income tax for such taxable year as married individuals filing jointly, no more than two motor vehicles shall be eligible for a credit under the provisions of this section.

Sec. 75. *(Effective from passage)* Notwithstanding the provisions of section 16-245n of the general statutes, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, the sum of $13,000,000 shall be transferred from the Clean Energy Fund and credited to the resources of the General Fund for each said fiscal year.

Sec. 76. *(Effective from passage)* Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10a-180 of the general statutes, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, the sum of $900,000 shall be transferred from the State of Connecticut Health and Educational Facilities Authority, established pursuant to section 10a-179 of the general statutes, and credited to the resources of the General Fund for each said fiscal year.

Sec. 77. *(Effective from passage)* Notwithstanding the provisions of section 22a-200c of the general statutes, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, the sum of $10,000,000 shall be transferred from the Regional Greenhouse Gas account and credited to the resources of the General Fund for each said fiscal year.

Sec. 78. Section 13b-17 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof *(Effective from passage)*:
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(a) The commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, for the efficient conduct of the business of the department. The commissioner may delegate (1) to the Deputy Commissioner of Transportation any of the commissioner's duties and responsibilities; (2) to the bureau chief for an operating bureau any of the commissioner's duties and responsibilities which relate to the functions to be performed by that bureau; and (3) to other officers, employees and agents of the department any of the commissioner's duties and responsibilities that the commissioner deems appropriate, to be exercised under the commissioner's supervision and direction.

(b) The commissioner may adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 establishing reasonable fees for any application submitted to the Department of Transportation or the Office of the State Traffic Administration for [(1) a state highway right-of-way encroachment permit, or (2)] a certificate of operation for an open air theater, shopping center or other development generating large volumes of traffic pursuant to section 14-311, provided the fees so established shall not exceed one hundred twenty-five per cent of the estimated administrative costs related to such applications. The commissioner may exempt municipalities from any fees imposed pursuant to this subsection.

(c) Not later than January 1, 2018, the commissioner shall establish fees for any application submitted to the Department of Transportation or the Office of the State Traffic Administration for a state highway right-of-way encroachment permit for an open air theater, shopping center or other development generating large volumes of traffic pursuant to section 14-311. Such fees shall mirror the amounts charged for such permits by the Massachusetts Department of Transportation.

Sec. 79. Section 14-164m of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):
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Notwithstanding the provisions of section 13b-61, commencing on [July 1, 2007] October 1, 2017, and on the first day of each October, January, April and July thereafter, the State Comptroller shall transfer from the Special Transportation Fund into the Emissions Enterprise Fund, [one million six hundred twenty-five thousand] one million three hundred seventy-five thousand dollars of the funds received by the state pursuant to the fees imposed under sections 14-49b and 14-164c. [Notwithstanding the provisions of section 13b-61, on July 1, 2005, October 1, 2005, January 1, 2006, and April 1, 2006, the State Comptroller shall transfer from the Special Transportation Fund into the Emissions Enterprise Fund, four hundred thousand dollars of the funds received by the state pursuant to the fees imposed under sections 14-49b and 14-164c. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 13b-61, on July 1, 2006, October 1, 2006, January 1, 2007, and April 1, 2007, the State Comptroller shall transfer from the Special Transportation Fund into the Emissions Enterprise Fund, one million dollars of the funds received by the state pursuant to the fees imposed under sections 14-49b and 14-164c.]

Sec. 80. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) There is established an account to be known as the "Connecticut airport and aviation account" which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the Grants and Restricted Accounts Fund established pursuant to section 4-31c of the general statutes. The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Commissioner of Transportation, with the approval of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, for the purposes of airport and aviation-related purposes.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 13b-61a of the general statutes, on and after the effective date of this section, the Commissioner of Revenue Services shall deposit into said account seventy-five and three-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the
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state from aviation fuel sources from the tax imposed under section 12-587 of the general statutes.

Sec. 81. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 12-217mm of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Allowable costs" means the amounts chargeable to a capital account, including, but not limited to: (A) Construction or rehabilitation costs; (B) commissioning costs; (C) architectural and engineering fees allocable to construction or rehabilitation, including energy modeling; (D) site costs, such as temporary electric wiring, scaffolding, demolition costs and fencing and security facilities; and (E) costs of carpeting, partitions, walls and wall coverings, ceilings, lighting, plumbing, electrical wiring, mechanical, heating, cooling and ventilation but "allowable costs" does not include the purchase of land, any remediation costs or the cost of telephone systems or computers;

(2) "Brownfield" has the same meaning as in section 32-760;

(3) "Eligible project" means a real estate development project that is designed to meet or exceed the applicable LEED Green Building Rating System gold certification or other certification determined by the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection to be equivalent, but if a single project has more than one building, "eligible project" means only the building or buildings within such project that is designed to meet or exceed the applicable LEED Green Building Rating System gold certification or other certification determined by the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection to be equivalent;

(4) "Energy Star" means the voluntary labeling program administered by the United States Environmental Protection Agency
(5) "Enterprise zone" means an area in a municipality designated by the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development as an enterprise zone in accordance with the provisions of section 32-70;

(6) "LEED Accredited Professional Program" means the professional accreditation program for architects, engineers and other building professionals as administered by the United States Green Building Council;

(7) "LEED Green Building Rating System" means the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design green building rating system developed by the United States Green Building Council as of the date that the project is registered with the United States Green Building Council;

(8) "Mixed-use development" means a development consisting of one or more buildings that includes residential use and in which no more than seventy-five per cent of the interior square footage has at least one of the following uses: (A) Commercial use; (B) office use; (C) retail use; or (D) any other nonresidential use that the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management determines does not pose a public health threat or nuisance to nearby residential areas;

(9) "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management; and

(10) "Site improvements" means any construction work on, or improvement to, streets, roads, parking facilities, sidewalks, drainage structures and utilities.

(b) For income years commencing on and after January 1, 2012, but prior to October 1, 2017, there may be allowed a credit for all taxpayers
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against any tax due under the provisions of this chapter for the
construction or renovation of an eligible project that meets the
requirements of subsection (c) of this section, and, in the case of a
newly constructed building, for which a certificate of occupancy has
been issued not earlier than January 1, 2010.

Sec. 82. *(Effective from passage)* Not later than June 30, 2018, the
Comptroller may designate up to $37,000,000 of the resources of the
General Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, to be accounted
for as revenue of the General Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30,
2019.

Sec. 83. Subsection (i) of section 12-632 of the general statutes, as
amended by section 446 of public act 15-5 of the June special session, is
repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof *(Effective from
passage)*:

(i) In no event shall the total amount of all tax credits allowed to all
business firms pursuant to the provisions of this chapter exceed [ten]
five million dollars in any one fiscal year. Three million dollars of the
total amount of tax credits allowed shall be granted to business firms
eligible for tax credits pursuant to section 12-635.

Sec. 84. Section 12-130 of the general statutes, as amended by section
209 of public act 15-244, is repealed and the following is substituted in
lieu thereof *(Effective October 1, 2017)*:

(a) When any community, authorized to raise money by taxation,
lays a tax, it shall appoint a collector thereof; and the selectmen of
towns, and the committees of other communities, except as otherwise
specially provided by law, shall make out and sign rate bills containing
the proportion which each individual is to pay according to the
assessment list; and any judge of the Superior Court or any justice of
the peace, on their application or that of their successors in office, shall
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issue a warrant for the collection of any sums due on such rate bills. Each collector shall mail or hand to each individual from whom taxes are due a bill for the amount of taxes for which such individual is liable. In addition, the collector shall include with such bill, using [one of the following methods] (1) an attachment, (2) an enclosure, or (3) printed matter upon the face of the bill, a statement of [A State] state aid to municipalities [which] that shall be in the following form:

"The (fiscal year) budget for the (city or town) estimates that .... Dollars will be received from the state of Connecticut for various state financed programs. Without this assistance your (fiscal year) property tax would be (herein insert the amount computed in accordance with subsection (b) of this section) mills."

(B) State aid reduction to municipalities that overspend, which shall be in the following form:

"The state will reduce grants to your town if local spending increases by more than 2.5 per cent from the previous fiscal year."

Failure to send out or receive any such bill or statement shall not invalidate the tax. For purposes of this subsection, "mail" includes to send by electronic mail, provided an individual from whom taxes are due consents in writing, to receive a bill and statement electronically. Prior to sending any such bill or statement by electronic mail, a community shall provide the public with the appropriate electronic mail address of the community on the community's Internet web site and shall establish procedures to ensure that any individual who consents to receive a bill or statement electronically (i) receives such bill or statement, and (ii) is provided the proper return electronic mail address of the community sending the bill or statement.

(b) The mill rate to be inserted in the statement of state aid to municipalities required by subsection (a) of this section shall be
computed on the total estimated revenues required to fund the estimated expenditures of the municipality exclusive of assistance received or anticipated from the state.

Sec. 85. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 12-18b of the general statutes, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, no tier three districts or municipalities shall receive a grant in lieu of taxes under said section or the additional payment in lieu of taxes grant under subdivision (1) of subsection (e) of said section.

Sec. 86. (Effective from passage) Each department head, as defined in section 4-5 of the general statutes, other than the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, shall undertake a review of the fees collected by his or her department and determine whether each fee is sufficient to cover the department's costs to collect such fee and administer the program associated with such fee. Each department head shall submit, taking such costs into consideration, any recommended fee increases to said secretary before December 1, 2017. Said secretary shall review each department head's submission and submit a report to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to finance, revenue and bonding not later than February 7, 2018, of any recommended increases of up to fifty per cent of any existing fee, provided the total amount of the increase in fees shall not exceed twenty million dollars.

Sec. 87. Section 12-263b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) (1) For each calendar quarter commencing on or after July 1, 2011, and prior to July 1, 2019, there is hereby imposed a tax on the net patient revenue of each hospital in this state to be paid each calendar quarter. The rate of such tax shall be up to the maximum rate allowed under federal law and in conformance with the state budget adopted
by the General Assembly. Each hospital shall be promptly notified of the amount of tax due by the Commissioner of Social Services. The Commissioner of Social Services shall determine the base year on which such tax shall be assessed in order to ensure conformance with the state budget adopted by the General Assembly. The Commissioner of Social Services may, in consultation with the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and in accordance with federal law, exempt a hospital from the tax on payment earned for the provision of outpatient services based on financial hardship. [Effective July 1, 2012, and for the succeeding fifteen months, the rates of such tax, the base year on which such tax shall be assessed, and the hospitals exempt from the outpatient portion of the tax based on financial hardship shall be the same tax rates, base year and outpatient exemption for hardship in effect on January 1, 2012.]

(2) (A) For the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2019, and through the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the Commissioner of Social Services shall reduce each July first the amount of tax imposed under this section, in equal increments over said time period. Commencing July 1, 2025, no tax shall be imposed under this section. Each hospital shall be promptly notified of the amount of tax due by the Commissioner of Social Services. The Commissioner of Social Services may, in consultation with the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and in accordance with federal law, exempt a hospital from the tax on payment earned for the provision of outpatient services based on financial hardship.

(B) The Commissioner of Social Services shall use, as the base amount for calculating the reduction under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, the amount of tax imposed on the hospital under subdivision (1) of this subsection during the calendar quarters commencing July 1, 2018, and prior to July 1, 2019.

(b) [Each] Until August 1, 2025, each hospital shall, on or before the
last day of January, April, July and October of each year, render to the Commissioner of Revenue Services a return, on forms prescribed or furnished by the Commissioner of Revenue Services and signed by one of its principal officers, stating specifically the name and location of such hospital, and the amount of its net patient revenue as determined by the Commissioner of Social Services. Payment shall be made with such return. Each hospital shall file such return electronically with the department and make such payment by electronic funds transfer in the manner provided by chapter 228g, irrespective of whether the hospital would otherwise have been required to file such return electronically or to make such payment by electronic funds transfer under the provisions of chapter 228g.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of law: [for]

(1) For each calendar quarter commencing on or after July 1, 2015, and prior to January 1, 2016, the amount of tax credit or credits otherwise allowable against the taxes imposed under sections 12-263a to 12-263e, inclusive, and 12-263i shall not exceed fifty and one one-hundredths per cent of the amount of tax due under sections 12-263a to 12-263e, inclusive, and 12-263i with respect to such calendar quarter prior to the application of such credit or credits.

(2) For each calendar quarter commencing on or after January 1, 2016, and prior to January 1, 2017, the amount of tax credit or credits otherwise allowable against the taxes imposed under sections 12-263a to 12-263e, inclusive, and 12-263i shall not exceed fifty-five per cent of the amount of tax due under sections 12-263a to 12-263e, inclusive, and 12-263i with respect to such calendar quarter prior to the application of such credit or credits.

(3) For each calendar quarter commencing on or after January 1, 2017, and prior to January 1, 2018, the amount of tax credit or credits otherwise allowable against the taxes imposed under sections 12-263a
to 12-263e, inclusive, and 12-263i shall not exceed sixty per cent of the amount of tax due under sections 12-263a to 12-263e, inclusive, and 12-263i with respect to such calendar quarter prior to the application of such credit or credits.

(4) For each calendar quarter commencing on or after January 1, 2018, and prior to January 1, 2019, the amount of tax credit or credits otherwise allowable against the taxes imposed under sections 12-263a to 12-263e, inclusive, and 12-263i shall not exceed sixty-five per cent of the amount of tax due under sections 12-263a to 12-263e, inclusive, and 12-263i with respect to such calendar quarter prior to the application of such credit or credits.

(5) For each calendar quarter commencing on or after January 1, 2019, the amount of tax credit or credits otherwise allowable against the taxes imposed under sections 12-263a to 12-263e, inclusive, and 12-263i shall not exceed seventy per cent of the amount of tax due under sections 12-263a to 12-263e, inclusive, and 12-263i with respect to such calendar quarter prior to the application of such credit or credits.

(d) For the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2017, and through the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, if the supplemental payment or payments to a hospital that is subject to the tax imposed under this section are reduced in a fiscal year from the amounts appropriated for such payments in the budget act passed by the General Assembly for such fiscal year, such hospital shall be allowed to claim a tax credit or credits for such fiscal year that is equal to the amount of the reduction of the supplemental payment or payments to the hospital.

Sec. 88. Section 3-115 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective November 1, 2017, and applicable to cumulative monthly financial statements issued on or after December 1, 2017):
(a) (1) The Comptroller shall prepare all accounting statements relating to the financial condition of the state as a whole, the condition and operation of state funds, appropriations, reserves and costs of operations and shall furnish such statements when they are required for administrative purposes.

(2) The Comptroller shall issue cumulative monthly financial statements concerning the state's General Fund which shall include (A) a statement of revenues and expenditures to the end of the last-completed month, together with the statement of estimated revenue by source to the end of the fiscal year and the statement of appropriation requirements of the state's General Fund to the end of the fiscal year furnished pursuant to section 4-66 and itemized as far as practicable for each budgeted agency, including estimates of lapsing appropriations, unallocated lapsing balances and unallocated appropriation requirements, and (B) an analysis of the statements furnished by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management to the Comptroller pursuant to subdivision (4) of section 4-66. The Comptroller shall provide such the cumulative monthly financial statements, in the same form and in the same categories as appears in the budget act enacted by the General Assembly, on or before the first day of the following month. The Comptroller shall submit a copy of the monthly trial balance and monthly analysis of expenditure run to the Office of Fiscal Analysis.

(b) On or before September thirtieth, annually, the Comptroller shall submit a report, prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, to the Governor which shall include (1) a statement of all appropriations and expenditures of the public funds during the fiscal year next preceding itemized by each appropriation account of each budgeted agency; (2) a statement of the revenues of the state classified as far as practicable as to budgeted agencies, sources and funds during such year; (3) a statement setting forth the total tax

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receipts of the state during such year; (4) a balance sheet setting forth, as of the close of such year, the financial condition of the state as to its funds; and such other information as will, in the Comptroller's opinion, be of interest to the public or as will convey to the General Assembly and the Governor the essential facts as to the financial condition and operations of the state government. The annual report of the Comptroller shall be published and made available to the public on or before the thirty-first day of December.

Sec. 89. Section 3-115 of the general statutes, as amended by section 166 of public act 15-244, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 1, 2019):

(a) (1) The Comptroller shall prepare all accounting statements relating to the financial condition of the state as a whole, the condition and operation of state funds, appropriations, reserves and costs of operations and shall furnish such statements when they are required for administrative purposes.

(2) The Comptroller shall issue cumulative monthly financial statements concerning the state's General Fund which shall include (A) a statement of revenues and expenditures to the end of the last-completed month, together with the statement of estimated revenue by source to the end of the fiscal year and the statement of appropriation requirements of the state's General Fund to the end of the fiscal year furnished pursuant to section 4-66 and itemized as far as practicable for each budgeted agency, including estimates of lapsing appropriations, unallocated lapsing balances and unallocated appropriation requirements, and (B) an analysis of the statements furnished by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management to the Comptroller pursuant to subdivision (4) of section 4-66. The Comptroller shall provide such cumulative monthly financial statements, in the same form and in the same categories as appears in the budget act enacted by the General Assembly, on or before the first
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day of the following month. The Comptroller shall submit a copy of
the monthly trial balance and monthly analysis of expenditure run to
the legislative Office of Fiscal Analysis.

(b) On or before September thirtieth, annually, the Comptroller shall
submit a report, prepared in accordance with generally accepted
accounting principles, to the Governor which shall include (1) a
statement of all appropriations and expenditures of the public funds
during the fiscal year next preceding itemized by each appropriation
account of each budgeted agency; (2) a statement of the revenues of the
state classified as far as practicable as to budgeted agencies, sources
and funds during such year; (3) a statement setting forth the total tax
receipts of the state during such year; (4) a balance sheet setting forth,
as of the close of such year, the financial condition of the state as to its
funds; (5) a statement certifying the threshold level for deposits to the
Budget Reserve Fund under subdivision (5) of subsection (a) of section
4-30a for the current fiscal year; and (6) such other information as will,
in the Comptroller's opinion, be of interest to the public or as will
convey to the General Assembly and the Governor the essential facts
as to the financial condition and operations of the state government.
The annual report of the Comptroller shall be published and made
available to the public on or before the thirty-first day of December.

Sec. 90. Subsection (a) of section 2-36c of the general statutes is
repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from
passage):

(a) Not later than [November tenth] October thirty-first annually,
the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the director
of the legislative Office of Fiscal Analysis shall issue the consensus
revenue estimate for the current biennium and the next ensuing three
fiscal years. If no agreement on a revenue estimate is reached by
[November tenth] October thirty-first, (1) the Secretary of the Office of
Policy and Management and the director of the Office of Fiscal
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Analysis shall each issue an estimate of state revenues for the current biennium and the next ensuing three fiscal years, and (2) the Comptroller shall, not later than November [twentieth] tenth, issue the consensus revenue estimate for the current biennium and the next ensuing three fiscal years. In issuing the consensus revenue estimate required by this subsection, the Comptroller shall consider such revenue estimates provided by the Office of Policy and Management and the legislative Office of Fiscal Analysis, and shall issue the consensus revenue estimate based on such revenue estimates, in an amount that is equal to or between such revenue estimates.

Sec. 91. Subsection (a) of section 2-36c of the general statutes, as amended by section 168 of public act 15-244, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 1, 2019):

(a) Not later than [November tenth] October thirty-first annually, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the director of the legislative Office of Fiscal Analysis shall issue the consensus revenue estimate for the current biennium and the next ensuing three fiscal years. Such revenue shall be itemized in accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) of section 2-35. If no agreement on a revenue estimate is reached by [November tenth] October thirty-first, (1) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the director of the legislative Office of Fiscal Analysis shall each issue an estimate of state revenues for the current biennium and the next ensuing three fiscal years, and (2) the Comptroller shall, not later than November [twentieth] tenth, issue the consensus revenue estimate for the current biennium and the next ensuing three fiscal years. In issuing the consensus revenue estimate required by this subsection, the Comptroller shall consider such revenue estimates provided by the Office of Policy and Management and the legislative Office of Fiscal Analysis, and shall issue the consensus revenue estimate based on such revenue estimates, in an amount that is equal to or between such
revenue estimates.

Sec. 92. Subsection (d) of section 3-20 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(d) (1) (A) All bonds of the state, authorized by the State Bond Commission acting prior to July 1, 1972, pursuant to any bond act taking effect prior to such date, shall be issued in accordance with such bond act or this section.

(B) All bonds of the state authorized to be issued by the State Bond Commission acting on or after July 1, 1972, pursuant to any bond act taking effect before, on or after such date shall be authorized and shall be issued in accordance with this section.

(2) For the calendar year commencing January 1, 2017, and for each calendar year thereafter, the State Bond Commission may not authorize bond issuances of more than two billion dollars in the aggregate in any calendar year. Commencing January 1, 2018, and each calendar year thereafter, the aggregate limit shall be adjusted in accordance with any change in the consumer price index for all urban consumers for the preceding calendar year, less food and energy, as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. The State Bond Commission shall, within such limit, authorize bonds each calendar year for transportation projects up to the amounts specified under section 100 of this act.

Sec. 93. Subdivision (1) of subsection (g) of section 3-20 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(g) (1) (A) With the exception of refunding bonds, whenever a bond act empowers the State Bond Commission to authorize bonds for any project or purpose or projects or purposes, and whenever the State
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Bond Commission finds that the authorization of such bonds will be in the best interests of the state, it shall authorize such bonds by resolution adopted by the approving vote of at least a majority of said commission. No such resolution shall be so adopted by the State Bond Commission unless it finds that:

(i) There has been filed with it [(A)] [(I)] any human services facility colocation statement to be filed with the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, if so requested by the secretary, pursuant to section 4b-23; [(B)] [(II)] a statement from the Commissioner of Agriculture pursuant to section 22-6, for projects which would convert twenty-five or more acres of prime farmland to a nonagricultural use; [(C)] [(III)] prior to the meeting at which such resolution is to be considered, any capital development impact statement required to be filed with the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management; [(D)] [(IV)] a statement as to the full cost of the project or purpose when completed and the estimated operating cost for any structure, equipment or facility to be constructed or acquired; and [(E)] [(V)] such requests and such other documents as it or [said] such bond act requires, provided no resolution with respect to any school building project financed pursuant to section 10-287d or any interest subsidy financed pursuant to section 10-292k shall require the filing of any statements pursuant to [subparagraph (A), (B), (C), (D) or (E) of this subdivision] this clause and provided further any resolution requiring a capital impact statement shall be deemed not properly before the State Bond Commission until such capital development impact statement is filed; and

(ii) Such authorization does not exceed the limit specified under subdivision (2) of subsection (d) of this section.

(B) Any such resolution so adopted by the State Bond Commission shall recite the bond act under which said commission is empowered to authorize such bonds and the filing of all requests and other
documents, if any, required by it or such bond act, and shall state the principal amount of the bonds authorized and a description of the purpose or project for which such bonds are authorized. Such description shall be sufficient if made merely by reference to a numbered subsection, subdivision or other applicable section of such bond act.

Sec. 94. Section 3-21 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) No bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness for borrowed money payable from General Fund tax receipts of the state shall be authorized by the General Assembly or issued except such as shall not cause the aggregate amount of the total amount of bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness payable from General Fund tax receipts authorized by the General Assembly but which have not been issued and the total amount of such indebtedness which has been issued and remains outstanding to exceed one and six-tenths times the total General Fund tax receipts of the state for the fiscal year in which any such authorization will become effective or in which such indebtedness is issued, as estimated for such fiscal year by the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of finance, revenue and bonding in accordance with section 2-35. In computing such aggregate amount of indebtedness at any time, there shall be excluded or deducted, as the case may be, (1) the principal amount of all such obligations as may be certified by the Treasurer (A) as issued in anticipation of revenues to be received by the state during the period of twelve calendar months next following their issuance and to be paid by application of such revenue, or (B) as having been refunded or replaced by other indebtedness the proceeds and projected earnings on which or other funds are held in escrow to pay and are sufficient to pay the principal, interest and any redemption premium until maturity or earlier planned redemption of such
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indebtedness, or (C) as issued and outstanding in anticipation of particular bonds then unissued but fully authorized to be issued in the manner provided by law for such authorization, provided, as long as any of such obligations are outstanding, the entire principal amount of such particular bonds thus authorized shall be deemed to be outstanding and be included in such aggregate amount of indebtedness, or (D) as payable solely from revenues of particular public improvements, (2) the amount which may be certified by the Treasurer as the aggregate value of cash and securities in debt retirement funds of the state to be used to meet principal of outstanding obligations included in such aggregate amount of indebtedness, (3) every such amount as may be certified by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management as the estimated payments on account of the costs of any public work or improvement thereof and to be used, in conformity with applicable federal law, to meet principal of obligations included in such aggregate amount of indebtedness, (4) all authorized and issued indebtedness to fund any budget deficits of the state for any fiscal year ending on or before June 30, 1991, (5) all authorized indebtedness to fund the program created pursuant to section 32-285, (6) all authorized and issued indebtedness to fund any budget deficits of the state for any fiscal year ending on or before June 30, 2002, (7) all indebtedness authorized and issued pursuant to section 1 of public act 03-1 of the September 8 special session, (8) all authorized indebtedness issued pursuant to section 3-62h, (9) any indebtedness represented by any agreement entered into pursuant to subsection (b) or (c) of section 3-20a as certified by the Treasurer, provided the indebtedness in connection with which such agreements were entered into shall be included in such aggregate amount of indebtedness, and (10) all indebtedness authorized and issued pursuant to section 3-20g. In computing the amount of outstanding indebtedness, only the accreted value of any capital appreciation obligation or any zero coupon obligation which has
(b) The foregoing limitation on the aggregate amount of indebtedness of the state shall not prevent the issuance of (1) obligations to refund or replace any such indebtedness existing at any time in an amount not exceeding such existing indebtedness, or (2) obligations in anticipation of revenues to be received by the state during the period of twelve calendar months next following their issuance, or (3) obligations payable solely from revenues of particular public improvements.

(c) For the purposes of this section, but subject to the exclusions or deductions herein provided for, the state shall be deemed to be indebted upon, and to issue, all bonds and notes issued or guaranteed by it and payable from General Fund tax receipts. To the extent necessary because of the debt limitation herein provided, priorities with respect to the issuance or guaranteeing of bonds or notes by the state shall be determined by the State Bond Commission.

(d) The General Assembly shall not approve any bill which authorizes the issuance of any bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness unless such bill has attached to it a certification by the Treasurer that the amount of authorizations within the bill will not cause the total amount of indebtedness calculated in accordance with this section to exceed the limit for indebtedness set forth in this section. The president pro tempore of the Senate or the speaker of the House of Representatives, or their designees, shall notify the Treasurer prior to consideration of such bill in the first chamber.

(e) The State Bond Commission shall not adopt any resolution which authorizes the issuance of any bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness unless such resolution has attached to it a certification by the Treasurer that the amount of such authorization will not cause
the total amount of indebtedness calculated in accordance with this section to exceed the limit for indebtedness set forth in this section.

(f) On and after July 1, 2018, the Treasurer may not issue general obligation bonds or notes pursuant to section 3-20 that exceed in the aggregate two billion dollars in any fiscal year. Commencing July 1, 2019, and each fiscal year thereafter, the aggregate limit shall be adjusted in accordance with any change in the consumer price index for all urban consumers for the preceding calendar year, less food and energy, as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

[(f)] (g) The provisions of this section shall not apply to any bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness for borrowed money which are issued for the purpose of: (1) Meeting cash flow needs; or (2) covering emergency needs in times of natural disaster.

Sec. 95. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) For the calendar years commencing January 1, 2017, to January 1, 2026, inclusive, the State Bond Commission shall authorize general obligation bonds for transportation projects, capped at the following amounts:

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<th>Calendar Year Commencing</th>
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<td>January 1,</td>
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<tr>
<td>2017</td>
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<td>2018</td>
<td>419,600,000</td>
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<td>2019</td>
<td>525,300,000</td>
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<td>2020</td>
<td>551,300,000</td>
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<td>2021</td>
<td>691,600,000</td>
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<td>809,200,000</td>
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<td>2025</td>
<td>716,300,000</td>
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(b) For the calendar years commencing January 1, 2027, to January 1, 2046, inclusive, the State Bond Commission shall authorize up to seven hundred twenty-eight million five hundred thousand dollars in general obligation bonds in each such calendar year for transportation projects.

Sec. 96. Subsection (a) of section 10a-91e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) The State Bond Commission shall approve the CSCU 2020 program and authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate one billion fifty-three million five hundred thousand dollars. The amount provided for the issuance and sale of bonds in accordance with this section shall be capped in each fiscal year in the following amounts, provided, to the extent the board of regents does not provide for the issuance of all or a portion of such amount in a fiscal year, or the Governor disapproves the request for issuance of all or a portion of the amount of the bonds as provided in subsection (d) of this section, any amount not provided for or disapproved, as the case may be, shall be carried forward and added to the capped amount for a subsequent fiscal year, but not later than the fiscal year ending June 30, [2019] 2020, and provided further, the costs of issuance and capitalized interest, if any, may be added to the capped amount in each fiscal year, and each of the authorized amounts shall be effective on July first of the fiscal year indicated as follows:

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<th>Fiscal Year Ending June 30</th>
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<td>2009</td>
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<td>2011</td>
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Sec. 97. Subsection (a) of section 10a-91d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) It is hereby determined and found to be in the best interest of this state and the system to establish CSCU 2020 as the efficient and cost-effective course to achieve the objective of renewing, modernizing, enhancing, expanding, acquiring and maintaining the infrastructure of the system, the particular project or projects, each being hereby approved as a project of CSCU 2020, and the presently estimated cost thereof being as follows:

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**Eastern Connecticut State University**

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<tr>
<td>Code Compliance/Infrastructure Improvements</td>
<td>16,418,636</td>
<td>6,894,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Renovate/Expand Willard and DiLoreto Halls (design/construction)</td>
<td>57,737,000</td>
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<td>Renovate/Expand Willard and DiLoreto Halls (equipment)</td>
<td>3,348,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>New Classroom Office Building</td>
<td>29,478,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Renovate Barnard Hall</td>
<td>3,680,000</td>
<td>18,320,000</td>
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<td>New Engineering Building (design/construction and equipment)</td>
<td>9,900,000</td>
<td>52,800,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Burritt Library Renovation, (design, addition and equipment)</td>
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<td>16,500,000</td>
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<td>New Maintenance/Salt Shed Facility</td>
<td>2,503,000</td>
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<td>Renovate Kaiser Hall and Annex</td>
<td>6,491,809</td>
<td>210,000 18,684,000</td>
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<td>Outdoor Track-Phase II</td>
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<td>Athletic Support Building</td>
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<td>New Warehouse</td>
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<td>Southern Connecticut State University Code Compliance/Infrastructure Improvements</td>
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<td>New Academic Laboratory Building/Parking Garage (construct garage, design academic laboratory building, demolish Seabury Hall)</td>
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<td>New Academic Laboratory Building/Parking Garage (construct academic laboratory building)</td>
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<td>New School of Business Building (design/construction)</td>
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<td>Additions and Renovations to Buley Library</td>
<td>16,386,585</td>
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Fine Arts Instructional Center

Western Connecticut State University
Code Compliance/Infrastructure Improvements  $7,658,330  $4,323,000  $5,054,000

Fine Arts Instructional Center (construction)  $80,605,000

Fine Arts Instructional Center (equipment)  $4,666,000

Higgins Hall Renovations (design)  $2,982,000

Higgins Hall Renovations (construction/equipment)  $31,594,000

Berkshire Hall Renovations (design)  $0

University Police Department Building (design)  $500,000

University Police Department Building (construction)  $4,245,000  $1,700,000

Midtown Campus Mini-Chiller Plant  $0

Board of Regents for Higher Education

New and Replacement Equipment, Smart Classroom Technology and Technology Upgrades  $26,895,000  $14,500,000  $61,844,000

Alterations/Improvements:
Auxiliary Service Facilities  $18,672,422  $15,000,000  $20,000,000
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<td>Strategic Master Plan of Academic Programs</td>
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<td>Consolidation and Upgrade of System Student and Financial Information Technology Systems</td>
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Sec. 98. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 10a-109g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) (1) The university is authorized to provide by resolution, at one time or from time to time, for the issuance and sale of securities, in its own name on behalf of the state, pursuant to section 10a-109f. The board of trustees of the university is hereby authorized by such resolution to delegate to its finance committee such matters as it may determine appropriate other than the authorization and maximum amount of the securities to be issued, the nature of the obligation of the securities as established pursuant to subsection (c) of this section and

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the projects for which the proceeds are to be used. The finance committee may act on such matters unless and until the board of trustees elects to reassume the same. The amount of securities the special debt service requirements of which are secured by the state debt service commitment that the board of trustees is authorized to provide for the issuance and sale in accordance with this subsection shall be capped in each fiscal year in the following amounts, provided, to the extent the board of trustees does not provide for the issuance of all or a portion of such amount in a fiscal year, all or such portion, as the case may be, may be carried forward to any succeeding fiscal year and provided further, the actual amount for funding, paying or providing for the items described in subparagraph (C) of subdivision (10) of subsection (a) of section 10a-109d may be added to the capped amount in each fiscal year:

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Sec. 99. Subsection (a) of section 10a-109e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) The university may administer, manage, schedule, finance, further design and construct UConn 2000, to operate and maintain the components thereof in a prudent and economical manner and to reserve for and make renewals and replacements thereof when appropriate, it being hereby determined and found to be in the best interest of the state and the university to provide this independent authority to the university along with providing assured revenues therefor as the efficient and cost effective course to achieve the objective of avoiding further decline in the physical infrastructure of the university and to renew, modernize, enhance and maintain such infrastructure, the particular project or projects, each being hereby approved as a project of UConn 2000, and the presently estimated cost thereof being as follows:
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#### Academic and Research Facilities
- **450,000,000**

#### Agricultural Biotechnology Facility
- **9,400,000**

#### Agricultural Biotechnology Facility Completion
- **10,000,000**

#### Alumni Quadrant Renovations
- **14,338,000**

#### Arjona and Monteith
- **66,100,000**

- (new classroom buildings)

#### Avery Point Campus
- Undergraduate and Library Building
- **35,000,000**

#### Avery Point Marine
- Science Research Center – Phase I
- **34,000,000**

#### Avery Point Marine
- Science Research Center – Phase II
- **16,682,000**
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Sec. 100. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the sum of $6,000,000 shall be transferred from the Banking Fund, established pursuant to section 36a-65 of the general statutes, and credited to the resources of the General Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

Sec. 101. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 4d-9 of the general statutes, the sum of $3,000,000 shall be transferred from the Technical Services Revolving Fund and credited to the resources of the General Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

Sec. 102. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 14-50b of the general statutes, the sum of $2,000,000 shall be transferred from the school bus seat belt account and credited to the resources of the General Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

Sec. 103. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the sum of $1,000,000 shall be transferred from the correctional commissaries account, administered by the Department of Correction, and credited to the resources of the General Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

Sec. 104. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the sum of $1,000,000 shall be transferred from the correctional industries account, administered by the Department of Correction, and credited to the resources of the General Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

Sec. 105. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 4d-82a of the general statutes, the sum of $1,000,000 shall be transferred from the Ed-Net account, and credited to the resources of
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the General Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

Sec. 106. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the sum of $4,000,000 shall be transferred from the probation Trans-Tech violence unit account, administered by the Judicial Department, and credited to the resources of the General Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

Sec. 107. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the sum of $5,000,000 shall be transferred from the litigation/settlement account, administered by the Office of Policy and Management, and credited to the resources of the General Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

Sec. 108. (Effective from passage) Not later than February 1, 2018, the Commissioner of Children and Families and the executive director of the Court Support Services Division of the Judicial Branch shall submit a plan and recommendations for legislation to transfer all programs and services for children in the juvenile justice system from the department to the branch, except programs and residential services provided at the Connecticut Juvenile Training School or the Pueblo Unit for girls, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the judiciary, children and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.

Sec. 109. (NEW) (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the Department of Transportation shall review and make a final determination on each of the following types of permit applications not later than ninety days after receipt of such application: (1) Encroachment, (2) parkway, (3) industrial truck, (4) outdoor advertising, and (5) specific information signs on limited access highways. Following such ninety-day period, if a final determination on such an application is not made by said agency, such
application shall be deemed approved.

Sec. 110. (NEW) (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection shall review and make a final determination on each of the following types of permit applications not later than ninety days after receipt of such application: (1) Air permits for the temporary use of radiation DTX or the temporary use of radiation RMI, (2) aquifer protection registration, (3) aquifer protection, (4) certificate of permission, (5) coastal management consistency review form for federal authorization, (6) emergency authorization to discharge to groundwater to remediate pollution, (7) property transfers, (8) disposal of special waste, (9) marine terminals, (10) pesticide application by aircraft, (11) pesticides in state waters, (12) waste transportation, (13) E-waste: Manufacturer, (14) E-waste: Covered recycler, (15) emergency discharge authorization, (16) online sportsmen licensing system, (17) state park passes and bus permits, (18) state parks and forests special use licenses, (19) campground reservations, (20) other camping permits, (21) boating permits, (22) safe boating certifications, (23) marine event permits, (24) marine dealer certificates, (25) navigation marker permit, (26) regulatory marker permit, (27) water ski slalom course or jump permit, (28) fishing tournaments, (29) inland fishing licenses, (30) marine recreational and commercial licenses, (31) hunting and trapping, (32) nonshooting field trial, (33) private land shooting preserve permit, (34) regulated hunting dog training applications, (35) scientific collection permit for aquatic species, plants and wildlife, and for educational mineral collection, (36) commercial arborist, (37) licensed environmental professional, (38) pesticide certification licensing and registration, (39) solid waste facility operator, (40) wastewater treatment facility operator certification, (41) commercial fishing licenses and permits, (42) forest practitioner, (43) nuisance wildlife control operator, (44) taxidermist, and (45) wildlife rehabilitator. Following such ninety-day period, if a
final determination on such an application is not made by said agency, such application shall be deemed approved.

Sec. 111. (NEW) (Effective from passage) The Department of Agriculture shall review and make a final determination on each aquaculture permit application not later than ninety days after receipt of such application. Following such ninety-day period, if a final determination on such application is not made by said agency, such application shall be deemed approved.

Sec. 112. Section 10-292q of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) There is established a School Building Projects Advisory Council. The council shall consist of: (1) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the secretary's designee, (2) the Commissioner of Administrative Services, or the commissioner's designee, (3) the Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's designee, and (4) five members appointed by the Governor, one of whom shall be a person with experience in school building project matters, one of whom shall be a person with experience in architecture, one of whom shall be a person with experience in engineering, one of whom shall be a person with experience in school safety, and one of whom shall be a person with experience with the administration of the State Building Code. The chairperson of the council shall be the Commissioner of Administrative Services, or the commissioner's designee. A person employed by the Department of Administrative Services who is responsible for school building projects shall serve as the administrative staff of the council. The council shall meet at least quarterly to discuss matters relating to school building projects.

(b) The School Building Projects Advisory Council shall (1) develop [model] blueprints for three different prototype school designs for new school building projects that are in accordance with industry standards
for school buildings and the school safety infrastructure criteria, developed pursuant to section 10-292r, (2) conduct studies, research and analyses, and (3) make recommendations for improvements to the school building projects processes to the Governor and the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, education and finance, revenue and bonding.

(c) Not later than April 1, 2018, the School Building Projects Advisory Council shall submit a report containing the blueprints for the three prototype school designs, as described in subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of this section, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, education and finance, revenue and bonding, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a.

Sec. 113. Subsection (a) of section 10-285a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) The percentage of school building project grant money a local board of education may be eligible to receive, under the provisions of section 10-286, shall be assigned by the Commissioner of Administrative Services in accordance with the percentage calculated by the Commissioner of Education as follows: (1) For grants approved pursuant to subsection (b) of section 10-283 for which application is made on and after July 1, 1991, and before July 1, 2011, (A) each town shall be ranked in descending order from one to one hundred sixty-nine according to such town's adjusted equalized net grand list per capita, as defined in section 10-261; and (B) based upon such ranking, a percentage of not less than twenty nor more than eighty shall be determined for each town on a continuous scale; [and] (2) for grants approved pursuant to subsection (b) of section 10-283 for which
application is made on and after July 1, 2011, and before July 1, 2018, (A) each town shall be ranked in descending order from one to one hundred sixty-nine according to such town's adjusted equalized net grand list per capita, as defined in section 10-261, and (B) based upon such ranking, (i) a percentage of not less than ten nor more than seventy shall be determined for new construction or replacement of a school building for each town on a continuous scale, and (ii) a percentage of not less than twenty nor more than eighty shall be determined for renovations, extensions, code violations, roof replacements and major alterations of an existing school building and the new construction or replacement of a school building when a town or regional school district can demonstrate that a new construction or replacement is less expensive than a renovation, extension or major alteration of an existing school building for each town on a continuous scale; and (3) for grants approved pursuant to subsection (b) of section 10-283 for which application is made on and after July 1, 2018, (A) each town shall be ranked in descending order from one to one hundred sixty-nine according to the adjusted equalized net grand list per capita, as defined in section 10-261, of the town two, three and four years prior to the fiscal year in which application is made, and (B) based upon such ranking, (i) a percentage of not less than ten nor more than seventy shall be determined for new construction or replacement of a school building that uses one of the blueprints for the prototype school designs, as described in subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 10-292q, for each town on a continuous scale, (ii) a percentage of zero nor more than sixty shall be determined for new construction or replacement of a school building that does not use one of the blueprints for the prototype school designs, as described in subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 10-292q, for each town on a continuous scale, and (iii) a percentage of not less than twenty nor more than eighty shall be determined for renovations, extensions, code violations, roof replacements and major alterations of an existing school building and the new construction or replacement of a school building.
building that uses one of the blueprints for the prototype school designs, as described in subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 10-292q, when a town or regional school district can demonstrate that a new construction or replacement is less expensive than a renovation, extension or major alteration of an existing school building for each town on a continuous scale.

Sec. 114. (NEW) (Effective from passage) For any school building project grant for a new construction project approved pursuant to subsection (b) of section 10-283 of the general statutes and for which application is made on or after July 1, 2018, only those architectural and engineering costs resulting from the use of one of the blueprints for the prototype school designs, as described in subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 10-292q of the general statutes, shall be determined to be an eligible cost by the Commissioner of Administrative Services and eligible for reimbursement under chapter 173 of the general statutes.

Sec. 115. Subdivisions (1) and (2) of subsection (a) of section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by section 82 of public act 17-237, are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) (1) Each town or regional school district shall be eligible to apply for and accept grants for a school building project as provided in this chapter. Any town desiring a grant for a public school building project may, by vote of its legislative body, authorize the board of education of such town to apply to the Commissioner of Administrative Services and to accept or reject such grant for the town. Any regional school board may vote to authorize the supervising agent of the regional school district to apply to the Commissioner of Administrative Services for and to accept or reject such grant for the district. Applications for such grants under this chapter shall be made by the superintendent of schools of such town or regional school district on
the form provided and in the manner prescribed by the Commissioner of Administrative Services. The application form shall require the superintendent of schools to affirm that the school district considered:

(A) The maximization of natural light [and], and the use and feasibility of wireless connectivity technology, [and] (B) on and after July 1, 2014, the school safety infrastructure criteria, developed by the School Safety Infrastructure Council, pursuant to section 10-292r, in projects for new construction and alteration or renovation of a school building, and (C) on and after July 1, 2018, the blueprints for the three prototype school designs, as described in subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 10-292q, for projects for new construction. The Commissioner of Administrative Services shall review each grant application for a school building project for compliance with educational requirements and on the basis of categories for building projects established by the Commissioner of Administrative Services in accordance with this section. The Commissioner of Education shall evaluate, if appropriate, whether the project will assist the state in meeting the goals of the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, or the goals of the 2013 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended. The Commissioner of Administrative Services shall consult with the Commissioner of Education in reviewing grant applications submitted for purposes of subsection (a) of section 10-65 or section 10-76e on the basis of the educational needs of the applicant.

The Commissioner of Administrative Services shall review each grant application for a school building project for compliance with standards for school building projects pursuant to regulations, adopted in accordance with section 10-287c, and, on and after July 1, 2014, the school safety infrastructure criteria, developed by the School Safety Infrastructure Council pursuant to section 10-292r. Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter, the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on behalf of Quinebaug Valley Community College and Three Rivers Community College and the
following entities that will operate an interdistrict magnet school that will assist the state in meeting the goals of the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O’Neill, et al., as extended, or the goals of the 2013 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O’Neill, et al., as extended, as determined by the Commissioner of Education, may apply for and shall be eligible to receive grants for school building projects pursuant to section 10-264h for such a school: [(A)] (i) The Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on behalf of a regional community-technical college, [(B)] (ii) the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System on behalf of a state university, [(C)] (iii) the Board of Trustees for the University of Connecticut on behalf of the university, [(D)] (iv) the board of governors for an independent institution of higher education, as defined in subsection (a) of section 10a-173, or the equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the independent institution of higher education, [(E)] (v) cooperative arrangements pursuant to section 10-158a, and [(F)] (vi) any other third-party not-for-profit corporation approved by the Commissioner of Education.

(2) The Commissioner of Education shall assign each school building project to a category on the basis of whether such project is primarily required to: (A) Create new facilities or alter existing facilities to provide for mandatory instructional programs pursuant to this chapter, for physical education facilities in compliance with Title IX of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1972 where such programs or such compliance cannot be provided within existing facilities or for the correction of code violations which cannot be reasonably addressed within existing program space; (B) create new facilities or alter existing facilities to enhance mandatory instructional programs pursuant to this chapter or provide comparable facilities among schools to all students at the same grade level or levels within the school district unless such project is otherwise explicitly included in another category pursuant to this section; and (C) create new
facilities or alter existing facilities to provide supportive services, provided in no event shall such supportive services include swimming pools, auditoriums, outdoor athletic facilities, tennis courts, elementary school playgrounds, site improvement or garages or storage, parking or general recreation areas. All applications submitted prior to July first shall be reviewed promptly by the Commissioner of Administrative Services. The Commissioner of Administrative Services shall estimate the amount of the grant for which such project is eligible, in accordance with the provisions of section 10-285a, provided an application for a school building project determined by the Commissioner of Education to be a project that will assist the state in meeting the goals of the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, or the goals of the 2013 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, shall have until September first to submit an application for such a project and may have until December first of the same year to secure and report all local and state approvals required to complete the grant application. The Commissioner of Administrative Services shall annually prepare a listing of all such eligible school building projects listed by category together with the amount of the estimated grants for such projects and shall submit the same to the Governor, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the General Assembly on or before the fifteenth day of December, except as provided in section 10-283a, with a request for authorization to enter into grant commitments. On or before December thirty-first annually, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall submit comments and recommendations regarding each eligible project on such listing of eligible school building projects to the school construction committee, established pursuant to section 10-283a. [Each such listing submitted after December 15, 2005, until December 15, 2010, inclusive, shall include a separate schedule of authorized projects which have changed in scope or cost to a degree determined by the Commissioner of Education once, and a separate schedule of
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authorized projects which have changed in scope or cost to a degree determined by said commissioner twice. Any such listing submitted after December 15, 2010, until December 15, 2011, inclusive, shall include a separate schedule of authorized projects which have changed in scope or cost to a degree determined by the Commissioner of Administrative Services once, and a separate schedule of authorized projects which have changed in scope or cost to a degree determined by said commissioner twice. For the period beginning July 1, 2011, and ending December 31, 2013, each such listing shall include a report on the review conducted by the Commissioner of Education of the enrollment projections for each such eligible project. On and after January 1, 2014, each such listing shall include a report on the review conducted by the Commissioner of Administrative Services of the enrollment projections for each such eligible project.

Each such listing shall include a report on the following factors for each eligible project:

(i) An enrollment projection and the capacity of the school,
(ii) a substantiation of the estimated total project costs,
(iii) the readiness of such eligible project to begin construction,
(iv) efforts made by the local or regional board of education to redistrict, reconfigure, merge or close schools under the jurisdiction of such board prior to submitting an application under this section,
(v) enrollment and capacity information for all of the schools under the jurisdiction of such board for the five years prior to application for a school building project grant,
(vi) enrollment projections and capacity information for all of the schools under the jurisdiction of such board for the eight years following the date such application is submitted, and
(vii) the state's education priorities relating to reducing racial and economic isolation for the school district.

For the period beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2012, no project, other than a project for a technical education and career school, may appear on the separate schedule of authorized projects which have changed in cost more than twice. On and after July 1, 2012, no project, other than a project for a technical education and career school, may appear on the separate schedule of
authorized projects which have changed in cost more than once, except the Commissioner of Administrative Services may allow a project to appear on such separate schedule of authorized projects a second time if the town or regional school district for such project can demonstrate that exigent circumstances require such project to appear a second time on such separate schedule of authorized projects. Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter, no projects which have changed in scope or cost to the degree determined by the Commissioner of Administrative Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Education, shall be eligible for reimbursement under this chapter unless it appears on such list. The percentage determined pursuant to section 10-285a at the time a school building project on such schedule was originally authorized shall be used for purposes of the grant for such project. On and after July 1, 2006, a project that was not previously authorized as an interdistrict magnet school shall not receive a higher percentage for reimbursement than that determined pursuant to section 10-285a at the time a school building project on such schedule was originally authorized. The General Assembly shall annually authorize the Commissioner of Administrative Services to enter into grant commitments on behalf of the state in accordance with the commissioner's categorized listing for such projects as the General Assembly shall determine. The Commissioner of Administrative Services may not enter into any such grant commitments except pursuant to such legislative authorization. Any regional school district which assumes the responsibility for completion of a public school building project shall be eligible for a grant pursuant to subdivision (5) or (6), as the case may be, of subsection (a) of section 10-286 when such project is completed and accepted by such regional school district.

Sec. 116. Subsection (b) of section 10-283 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

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(b) (1) Notwithstanding the application date requirements of this section, at any time within the limit of available grant authorization and within the limit of appropriated funds, the Commissioner of Administrative Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Education, may approve applications for grants [to] and make payments for such grants, for any of the following reasons: (A) To assist school building projects to remedy damage from fire and catastrophe, (B) to correct safety, health and other code violations, (C) to replace roofs, including the replacement or installation of skylights as part of the roof replacement project, (D) to remedy a certified school indoor air quality emergency, (E) to install insulation for exterior walls and attics, or (F) to purchase and install a limited use and limited access elevator, windows, photovoltaic panels, wind generation systems, building management systems, a public school administrative or service facility or portable classroom buildings, [at any time within the limit of available grant authorization and make payments thereon within the limit of appropriated funds,] provided portable classroom building projects shall not create a new facility or cause an existing facility to be modified so that the portable buildings comprise a substantial percentage of the total facility area, as determined by the commissioner.

(2) Not later than seven calendar days following the discovery of a reason described in subparagraphs (A) to (F), inclusive, of subdivision (1) of this subsection, the superintendent of schools of a town or regional school district shall notify the Commissioner of Administrative Services in writing of such reason in order to be eligible for a grant under this subsection. Such superintendent shall submit an application to the commissioner not later than six months following such notification in order to receive a grant under this subsection.

Sec. 117. Subsection (a) of section 10-220 of the general statutes is
repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) Each local or regional board of education shall maintain good public elementary and secondary schools, implement the educational interests of the state, as defined in section 10-4a, and provide such other educational activities as in its judgment will best serve the interests of the school district; provided any board of education may secure such opportunities in another school district in accordance with provisions of the general statutes and shall give all the children of the school district, including children receiving alternative education, as defined in section 10-74j, as nearly equal advantages as may be practicable; shall provide an appropriate learning environment for all its students which includes (1) adequate instructional books, supplies, materials, equipment, staffing, facilities and technology, (2) equitable allocation of resources among its schools, (3) proper maintenance of facilities, and (4) a safe school setting; shall, in accordance with the provisions of subsection (f) of this section, maintain records of allegations, investigations and reports that a child has been abused or neglected by a school employee, as defined in section 53a-65, employed by the local or regional board of education; shall have charge of the schools of its respective school district; shall make a continuing study of the need for school facilities and of a long-term school building program and from time to time make recommendations based on such study to the town; shall adopt and implement an indoor air quality program that provides for ongoing maintenance and facility reviews necessary for the maintenance and improvement of the indoor air quality of its facilities; shall adopt and implement a green cleaning program, pursuant to section 10-231g, that provides for the procurement and use of environmentally preferable cleaning products in school buildings and facilities; on and after July 1, [2011] 2021, and [triennially] every five years thereafter, shall report to the Commissioner of Administrative Services on the condition of its
facilities and the action taken to implement its long-term school building program, indoor air quality program and green cleaning program, which report the Commissioner of Administrative Services shall use to prepare a [triennial] report every five years that said commissioner shall submit in accordance with section 11-4a to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education; shall advise the Commissioner of Administrative Services of the relationship between any individual school building project pursuant to chapter 173 and such long-term school building program; shall have the care, maintenance and operation of buildings, lands, apparatus and other property used for school purposes and at all times shall insure all such buildings and all capital equipment contained therein against loss in an amount not less than eighty per cent of replacement cost; shall determine the number, age and qualifications of the pupils to be admitted into each school; shall develop and implement a written plan for minority staff recruitment for purposes of subdivision (3) of section 10-4a; shall employ and dismiss the teachers of the schools of such district subject to the provisions of sections 10-151 and 10-158a; shall designate the schools which shall be attended by the various children within the school district; shall make such provisions as will enable each child of school age residing in the district to attend some public day school for the period required by law and provide for the transportation of children wherever transportation is reasonable and desirable, and for such purpose may make contracts covering periods of not more than five years; may provide alternative education, in accordance with the provisions of section 10-74j, or place in another suitable educational program a pupil enrolling in school who is nineteen years of age or older and cannot acquire a sufficient number of credits for graduation by age twenty-one; may arrange with the board of education of an adjacent town for the instruction therein of such children as can attend school in such adjacent town more conveniently; shall cause each child five years of age and over and under eighteen years of age who is not a
high school graduate and is living in the school district to attend school in accordance with the provisions of section 10-184, and shall perform all acts required of it by the town or necessary to carry into effect the powers and duties imposed by law.

Sec. 118. Subsection (c) of section 10-287 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(c) If the [commissioner] Commissioner of Administrative Services determines that a building project has not met the approved conditions of the original application, the [State Board of Education] Department of Administrative Services may withhold subsequent state grant payments for said project until appropriate action, as determined by the commissioner, is taken to cause the building project to be in compliance with the approved conditions or may require repayment of all state grant payments for said project when such appropriate action is not undertaken within a reasonable time.

Sec. 119. Section 10-287i of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

A grant under this chapter for any school building project authorized by the General Assembly on or after July 1, 1996, or for any project for which application is made pursuant to subsection (b) of section 10-283, on or after July 1, 1997, shall be paid as follows: Applicants shall request progress payments for the state share of eligible project costs calculated pursuant to sections 10-65, 10-76e and 10-286, at such time and in such manner as the Commissioner of Administrative Services shall prescribe provided no payments shall commence until the applicant has filed a notice of authorization of funding for the local share of project costs, and provided further no payments other than those for architectural planning and site acquisition shall be made prior to approval of the final architectural
plans pursuant to section 10-292. The Department of Administrative Services shall withhold [five] eleven per cent of a grant pending completion of an audit pursuant to section 10-287 provided, if the department is unable to complete the required audit within six months of the date a request for final payment is filed, the applicant may have an independent audit performed and include the cost of such audit in the eligible project costs.

Sec. 120. Section 10-63f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

Such withdrawal or dissolution shall not impair the obligation of the withdrawing town or the district to the holders of any bonds or other outstanding indebtedness issued prior to withdrawal or dissolution under authority of this part, including any responsibilities or financial obligations related to a school building project pursuant to chapter 173. The regional board of education and the board of education of the town or towns involved may make agreements for the payment of money to or from the district and said towns in accordance with the final plan of withdrawal, except any such agreement or final plan of withdrawal shall not relieve a withdrawing town from its responsibilities or financial obligations related to a school building project pursuant to chapter 173.

Sec. 121. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 10-285b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) (1) Any incorporated or endowed high school or academy approved by the State Board of Education, pursuant to section 10-34, may apply and be eligible to subsequently to be considered for a school building project grant commitment from the state, provided the school building project complies with the provisions of this chapter.
Sec. 122. (Effective from passage) The Commissioner of Administrative Services, having reviewed applications for state grants for public school building projects in accordance with section 10-283 of the general statutes on the basis of priorities for such projects and standards for school construction established by the State Board of Education, and having prepared a listing of all such eligible projects ranked in order of priority, including a separate schedule of previously authorized projects which have changed substantially in scope or cost, as determined by said commissioner together with the amount of the estimated grant with respect to each eligible project, and having submitted such listing of eligible projects, prior to December 15, 2016, to a committee of the General Assembly established under section 10-283a of the general statutes for the purpose of reviewing such listing, is hereby authorized to enter into grant commitments on behalf of the state in accordance with said section 10-283 with respect to the following school building projects in such estimated amounts:

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155-0240 EA $12,800,000 $5,393,920

REGIONAL DISTRICT 1
Housatonic Valley Regional High School

REGIONAL DISTRICT 12
Shepaug Valley Regional Agriscience STEM

GROTON
Cutler Elementary School (Carl C. Cutler Middle School)

GROTON
Westside Elementary School (West Side Middle School)

GROTON
Consolidated Middle School

HAMDEN
Shepherd Glen School

KILLINGLY
Killingly High School (Vo-Ag)

LEDYARD
Gallup Hill School

MANCHESTER

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Verplanck School
077-0235 EA/RR $29,172,000 $19,691,100

NEWINGTON
John Wallace Middle School
094-0106 A $1,300,000 $742,820

ROCKY HILL
Rocky Hill Intermediate School
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SHELTON
Elizabeth Shelton School
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SHELTON
Mohegan School
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SIMSBURY
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WATERBURY
Wendell L. Cross School
151-0295 EA/RR $46,213,083 $36,309,619

REGIONAL DISTRICT 12
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212-0025 A/EC $2,914,565 $957,726

REGIONAL DISTRICT 14
Nonnewaug High School (Vo-Ag)
214-0094 VA/EA $662,000 $529,600

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REGIONAL DISTRICT 14
Nonnewaug High School (Vo-Ag)
214-0095 VE

- $587,568
- $470,054

BRANFORD
Central Administration (Francis Walsh Intermediate School)
014-0035 BE/EA

- $2,267,000
- $400,806

GUILFORD
A. Baldwin Middle School
060-0102 EC

- $2,351,115
- $713,799

MILFORD
Harborside Middle School
084-0195 EC

- $1,347,745
- $683,441

NORWALK
West Rocks Middle School
103-0244 EC

- $1,400,000
- $455,000

WATERBURY
Gilmartin School
151-0294 EC

- $432,893
- $340,124

WEST HAVEN
May V. Carrigan Middle School
156-0139 EC

- $3,354,815
- $2,576,162

REGIONAL DISTRICT 14
Region 14 Central Office
(Nonnewaug High School)
214-0096 BE/A/CV

- $1,609,535
- $385,162

HARTFORD
Martin Luther King School
064-0310 MAG/A/RR/CV

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- $54,400,000

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

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Sec. 123. (Effective from passage) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section requiring that the description of a project type for a school building project be made at the time of application for a school building project grant, the town of Groton may change the description of the school building project type as it was submitted at the time of application for the Cutler Elementary School.
(Carl C. Cutler Middle School) to a diversity school and roof replacement project (Project Number 059-0188 DV/RR), and subsequently qualify for reimbursement as a diversity school, in accordance with the provisions of section 10-286h of the general statutes, provided the Commissioner of Education finds that such diversity school will assist the town of Groton in correcting the existing disparity in the proportion of pupils of racial minorities in the district.

(b) On and after the effective date of this section, the Claude Chester School in Groton shall no longer qualify as a diversity school or be eligible for reimbursement as a diversity school under section 10-286h of the general statutes.

Sec. 124. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to section 10-283 of the general statutes requiring that the description of a project type for a school building project be made at the time of application for a school building project grant, the town of Hartford may change the description of the school building project type as it was submitted at the time of application for the Martin Luther King School to an interdistrict magnet facility, alteration, roof replacement and code violation project (Project Number 064-0310 MAG/A/RR/CV), and subsequently qualify for reimbursement as an interdistrict magnet facility, in accordance with the provisions of section 10-264h of the general statutes, provided the Commissioner of Education approves a plan for the operation of the facility as an interdistrict magnet school program.

Sec. 125. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-292 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services requiring that a bid not be let out until plans and specifications have
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been approved by the Department of Administrative Services, the town of Brookfield may let out for bid on and commence a project for a roof replacement (Project Number 018-0055 RR) at Brookfield High School and shall be eligible to subsequently be considered for a grant commitment from the state, provided plans and specifications have been approved by the Department of Administrative Services.

Sec. 126. Subsection (b) of section 38 of public act 14-90 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-264h of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services concerning the reimbursement rate for the construction of interdistrict magnet schools, the town of New London may use ninety-five per cent as the reimbursement rate for the interdistrict magnet facility project at the New London Magnet School for the Visual and Performing Arts, [provided the board of education for New London, the board of directors for the Garde Arts Center and the Commissioners of Education and Administrative Services enter into a memorandum of understanding establishing the parameters in which the New London Magnet School for the Visual and Performing Arts shall operate as an interdistrict magnet school.]

Sec. 127. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services requiring a completed grant application be submitted prior to June 30, 2017, or subsection (d) of said section 10-283, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services requiring local funding authorization for the local share of project costs prior to application, for the school construction priority list to be considered by the General Assembly in the 2018 regular legislative session, the Commissioner of
Administrative Services shall give review and approval priority to school building projects for RHAM Middle School and RHAM High School in Region 8, provided (1) a referendum concerning the local funding authorization for the local share of project costs is scheduled and prepared, and the results authorizing such local funding are submitted on or before November 15, 2017, to the Department of Administrative Services, and (2) a complete grant application with funding authorization for the local share of the project costs is filed on or before September 30, 2017.

Sec. 128. (Effective from passage) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, in addition to any school building project grant previously authorized under chapter 173 of the general statutes for the renovation project at Kelly Middle School (Project Number 014-0112 RNV), the Department of Administrative Services shall provide an additional school building grant to the town of Norwich in an amount of one million thirty-two thousand dollars for said renovation project at Kelly Middle School.

Sec. 129. Subdivision (2) of section 10-262f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(2) "Base aid ratio" means (A) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2008, to June 30, 2013, inclusive, one minus the ratio of a town's wealth to the state guaranteed wealth level, provided no town's aid ratio shall be less than nine one-hundredths, except for towns which rank from one to twenty when all towns are ranked in descending order from one to one hundred sixty-nine based on the ratio of the number of children below poverty to the number of children age five to seventeen, inclusive, the town's aid ratio shall not be less than thirteen one-hundredths when based on data used to determine the grants pursuant to section 10-262h of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 2013, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008,
[and] (B) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2014, [and each fiscal year thereafter] to June 30, 2017, inclusive, one minus the town's wealth adjustment factor, except that a town's aid ratio shall not be less than (i) ten one-hundredths for a town designated as an alliance district, as defined in section 10-262u, and (ii) two one-hundredths for a town that is not designated as an alliance district, and (C) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, and each fiscal year thereafter, the sum of (i) one minus the town's wealth adjustment factor, and (ii) the town's base aid ratio adjustment factor, if any, except that a town's base aid ratio shall not be less than (I) ten per cent for a town designated as an alliance district, as defined in section 10-262u, and (II) one per cent for a town that is not designated as an alliance district.

Sec. 130. Subdivision (9) of section 10-262f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(9) "Foundation" means (A) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1990, three thousand nine hundred eighteen dollars, (B) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1991, four thousand one hundred ninety-two dollars, (C) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1992, four thousand four hundred eighty-six dollars, (D) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1993, June 30, 1994, and June 30, 1995, four thousand eight hundred dollars, (E) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1996, June 30, 1997, and June 30, 1998, five thousand seven hundred eleven dollars, (F) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999, five thousand seven hundred seventy-five dollars, (G) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2000, to June 30, 2007, inclusive, five thousand eight hundred ninety-one dollars, (H) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2008, to June 30, 2013, inclusive, nine thousand six hundred eighty-seven dollars, [and] (I) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2014, [and each fiscal year thereafter] to June 30, 2017, inclusive, eleven thousand five hundred twenty-five dollars, and (J) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, and each fiscal
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year thereafter, nine thousand six hundred thirty-eight dollars.

Sec. 131. Subdivision (25) of section 10-262f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(25) "Total need students" means the sum of (A) the number of resident students of the town for the school year, (B) (i) for any school year commencing prior to July 1, 1998, one-quarter the number of children under the temporary family assistance program for the prior fiscal year, and (ii) for the school years commencing July 1, 1998, to July 1, 2006, inclusive, one-quarter the number of children under the temporary family assistance program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1997, (C) for school years commencing July 1, 1995, to July 1, 2006, inclusive, one-quarter of the mastery count for the school year, (D) for school years commencing July 1, 1995, to July 1, 2006, inclusive, ten per cent of the number of eligible children, as defined in subdivision (1) of section 10-17e, for whom the board of education is not required to provide a program pursuant to section 10-17f, (E) for the school years commencing July 1, 2007, to July 1, 2012, inclusive, fifteen per cent of the number of eligible students, as defined in subdivision (1) of section 10-17e, for whom the board of education is not required to provide a program pursuant to section 10-17f, (F) for the school years commencing July 1, 2007, to July 1, 2012, inclusive, thirty-three per cent of the number of children below the level of poverty, [and] (G) for the school [year] years commencing July 1, 2013, [and each school year thereafter] to July 1, 2016, inclusive, thirty per cent of the number of children eligible for free or reduced price meals or free milk, and (H) for the school year commencing July 1, 2017, and each school year thereafter, (i) thirty per cent of the number of children eligible for free or reduced price meals or free milk, (ii) five per cent of the number of children eligible for free or reduced price meals or free milk in excess of the number of children eligible for free or reduced price meals or
free milk that is equal to seventy-five per cent of the total number of resident students of the town for the school year, and (iii) fifteen per cent of the number of resident students who are English language learners, as defined in section 10-76kk.

Sec. 132. Subdivision (33) of section 10-262f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(33) "Fully funded grant" means the sum of (A) the product of a town's base aid ratio, the foundation level and the town's total need students for the fiscal year prior to the year in which the grant is to be paid, and (B) the town's regional bonus.

Sec. 133. Subdivision (44) of section 10-262f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(44) "Wealth adjustment factor" means (A) for the fiscal years prior to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the sum of a town's equalized net grand list adjustment factor multiplied by ninety one-hundredths per cent and a town's median household income adjustment factor multiplied by ten one-hundredths per cent, and (B) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, and each fiscal year thereafter, the sum of a town's equalized net grand list adjustment factor multiplied by seventy per cent and a town's median household income adjustment factor multiplied by thirty per cent.

Sec. 134. Section 10-262f of the general statutes is amended by adding subdivisions (46) to (48), inclusive, as follows (Effective from passage):

(NEW) (46) "Base aid ratio adjustment factor" means (A) six percentage points for those towns ranked one, two, three, four or five in total eligibility index points, (B) five percentage points for those
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towns ranked six, seven, eight, nine or ten in total eligibility index points, (C) four percentage points for those towns ranked eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen or fifteen in total eligibility index points, and (D) three percentage points for those towns ranked sixteen, seventeen, eighteen or nineteen in total eligibility index points.

(NEW) (47) "Eligibility index" has the same meaning as provided in section 7-545.

(NEW) (48) "Base grant amount" means seventy-eight per cent of the equalization aid grant a town was entitled to receive for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, as enumerated in section 20 of public act 16-2 of the May special session.

Sec. 135. Section 10-262h of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

[(a) Obsolete.

(b) Obsolete.

(c) (1) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, each town shall receive an equalization aid grant in an amount equal to the sum of any amounts paid to such town pursuant to subsection (c) and subdivision (1) of subsection (d) of section 10-66ee, and the amount provided for in subdivision (2) of this subsection.

(2) Equalization aid grant amounts.

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(a) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, each town maintaining public schools according to law shall be entitled to an equalization aid grant in an amount equal to its fully funded grant, except (1) any town whose fully funded grant is greater than its base grant amount shall be entitled to an equalization aid grant in an amount equal to its base grant amount plus five per cent of the difference between such town's fully funded grant and its base grant amount, and (2) any town whose fully funded grant is less than its base grant amount shall be entitled to an equalization aid grant in an amount equal to its base grant amount.

(b) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, each town maintaining public schools according to law shall be entitled to an equalization aid grant in an amount equal to its fully funded grant, except (1) any town whose fully funded grant is greater than its base grant amount shall be entitled to an equalization aid grant in an amount equal to its base grant amount plus fifteen per cent of the difference between such town's fully funded grant and its base grant amount, and (2) any town whose fully funded grant is less than its base grant amount shall be entitled to an equalization aid grant in an amount equal to its base grant amount minus ten per cent of the difference between such town's base grant amount and its fully funded grant.

(c) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, to June 30, 2028, inclusive, each town maintaining public schools according to law shall be entitled to an equalization aid grant in an amount equal to its fully funded grant, except (1) any town whose fully funded grant is greater
than its base grant amount shall be entitled to an equalization aid grant in an amount equal to the amount such town received in the previous fiscal year plus ten per cent of the difference between such town's fully funded grant and its base grant amount, and (2) any town whose fully funded grant is less than its base grant amount shall be entitled to an equalization aid grant in an amount equal to the amount such town received in the previous fiscal year minus ten per cent of the difference between such town's base grant amount and its fully funded grant.

(d) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2029, and each fiscal year thereafter, each town maintaining public schools according to law shall be entitled to an equalization aid grant in an amount equal to its fully funded grant.

Sec. 136. (Effective from passage) There is established an education cost sharing grant formula review team to review the equalization aid grant formula, as described in section 10-262h of the general statutes, and make recommendations for any revisions to the formula. The review team shall consist of the chairpersons and ranking member of the joint standing committee of the general assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, and a representative from each of the following associations, designated by the association: The Connecticut Association of Boards of Education, the Connecticut Association of Public School Superintendents, the Connecticut Education Association and the American Federation of Teachers-Connecticut. The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education shall serve as administrative staff of the review team. Not later than March 1, 2018, the review team shall submit its review and any recommendations to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, in accordance with
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the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes. The review team shall terminate on the date that it submits such report or March 1, 2018, whichever is later.

Sec. 137. (Effective from passage) (a) As used in this section:

(1) "Equalization aid grant amount" means the amount of the equalization aid grant that a town is entitled to pursuant to section 10-262h of the general statutes;

(2) "Special education aid grant amount" means the amount that a local or regional board of education is eligible for reimbursement pursuant to section 10-76g of the general statutes;

(3) "Education funding for the current fiscal year" means, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the sum of a town's equalization aid grant amount and its special education aid grant amount;

(4) "Education funding for the prior fiscal year" means, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the sum of a town's equalization aid grant amount and its special education aid grant amount;

(5) "Education funding increase" means the amount in which a town's education funding for the current fiscal year is greater than its education funding for the prior fiscal year;

(6) "Education funding reduction" means the amount in which a town's education funding for the current fiscal year is less than its education funding for the prior fiscal year;

(7) "Funding reduction school district" means the local or regional board of education for a town in which the education funding for the current fiscal year is less than its education funding for the prior fiscal year;

(8) "Funding neutral school district" means the local or regional
board of education for a town in which the education funding increase is less than one million five hundred fifty thousand dollars;

(9) "Funding increase school district" means the local or regional board of education for a town in which the education funding increase is equal to or greater than one million five hundred fifty thousand dollars; and

(10) "Education funding reallocation amount" means the difference of the education funding for the current fiscal year of a funding neutral school district and its education funding for the prior fiscal year.

(b) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the Commissioner of Education shall withhold from each funding neutral school district an amount equal to the education funding reallocation amount from such district's education funding for the current fiscal year. The commissioner shall deposit each such education funding reallocation amount in an education funding reallocation account. The commissioner shall use the funds in said account to make grant payments to each funding reduction school district in an amount equal to such district's education funding reduction.

Sec. 138. Subsection (e) of section 10-76d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(e) (1) Any local or regional board of education which provides special education pursuant to any mandates in this section shall provide transportation, to and from, but not beyond the curb of, the residence of the child, unless otherwise agreed upon by the board and the parent or guardian of the child, tuition, room and board and other items necessary to the provision of such special education except for children who are placed in a residential facility because they need services other than educational services, in which case the financial
(2) For purposes of this subdivision, "public agency" includes the offices of a government of a federally recognized Native American tribe. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the general statutes, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1987, and each fiscal year thereafter, whenever a public agency, other than a local or regional board of education, the State Board of Education or the Superior Court acting pursuant to section 10-76h, places a child in a foster home, group home, hospital, state institution, receiving home, custodial institution or any other residential or day treatment facility, and such child requires special education, the local or regional board of education under whose jurisdiction the child would otherwise be attending school or, if no such board can be identified, the local or regional board of education of the town where the child is placed, shall provide the requisite special education and related services to such child in accordance with the provisions of this section. Within one business day of such a placement by the Department of Children and Families or offices of a government of a federally recognized Native American tribe, said department or offices shall orally notify the local or regional board of education responsible for providing special education and related services to such child of such placement. The department or offices shall provide written notification to such board of such placement within two business days of the placement. Such local or
regional board of education shall convene a planning and placement team meeting for such child within thirty days of the placement and shall invite a representative of the Department of Children and Families or offices of a government of a federally recognized Native American tribe to participate in such meeting. (A) The local or regional board of education under whose jurisdiction such child would otherwise be attending school shall be financially responsible for the reasonable costs of such special education and related services in an amount equal to \[\text{the lesser of} \]
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\text{one hundred per cent of the costs of such education, or the average per pupil educational costs of such board of education for the prior fiscal year, determined in accordance with the provisions of subsection (a) of section 10-76f.}
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The State Board of Education shall pay on a current basis, except as provided in subdivision (3) of this subsection, any costs in excess of such local or regional board's basic contributions paid by such board of education in accordance with the provisions of this subdivision. (B) Whenever a child is placed pursuant to this subdivision, on or after July 1, 1995, by the Department of Children and Families and the local or regional board of education under whose jurisdiction such child would otherwise be attending school cannot be identified, the local or regional board of education under whose jurisdiction the child attended school or in whose district the child resided at the time of removal from the home by said department shall be responsible for the reasonable costs of special education and related services provided to such child, for one calendar year or until the child is committed to the state pursuant to section 46b-129 or 46b-140 or is returned to the child's parent or guardian, whichever is earlier. If the child remains in such placement beyond one calendar year the Department of Children and Families shall be responsible for such costs. During the period the local or regional board of education is responsible for the reasonable cost of special education and related services pursuant to this subparagraph, the board shall be responsible for such costs in an amount equal to \[\text{the lesser of} \]
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related services, [or the average per pupil educational costs of such board of education for the prior fiscal year, determined in accordance with the provisions of subsection (a) of section 10-76f. The State Board of Education shall pay on a current basis, except as provided in subdivision (3) of this subsection, any costs in excess of such local or regional board's basic contributions paid by such board of education in accordance with the provisions of this subdivision.] The costs for services other than educational shall be paid by the state agency which placed the child. The provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to the school districts established within the Department of Children and Families, pursuant to section 17a-37 or the Department of Correction, pursuant to section 18-99a, provided in any case in which special education is being provided at a private residential institution, including the residential components of regional educational service centers, to a child for whom no local or regional board of education can be found responsible under subsection (b) of this section, Unified School District #2 shall provide the special education and related services and be financially responsible for the reasonable costs of such special education instruction for such children. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subdivision, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2004, to June 30, 2007, inclusive, and for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2010, [to June 30, 2017, inclusive] and each fiscal year thereafter, the amount of the grants payable to local or regional boards of education in accordance with this subdivision shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for the purposes of this subdivision for such year.

(3) [Payment for] The local or regional board of education shall be responsible for the reasonable costs of special education and related services provided to children who require special education and who reside on state-owned or leased property, and who are not the educational responsibility of the unified school districts established pursuant to section 17a-37 or section 18-99a, [;] shall be made in the
following manner: The State Board of Education shall pay to the school district which is responsible for providing instruction for each such child pursuant to the provisions of this subsection one hundred percent of the reasonable costs of such instruction. In the fiscal year following such payment, the State Board of Education shall deduct from the special education grant due the local or regional board of education under whose jurisdiction the child would otherwise be attending school, where such board has been identified, the amount for which such board would otherwise have been financially responsible pursuant to the provisions of subdivision (2) of this subsection. No such deduction shall be made for any school district which is responsible for providing special education instruction for children whose parents or legal guardians do not reside within such district. The amount deducted shall be included as a net cost of special education by the Department of Education for purposes of the state's special education grant calculated pursuant to section 10-76g. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subdivision, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2004, and June 30, 2005, and for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2012, and June 30, 2013, the amount of the grants payable to local or regional boards of education in accordance with this subdivision shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for the purposes of this subdivision for such year.]

(4) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services shall provide regular education and special education and related services to eligible residents in facilities operated by the department who are eighteen to twenty-one years of age. In the case of a resident who requires special education, the department shall provide the requisite identification and evaluation of such resident in accordance with the provisions of this section. The department shall be financially responsible for the provision of educational services to eligible residents. The
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Departments of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Children and Families and Education shall develop and implement an interagency agreement which specifies the role of each agency in ensuring the provision of appropriate education services to eligible residents in accordance with this section. The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services shall be responsible for one hundred per cent of the reasonable costs of such educational services provided to eligible residents of such facilities.

[(5) Application for the grant to be paid by the state for costs in excess of the local or regional board of education's basic contribution shall be made by such board of education by filing with the State Board of Education, in such manner as prescribed by the Commissioner of Education, annually on or before December first a statement of the cost of providing special education, as defined in subdivision (2) of this subsection, for a child of the board placed by a state agency in accordance with the provisions of said subdivision or, where appropriate, a statement of the cost of providing educational services other than special educational services pursuant to the provisions of subsection (b) or (g) of section 10-253, provided a board of education may submit, not later than March first, claims for additional children or costs not included in the December filing. Payment by the state for such excess costs shall be made to the local or regional board of education as follows: Seventy-five per cent of the cost in February and the balance in May. The amount due each town pursuant to the provisions of this subsection and the amount due to each town as tuition from other towns pursuant to this section shall be paid to the treasurer of each town entitled to such aid, provided the treasurer shall treat such grant or tuition received, or a portion of such grant or tuition, which relates to special education expenditures incurred pursuant to subdivisions (2) and (3) of this subsection in excess of such board's budgeted estimate of such expenditures, as a reduction in expenditures by crediting such expenditure account,
rather than town revenue. The state shall notify the local or regional board of education when payments are made to the treasurer of the town pursuant to this subdivision.]

Sec. 139. Section 10-76g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) (1) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1984, and each fiscal year thereafter, in any case in which special education is being provided at a private residential institution, including the residential components of regional educational service centers, to a child for whom no local or regional board of education can be found responsible under subsection (b) of section 10-76d, the Department of Children and Families shall pay the costs of special education to such institution pursuant to its authority under sections 17a-1 to 17a-26, inclusive, 17a-28 to 17a-49, inclusive, 17a-52 and 17b-251. (2) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1993, and each fiscal year thereafter, any local or regional board of education which provides special education and related services for any child (A) who is placed by a public agency, including, but not limited to, offices of a government of a federally recognized Native American tribe, in a private residential facility or who is placed in a facility or institution operated by the Department of Children and Families and who receives such special education at a program operated by a regional education service center or program operated by a local or regional board of education, and (B) for whom no local or regional board of education can be found responsible under subsection (b) of section 10-76d, shall be [eligible to receive one hundred per cent of] responsible for the reasonable costs of special education for such child as defined in the regulations of the State Board of Education. [Any such board eligible for payment shall file with the Department of Education, in such manner as prescribed by the Commissioner of Education, annually, on or before December first a statement of the cost of providing special education for such child, provided a board of
education may submit, not later than March first, claims for additional
children or costs not included in the December filing. Payment by the
state for such costs shall be made to the local or regional board of
education as follows: Seventy-five per cent of the cost in February and
the balance in May.]

[(b) Any local or regional board of education which provides special
education pursuant to the provisions of sections 10-76a to 10-76g,
inclusive, for any exceptional child described in subparagraph (A) of
subdivision (5) of section 10-76a, under its jurisdiction, excluding (1)
children placed by a state agency for whom a board of education
receives payment pursuant to the provisions of subdivision (2) of
subsection (e) of section 10-76d, and (2) children who require special
education, who reside on state-owned or leased property, and who are
not the educational responsibility of the unified school districts
established pursuant to sections 17a-37 and 18-99a, shall be financially
responsible for the reasonable costs of special education instruction, as
declared in the regulations of the State Board of Education, in an
amount equal to (A) for any fiscal year commencing prior to July 1,
2005, five times the average per pupil educational costs of such board
of education for the prior fiscal year, determined in accordance with
the provisions of subsection (a) of section 10-76f, and (B) for the fiscal
year commencing July 1, 2005, and each fiscal year thereafter, four and
one-half times such average per pupil educational costs of such board
of education. The State Board of Education shall pay on a current basis
any costs in excess of the local or regional board's basic contribution
paid by such board in accordance with the provisions of this
subsection. Any amounts paid by the State Board of Education on a
current basis pursuant to this subsection shall not be reimbursable in
the subsequent year. Application for such grant shall be made by filing
with the Department of Education, in such manner as prescribed by
the commissioner, annually on or before December first a statement of
the cost of providing special education pursuant to this subsection,
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provided a board of education may submit, not later than March first, claims for additional children or costs not included in the December filing. Payment by the state for such excess costs shall be made to the local or regional board of education as follows: Seventy-five per cent of the cost in February and the balance in May. The amount due each town pursuant to the provisions of this subsection shall be paid to the treasurer of each town entitled to such aid, provided the treasurer shall treat such grant, or a portion of the grant, which relates to special education expenditures incurred in excess of such town's board of education budgeted estimate of such expenditures, as a reduction in expenditures by crediting such expenditure account, rather than town revenue. Such expenditure account shall be so credited no later than thirty days after receipt by the treasurer of necessary documentation from the board of education indicating the amount of such special education expenditures incurred in excess of such town's board of education budgeted estimate of such expenditures.

(c) Commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, and for each fiscal year thereafter, within available appropriations, each town whose ratio of (1) net costs of special education, as defined in subsection (h) of section 10-76f, for the fiscal year prior to the year in which the grant is to be paid to (2) the product of its total need students, as defined in section 10-262f, and the average regular program expenditures, as defined in section 10-262f, per need student for all towns for such year exceeds the state-wide average for all such ratios shall be eligible to receive a supplemental special education grant. Such grant shall be equal to the product of a town's eligible excess costs and the town's base aid ratio, as defined in section 10-262f, provided each town's grant shall be adjusted proportionately if necessary to stay within the appropriation. Payment pursuant to this subsection shall be made in June. For purposes of this subsection, a town's eligible excess costs are the difference between its net costs of special education and the amount the town would have expended if it
spent at the state-wide average rate.]

(b) Any local or regional board of education which provides special education in accordance with regulations adopted pursuant to sections 10-76a to 10-76g, inclusive, for any exceptional child described in subdivision (3) of section 10-76a, shall, for each fiscal year, be reimbursed for a percentage of its net cost of special education, as defined in section 10-76f, for the preceding fiscal year. Such percentage shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of subsection (c) of this section. A local or regional board of education may apply for such reimbursement on or before September first for costs incurred during the prior fiscal year based upon data included in the returns submitted to the Commissioner of Education pursuant to section 10-227. Any audited data shall be submitted to the commissioner on or before December thirty-first. Payments pursuant to this section for each estimated total grant of five hundred thousand dollars or more shall be made as follows: Fifty per cent of the grant entitlement based on costs submitted on or before September first shall be paid in October. The adjusted balance based on audited data submitted on or before December thirty-first shall be paid in April. Payments pursuant to this section for each estimated grant of less than five hundred thousand dollars shall be made in a single installment in April based on audited data submitted on or before December thirty-first.

(c) (1) The reimbursement percentage for the net cost of special education for a local board of education shall be determined by (A) ranking each town in the state in descending order from one to one hundred sixty-nine according to such town's adjusted equalized net grand list per capita, as defined in section 10-261, and (B) based upon such ranking, and notwithstanding the provisions of section 2-32a, a percentage of not less than two and one-half nor more than fifty-two shall be determined for each town on a continuous scale. (2) The reimbursement percentage for the net cost of special education for a
regional board of education shall be determined by its ranking. Such ranking shall be determined by (A) multiplying the total population, as defined in section 10-261, of each town in the regional school district by such town's ranking, as determined pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection, (B) adding together the figures for each town determined under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, and (C) dividing the total computed under subparagraph (B) of this subdivision by the total population of all towns in the regional school district. The ranking of each regional board of education shall be rounded to the next higher whole number and each such board shall receive the same reimbursement percentage as would a town with the same rank.

(d) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2004, to June 30, 2007, inclusive, and for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2010, [to June 30, 2017, inclusive] and each fiscal year thereafter, the amount of the grants payable to local or regional boards of education in accordance with this section, except grants paid in accordance with subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2006, and June 30, 2007, and for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2010, [to June 30, 2017, inclusive] and each fiscal year thereafter, shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for the purposes of this section for such year.

Sec. 140. Section 10-253 of the general statutes, as amended by section 1 of public act 17-194, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) Children placed out by the Commissioner of Children and Families or by other agencies or persons, including offices of a government of a federally recognized Native American tribe, private child-caring or child-placing agencies licensed by the Department of Children and Families, and eligible residents of facilities operated by
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the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services or by the Department of Public Health who are eighteen to twenty-one years of age, shall be entitled to all free school privileges of the school district where they then reside as a result of such placement, except as provided in subdivision (4) of subsection (e) of section 10-76d. Except as provided in subsection (d) of this section and subdivision (4) of subsection (e) of section 10-76d, payment for such education shall be made by the board of education of the school district under whose jurisdiction such child would otherwise be attending school where such a school district is identified.

(b) The board of education of the school district under whose jurisdiction a child would otherwise be attending school shall be financially responsible for the reasonable costs of education for a child placed out by the Commissioner of Children and Families or by other agencies, including, but not limited to, offices of a government of a federally recognized Native American tribe, in a private residential facility when such child requires educational services other than special education services. Such financial responsibility shall be the lesser of one hundred per cent of the costs of such education or the average per pupil educational costs of such board of education for the prior fiscal year, determined in accordance with subsection (a) of section 10-76f. Any costs in excess of the board's basic contribution shall be paid by the State Board of Education on a current basis. The costs for services other than educational shall be paid by the state agency which placed the child. Application for the grant to be paid by the state for costs in excess of the local or regional board of education's basic contribution shall be made in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (5) of subsection (e) of section 10-76d. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2004, to June 30, 2007, inclusive, and for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2010, to June 30, 2017, inclusive, the amount of the grants payable to local or regional boards of education in accordance with this subsection shall
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be reduced proportionately if the total of such grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for the purposes of this subsection for such year.]

(c) No board of education shall be required to provide school accommodations for any child whose legal residence is in another state unless the board has entered into an agreement concerning the provision of educational services and programs with the state or local educational agency of such state responsible for educating the child, the facility where the child is placed or the parent or guardian placing such child, and provided that a bond, in a sum equal to the tuition payable for such child, issued by a surety company authorized to do business in this state and conditioned upon the payment of tuition at the rate established by the board, shall be filed with the treasurer of the school district in which such child is attending school by the parent or guardian or other person or organization in control of such child.

(d) Children residing with relatives or nonrelatives, when it is the intention of such relatives or nonrelatives and of the children or their parents or guardians that such residence is to be permanent, provided without pay and not for the sole purpose of obtaining school accommodations, and, for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1981, and each fiscal year thereafter, children not requiring special education who are residing in any facility or home as a result of a placement by a public agency, including, but not limited to, offices of a government of a federally recognized Native American tribe, other than a local or regional board of education, and except as provided by subsection (b) of this section, shall be entitled to all free school privileges accorded to resident children of the school district in which they then reside. A local or regional board of education may require documentation from the parent or guardian, the relative or nonrelative, emancipated minor or pupil eighteen years of age or older that the residence is to be permanent, provided without pay and not for the sole purpose of
obtaining school accommodations provided by the school district. Such documentation may include affidavits, provided that prior to any request for documentation of a child's residency from the child's parent or guardian, relative or nonrelative, or emancipated minor or pupil eighteen years of age or older, the board of education shall provide the parent or guardian, relative or nonrelative, emancipated minor or pupil eighteen years of age or older with a written statement specifying the basis upon which the board has reason to believe that such child, emancipated minor or pupil eighteen years of age or older is not entitled to school accommodations.

(e) (1) For purposes of this subsection:

(A) "Temporary shelters" means facilities which provide emergency shelter for a specified, limited period of time, and

(B) "Educational costs" means the reasonable costs of providing regular or, except as otherwise provided, special education, but in no event shall such costs exceed the average per pupil cost for regular education students or the actual cost of providing special education for special education students.

(2) Children in temporary shelters shall be entitled to free school privileges from either the school district in which the shelter is located or the school district in which the child would otherwise reside, if not for the need for temporary shelter. Upon notification from the school district in which the temporary shelter is located, the school district in which the child would otherwise reside, if identified, shall either pay tuition to the school district in which the temporary shelter is located for the child to attend school in that district or shall continue to provide educational services, including transportation, to such child. If the school district where the child would otherwise reside cannot be identified, the school district in which the temporary shelter is located shall be financially responsible for the educational costs for such child,
except that in the case of a child who requires special education and related services and is placed by the Department of Children and Families in a temporary shelter on or after July 1, 1995, the school district in which the child resided immediately prior to such placement or the Department of Children and Families shall be responsible for the cost of such special education and related services, to the extent such board or department is responsible for such costs under subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of section 10-76d. If the school district where the child would otherwise reside declines to provide free school privileges, the school district where the temporary shelter is located shall provide free school privileges and may recover tuition from the school district where the child would otherwise reside. In the case of children requiring special education who have been placed in out-of-district programs by either a board of education or state agency, the school district in which the child would otherwise reside shall continue to be responsible for the child's education until such time as a new residence is established, notwithstanding the fact that the child or child's family resides in a temporary shelter.

(f) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, educational services shall be provided by each local and regional board of education to homeless children and youths in accordance with the provisions of 42 USC 11431, et seq., as amended from time to time. An unaccompanied youth, as described in 42 USC 11434a, as amended from time to time, shall be entitled to knowledge of and have access to all educational, medical or similar records in the cumulative record of such unaccompanied youth maintained by a local or regional board of education.

(g) (1) For purposes of this subsection, "juvenile detention facility" means a juvenile detention facility operated by, or under contract with, the Judicial Department.

(2) The local or regional board of education for the school district in
which a juvenile detention facility is located shall be responsible for the provision of general education and special education and related services to children detained in such facility. The provision of general education and special education and related services shall be in accordance with all applicable state and federal laws concerning the provision of educational services. Such board may provide such educational services directly or may contract with public or private educational service providers for the provision of such services. Tuition may be charged to the local or regional board of education under whose jurisdiction the child would otherwise be attending school for the provision of general education and special education and related services. Responsibility for the provision of educational services to the child shall begin on the date of the child's placement in the juvenile detention facility and financial responsibility for the provision of such services shall begin upon the receipt by the child of such services.

(3) The local or regional board of education under whose jurisdiction the child would otherwise be attending school or, if no such board can be identified, the local or regional board of education for the school district in which the juvenile detention facility is located shall be financially responsible for the tuition charged for the provision of educational services to the child in such juvenile detention facility. [The State Board of Education shall pay, on a current basis, any costs in excess of such local or regional board of education's prior year's average per pupil costs. If the local or regional board of education under whose jurisdiction the child would otherwise be attending school cannot be identified, the local or regional board of education for the school district in which the juvenile detention facility is located shall be eligible to receive on a current basis from the State Board of Education any costs in excess of such local or regional board of education's prior year's average per pupil costs. Application for the grant to be paid by the state for costs in excess of the local or regional
board of education's basic contribution shall be made in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (5) of subsection (e) of section 10-76d.]

(4) The local or regional board of education under whose jurisdiction the child would otherwise be attending school shall be financially responsible for the provision of educational services to the child placed in a juvenile detention facility as provided in subdivision (3) of this subsection notwithstanding that the child has been suspended from school pursuant to section 10-233c, has been expelled from school pursuant to section 10-233d or has withdrawn, dropped out or otherwise terminated enrollment from school. Upon notification of such board of education by the educational services provider for the juvenile detention facility, the child shall be reenrolled in the school district where the child would otherwise be attending school or, if no such district can be identified, in the school district in which the juvenile detention facility is located, and provided with educational services in accordance with the provisions of this subsection.

(5) The local or regional board of education under whose jurisdiction the child would otherwise be attending school or, if no such board can be identified, the local or regional board of education for the school district in which the juvenile detention facility is located shall be notified in writing by the Judicial Branch of the child's placement at the juvenile detention facility not later than one business day after the child's placement, notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes to the contrary. The notification shall include the child's name and date of birth, the address of the child's parents or guardian, placement location and contact information, and such other information as is necessary to provide educational services to the child.

(6) Prior to the child's discharge from the juvenile detention facility, an assessment of the school work completed by the child shall be conducted by the local or regional board of education responsible for
the provision of educational services to children in the juvenile detention facility to determine an assignment of academic credit for the work completed. Credit assigned shall be the credit of the local or regional board of education responsible for the provision of the educational services. Credit assigned for work completed by the child shall be accepted in transfer by the local or regional board of education for the school district in which the child continues his or her education after discharge from the juvenile detention facility.

Sec. 141. (Effective from passage) Not later than January 1, 2018, the Board of Trustees of The University of Connecticut shall increase by one course the number of courses each full-time professor employed at the university is required to teach during a school year.

Sec. 142. Subsection (a) of section 10-157 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) [Any] Each local [or regional] board of education for a municipality with (1) a population of ten thousand or more, (2) three or more public schools located in the municipality, and (3) two thousand or more resident students, as defined in section 10-262f, shall provide for the supervision of the schools under its control by a superintendent who shall serve as the chief executive officer of the board. A local board of education for any other municipality may (A) provide for the supervision of the schools under its control by a superintendent who shall serve as the chief executive officer of the board, or (B) receive direction concerning the supervision of the schools under its control by a superintendent employed by another local board of education, provided the legislative body of such other municipality authorizes the use of such superintendent. Each regional board of education shall provide for the supervision of the schools under its control by a superintendent who shall serve as the chief executive officer of the board. The superintendent shall have executive
authority over the school system and the responsibility for its supervision. Employment of a superintendent shall be by election of the board of education. Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, no person shall assume the duties and responsibilities of the superintendent until the board receives written confirmation from the Commissioner of Education that the person to be employed is properly certified or has had such certification waived by the commissioner pursuant to subsection (c) of this section. The commissioner shall inform any such board, in writing, of the proper certification, waiver of certification or lack of certification or waiver of any such person not later than fourteen days after the name of such person is submitted to the commissioner pursuant to section 10-226. A majority vote of all members of the board shall be necessary to an election, and the board shall fix the salary of the superintendent and the term of office, which shall not exceed three years. Upon election and notification of employment or reemployment, the superintendent may request and the board shall provide a written contract of employment which includes, but is not limited to, the salary, employment benefits and term of office of such superintendent. Such superintendent shall, at least three weeks before the annual town or regional school district meeting, submit to the board a full written report of the proceedings of such board and of the condition of the several schools during the school year preceding, with plans and suggestions for their improvement. The board of education shall evaluate the performance of the superintendent annually in accordance with guidelines and criteria mutually determined and agreed to by such board and such superintendent.

Sec. 143. Section 10-157a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) Notwithstanding any provisions of the general statutes to the contrary, the boards of education of any two or more towns, or the
board of education of any regional school district and the board of education of one or more of the towns comprising the district, or a committee formed and authorized by agreement of such boards on behalf of such boards may jointly employ a superintendent of schools, and said superintendent of schools shall have the powers and duties for each of said boards as provided in section 10-157. Such boards of education or such committee shall specify in a written agreement the term of office of such superintendent, which shall not exceed three years, and the proportionate share and limits of authorized expenditures for the salary of such superintendent and other necessary expenses, and any other pertinent matters, and shall provide for the evaluation of the superintendent pursuant to section 10-157. Any agreement authorizing the employment of a superintendent pursuant to this section shall include, but not be limited to, the duties of the committee, the membership of the committee, the voting requirements for action, and provision for termination of the agreement.

(b) Any board of education may withdraw from any agreement entered into under subsection (a) of this section if, at least one year prior to the date of proposed withdrawal, it gives written notice of its intent to do so to each of the other boards.

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of any special act, municipal charter, local ordinance, home rule ordinance or other ordinance, or the provisions of chapters 170 and 171, any board of education that jointly employs a superintendent of schools under this section may reduce the number of board meetings it holds or hold joint meetings, at least quarterly, with any of the other boards of education that are jointly employing such superintendent for the purpose of reducing the expenses of such boards of education and aligning the provision of education by such boards of education.

Sec. 144. (NEW) (Effective from passage) The legislative body of a municipality may enter into a cooperative agreement with the local
board of education for such municipality relating to the performance of administrative and central office functions for the municipality and the school district.

Sec. 145. Subsection (a) of section 10-158a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) Any two or more boards of education may, in writing, agree to establish cooperative arrangements to provide school accommodations services, programs or activities, special education services, health care services, or alternative education, as defined in section 10-74j, or administrative and central office duties to enable such boards to carry out the duties specified in the general statutes. Such arrangements may include the establishment of a committee to supervise such programs, the membership of the committee to be determined by the agreement of the cooperating boards. Such committee shall have the power, in accordance with the terms of the agreement, to (1) apply for, receive directly and expend on behalf of the school districts which have designated the committee an agent for such purpose any state or federal grants which may be allocated to school districts for specified programs, the supervision of which has been delegated to such committee, provided such grants are payable before implementation of any such program or are to reimburse the committee pursuant to subsection (d) of this section for transportation provided to a school operated by a cooperative arrangement; (2) receive and disburse funds appropriated to the use of such committee by the cooperating school districts, the state or the United States, or given to the committee by individuals or private corporations; (3) hold title to real or personal property in trust, or as otherwise agreed to by the parties, for the appointing boards; (4) employ personnel; (5) enter into contracts; and (6) otherwise provide the specified programs, services and activities. Teachers employed by any such committee shall be subject to the
provisions of the general statutes applicable to teachers employed by the board of education of any town or regional school district. For purposes of this section, the term "teacher" shall include each professional employee of a committee below the rank of superintendent who holds a regular certificate issued by the State Board of Education and who is in a position requiring such certification.

Sec. 146. Section 10-262j of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

[(a) Except as otherwise provided under the provisions of subsections (c) to (e), inclusive, of this section, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, the budgeted appropriation for education shall be not less than the budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, plus any aid increase described in subsection (d) of section 10-262i, except that a town may reduce its budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, by one or more of the following:

(1) Any district with (A) a resident student population in which the number of students who are eligible for free or reduced price lunches pursuant to federal law and regulations is equal to or greater than twenty per cent, and (B) a resident student count for October 1, 2014, using the data of record as of January 31, 2015, that is lower than such district's resident student count for October 1, 2013, using the data of record as of January 31, 2015, may reduce such district's budgeted appropriation for education by the difference in the number of resident students for such years multiplied by fifty per cent of the net current expenditures per resident student of such district, provided such reduction shall not exceed one and one-half per cent of the district's budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, except that the Commissioner of Education may, following a review of a town's proposed reductions to its budgeted appropriation
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for education, permit a town to reduce its budgeted appropriation for education in an amount greater than one and one-half per cent if the board of education for such town has approved, by vote at a meeting duly called, such proposed reductions;

(2) Any district with (A) a resident student population in which the number of students who are eligible for free or reduced price lunches pursuant to federal law and regulations is less than twenty per cent, and (B) a resident student count for October 1, 2014, using the data of record as of January 31, 2015, that is lower than such district's resident student count for October 1, 2013, using the data of record as of January 31, 2015, may reduce such district's budgeted appropriation for education by the difference in the number of resident students for such years multiplied by fifty per cent of the net current expenditures per resident student of such district, provided such reduction shall not exceed three per cent of the district's budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, except that the Commissioner of Education may, following a review of a town's proposed reductions to its budgeted appropriation for education, permit a town to reduce its budgeted appropriation for education in an amount greater than three per cent if the board of education for such town has approved, by vote at a meeting duly called, such proposed reductions;

(3) Any district (A) that does not maintain a high school and pays tuition to another school district pursuant to section 10-33 for resident students to attend high school in another district, and (B) in which the number of resident students attending high school for such district for October 1, 2014, using the data of record as of January 31, 2015, is lower than such district's number of resident students attending high school for October 1, 2013, using the data of record as of January 31, 2015, may reduce such district's budgeted appropriation for education by the difference in the number of resident students attending high
school for such years multiplied by the amount of tuition paid per student pursuant to section 10-33; or

(4) Any district that realizes new and documentable savings through increased district efficiencies approved by the Commissioner of Education or through regional collaboration or cooperative arrangements pursuant to section 10-158a may reduce such district's budgeted appropriation for education in an amount equal to half of the amount of savings experienced as a result of such district efficiencies, regional collaboration or cooperative arrangement, provided such reduction shall not exceed one-half of one per cent of the district's budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015.

(b) Except as otherwise provided under the provisions of subsections (c) to (e), inclusive, of this section, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the budgeted appropriation for education shall be not less than the budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, plus any aid increase received pursuant to subsection (d) of section 10-262i, except that a town may reduce its budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, by one or more of the following:

(1) If a town experiences an aid reduction, as described in subsection (d) of section 10-262i, such town may reduce its budgeted appropriation for education in an amount equal to the aid reduction;

(2) Any district with (A) a resident student population in which the number of students who are eligible for free or reduced price lunches pursuant to federal law and regulations is equal to or greater than twenty per cent, and (B) a resident student count for October 1, 2015, using the data of record as of January 31, 2016, that is lower than such district's resident student count for October 1, 2014, using the data of record as of January 31, 2016, may reduce such district's budgeted
appropriation for education by the difference in the number of resident students for such years multiplied by fifty per cent of the net current expenditures per resident student of such district, provided such reduction shall not exceed one and one-half per cent of the district's budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, except that the Commissioner of Education may, following a review of a town's proposed reductions to its budgeted appropriation for education, permit a town to reduce its budgeted appropriation for education in an amount greater than one and one-half per cent if the board of education for such town has approved, by vote at a meeting duly called, such proposed reductions;

(3) Any district with (A) a resident student population in which the number of students who are eligible for free or reduced price lunches pursuant to federal law and regulations is less than twenty per cent, and (B) a resident student count for October 1, 2015, using the data of record as of January 31, 2016, that is lower than such district's resident student count for October 1, 2014, using the data of record as of January 31, 2016, may reduce such district's budgeted appropriation for education by the difference in the number of resident students for such years multiplied by fifty per cent of the net current expenditures per resident student, as defined in subdivision (45) of section 10-262f, of such district, provided such reduction shall not exceed three per cent of the district's budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, except that the Commissioner of Education may, following a review of a town's proposed reductions to its budgeted appropriation for education, permit a town to reduce its budgeted appropriation for education in an amount greater than three per cent if the board of education for such town has approved, by vote at a meeting duly called, such proposed reductions;

(4) Any district (A) that does not maintain a high school and pays tuition to another school district pursuant to section 10-33 for resident
students to attend high school in another district, and (B) in which the number of resident students attending high school for such district for October 1, 2015, using the data of record as of January 31, 2016, is lower than such district's number of resident students attending high school for October 1, 2014, using the data of record as of January 31, 2016, may reduce such district's budgeted appropriation for education by the difference in the number of resident students attending high school for such years multiplied by the amount of tuition paid per student pursuant to section 10-33; or

(5) Any district that realizes new and documentable savings through increased district efficiencies approved by the Commissioner of Education or through regional collaboration or cooperative arrangements pursuant to section 10-158a may reduce such district's budgeted appropriation for education in an amount equal to half of the amount of savings experienced as a result of such district efficiencies, regional collaboration or cooperative arrangement, provided such reduction shall not exceed one-half of one per cent of the district's budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015.

(c) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, the Commissioner of Education may permit a town to reduce its budgeted appropriation for education in an amount determined by the commissioner if the school district in such town has permanently ceased operations and closed one or more schools in the school district due to declining enrollment at such closed school or schools in the fiscal years ending June 30, 2013, to June 30, 2016, inclusive.

(d) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, a town currently designated as an alliance district, as defined in section 10-262u, or formerly designated as an alliance district shall not reduce its budgeted appropriation for education pursuant to this section.
(e) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, the provisions of this section shall not apply to any district that is in the top ten per cent of school districts based on the accountability index, as defined in section 10-223e.

(f) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, the provisions of this section shall not apply to the member towns of a regional school district during the first full fiscal year following the establishment of the regional school district, provided the budgeted appropriation for education for member towns of such regional school district for each subsequent fiscal year shall be determined in accordance with this section.] For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, the budgeted appropriation for education for a town designated as an alliance district, as defined in section 10-262u, shall be not less than the budgeted appropriation for education for the prior fiscal year, plus any aid increase described in subsection (d) of section 10-262i.

Sec. 147. (NEW) (Effective from passage) No local board of education for a municipality shall hire any administrative personnel without approval from the legislative body of such municipality if the proposed or approved education budget does not provide funding for such administrative personnel.

Sec. 148. (NEW) (Effective from passage) A regional board of education may establish a finance committee for the regional school district. The finance committee shall provide information to the regional board of education concerning local budget issues of the member towns, and any assistance requested by the regional board of education in the preparation of the proposed budget for the regional school district, pursuant to section 10-51 of the general statutes. The legislative body of each member town shall appoint two representatives to the finance committee.
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Sec. 149. Section 10-66ee of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) For the purposes of equalization aid under section 10-262h a student enrolled (1) in a local charter school shall be considered a student enrolled in the school district in which such student resides, and (2) in a state charter school shall not be considered a student enrolled in the school district in which such student resides.

(b) (1) The local board of education of the school district in which a student enrolled in a local charter school resides shall pay, annually, in accordance with its charter, to the fiscal authority for the charter school for each such student the amount specified in its charter, including the reasonable special education costs of students requiring special education. The board of education shall be eligible for reimbursement for such special education costs pursuant to section 10-76g.

(2) The local or regional board of education of the school district in which the local charter school is located shall be responsible for the financial support of such local charter school at a level that is at least equal to the product of (A) the per pupil cost for the fiscal year two years prior to the fiscal year for which support will be provided, and (B) the number of students attending such local charter school in the current fiscal year. As used in this subdivision, "per pupil cost" means, for a local or regional board of education, the quotient of the current program expenditures, as defined in section 10-262f, divided by the number of resident students, as defined in section 10-262f, of such local or regional board of education.

(c) [(1)] For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, and each fiscal year thereafter, the State Board of Education may approve, within available appropriations, a per student grant to a local charter school [described in subsection (c) of section 10-66bb] in an amount not to exceed three thousand dollars for each student enrolled in such local charter school,
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provided the local or regional board of education for such local charter school and the representatives of the exclusive bargaining unit for certified employees, chosen pursuant to section 10-153b, mutually agree on staffing flexibility in such local charter school, and such agreement is approved by the State Board of Education. The state shall make such payments, in accordance with this subsection, to the [town in which] fiscal authority for a local charter school [is located] for each student enrolled in such school as follows: Twenty-five per cent of the amount not later than July fifteenth and September first based on estimated student enrollment on May first, and twenty-five per cent of the amount not later than January first and the remaining amount not later than April first, each based on student enrollment on October first.

[(2) The town shall pay to the fiscal authority for a local charter school the portion of the amount paid to the town pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection attributable for students enrolled in such local charter school. Such payments shall be made as follows: Twenty-five per cent of the amount not later than July twentieth and September fifteenth and twenty-five per cent of the amount not later than January fifteenth and the remaining amount not later than April fifteenth.]

(d) (1) [For the purposes of equalization aid grants pursuant to section 10-262h, the] The state shall pay, within available appropriations and in accordance with this subsection, to the [town in which] fiscal authority for a state charter school [is located] for each student enrolled in such school, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, ten thousand two hundred dollars, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, ten thousand five hundred dollars, and for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, and each fiscal year thereafter, eleven thousand dollars. Such payments shall be made as follows: Twenty-five per cent of the amount not later than July fifteenth and September first based
on estimated student enrollment on May first, and twenty-five per cent of the amount not later than January first and the remaining amount not later than April first, each based on student enrollment on October first. [Notwithstanding the provisions of this subdivision, the payment of the remaining amount made not later than April 15, 2013, shall be within available appropriations and may be adjusted for each student on a pro rata basis.]

[(2) The town shall pay to the fiscal authority for a state charter school the portion of the amount paid to the town pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection attributable for students enrolled in such state charter school. Such payments shall be made as follows: Twenty-five per cent of the amount not later than July twentieth and September fifteenth and twenty-five per cent of the amount not later than January fifteenth and the remaining amount not later than April fifteenth.]

[(3)] (2) In the case of a student identified as requiring special education, the school district in which the student resides shall: (A) Hold the planning and placement team meeting for such student and shall invite representatives from the charter school to participate in such meeting; and (B) pay the state charter school, on a quarterly basis, an amount equal to the difference between the reasonable cost of educating such student and the sum of the amount received by the state charter school for such student pursuant to subdivision [(2)] (1) of this subsection and amounts received from other state, federal, local or private sources calculated on a per pupil basis. Such school district shall be eligible for reimbursement pursuant to section 10-76g. The charter school a student requiring special education attends shall be responsible for ensuring that such student receives the services mandated by the student's individualized education program whether such services are provided by the charter school or by the school district in which the student resides.
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(e) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, if at the end of a fiscal year amounts received by a state charter school, pursuant to subdivision [(2)] (1) of subsection (d) of this section, are unexpended, the charter school (1) may use, for the expenses of the charter school for the following fiscal year, up to ten per cent of such amounts, and (2) may (A) create a reserve fund to finance a specific capital or equipment purchase or another specified project as may be approved by the commissioner, and (B) deposit into such fund up to five per cent of such amounts.

(f) The local or regional board of education of the school district in which the charter school is located shall provide transportation services for students of the charter school who reside in such school district pursuant to section 10-273a unless the charter school makes other arrangements for such transportation. Any local or regional board of education may provide transportation services to a student attending a charter school outside of the district in which the student resides and, if it elects to provide such transportation, shall be reimbursed pursuant to section 10-266m for the reasonable costs of such transportation. Any local or regional board of education providing transportation services under this subsection may suspend such services in accordance with the provisions of section 10-233c. The parent or guardian of any student denied the transportation services required to be provided pursuant to this subsection may appeal such denial in the manner provided in sections 10-186 and 10-187.

(g) Charter schools shall be eligible to the same extent as boards of education for any grant for special education, competitive state grants and grants pursuant to sections 10-17g and 10-266w.

(h) If the commissioner finds that any charter school uses a grant under this section for a purpose that is inconsistent with the provisions of this part, the commissioner may require repayment of such grant to the state.
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(i) Charter schools shall receive, in accordance with federal law and regulations, any federal funds available for the education of any pupils attending public schools.

(j) The governing council of a charter school may (1) contract or enter into other agreements for purposes of administrative or other support services, transportation, plant services or leasing facilities or equipment, and (2) receive and expend private funds or public funds, including funds from local or regional boards of education and funds received by local charter schools for out-of-district students, for school purposes.

(k) If in any fiscal year, more than one new state or local charter school is approved pursuant to section 10-66bb and is awaiting funding pursuant to the provisions of this section, the State Board of Education shall determine which school is funded first based on a consideration of the following factors in order of importance as follows: (1) The quality of the proposed program as measured against the criteria required in the charter school application process pursuant to section 10-66bb, (2) whether the applicant has a demonstrated record of academic success by students, (3) whether the school is located in a school district with a demonstrated need for student improvement, and (4) whether the applicant has plans concerning the preparedness of facilities, staffing and outreach to students.

(l) Within available appropriations, the state may provide a grant in an amount not to exceed seventy-five thousand dollars to any newly approved state charter school that assists the state in meeting the goals of the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O’Neill, et al., as extended, or the goals of the 2013 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O’Neill, et al., as extended, as determined by the Commissioner of Education, for start-up costs associated with the new charter school program.
(m) Charter schools may, to the same extent as local and regional boards of education, enter into cooperative arrangements as described in section 10-158a, provided such arrangements are approved by the Commissioner of Education. Any state charter school participating in a cooperative arrangement under this subsection shall maintain its status as a state charter school and not be excused from any obligations pursuant to sections 10-66aa to 10-66ll, inclusive.

(n) The Commissioner of Education shall provide any town receiving aid pursuant to subsection (c) or (d) of this section with the amount of such aid to be paid to each state or local charter school located in such town.

(o) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, the amount of the grants payable under this section, shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for the purposes of this section for such year.

Sec. 150. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 10-262i of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1990, and for each fiscal year thereafter, each town shall be paid a grant equal to the amount the town is entitled to receive under the provisions of section 10-262h. Such grant [excluding any amounts paid to a town pursuant to subdivision (1) of subsection (c) and subdivision (1) of subsection (d) of section 10-66ee,] shall be calculated using the data of record as of the December first prior to the fiscal year such grant is to be paid, adjusted for the difference between the final entitlement for the prior fiscal year and the preliminary entitlement for such fiscal year as calculated using the data of record as of the December first prior to the fiscal year when such grant was paid.
(b) [(1) Except as provided in subdivisions (2) and (3) of this subsection, the] The amount due each town pursuant to the provisions of subsection (a) of this section shall be paid by the Comptroller, upon certification of the Commissioner of Education, to the treasurer of each town entitled to such aid in installments during the fiscal year as follows: Twenty-five per cent of the grant in October, twenty-five per cent of the grant in January and the balance of the grant in April. The balance of the grant due towns under the provisions of this subsection shall be paid in March rather than April to any town which has not adopted the uniform fiscal year and which would not otherwise receive such final payment within the fiscal year of such town.

[(2) Any amount due to a town pursuant to subdivision (1) of subsection (c) and subdivision (1) of subsection (d) of section 10-66ee shall be paid by the Comptroller, upon certification of the Commissioner of Education, to the treasurer of each town entitled to such amount pursuant to the schedule established in section 10-66ee.

(3) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2015, and June 30, 2016, the amount due to the town of Winchester pursuant to the provisions of subsection (a) of this section shall be paid by the Comptroller, upon certification of the Commissioner of Education, to the treasurer of the town of Winchester in installments during said fiscal years as follows: Fifty per cent of the grant in October, twenty-five per cent of the grant in January and twenty-five per cent of the grant in April.]

Sec. 151. Subsection (b) of section 10a-173 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(b) The state, acting through the Office of Higher Education, shall establish the Governor's Scholarship program to annually make need-based financial aid available for eligible educational costs for Connecticut residents enrolled at Connecticut's public and
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independent institutions of higher education as full-time or part-time undergraduate students beginning with new or transfer students in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014. On and after July 1, 2016, said program shall be known as the "Roberta B. Willis Scholarship program". On and after the effective date of this section, the Office of Higher Education shall not make any new awards to students who have not previously received an award under the Roberta B. Willis Scholarship program. Any award made to a student in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, under the Roberta B. Willis Scholarship program shall be renewable for the life of the original award, provided such student meets and continues to meet the need and academic standards established for purposes of the program under which such student received the original award. Any award made to a student in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, under the capitol scholarship grant program, established under section 10a-169 of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 2013, the Connecticut aid to public college students grant program, established under section 10a-164a of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 2013, Connecticut aid to Charter Oak, established under subsection (c) of section 10a-164a of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 2013, or the Connecticut independent college student grant program, established under section 10a-36 of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 2013, shall be offered under the Roberta B. Willis Scholarship program and be renewable for the life of the original award, provided such student meets and continues to meet the need and academic standards established for purposes of the program under which such student received the original award.

Sec. 152. (NEW) (Effective from passage) For each employee of The University of Connecticut and The University of Connecticut Health Center whose salary, excluding fringe benefits, exceeds one hundred thousand dollars, the university and health center shall fund from a source other than the amounts appropriated to the university and

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health center from the General Fund, the cost of the portion of the employee's salary that exceeds one hundred thousand dollars and of the fringe benefits associated with such portion.

Sec. 153. Subdivision (7) of section 10-183b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(7) "Contributions" means amounts withheld pursuant to this chapter and paid to the board by an employer from compensation payable to a member. Prior to July 1, 1989, "mandatory contributions" are contributions required to be withheld under this chapter and consist of five per cent regular contributions and "one per cent contributions". From July 1, 1989, to June 30, 1992, "mandatory contributions" are contributions required to be withheld under this chapter and consist of five per cent regular contributions and one per cent health contributions. From July 1, 1992, to June 30, 2004, "mandatory contributions" are contributions required to be withheld under this chapter and consist of six per cent "regular contributions" and one per cent health contributions. On or after July 1, 2004, "mandatory contributions" are contributions required to be withheld under this chapter and consist of six per cent regular contributions and one and one-fourth per cent health contributions. "Voluntary contributions" are contributions by a member authorized to be withheld under section 10-183i. From January 1, 2018, to June 30, 2018, inclusive, "mandatory contributions" are contributions required to be withheld under this chapter and consist of seven per cent "regular contributions" and one and one-fourth per cent health contributions. On or after July 1, 2018, "mandatory contributions" are contributions required to be withheld under this chapter and consist of eight per cent "regular contributions" and one and one-fourth per cent health contributions.

Sec. 154. (Effective from passage) (a) For the fiscal year ending June 30,
2018, one per cent of the amount of regular contributions required to be withheld during the period from January 1, 2018, to June 30, 2018, in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (7) of section 10-183b of the general statutes, shall be credited to the resources of the General Fund.

(b) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, two per cent of the amount of regular contributions required to be withheld during said fiscal year, in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (7) of section 10-183b of the general statutes, shall be credited to the resources of the General Fund.

Sec. 155. (NEW) (Effective from passage) On and after July 1, 2017, five per cent of the base salary of each nonrepresented classified and unclassified officer or employee of the state who is a member of any state-sponsored retirement system shall be withheld from compensation payable to such officer or employee. Three per cent of the withheld amount shall constitute such officer or employee's share of the cost of providing retiree health insurance under any health insurance plan or plans established by the Comptroller in accordance with section 5-259 of the general statutes. Two per cent of the withheld amount shall be deposited into the General Fund to offset the amount of the state's share of the cost of providing such retiree health insurance.

Sec. 156. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may transfer up to $20,000,000 from nonappropriated accounts in the General Fund that do not receive (1) gifts, grants or donations from public or private sources, or (2) other revenues from individuals to support a particular interest or purpose to the resources of the General Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019.

Sec. 157. Subsection (b) of section 5-278 of the general statutes is
(b) (1) Any agreement reached by the negotiators shall be reduced to writing. The agreement, together with a request for funds necessary to fully implement such agreement and for approval of any provisions of the agreement which are in conflict with any statute or any regulation of any state agency, and any arbitration award, issued in accordance with section 5-276a, together with a statement setting forth the amount of funds necessary to implement such award, shall be filed by the bargaining representative of the employer with the clerks of the House of Representatives and the Senate within ten days after the date on which such agreement is reached or such award is distributed. The General Assembly may approve any such agreement as a whole by a majority vote of each house or may reject such agreement as a whole by a majority vote of either house. The General Assembly may reject any such award as a whole by a two-thirds vote of either house if it determines that there are insufficient funds for full implementation of the award.

(2) (A) If an agreement is rejected, the matter shall be returned to the parties, who shall initiate arbitration in accordance with the provisions of section 5-276a. The parties may submit any award issued pursuant to such arbitration to the General Assembly for approval in the same manner as the rejected agreement. If the arbitration award is rejected by the General Assembly, the matter shall be returned again to the parties for further arbitration. Any award issued pursuant to such further arbitration shall be deemed approved by the General Assembly.

(B) If an arbitration award, other than an award issued pursuant to subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, is rejected, the matter shall be returned to the parties for further arbitration. Any award issued pursuant to such further arbitration shall be deemed approved by the
(3) Once approved by the General Assembly, any provision of an agreement or award need not be resubmitted by the parties to such agreement or award as part of a future contract approval process unless changes in the language of such provision are negotiated by such parties. Any supplemental understanding reached between such parties containing provisions which would supersede any provision of the general statutes or any regulation of any state agency or would require additional state funding shall be submitted to the General Assembly for approval in the same manner as agreements and awards. If the General Assembly is in session, it shall vote to approve or reject such agreement or award within thirty days after the date of filing. If the General Assembly is not in session when such agreement or award is filed, it shall be submitted to the General Assembly within ten days of the first day of the next regular session or special session called for such purpose. The agreement or award shall be deemed [approved] rejected if the General Assembly fails to vote to approve or reject such agreement or award within thirty days after such filing or submission. The thirty-day period shall not begin or expire unless the General Assembly is in regular session. For the purpose of this subsection, any agreement or award filed with the clerks within thirty days before the commencement of a regular session of the General Assembly shall be deemed to be filed on the first day of such session.

Sec. 158. (Effective from passage) (a) (1) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, and except as provided in subsections (b), (c) and (d) of this section, the Commissioner of Administrative Services and the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall apply terms comparable to those contained in the ratified 2017 SEBAC agreement, dated June 25, 2017, between the state and the State Employees Bargaining Agent Coalition, approved pursuant to subsection (f) of section 5-278 of the general statutes, to all
nonrepresented classified and unclassified officers and employees, except that terms concerning wages for employees of the legislative branch shall be applied by the Joint Committee on Legislative Management in accordance with subsection (d) of this section.

(2) (A) On or before September 30, 2017, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall submit a plan to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies detailing how the terms of the agreement specified in subdivision (1) of this subsection, will apply to nonrepresented classified and unclassified officers and employees. (B) On or before September 30, 2017, the Chief Court Administrator and the Executive Director of Legislative Management shall each submit a plan to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies detailing how the terms of the agreement specified in subdivision (1) of this subsection will apply to nonrepresented classified and unclassified officers and employees of the Judicial Department and the legislative branch, respectively.

(b) On or before October 1, 2017, and notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, for nonrepresented classified and unclassified officers and employees of the executive branch, the constituent units of higher education, the Board of Regents for Higher Education, the Commissioner of Administrative Services and the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall consider and implement changes to wages for such officers and employees comparable to the wage payment provisions of the agreement specified in subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section.

(c) On or before October 1, 2017, and notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the Chief Court Administrator or the judges of the Supreme Court shall consider and implement changes to wages for
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nonrepresented officers and employees of the Judicial Department comparable to the wage payment provisions of the agreement specified in subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section. Nothing in this subsection shall apply said wage provisions to any such officers or employees whose wages are established by statute.

(d) On or before October 1, 2017, and notwithstanding any provisions of the general statutes, the Joint Committee on Legislative Management shall consider and implement changes to wages for employees of the legislative branch comparable to the wage payment provisions of the agreement specified in subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section. Nothing in this subsection shall apply to elected officials of the legislative branch.

Sec. 159. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, on and after July 1, 2027, for all officers and employees of the executive branch, the constituent units of higher education, the Board of Regents for Higher Education, officers and employees of the Judicial Department and employees of the legislative branch, the employee contribution for all plans under the state employees retirement system shall be seven per cent of salary.

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, for officers and employees of the executive branch, the constituent units of higher education, the Board of Regents for Higher Education, officers and employees of the Judicial Department and employees of the legislative branch who retire on or after July 1, 2027, regardless of their date of hire:

(1) Pension payments shall be computed without a breakpoint.

(2) The overtime contribution to final average pay shall be computed in accordance with Section I. d. 3. of Attachment E of the agreement specified in subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 1 of

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(3) No retiree shall receive a cost-of-living allowance until the funded ratio of the state employees retirement system reaches eighty per cent.

Sec. 160. Subsections (e) and (f) of section 5-278 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(e) [Where] Except as provided in subdivision (2) of subsection (f) of this section, where there is a conflict between any agreement or arbitration award approved in accordance with the provisions of sections 5-270 to 5-280, inclusive, on matters appropriate to collective bargaining, as defined in said sections, and any general statute or special act, or regulations adopted by any state agency, the terms of such agreement or arbitration award shall prevail; provided if participation of any employees in a retirement system is effected by such agreement or arbitration award, the effective date of participation in said system, notwithstanding any contrary provision in such agreement or arbitration award, shall be the first day of the third month following the month in which a certified copy of such agreement or arbitration award is received by the Retirement Commission or such later date as may be specified in the agreement or arbitration award.

(f) (1) (A) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, collective bargaining negotiations concerning changes to the state employees retirement system to be effective on and after July 1, 1988, and collective bargaining negotiations concerning health and welfare benefits to be effective on and after July 1, 1994, shall be conducted between the employer and a coalition committee which represents all state employees who are members of any designated employee organization. [(2)] (B) The provisions of subparagraph (A) of this
subdivision [(1) of this subsection] shall not be construed to prevent
the employer and any designated employee organization from
bargaining directly with each other on matters related to the state
employees retirement system and health and welfare benefits
whenever the parties jointly agree that such matters are unique to the
particular bargaining unit. [(3)] (C) The provisions of subparagraph
(A) of this subdivision [(1) of this subsection] shall not be construed to
prevent the employer and representatives of employee organizations
from dealing with any state-wide issue using the procedure
established in said subdivision.

(2) Any collective bargaining agreement concerning health and
welfare benefits negotiated pursuant to subdivision (1) of this
subsection on or after the effective date of this subdivision shall not
include any provision that conflicts with the provisions of section 2 of
this act, and the provisions of said section 2 shall not be superseded by
the terms of any such agreement or any arbitration award issued
pursuant to such agreement.

Sec. 161. (NEW) (Effective from passage) On and after June 30, 2027,
no agreement negotiated pursuant to the provisions of subsection (f) of
section 5-278 of the general statutes, and no award issued in
accordance with section 5-276a of the general statutes pursuant to an
arbitration of any such agreement, shall be for a term of more than four
years.

Sec. 162. (Effective from passage) The Division of Criminal Justice shall
maintain funds appropriated to the Cold Case Unit separate from
funds appropriated to the Shooting Task Force and shall expend such
funds solely for the purposes appropriated.

Sec. 163. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) For any municipal
employee contract negotiated on or after the effective date of this
section, the municipality may make a request to the exclusive

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representative of an employee bargaining unit to reopen the negotiation process and present a proposed revision to a contract to enact regional consolidation or shared service agreements. Such exclusive representative shall have five days to respond to such request and, if the exclusive representative fails to so respond, it shall be deemed to have denied such request.

(b) If the exclusive representative denies such request, the State Board of Labor Relations, through its agent, shall convene, not later than thirty days from the date of such denial, a meeting of the membership of the bargaining unit. At such meeting the municipality shall present its proposed revision. A vote of such membership shall be held on such proposed revision not later than five days after the date of the meeting. The agent of the State Board of Labor Relations shall schedule such vote and shall post a notice of the appropriate date, time and location of such vote.

(c) If the exclusive representative agrees to negotiate with the municipality on the proposed revision, the parties shall have fourteen days to so negotiate, provided such period may be extended an additional fourteen days by mutual agreement of the parties. If the parties reach an agreement, the agreement shall be subject to the ratification procedure established by the bargaining unit. If the parties fail to agree, the last best offer of the municipality on such proposed revision shall be submitted to the membership of the bargaining unit for a vote to be held not later than five days from the date negotiations ceased pursuant to this subsection. The exclusive representative shall schedule such vote. The municipality shall have an opportunity to present its revisions to the membership prior to such vote.

(d) The vote pursuant to subsections (b) and (c) of this section shall constitute final action on the proposed revision. An affirmative vote by a majority of the membership of the bargaining unit shall constitute approval of the subject of such vote. A failure to achieve such
affirmative vote shall constitute a final rejection of the proposed
revision and such proposed revision shall not be subject to further
dispute resolution, in which case the existing contract shall remain in
effect. The requirements of this section shall not be considered a
prohibited practice under subsection (a) of section 7-470 of the general
statutes or subsection (b) of section 10-153e of the general statutes.

Sec. 164. Section 7-473c of the general statutes is repealed and the
following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) The Labor Commissioner shall appoint a Neutral Arbitrator
Selection Committee consisting of ten members, five of whom shall
represent the interests of employees and employee organizations and
five of whom shall represent the interests of municipal employers,
provided one of the members representing the interests of municipal
employers shall be a representative of the Connecticut Conference of
Municipalities. The members of the selection committee shall serve for
a term of four years. Arbitrators may be removed for good cause. The
selection committee shall appoint a panel of neutral arbitrators
consisting of not less than twenty impartial persons representing the
interests of the public in general to serve as provided in this section.
Each member of the panel shall be a resident of the state and shall be
selected by a unanimous vote of the selection committee. The members
of the panel shall serve for a term of two years.

(b) (1) If neither the municipal employer nor the municipal
employee organization has requested the arbitration services of the
State Board of Mediation and Arbitration (A) within one hundred
eighty days after the certification or recognition of a newly certified or
recognized municipal employee organization required to commence
negotiations pursuant to section 7-473a, or (B) within thirty days after
the expiration of the current collective bargaining agreement, or within
thirty days after the specified date for implementation of reopener
provisions in an existing collective bargaining agreement, or within
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thirty days after the date the parties to an existing collective bargaining agreement commence negotiations to revise said agreement on any matter affecting wages, hours, and other conditions of employment, said board shall notify the municipal employer and municipal employee organization that one hundred eighty days have passed since the certification or recognition of the newly certified or recognized municipal employee organization, or that thirty days have passed since the specified date for implementation of reopener provisions in an existing agreement, or the date the parties commenced negotiations to revise an existing agreement on any matter affecting wages, hours and other conditions of employment or the expiration of such collective bargaining agreement and that binding and final arbitration is now imposed on them, provided written notification of such imposition shall be sent by registered mail or certified mail, return receipt requested, to each party.

(2) Within ten days of receipt of the written notification required pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection, the chief executive officer of the municipal employer and the executive head of the municipal employee organization each shall select one member of the arbitration panel or provide written notice to the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration of the parties' mutual intent to have a single, neutral arbitrator. Within five days of [their appointment, the two members of the arbitration panel shall select a third member, who shall be an impartial representative of the interests of the public in general and who shall be selected] the appointment of two members of the panel or of the notice made pursuant to this subsection, the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration shall randomly appoint a neutral arbitrator from the panel of neutral arbitrators appointed pursuant to subsection (a) of this section. [Such third] The neutral member shall be the chairperson of the panel. All references to a panel or chairperson in this section shall also be a reference to a single, neutral arbitrator appointed pursuant to this subsection.

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(3) In the event that the municipal employer or the municipal employee organization have not selected their respective members of the arbitration panel or the [two members of the panel have not selected the third member] parties have not provided notice of their intent to have the arbitration heard by a single, neutral arbitrator, the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration shall appoint such members as are needed to complete the panel, provided (A) the member or members so appointed are residents of this state, and (B) the selection of the [third member of the panel] neutral arbitrator by the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration shall be made at random from among the members of the panel of neutral arbitrators appointed pursuant to subsection (a) of this section.

(c) Within ten days of appointment of the chairperson, the arbitration panel shall, by call of its chairperson, hold a hearing within the municipality involved. At least five days prior to such hearing, a written notice of the time and place of such hearing shall be sent to the municipal employer, the municipal employee organization and the other members of the panel. The chairperson of the panel shall preside over such hearing. Any member of the panel shall have the power to take testimony, to administer oaths and to summon, by subpoena, any person whose testimony may be pertinent to the matters before said panel, together with any records or other documents relating to such matters. In the case of contumacy or refusal to obey a subpoena issued to any person, the Superior Court, upon application by the panel, shall have jurisdiction to order such person to appear before the panel to produce evidence or to give testimony touching the matter under investigation or in question, and any failure to obey such order may be punished by said court as a contempt thereof.

(d) (1) The hearing may, at the discretion of the panel, be continued and shall be concluded within twenty days after its commencement. Not less than two days prior to the commencement of the hearing,
each party shall file with the chairperson of the panel, and deliver to
the other party, a proposed collective bargaining agreement, in
numbered paragraphs, which such party is willing to execute and cost
data for all provisions of such proposed agreement. At the
commencement of the hearing each party shall file with the panel a
reply setting forth (A) those paragraphs of the proposed agreement of
the other party which it is willing to accept, and (B) those paragraphs
of the proposed agreement of the other party which it is unwilling to
accept, together with any alternative contract language which such
party would accept in lieu of those paragraphs of the proposed
agreement of the other party which it is unwilling to accept. At any
time prior to the issuance of a decision by the panel, the parties may
jointly file with the panel stipulations setting forth the agreement
provisions which both parties have agreed to accept.

(2) Within five days after the conclusion of the taking of testimony,
the panel shall forward to each party an arbitration statement,
approved by a majority vote of the panel, setting forth all agreement
provisions agreed upon by both parties in the proposed agreements
and the replies, and in the stipulations, and stating, in numbered
paragraphs, those issues which are unresolved.

(3) Within ten days after the conclusion of the taking of testimony,
the parties shall file with the secretary of the State Board of Mediation
and Arbitration five copies of their statements of last best offer setting
forth, in numbered paragraphs corresponding to the statement of
unresolved issues contained in the arbitration statement, the final
agreement provisions proposed by such party. Immediately upon
receipt of both statement of last best offer or upon the expiration of the
time for filing such statements of last best offer, whichever is sooner,
said secretary shall distribute a copy of each such statement of last best
offer to the opposing party.

(4) Within seven days after the distribution of the statements of last
best offer or within seven days of the expiration of the time for filing the statements of last best offer, whichever is sooner, the parties may file with the secretary of the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration five copies of their briefs on the unresolved issues. Immediately upon receipt of both briefs or upon the expiration of the time for filing such briefs, whichever is sooner, said secretary shall distribute a copy of each such brief to the opposing party.

(5) Within five days after the distribution of the briefs on the unresolved issues or within five days after the last day for filing such briefs, whichever is sooner, each party may file with said secretary five copies of a reply brief, responding to the briefs on the unresolved issues. Immediately upon receipt of the reply briefs or upon the expiration of the time for filing such reply briefs, whichever is sooner, said secretary shall simultaneously distribute a copy of each such reply brief to the opposing party.

(6) [Within twenty days] Not later than sixty days after the last day for filing such reply briefs, the panel shall issue, upon majority vote, and file with the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration its decision on all unresolved issues set forth in the arbitration statement, and said secretary shall immediately and simultaneously distribute a copy thereof to each party. The panel shall treat each unresolved issue set forth in the arbitration statement as a separate question to be decided by it. In deciding each such question, the panel agreement shall accept the final provision relating to such unresolved issue as contained in the statement of last best offer of one party or the other. As part of the arbitration decision, each member shall state the specific reasons and standards used in making a choice on each unresolved issue.

(7) The parties may jointly file with the panel stipulations modifying, deferring or waiving any or all provisions of this subsection.
(8) If the day for filing any document required or permitted to be filed under this subsection falls on a day which is not a business day of the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration then the time for such filing shall be extended to the next business day of such board.

(9) In arriving at a decision, the arbitration panel shall give priority to the public interest and the financial capability of the municipal employer, including consideration of other demands on the financial capability of the municipal employer. The panel shall further consider the following factors in light of such financial capability: (A) The negotiations between the parties prior to arbitration; (B) the interests and welfare of the employee group; (C) changes in the cost of living; (D) the existing conditions of employment of the employee group and those of similar groups; and (E) the wages, salaries, fringe benefits, and other conditions of employment prevailing in the labor market, including developments in private sector wages and benefits.

(10) The decision of the panel and the resolved issues shall be final and binding upon the municipal employer and the municipal employee organization except as provided in subdivision (12) of this subsection and, if such award is not rejected by the legislative body pursuant to said subdivision, except that a motion to vacate or modify such decision may be made in accordance with sections 52-418 and 52-419.

(11) In regard to all proceedings undertaken pursuant to this subsection the secretary of the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration shall serve as staff to the arbitration panel.

(12) Within twenty-five days of the receipt of an arbitration award issued pursuant to this section, the legislative body of the municipal employer may reject the award of the arbitrators or single arbitrator by a two-thirds majority vote of the members of such legislative body present at a regular or special meeting called and convened for such

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(13) Within ten days after such rejection, the legislative body or its authorized representative shall be required to state, in writing, the reasons for such vote and shall submit such written statement to the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration and the municipal employee organization. Within ten days after receipt of such notice, the municipal employee organization shall prepare a written response to such rejection and shall submit it to the legislative body and the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration.

(14) Within ten days after receipt of such rejection notice, the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration shall select a review panel of three arbitrators or, if the parties agree, a single arbitrator who are residents of Connecticut and labor relations arbitrators approved by the American Arbitration Association and not members of the panel who issued the rejected award. Such arbitrators or single arbitrator shall review the decision on each such rejected issue. The review conducted pursuant to this subdivision shall be limited to the record and briefs of the hearing pursuant to subsection (c) of this section, the written explanation of the reasons for the vote and a written response by either party. In conducting such review, the arbitrators or single arbitrator shall be limited to consideration of the criteria set forth in subdivision (9) of this subsection. Such review shall be completed within twenty days of the appointment of the arbitrators or single arbitrator. The arbitrators or single arbitrator shall accept the last best offer of either of the parties.

(15) Within five days after the completion of such review the arbitrators or single arbitrator shall render a decision with respect to each rejected issue which shall be final and binding upon the municipal employer and the employee organization except that a motion to vacate or modify such award may be made in accordance with sections 52-418 and 52-419. The decision of the arbitrators or
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single arbitrator shall be in writing and shall include specific reasons and standards used by each arbitrator in making a decision on each issue. The decision shall be filed with the parties. The reasonable costs of the arbitrators or single arbitrator and the cost of the transcript shall be paid by the legislative body. Where the legislative body of a municipal employer is the town meeting, the board of selectmen shall perform all of the duties and shall have all of the authority and responsibilities required of and granted to the legislative body under this subsection.

(e) The cost of the arbitration panel shall be distributed among the parties in the following manner: (1) The municipal employer shall pay the costs of the arbitrator appointed by it, (2) the municipal employee organization shall pay the costs of the arbitrator appointed by it, (3) the municipal employer and the municipal employee organization shall equally divide and pay the cost of the chairperson, and (4) the costs of any arbitrator appointed by the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration shall be paid by the party in whose absence the board appointed.

(f) (1) A municipal employer and a municipal employee organization may, at any time, file with the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration a joint stipulation modifying, deferring or waiving any or all of the provisions of this section, or modifying, deferring or waiving any or all of the provisions of a previously filed stipulation, and any such stipulation shall be controlling over the provisions of this section or of any previously filed stipulation.

(2) A municipal employer and municipal employee organization engaged in mandatory binding arbitration pursuant to this section shall file any statement of last best offer and brief on unresolved issues required pursuant to subdivisions (3) and (4) of subsection (d) of this section not later than one year from (A) the date either party requested the arbitration services of the State Board of Mediation and
Arbitration, or (B) the date binding and final arbitration was imposed on them by said board pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, as the case may be.

(g) No party may submit for binding arbitration pursuant to this section any issue or proposal which was not presented during the negotiation process, unless the submittal of such additional issue or proposal is agreed to by the parties.

Sec. 165. (NEW) (Effective from passage) Any local board of education shall file forthwith a signed copy of any contract for administrative personnel with the town clerk, which town clerk shall post a copy of any such contract on the town's Internet web site. Any regional board of education shall file a copy of any such contract with the town clerk in each member town, which town clerk shall post a copy of any such contract on the town's Internet web site.

Sec. 166. Subdivision (9) of subsection (d) of section 7-473c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(9) In arriving at a decision, the arbitration panel shall give priority to the public interest and the financial capability of the municipal employer, including consideration of other demands on the financial capability of the municipal employer. There shall be an irrebuttable presumption that a budget reserve of fifteen per cent or less is not available for payment of the cost of any item subject to arbitration under this chapter. The panel shall further consider the following factors in light of such financial capability: (A) The negotiations between the parties prior to arbitration; (B) the interests and welfare of the employee group; (C) changes in the cost of living; (D) the existing conditions of employment of the employee group and those of similar groups; and (E) the wages, salaries, fringe benefits, and other conditions of employment prevailing in the labor market, including
developments in private sector wages and benefits.

Sec. 167. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2017) (a) For purposes of this section:

(1) "Business organization" means any sole proprietorship, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, association, firm or other form of business or legal entity;

(2) "Financial assistance" means any and all forms of loans, cash payments, extensions of credit, guarantees, equity investments, tax abatements or any other form of financing totaling one million dollars or more; and

(3) "Project" means any construction, remodeling, refinishing, refurbishing, rehabilitation, alteration or repair of any property owned by a business organization.

(b) On and after January 1, 2019, if the Department of Economic and Community Development provides financial assistance to any business organization for any construction project of such business organization, the Department of Economic and Community Development shall require, as a condition of providing such financial assistance, that any contract entered into by the business organization for such project shall contain the following provision: "The wages paid on an hourly basis to any person performing the work of any mechanic, laborer or worker on the work herein contracted to be done and the amount of payment or contribution paid or payable on behalf of each such person to any employee welfare fund, as defined in subsection (i) of section 31-53 of the general statutes, shall be at a rate equal to the rate customary or prevailing for the same work in the same trade or occupation in the town in which such construction, remodeling, refinishing, refurbishing, rehabilitation, alteration or repair project is being undertaken. Any contractor who is not obligated
by agreement to make payment or contribution on behalf of such persons to any such employee welfare fund shall pay to each mechanic, laborer or worker as part of such person's wages the amount of payment or contribution for such person's classification on each pay day."

(c) Any contractor or subcontractor who knowingly or wilfully employs any mechanic, laborer or worker in any new construction project receiving financial assistance from the Department of Economic and Community Development for such project, at a rate of wage on an hourly basis that is less than the rate customary or prevailing for the same work in the same trade or occupation in the town in which such project is located, or who fails to pay the amount of payment or contributions paid or payable on behalf of each such person to any employee welfare fund, as defined in subsection (i) of section 31-53 of the general statutes, or in lieu thereof to the person, as provided by subsection (b) of this section, shall be fined not less than two thousand five hundred dollars but not more than five thousand dollars for each offense and (1) for the first violation, shall be disqualified from bidding on contracts for projects for which the Department of Economic and Community Development provides financial assistance until the contractor or subcontractor has made full restitution of the back wages owed to such persons and for an additional six months thereafter, and (2) for subsequent violations, shall be disqualified from bidding on contracts for projects for which the Department of Economic and Community Development provides financial assistance until the contractor or subcontractor has made full restitution of the back wages owed to such persons and for not less than an additional two years thereafter. In addition, if it is found by the contracting officer representing the business organization that any mechanic, laborer or worker employed by the contractor or any subcontractor directly on the site for the work covered by the contract has been or is being paid a rate of wages less than the rate of wages required by the contract to be
paid as required by this section, the business organization may (A) by written or electronic notice to the contractor, terminate such contractor's right to proceed with the work or such part of the work as to which there has been a failure to pay said required wages and to prosecute the work to completion by contract or otherwise, and the contractor and the contractor's sureties shall be liable to the business organization for any excess costs occasioned the business organization thereby, or (B) withhold payment of money to the contractor or subcontractor. The contracting business organization shall, not later than two days after taking such action, notify the Labor Commissioner, in writing or electronically, of the name of the contractor or subcontractor, the project involved, the location of the work, the violations involved, the date the contract was terminated and steps taken to collect the required wages.

(d) The Labor Commissioner may make complaint to the proper prosecuting authorities for the violation of any provision of subsection (c) of this section.

(e) The Labor Commissioner shall predetermine the prevailing rate and the amount of payment or contributions paid or payable on behalf of each person to any employee welfare fund, as defined in subsection (i) of section 31-53 of the general statutes, in each town where such contract is to be performed, in the same manner as provided in subsection (d) of section 31-53 of the general statutes.

Sec. 168. Section 31-53 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) Each contract for the construction, remodeling, refinishing, refurbishing, rehabilitation, alteration or repair of any public works project by the state or any of its agents, or by any political subdivision of the state or any of its agents, shall contain the following provision: "The wages paid on an hourly basis to any person performing the
work of any mechanic, laborer or worker on the work herein contracted to be done and the amount of payment or contribution paid or payable on behalf of each such person to any employee welfare fund, as defined in subsection (i) of this section, shall be at a rate equal to the rate customary or prevailing for the same work in the same trade or occupation in the town in which such public works project is being constructed. Any contractor who is not obligated by agreement to make payment or contribution on behalf of such persons to any such employee welfare fund shall pay to each mechanic, laborer or worker as part of such person's wages the amount of payment or contribution for such person's classification on each pay day."

(b) Any contractor or subcontractor who knowingly or wilfully employs any mechanic, laborer or worker in the construction, remodeling, refinishing, refurbishing, rehabilitation, alteration or repair of any public works project for or on behalf of the state or any of its agents, or any political subdivision of the state or any of its agents, at a rate of wage on an hourly basis that is less than the rate customary or prevailing for the same work in the same trade or occupation in the town in which such public works project is being constructed, remodeled, refinished, refurbished, rehabilitated, altered or repaired, or who fails to pay the amount of payment or contributions paid or payable on behalf of each such person to any employee welfare fund, or in lieu thereof to the person, as provided by subsection (a) of this section, shall be fined not less than two thousand five hundred dollars but not more than five thousand dollars for each offense and (1) for the first violation, shall be disqualified from bidding on contracts with the state or any political subdivision until the contractor or subcontractor has made full restitution of the back wages owed to such persons and for an additional six months thereafter, and (2) for subsequent violations, shall be disqualified from bidding on contracts with the state or any political subdivision until the contractor or subcontractor has made full restitution of the back wages owed to such persons and
for not less than an additional two years thereafter. In addition, if it is found by the contracting officer representing the state or political subdivision of the state that any mechanic, laborer or worker employed by the contractor or any subcontractor directly on the site for the work covered by the contract has been or is being paid a rate of wages less than the rate of wages required by the contract to be paid as required by this section, the state or contracting political subdivision of the state may (A) by written or electronic notice to the contractor, terminate such contractor's right to proceed with the work or such part of the work as to which there has been a failure to pay said required wages and to prosecute the work to completion by contract or otherwise, and the contractor and the contractor's sureties shall be liable to the state or the contracting political subdivision for any excess costs occasioned the state or the contracting political subdivision thereby, or (B) withhold payment of money to the contractor or subcontractor. The contracting department of the state or the political subdivision of the state shall, not later than two days after taking such action, notify the Labor Commissioner, in writing or electronically, of the name of the contractor or subcontractor, the project involved, the location of the work, the violations involved, the date the contract was terminated, and steps taken to collect the required wages.

(c) The Labor Commissioner may make complaint to the proper prosecuting authorities for the violation of any provision of subsection (b) of this section.

(d) For the purpose of predetermining the prevailing rate of wage on an hourly basis and the amount of payment or contributions paid or payable on behalf of each person to any employee welfare fund, as defined in subsection (i) of this section, in each town where such contract is to be performed, the Labor Commissioner shall (1) hold a hearing at any required time to determine the prevailing rate of wages on an hourly basis and the amount of payment or contributions paid or
payable on behalf of each person to any employee welfare fund, as
defined in subsection (i) of this section, upon any public work within
any specified area, and shall establish classifications of skilled,
semiskilled and ordinary labor, or (2) adopt and use such appropriate
and applicable prevailing wage rate determinations as have been made
by the Secretary of Labor of the United States under the provisions of
the Davis-Bacon Act, as amended.

(e) The Labor Commissioner shall determine the prevailing rate of
wages on an hourly basis and the amount of payment or contributions
paid or payable on behalf of such person to any employee welfare
fund, as defined in subsection (i) of this section, in each locality where
any such public work is to be constructed, and the agent empowered
to let such contract shall contact the Labor Commissioner, at least ten
but not more than twenty days prior to the date such contracts will be
advertised for bid, to ascertain the proper rate of wages and amount of
employee welfare fund payments or contributions and shall include
such rate of wage on an hourly basis and the amount of payment or
contributions paid or payable on behalf of each person to any
employee welfare fund, as defined in subsection (i) of this section, or in
lieu thereof the amount to be paid directly to each person for such
payment or contributions as provided in subsection (a) of this section
for all classifications of labor in the proposal for the contract. The rate
of wage on an hourly basis and the amount of payment or
contributions to any employee welfare fund, as defined in subsection
(i) of this section, or cash in lieu thereof, as provided in subsection (a)
of this section, shall, at all times, be considered as the minimum rate
for the classification for which it was established. Prior to the award of
any contract, purchase order, bid package or other designation subject
to the provisions of this section, such agent shall certify to the Labor
Commissioner, either in writing or electronically, the total dollar
amount of work to be done in connection with such public works
project, regardless of whether such project consists of one or more
contracts. Upon the award of any contract subject to the provisions of this section, the contractor to whom such contract is awarded shall certify, under oath, to the Labor Commissioner the pay scale to be used by such contractor and any of the contractor's subcontractors for work to be performed under such contract.

(f) Each employer subject to the provisions of this section, section 31-54 or section 167 of this act shall (1) keep, maintain and preserve such records relating to the wages and hours worked by each person performing the work of any mechanic, laborer and worker and a schedule of the occupation or work classification at which each person performing the work of any mechanic, laborer or worker on the project is employed during each work day and week in such manner and form as the Labor Commissioner establishes to assure the proper payments due to such persons or employee welfare funds under this section, section 31-54 or section 167 of this act, regardless of any contractual relationship alleged to exist between the contractor and such person, provided such employer shall have the option of keeping, maintaining and preserving such records in an electronic format, and (2) submit monthly to the contracting agency or the Department of Economic and Community Development pursuant to section 167 of this act by mail, electronic mail or other method accepted by such agency or the Department of Economic and Community Development, a certified payroll that shall consist of a complete copy of such records accompanied by a statement signed by the employer that indicates (A) such records are correct; (B) the rate of wages paid to each person performing the work of any mechanic, laborer or worker and the amount of payment or contributions paid or payable on behalf of each such person to any employee welfare fund, as defined in subsection (i) of this section, are not less than the prevailing rate of wages and the amount of payment or contributions paid or payable on behalf of each such person to any employee welfare fund, as determined by the Labor Commissioner pursuant to subsection (d) of this section, and not
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less than those required by the contract to be paid; (C) the employer has complied with the provisions of this section, \[and\] section 31-54 and section 167 of this act; (D) each such person is covered by a workers' compensation insurance policy for the duration of such person's employment, which shall be demonstrated by submitting to the contracting agency the name of the workers' compensation insurance carrier covering each such person, the effective and expiration dates of each policy and each policy number; (E) the employer does not receive kickbacks, as defined in 41 USC 52, from any employee or employee welfare fund; and (F) pursuant to the provisions of section 53a-157a, the employer is aware that filing a certified payroll which the employer knows to be false is a class D felony for which the employer may be fined up to five thousand dollars, imprisoned for up to five years, or both. This subsection shall not be construed to prohibit a general contractor from relying on the certification of a lower tier subcontractor, provided the general contractor shall not be exempted from the provisions of section 53a-157a if the general contractor knowingly relies upon a subcontractor's false certification. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 1-210, the certified payroll shall be considered a public record and every person shall have the right to inspect and copy such records in accordance with the provisions of section 1-212. The provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of section 31-59 and sections 31-66 and 31-69 that are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section, \[or\] section 31-54 or section 167 of this act apply to this section. Failing to file a certified payroll pursuant to subdivision (2) of this subsection is a class D felony for which the employer may be fined up to five thousand dollars, imprisoned for up to five years, or both.

(g) Any contractor who is required by the Labor Department to make any payment as a result of a subcontractor's failure to pay wages or benefits, or any subcontractor who is required by the Labor Department to make any payment as a result of a lower tier
subcontractor's failure to pay wages or benefits, may bring a civil action in the Superior Court to recover no more than the damages sustained by reason of making such payment, together with costs and a reasonable attorney's fee.

(h) (1) The provisions of this section [do] shall not apply where (A) the total cost of all work to be performed by all contractors and subcontractors in connection with new construction of any public works project is less than [four hundred thousand] one million dollars, or (B) where the total cost of all work to be performed by all contractors and subcontractors in connection with any remodeling, refinishing, refurbishing, rehabilitation, alteration or repair of any public works project is less than [one] five hundred thousand dollars, or (C) the work to be performed by any contractor or subcontractor in connection with new construction, remodeling, refinishing, refurbishing, rehabilitation, alteration or repair of any public works project by any political subdivision of the state involves the construction, remodeling, refinishing, refurbishing, rehabilitation, alteration or repair of any elevator or roof.

(2) From the effective date of this section until July 1, 2019, the provisions of this subdivision shall not apply where the work to be performed by any contractor or subcontractor in connection with new construction, remodeling, refinishing, refurbishing, rehabilitation, alteration or repair of any public works project funded in whole or in part by any private bequest that is greater than nine million but less than twelve million dollars for a municipality in New Haven County with a population that is between twelve thousand and thirteen thousand, as determined by the most recent population estimate by the Department of Public Health.

(i) As used in this section, [and] section 31-54 and section 167 of this act, "employee welfare fund" means any trust fund established by one or more employers and one or more labor organizations or one or
more other third parties not affiliated with the employers to provide from moneys in the fund, whether through the purchase of insurance or annuity contracts or otherwise, benefits under an employee welfare plan; provided such term shall not include any such fund where the trustee, or all of the trustees, are subject to supervision by the Banking Commissioner of this state or any other state or the Comptroller of the Currency of the United States or the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, and "benefits under an employee welfare plan" means one or more benefits or services under any plan established or maintained for persons performing the work of any mechanics, laborers or workers or their families or dependents, or for both, including, but not limited to, medical, surgical or hospital care benefits; benefits in the event of sickness, accident, disability or death; benefits in the event of unemployment, or retirement benefits.

Sec. 169. Subsection (b) of section 17b-8 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(b) [If in developing the budget for the department for the next fiscal year, the commissioner contemplates applying for a federal waiver or submitting a proposed amendment to the federal government, the commissioner shall] The Commissioner of Social Services shall annually, not later than December fifteenth, notify the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies and the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to human services of potential Medicaid waivers and amendments to the Medicaid state plan that may result in a cost savings for the state. The commissioner shall notify the committees of the possibility of [such] any Medicaid waiver application or proposed amendment to the Medicaid state plan that the commissioner is considering in developing a budget for the next
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fiscal year before the commissioner submits such budget for legislative approval.

Sec. 170. Subsection (b) of section 13b-69 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(b) The remaining resources of the Special Transportation Fund shall, pursuant to appropriation thereof in accordance with chapter 50 and subject to approval by the Governor of allotment thereof, be applied and expended for (1) payment of the principal of and interest on "general obligation bonds of the state issued for transportation purposes", as defined in subsection (c) of this section, or any obligations refunding the same, (2) payment of state budget appropriations made to or for the Department of Transportation and the Department of Motor Vehicles, (3) payment of state budget appropriations made to or for the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection for members of the Division of State Police designated by the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection for motor patrol work pursuant to section 29-4, except that (A) for the fiscal years commencing on or after July 1, 1998, excluding the highway motor patrol budgeted expenses, and (B) for the fiscal years commencing on or after July 1, 1999, excluding the highway motor patrol fringe benefits, and (4) payment to the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection for purposes of regulation and enforcement of chapter 268, and (5) payment to the Department of Social Services for purposes of the transportation for employment independence program.]

Sec. 171. Section 17a-248 of the general statutes, as amended by section 14 of public act 17-96, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

As used in this section and sections 17a-248b to 17a-248g, inclusive,
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38a-490a and 38a-516a, unless the context otherwise requires:

(1) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education.

(2) "Council" means the State Interagency Birth-to-Three Coordinating Council established pursuant to section 17a-248b.

(3) "Early intervention services" means early intervention services, as defined in 34 CFR Part 303.13, as from time to time amended.

(4) "Eligible children" means children from birth to thirty-six months of age, who are not eligible for special education and related services pursuant to sections 10-76a to 10-76h, inclusive, and who need early intervention services because such children are:

(A) Experiencing a significant developmental delay as measured by standardized diagnostic instruments and procedures, including informed clinical opinion, in one or more of the following areas: (i) Cognitive development; (ii) physical development, including vision or hearing; (iii) communication development; (iv) social or emotional development; or (v) adaptive skills; or

(B) Diagnosed as having a physical or mental condition that has a high probability of resulting in developmental delay.

(5) "Evaluation" means a multidisciplinary professional, objective assessment conducted by appropriately qualified personnel in order to determine a child's eligibility for early intervention services.

(6) "Individualized family service plan" means a written plan for providing early intervention services to an eligible child and the child's family.

(7) "Lead agency" means the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education, the public agency responsible for the
administration of the birth-to-three system in collaboration with the participating agencies.

(8) "Parent" means (A) a biological, adoptive or foster parent of a child; (B) a guardian, except for the Commissioner of Children and Families; (C) an individual acting in the place of a biological or adoptive parent, including, but not limited to, a grandparent, stepparent, or other relative with whom the child lives; (D) an individual who is legally responsible for the child's welfare; or (E) an individual appointed to be a surrogate parent.

(9) "Participating agencies" includes, but is not limited to, the Departments of Education, Social Services, Public Health, Children and Families and Developmental Services, the Office of Early Childhood, the Insurance Department and the Department of Rehabilitation Services.

(10) "Qualified personnel" means persons who meet the standards specified in 34 CFR Part 303.31, as from time to time amended, and who are licensed physicians or psychologists or persons holding a state-approved or recognized license, certificate or registration in one or more of the following fields: (A) Special education, including teaching of the blind and the deaf; (B) speech and language pathology and audiology; (C) occupational therapy; (D) physical therapy; (E) social work; (F) nursing; (G) dietary or nutritional counseling; and (H) other fields designated by the commissioner that meet requirements that apply to the area in which the person is providing early intervention services, provided there is no conflict with existing professional licensing, certification and registration requirements.

(11) "Service coordinator" means a person carrying out service coordination services, as defined in 34 CFR Part 303.34, as from time to time amended.
(12) "Primary care provider" means physicians and advanced practice registered nurses, licensed by the Department of Public Health, who are responsible for performing or directly supervising the primary care services for children enrolled in the birth-to-three program.

Sec. 172. Section 17a-248h of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

The birth-to-three program, established under section 17a-248b and administered by the Department of Education, shall provide mental health services to any child eligible for early intervention services pursuant to Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 USC 1431 et seq., as amended from time to time. Any child not eligible for services under said act shall be referred by the program to a licensed mental health care provider for evaluation and treatment, as needed.

Sec. 173. Section 17a-248i of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) The Commissioner of Early Childhood Education shall require, as part of the birth-to-three program established under section 17a-248b, that the parent or guardian of a child who is (1) receiving services under the birth-to-three program, and (2) exhibiting delayed speech, language or hearing development, be notified of the availability of hearing testing for such child. Such notification may include, but need not be limited to, information regarding (A) the benefits of hearing testing for children, (B) the resources available to the parent or guardian for hearing testing and treatment, and (C) any financial assistance that may be available for such testing.

(b) The Commissioner of Early Childhood Education may adopt
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regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, to implement the provisions of subsection (a) of this section.

Sec. 174. Subsection (c) of section 17b-265d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(c) A full benefit dually eligible Medicare Part D beneficiary shall be responsible for any Medicare Part D prescription drug copayments imposed pursuant to Public Law 108-173, the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 [in an amount not to exceed seventeen dollars per month in the aggregate. The Department of Social Services shall be responsible for payment, on behalf of such beneficiary, of any portion of such Medicare Part D prescription drug copayment which exceeds seventeen dollars in the aggregate in any month.]

Sec. 175. Section 17b-280 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) [The state shall reimburse for all legend drugs provided under medical assistance programs administered by the Department of Social Services at the lower of (1) the rate established by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services as the federal acquisition cost, (2) the average wholesale price minus sixteen and one-half per cent, or (3) an equivalent percentage as established under the Medicaid state plan. The state shall pay a professional fee of one dollar and forty cents to licensed pharmacies for each prescription dispensed to a recipient of benefits under a medical assistance program administered by the Department of Social Services in accordance with federal regulations. On and after September 4, 1991, payment for legend and nonlegend drugs provided to Medicaid recipients shall be based upon the actual package size dispensed. Effective October 1, 1991, reimbursement for over-the-counter drugs for such recipients shall be limited to those

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over-the-counter drugs and products published in the Connecticut Formulary, or the cross reference list, issued by the commissioner. The cost of all over-the-counter drugs and products provided to residents of nursing facilities, chronic disease hospitals, and intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities shall be included in the facilities' per diem rate. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, no dispensing fee shall be issued for a prescription drug dispensed to a Medicaid recipient who is a Medicare Part D beneficiary when the prescription drug is a Medicare Part D drug, as defined in Public Law 108-173, the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003. Effective on or after April 1, 2017, the Commissioner of Social Services may, with the approval of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, revise the reimbursement methodology and professional dispensing fees for covered outpatient drugs under the Medicaid program to meet the requirements of federal regulations implementing changes to Section 1927 of the Social Security Act.

[(b) The Department of Social Services may provide an enhanced dispensing fee to a pharmacy enrolled in the federal Office of Pharmacy Affairs Section 340B drug discount program established pursuant to 42 USC 256b or a pharmacy under contract to provide services under said program.]

[(c)] (b) The Department of Social Services shall pay for an original prescription that is otherwise eligible for payment and as many refills as ordered by a licensed authorized practitioner within twelve months, provided controlled substances as described in subsection (h) of section 21a-249 shall not be included in the provisions of this subsection. The department shall pay a professional license fee pursuant to subsection (a) of this section for each approved refill.

Sec. 176. Subsection (a) of section 10-76d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from June Sp. Sess., Public Act No. 17-1 277 of 1117
(a) (1) In accordance with the regulations and procedures established by the Commissioner of Education and approved by the State Board of Education, each local or regional board of education shall provide the professional services requisite to identification of children requiring special education, identify each such child within its jurisdiction, determine the eligibility of such children for special education pursuant to sections 10-76a to 10-76h, inclusive, prescribe appropriate educational programs for eligible children, maintain a record thereof and make such reports as the commissioner may require. No child may be required to obtain a prescription for a substance covered by the Controlled Substances Act, 21 USC 801 et seq., as amended from time to time, as a condition of attending school, receiving an evaluation under section 10-76ff or receiving services pursuant to sections 10-76a to 10-76h, inclusive, or the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 USC 1400 et seq., as amended from time to time.

(2) Not later than July 1, 2017, each local and regional board of education shall (A) enroll as a provider in the state medical assistance program, (B) participate in the Medicaid School Based Child Health Program administered by the Department of Social Services, and (C) submit billable service information electronically to the Department of Social Services, or its billing agent.

(3) Any local or regional board of education may enter into an agreement with a third-party vendor to comply with the requirements of subdivision (2) of this subsection. Such agreement may provide that costs for services provided on behalf of a local or regional board of education shall be paid from the grant received pursuant to subdivision (5) of this subsection and shall be contingent on receipt of funds from such grant in an amount sufficient to cover the cost of providing such service.
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[(2) Any] (4) Each local or regional board of education, through the planning and placement team established in accordance with regulations adopted by the State Board of Education under this section, [may] shall determine a child's Medicaid enrollment status. In determining Medicaid enrollment status, the planning and placement team shall: (A) Inquire of the parents or guardians of each such child whether the child is enrolled in or may be eligible for Medicaid; and (B) if the child may be eligible for Medicaid, (i) request that the parent or guardian of the child apply for Medicaid, and (ii) comply with parental consent and written notification requirements under 34 CFR 300.154, as amended from time to time, prior to billing for services under the Medicaid School Based Child Health Program administered by the Department of Social Services. For the purpose of determining Medicaid rates for Medicaid eligible special education and related services based on a representative cost sampling method, the board of education shall make available documentation of the provision and costs of Medicaid eligible special education and related services for any students receiving such services, regardless of an individual student's Medicaid enrollment status, to the Commissioner of Social Services or to the commissioner's authorized agent at such time and in such manner as prescribed. For the purpose of determining Medicaid rates for Medicaid eligible special education and related services based on an actual cost method, the local or regional board of education shall submit documentation of the costs and utilization of Medicaid eligible special education and related services for all students receiving such services to the Commissioner of Social Services or to the commissioner's authorized agent at such time and in such manner as prescribed. The commissioner or such agent may use information received from local or regional boards of education for the purposes of [(i) (I) ascertaining students' Medicaid eligibility status, [(ii)] (II) submitting Medicaid claims, [(iii)] (III) complying with state and federal audit requirements, and [(iv)] (IV) determining Medicaid rates for Medicaid eligible special education and related services. No child
shall be denied special education and related services in the event the parent or guardian refuses to apply for Medicaid.

[(3)] [(5)] Beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, the Commissioner of Social Services shall make grant payments to local or regional boards of education in amounts representing fifty per cent of the federal portion of Medicaid claims processed for Medicaid eligible special education and related services provided to Medicaid eligible students in the school district. Beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, the commissioner shall exclude any enhanced federal medical assistance percentages in calculating the federal portion of such Medicaid claims processed. Such grant payments shall be made on at least a quarterly basis and may represent estimates of amounts due to local or regional boards of education. Any grant payments made on an estimated basis, including payments made by the Department of Education for the fiscal years prior to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, shall be subsequently reconciled to grant amounts due based upon filed and accepted Medicaid claims and Medicaid rates. If, upon review, it is determined that a grant payment or portion of a grant payment was made for ineligible or disallowed Medicaid claims, the local or regional board of education shall reimburse the Department of Social Services for any grant payment amount received based upon ineligible or disallowed Medicaid claims.

[(4)] [(6)] Pursuant to federal law, the Commissioner of Social Services, as the state's Medicaid agent, shall determine rates for Medicaid eligible special education and related services pursuant to subdivision [(2)] [(4)] of this subsection. The Commissioner of Social Services may request and the Commissioner of Education and towns and regional school districts shall provide information as may be necessary to set such rates.

[(5)] [(7)] Based on school district special education and related services expenditures, the state's Medicaid agent shall report and
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certify to the federal Medicaid authority the state match required by federal law to obtain Medicaid reimbursement of eligible special education and related services costs.

[(6)] (8) Payments received pursuant to this section shall be paid to the local or regional board of education which has incurred such costs in addition to the funds appropriated by the town to such board for the current fiscal year.

[(7)] (9) The planning and placement team shall, in accordance with the provisions of the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act, 20 USC 1400, et seq., as amended from time to time, develop and update annually a statement of transition service needs for each child requiring special education.

[(8)] (10) (A) Each local and regional board of education responsible for providing special education and related services to a child or pupil shall notify the parent or guardian of a child who requires or who may require special education, a pupil if such pupil is an emancipated minor or eighteen years of age or older who requires or who may require special education or a surrogate parent appointed pursuant to section 10-94g, in writing, at least five school days before such board proposes to, or refuses to, initiate or change the child's or pupil's identification, evaluation or educational placement or the provision of a free appropriate public education to the child or pupil.

(B) Upon request by a parent, guardian, pupil or surrogate parent, the responsible local or regional board of education shall provide such parent, guardian, pupil or surrogate parent an opportunity to meet with a member of the planning and placement team designated by such board prior to the referral planning and placement team meeting at which the assessments and evaluations of the child or pupil who requires or may require special education is presented to such parent, guardian, pupil or surrogate parent for the first time. Such meeting
shall be for the sole purpose of discussing the planning and placement team process and any concerns such parent, guardian, pupil or surrogate parent has regarding the child or pupil who requires or may require special education.

(C) Such parent, guardian, pupil or surrogate parent shall (i) be given at least five school days' prior notice of any planning and placement team meeting conducted for such child or pupil, (ii) have the right to be present at and participate in all portions of such meeting at which an educational program for such child or pupil is developed, reviewed or revised, and (iii) have the right to have advisors of such person's own choosing and at such person's own expense, and to have the school paraprofessional assigned to such child or pupil, if any, to be present at and to participate in all portions of such meeting at which an educational program for such child or pupil is developed, reviewed or revised.

(D) Immediately upon the formal identification of any child as a child requiring special education and at each planning and placement team meeting for such child, the responsible local or regional board of education shall inform the parent or guardian of such child or surrogate parent or, in the case of a pupil who is an emancipated minor or eighteen years of age or older, the pupil of (i) the laws relating to special education, (ii) the rights of such parent, guardian, surrogate parent or pupil under such laws and the regulations adopted by the State Board of Education relating to special education, including the right of a parent, guardian or surrogate parent to (I) withhold from enrolling such child in kindergarten, in accordance with the provisions of section 10-184, and (II) have advisors and the school paraprofessional assigned to such child or pupil to be present at, and to participate in, all portions of such meeting at which an educational program for such child or pupil is developed, reviewed or revised, in accordance with the provisions of subparagraph (C) of this
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subdivision, and (iii) any relevant information and resources relating to individualized education programs created by the Department of Education, including, but not limited to, information relating to transition resources and services for high school students. If such parent, guardian, surrogate parent or pupil does not attend a planning and placement team meeting, the responsible local or regional board of education shall mail such information to such person.

(E) Each local and regional board of education shall have in effect at the beginning of each school year an educational program for each child or pupil who has been identified as eligible for special education.

(F) At each initial planning and placement team meeting for a child or pupil, the responsible local or regional board of education shall inform the parent, guardian, surrogate parent or pupil of the laws relating to physical restraint and seclusion pursuant to section 10-236b and the rights of such parent, guardian, surrogate parent or pupil under such laws and the regulations adopted by the State Board of Education relating to physical restraint and seclusion.

(G) Upon request by a parent, guardian, pupil or surrogate parent, the responsible local or regional board of education shall provide the results of the assessments and evaluations used in the determination of eligibility for special education for a child or pupil to such parent, guardian, surrogate parent or pupil at least three school days before the referral planning and placement team meeting at which such results of the assessments and evaluations will be discussed for the first time.

(11) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, for purposes of Medicaid reimbursement, when recommended by the planning and placement team and specified on the individualized education program, a service eligible for reimbursement under the Medicaid program shall be deemed to be authorized by a practitioner

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of the healing arts under 42 CFR 440.130, provided such service is recommended by an appropriately licensed or certified individual and is within the individual's scope of practice. Certain items of durable medical equipment, recommended pursuant to the provisions of this subdivision, may be subject to prior authorization requirements established by the Commissioner of Social Services. Diagnostic and evaluation services eligible for reimbursement under the Medicaid program and recommended by the planning and placement team shall also be deemed to be authorized by a practitioner of the healing arts under 42 CFR 440.130 provided such services are recommended by an appropriately licensed or certified individual and are within the individual's scope of practice.

[(10)] (12) The Commissioner of Social Services shall implement the policies and procedures necessary for the purposes of this subsection while in the process of adopting such policies and procedures in regulation form, provided notice of intent to adopt the regulations is published in the Connecticut Law Journal within twenty days of implementing the policies and procedures. Such policies and procedures shall be valid until the time final regulations are effective.

Sec. 177. Subsection (d) of section 10-76d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(d) To meet its obligations under sections 10-76a to 10-76g, inclusive, any local or regional board of education may make agreements with another such board or subject to the consent of the parent or guardian of any child affected thereby, make agreements with any private school or with any public or private agency or institution, including a group home to provide the necessary programs or services, but no expenditures made pursuant to a contract with a private school, agency or institution for such special education shall be paid under the provisions of section 10-76g, unless (1) such contract includes a
description of the educational program and other treatment the child is to receive, a statement of minimal goals and objectives which it is anticipated such child will achieve and an estimated time schedule for returning the child to the community or transferring such child to another appropriate facility, (2) subject to the provisions of this subsection, the educational needs of the child for whom such special education is being provided cannot be met by public school arrangements in the opinion of the commissioner who, before granting approval of such contract for purposes of payment, shall consider such factors as the particular needs of the child, the appropriateness and efficacy of the program offered by such private school, agency or institution, and the economic feasibility of comparable alternatives, and (3) commencing with the 1987-1988 school year and for each school year thereafter, each such private school, agency or institution has been approved for special education by the Commissioner of Education or by the appropriate agency for facilities located out of state, except as provided in subsection (b) of this section. Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (2) of this subsection or any regulations adopted by the State Board of Education setting placement priorities, placements pursuant to this section and payments under section 10-76g may be made pursuant to such a contract if the public arrangements are more costly than the private school, institution or agency, provided the private school, institution or agency meets the educational needs of the child and its program is appropriate and efficacious. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection to the contrary, nothing in this subsection shall (A) require the removal of a child from a nonapproved facility if the child was placed there prior to July 7, 1987, pursuant to the determination of a planning and placement team that such a placement was appropriate and such placement was approved by the Commissioner of Education, or (B) prohibit the placement of a child at a nonapproved facility if a planning and placement team determines prior to July 7, 1987, that the child be placed in a nonapproved facility for the 1987-1988 school year.
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Each child placed in a nonapproved facility as described in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of subdivision (3) of this subsection may continue at the facility provided the planning and placement team or hearing officer appointed pursuant to section 10-76h determines that the placement is appropriate. Expenditures incurred by any local or regional board of education to maintain children in nonapproved facilities as described in said subparagraphs (A) and (B) shall be paid pursuant to the provisions of section 10-76g. Any local or regional board of education may enter into a contract with the owners or operators of any sheltered workshop or rehabilitation center for provision of an education occupational training program for children requiring special education who are at least sixteen years of age, provided such workshop or institution shall have been approved by the appropriate state agency. Whenever any child is identified by a local or regional board of education as a child requiring special education and [said] such board of education determines that the requirements for special education could be met by a program provided within the district or by agreement with another board of education except for the child's need for services other than educational services such as medical, psychiatric or institutional care or services, [said] such board of education may meet its obligation to furnish special education for such child by paying the reasonable cost of special education instruction in a private school, hospital or other institution provided [said] such board of education or the commissioner concurs that placement in such institution is necessary and proper and no state institution is available to meet such child's needs. Any such private school, hospital or other institution receiving such reasonable cost of special education instruction by such board of education shall submit all required documentation to such board of education for purposes of submitting claims to the Medicaid School Based Child Health Program administered by the Department of Social Services.
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Sec. 178. Subsection (d) of section 10-76b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(d) The State Board of Education shall ensure that local and regional boards of education are providing the information described in subparagraph (D) of subdivision [(8)] (10) of subsection (a) of section 10-76d to the parent or guardian of a child requiring special education or the surrogate parent appointed pursuant to section 10-94g and, in the case of a pupil who is an emancipated minor or eighteen years of age or older, the pupil.

Sec. 179. Section 17b-221b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, and each fiscal year thereafter, all federal matching funds received by the Department of Social Services for special-education-related services rendered in schools pursuant to section 10-76d shall be deposited in the General Fund and credited to a nonlapsing account in the Department of Social Services. Sixty per cent of such funds shall be expended by the Department of Social Services for payment of grants to towns pursuant to subdivision [(3)] (5) of subsection (a) of section 10-76d, and the remaining funds shall be available for expenditure by the Department of Social Services for the payment of Medicaid claims.

Sec. 180. Subsection (a) of section 17b-282c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) All nonemergency dental services provided under the Department of Social Services' dental programs, as described in section 17b-282b, shall be subject to prior authorization. Nonemergency services that are exempt from the prior authorization process shall
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include diagnostic, prevention, basic restoration procedures and nonsurgical extractions that are consistent with standard and reasonable dental practices. Payment for nonemergency dental services shall not exceed one thousand dollars per fiscal year for an individual adult, subject to the provisions of section 17b-259b. Dental benefit limitations shall apply to each client regardless of the number of providers serving the client. The commissioner may recoup payments for services that are determined not to be for an emergency condition or otherwise in excess of what is medically necessary. The commissioner shall periodically, but not less than quarterly, review payments for emergency dental services and basic restoration procedures for appropriateness of payment. For the purposes of this section, "emergency condition" means a dental condition manifesting itself by acute symptoms of sufficient severity, including severe pain, such that a prudent layperson, who possesses an average knowledge of health and medicine, could reasonably expect the absence of immediate dental attention to result in placing the health of the individual, or with respect to a pregnant woman, the health of the woman or her unborn child, in serious jeopardy, cause serious impairment to body functions or cause serious dysfunction of any body organ or part.

Sec. 181. Section 3-69a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) [(1)] For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, the funds received under this part, excluding the proceeds from the sale of property deposited in the Special Abandoned Property Fund in accordance with section 3-62h, shall be deposited in the General Fund.

[(2) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, and each fiscal year thereafter, a portion of the funds received under this part shall, upon deposit in the General Fund, be credited to the Citizens' Election Fund established in section 9-701 as follows: (A) For the fiscal year ending
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June 30, 2006, seventeen million dollars, (B) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, sixteen million dollars, (C) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, seventeen million three hundred thousand dollars, and (D) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, and each fiscal year thereafter, the amount deposited for the preceding fiscal year, adjusted in accordance with any change in the consumer price index for all urban consumers for such preceding fiscal year, as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. The State Treasurer shall determine such adjusted amount not later than thirty days after the end of such preceding fiscal year.

(b) All costs incurred in the administration of this part, except as provided in section 3-62h and subsection (a) of this section, and all claims allowed under this part shall be paid from the General Fund.

Sec. 182. Subdivisions (2) to (14), inclusive, of subsection (a) of section 9-7b of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(2) To levy a civil penalty not to exceed (A) two thousand dollars per offense against any person the commission finds to be in violation of any provision of chapter 145, part V of chapter 146, part I of chapter 147, chapter 148, section 7-9, section 9-12, subsection (a) of section 9-17, section 9-19b, 9-19e, 9-19g to 9-19k, inclusive, 9-20, 9-21, 9-23a, 9-23g, 9-23h, 9-23j to 9-23o, inclusive, 9-23r, 9-26, 9-31a, 9-32, 9-35, 9-35b, 9-35c, 9-40a, 9-42, 9-43, 9-50a, 9-56, 9-59, 9-168d, 9-170, 9-171, 9-172, 9-232i to 9-232o, inclusive, 9-404a to 9-404c, inclusive, 9-407, 9-410, 9-412, 9-436, 9-436a, 9-453e to 9-453h, inclusive, 9-453k or 9-453o, (B) two thousand dollars per offense against any town clerk, registrar of voters, an appointee or designee of a town clerk or registrar of voters, or any other election or primary official whom the commission finds to have failed to discharge a duty imposed by any provision of chapter 146 or 147, (C) two thousand dollars per offense against any person the commission finds to have (i) improperly voted in any election, primary
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or referendum, and (ii) not been legally qualified to vote in such election, primary or referendum, or (D) two thousand dollars per offense or twice the amount of any improper payment or contribution, whichever is greater, against any person the commission finds to be in violation of any provision of chapter 155 or 157. The commission may levy a civil penalty against any person under subparagraph (A), (B), (C) or (D) of this subdivision only after giving the person an opportunity to be heard at a hearing conducted in accordance with sections 4-176e to 4-184, inclusive. In the case of failure to pay any such penalty levied pursuant to this subsection within thirty days of written notice sent by certified or registered mail to such person, the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford, on application of the commission, may issue an order requiring such person to pay the penalty imposed and such court costs, state marshal's fees and attorney's fees incurred by the commission as the court may determine. Any civil penalties paid, collected or recovered under subparagraph (D) of this subdivision for a violation of any provision of chapter 155 applying to the office of the Treasurer shall be deposited on a pro rata basis in any trust funds, as defined in section 3-13c, affected by such violation.

(3) (A) To issue an order requiring any person the commission finds to have received any contribution or payment which is prohibited by any of the provisions of chapter 155 or 157 after an opportunity to be heard at a hearing conducted in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-176e to 4-184, inclusive, to return such contribution or payment to the donor or payor, or to remit such contribution or payment to the state for deposit in the General Fund or the Citizens' Election Fund, whichever is deemed necessary to effectuate the purposes of chapter 155 or 157, as the case may be;

(B) To issue an order when the commission finds that an intentional violation of any provision of chapter 155 or 157 has been committed,
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after an opportunity to be heard at a hearing conducted in accordance with sections 4-176e to 4-184, inclusive, which order may contain one or more of the following sanctions: (i) Removal of a treasurer, deputy treasurer or solicitor; (ii) prohibition on serving as a treasurer, deputy treasurer or solicitor; and (iii) in the case of a party committee or a political committee, suspension of all political activities, including, but not limited to, the receipt of contributions and the making of expenditures, provided the commission may not order such a suspension unless the commission has previously ordered the removal of the treasurer and notifies the officers of the committee that the commission is considering such suspension;

(C) To issue an order revoking any person's eligibility to be appointed or serve as an election, primary or referendum official or unofficial checker or in any capacity at the polls on the day of an election, primary or referendum, when the commission finds such person has intentionally violated any provision of the general statutes relating to the conduct of an election, primary or referendum, after an opportunity to be heard at a hearing conducted in accordance with sections 4-176e to 4-184, inclusive;

(D) To issue an order to enforce the provisions of the Help America Vote Act, P.L. 107-252, as amended from time to time, as the commission deems appropriate;

(E) To issue an order following the commission's determination of the right of an individual to be or remain an elector when such determination is made (i) pursuant to an appeal taken to the commission from a decision of the registrars of voters or board of admission of electors under section 9-31l, or (ii) following the commission's investigation pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection;

(F) To issue a cease and desist order for violation of any general
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statute or regulation under the commission's jurisdiction and to take reasonable actions necessary to compel compliance with such statute or regulation;

[(4) To issue an order to a candidate committee that receives moneys from the Citizens' Election Fund pursuant to chapter 157, to comply with the provisions of chapter 157, after an opportunity to be heard at a hearing conducted in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-176e to 4-184, inclusive;]

[(5)] (4) (A) To inspect or audit at any reasonable time and upon reasonable notice the accounts or records of any treasurer or principal treasurer, except as provided for in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, as required by chapter 155 [or 157] and to audit any such election, primary or referendum held within the state; provided, (i) (I) not later than two months preceding the day of an election at which a candidate is seeking election, the commission shall complete any audit it has initiated in the absence of a complaint that involves a committee of the same candidate from a previous election, and (II) during the two-month period preceding the day of an election at which a candidate is seeking election, the commission shall not initiate an audit in the absence of a complaint that involves a committee of the same candidate from a previous election, and (ii) the commission shall not audit any caucus, as defined in subdivision (1) of section 9-372. (B) When conducting an audit after an election or primary, the commission shall randomly audit not more than fifty per cent of candidate committees, which shall be selected through the process of a lottery conducted by the commission, except that the commissioner shall audit all candidate committees for candidates for a state-wide office. (C) The commission shall notify, in writing, any committee of a candidate for an office in the general election, or of any candidate who had a primary for nomination to any such office not later than May thirty-first of the year immediately following such election. In no case
shall the commission audit any such candidate committee that the commission fails to provide notice to in accordance with this subparagraph;

[(6)] (5) To attempt to secure voluntary compliance, by informal methods of conference, conciliation and persuasion, with any provision of chapter 149, 151 to 153, inclusive, 155 [], 156 or 157] or 156 or any other provision of the general statutes relating to any such election, primary or referendum;

[(7)] (6) To consult with the Secretary of the State, the Chief State's Attorney or the Attorney General on any matter which the commission deems appropriate;

[(8)] (7) To refer to the Chief State's Attorney evidence bearing upon violation of any provision of chapter 149, 151 to 153, inclusive, 155 [], 156 or 157] or 156 or any other provision of the general statutes pertaining to or relating to any such election, primary or referendum;

[(9)] (8) To refer to the Attorney General evidence for injunctive relief and any other ancillary equitable relief in the circumstances of subdivision [(8)] (7) of this subsection. Nothing in this subdivision shall preclude a person who claims that he is aggrieved by a violation of any provision of chapter 152 or any other provision of the general statutes relating to referenda from pursuing injunctive and any other ancillary equitable relief directly from the Superior Court by the filing of a complaint;

[(10)] (9) To refer to the Attorney General evidence pertaining to any ruling which the commission finds to be in error made by election officials in connection with any election, primary or referendum. Those remedies and procedures available to parties claiming to be aggrieved under the provisions of sections 9-323, 9-324, 9-328 and 9-329a shall apply to any complaint brought by the Attorney General as a result of
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the provisions of this subdivision;

[(11)] (10) To consult with the United States Department of Justice and the United States Attorney for Connecticut on any investigation pertaining to a violation of this section, section 9-12, subsection (a) of section 9-17 or section 9-19b, 9-19e, 9-19g, 9-19h, 9-19i, 9-20, 9-21, 9-23a, 9-23g, 9-23h, 9-23j to 9-23o, inclusive, 9-26, 9-31a, 9-32, 9-35, 9-35b, 9-35c, 9-40a, 9-42, 9-43, 9-50a, 9-56 or 9-59 and to refer to said department and attorney evidence bearing upon any such violation for prosecution under the provisions of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993, P.L. 103-31, as amended from time to time;

[(12)] (11) To inspect reports filed with town clerks pursuant to chapter 155 and refer to the Chief State's Attorney evidence bearing upon any violation of law therein if such violation was committed knowingly and wilfully;

[(13)] (12) To intervene in any action brought pursuant to the provisions of sections 9-323, 9-324, 9-328 and 9-329a upon application to the court in which such an action is brought when in the opinion of the court it is necessary to preserve evidence of possible criminal violation of the election laws;

[(14)] (13) To adopt and publish regulations pursuant to chapter 54 to carry out the provisions of section 9-7a, this section, and [chapters 155 and 157] chapter 155; to issue upon request and publish advisory opinions in the Connecticut Law Journal upon the requirements of [chapters 155 and 157] chapter 155, and to make recommendations to the General Assembly concerning suggested revisions of the election laws;

Sec. 183. Section 9-324 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

Any elector or candidate who claims that such elector or candidate
is aggrieved by any ruling of any election official in connection with
any election for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State,
State Treasurer, Attorney General, State Comptroller or judge of
probate, held in such elector's or candidate's town, or that there has
been a mistake in the count of the votes cast at such election for
candidates for said offices or any of them, at any voting district in such
elector's or candidate's town [ ] or any candidate for such an office who
claims that such candidate is aggrieved by a violation of any provision
of section 9-355, 9-357 to 9-361, inclusive, 9-364, 9-364a or 9-365 in the
casting of absentee ballots at such election [or any candidate for the
office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State
Treasurer, Attorney General or State Comptroller, who claims that
such candidate is aggrieved by a violation of any provision of sections
9-700 to 9-716, inclusive,] may bring such elector's or candidate's
complaint to any judge of the Superior Court, in which such elector or
candidate shall set out the claimed errors of such election official, the
claimed errors in the count or the claimed violations of said sections. In
any action brought pursuant to the provisions of this section, the
complainant shall send a copy of the complaint by first-class mail, or
deliver a copy of the complaint by hand, to the State Elections
Enforcement Commission. If such complaint is made prior to such
election, such judge shall proceed expeditiously to render judgment on
the complaint and shall cause notice of the hearing to be given to the
Secretary of the State and the State Elections Enforcement Commission.
If such complaint is made subsequent to the election, it shall be
brought not later than fourteen days after the election or, if such
complaint is brought in response to the manual tabulation of paper
ballots authorized pursuant to section 9-320f, such complaint shall be
brought not later than seven days after the close of any such manual
tabulation and, in either such circumstance, such judge shall forthwith
order a hearing to be had upon such complaint, upon a day not more
than five nor less than three days from the making of such order, and
shall cause notice of not less than three nor more than five days to be
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given to any candidate or candidates whose election may be affected by the decision upon such hearing, to such election official, the Secretary of the State, the State Elections Enforcement Commission and to any other party or parties whom such judge deems proper parties thereto, of the time and place for the hearing upon such complaint. Such judge shall, on the day fixed for such hearing and without unnecessary delay, proceed to hear the parties. If sufficient reason is shown, such judge may order any voting tabulators to be unlocked or any ballot boxes to be opened and a recount of the votes cast, including absentee ballots, to be made. Such judge shall thereupon, in case such judge finds any error in the rulings of the election official, any mistake in the count of the votes or any violation of said sections, certify the result of such judge's finding or decision to the Secretary of the State before the fifteenth day of the next succeeding December. Such judge may order a new election or a change in the existing election schedule. Such certificate of such judge of such judge's finding or decision shall be final and conclusive upon all questions relating to errors in the rulings of such election officials, to the correctness of such count, and, for the purposes of this section only, such claimed violations, and shall operate to correct the returns of the moderators or presiding officers, so as to conform to such finding or decision, unless the same is appealed from as provided in section 9-325.

Sec. 184. Section 9-372 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

The following terms, as used in this chapter [, chapter 157] and sections 9-51 to 9-67, inclusive, 9-169e, 9-217, 9-236 and 9-361, shall have the following meanings:

(1) "Caucus" means any meeting, at a designated hour and place, or at designated hours and places, of the enrolled members of a political party within a municipality or political subdivision thereof for the purpose of selecting party-endorsed candidates for a primary to be

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(2) "Convention" means a meeting of delegates of a political party held for the purpose of designating the candidate or candidates to be endorsed by such party in a primary of such party for state or district office or for the purpose of transacting other business of such party;

(3) "District" means any geographic portion of the state which crosses the boundary or boundaries between two or more towns;

(4) "District office" means an elective office for which only the electors in a district, as defined in subdivision (3) of this section, may vote;

(5) "Major party" means (A) a political party or organization whose candidate for Governor at the last-preceding election for Governor received, under the designation of that political party or organization, at least twenty per cent of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for Governor, or (B) a political party having, at the last-preceding election for Governor, a number of enrolled members on the active registry list equal to at least twenty per cent of the total number of enrolled members of all political parties on the active registry list in the state;

(6) "Minor party" means a political party or organization which is not a major party and whose candidate for the office in question received at the last-preceding regular election for such office, under the designation of that political party or organization, at least one per cent of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for such office at such election;

(7) "Municipal office" means an elective office for which only the electors of a single town, city, borough, or political subdivision, as defined in subdivision (10) of this section, may vote, including the
office of justice of the peace;

(8) "Party designation committee" means an organization, composed of at least twenty-five members who are electors, which has, on or after November 4, 1981, reserved a party designation with the Secretary of the State pursuant to the provisions of this chapter;

(9) "Party-endorsed candidate" means (A) in the case of a candidate for state or district office, a person endorsed by the convention of a political party as a candidate in a primary to be held by such party, and (B) in the case of a candidate for municipal office or for member of a town committee, a person endorsed by the town committee, caucus or convention, as the case may be, of a political party as a candidate in a primary to be held by such party;

(10) "Political subdivision" means any voting district or combination of voting districts constituting a part of a municipality;

(11) "Primary" means a meeting of the enrolled members of a political party and, when applicable under section 9-431, unaffiliated electors, held during consecutive hours at which such members or electors may, without assembling at the same hour, vote by secret ballot for candidates for nomination to office or for town committee members;

(12) "Registrar" means the registrar of voters in a municipality who is enrolled with the political party holding a primary and, in each municipality where there are different registrars for different voting districts, means the registrar so enrolled in the voting district in which, at the last-preceding regular election, the presiding officer for the purpose of declaring the result of the vote of the whole municipality was moderator;

(13) "Slate" means a group of candidates for nomination by a political party to the office of justice of the peace of a town, which
group numbers at least a bare majority of the number of justices of the peace to be nominated by such party for such town;

(14) "State office" means any office for which all the electors of the state may vote and includes the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Comptroller, Attorney General and senator in Congress, but does not include the office of elector of President and Vice-President of the United States;

(15) "Votes cast for the same office at the last-preceding election" or "votes cast for all candidates for such office at the last-preceding election" means, in the case of multiple openings for the same office, the total number of electors checked as having voted at the last-preceding election at which such office appeared on the ballot.

Sec. 185. Section 9-601 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

As used in this chapter: [and chapter 157:]

(1) "Committee" means a party committee, political committee or a candidate committee organized, as the case may be, for a single primary, election or referendum, or for ongoing political activities, to aid or promote the success or defeat of any political party, any one or more candidates for public office or the position of town committee member or any referendum question.

(2) "Party committee" means a state central committee or a town committee. "Party committee" does not mean a party-affiliated or district, ward or borough committee which receives all of its funds from the state central committee of its party or from a single town committee with the same party affiliation. Any such committee so funded shall be construed to be a part of its state central or town committee for purposes of this chapter. [and chapter 157.]
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(3) "Political committee" means (A) a committee organized by a business entity or organization, (B) persons other than individuals, or two or more individuals organized or acting jointly conducting their activities in or outside the state, (C) an exploratory committee, (D) a committee established by or on behalf of a slate of candidates in a primary for the office of justice of the peace, but does not mean a candidate committee or a party committee, (E) a legislative caucus committee, or (F) a legislative leadership committee.

(4) "Candidate committee" means any committee designated by a single candidate, or established with the consent, authorization or cooperation of a candidate, for the purpose of a single primary or election and to aid or promote such candidate's candidacy alone for a particular public office or the position of town committee member, but does not mean a political committee or a party committee. [For purposes of this chapter, "candidate committee" includes candidate committees for participating and nonparticipating candidates, unless the context of a provision clearly indicates otherwise.]

(5) "Exploratory committee" means a committee established by a candidate for a single primary or election (A) to determine whether to seek nomination or election to (i) the General Assembly, (ii) a state office, as defined in subsection (e) of section 9-610, or (iii) any other public office, and (B) if applicable, to aid or promote such candidate's candidacy for nomination to the General Assembly or any such state office.

(6) "National committee" means the organization which according to the bylaws of a political party is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the party at the national level.

(7) "Organization" means all labor organizations, (A) as defined in the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act of 1959, as from time to time amended, or (B) as defined in subdivision (9) of section
31-101, employee organizations as defined in subsection (d) of section 5-270 and subdivision (6) of section 7-467, bargaining representative organizations for teachers, any local, state or national organization, to which a labor organization pays membership or per capita fees, based upon its affiliation or membership, and trade or professional associations which receive their funds exclusively from membership dues, whether organized in or outside of this state, but does not mean a candidate committee, party committee or a political committee.

(8) "Business entity" means the following, whether organized in or outside of this state: Stock corporations, banks, insurance companies, business associations, bankers associations, insurance associations, trade or professional associations which receive funds from membership dues and other sources, partnerships, joint ventures, private foundations, as defined in Section 509 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as from time to time amended; trusts or estates; corporations organized under sections 38a-175 to 38a-192, inclusive, 38a-199 to 38a-209, inclusive, and 38a-214 to 38a-225, inclusive, and chapters 594 to 597, inclusive; cooperatives, and any other association, organization or entity which is engaged in the operation of a business or profit-making activity; but does not include professional service corporations organized under chapter 594a and owned by a single individual, nonstock corporations which are not engaged in business or profit-making activity, organizations, as defined in subdivision (7) of this section, candidate committees, party committees and political committees as defined in this section. For purposes of this chapter, corporations which are component members of a controlled group of corporations, as those terms are defined in Section 1563 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as from time to time amended, shall be deemed to be one corporation.
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(9) "Individual" means a human being, a sole proprietorship, or a professional service corporation organized under chapter 594a and owned by a single human being.

(10) "Person" means an individual, committee, firm, partnership, organization, association, syndicate, company trust, corporation, limited liability company or any other legal entity of any kind but does not mean the state or any political or administrative subdivision of the state.

(11) "Candidate" means an individual who seeks nomination for election or election to public office whether or not such individual is elected, and for the purposes of this chapter [and chapter 157,] an individual shall be deemed to seek nomination for election or election if such individual has (A) been endorsed by a party or become eligible for a position on the ballot at an election or primary, or (B) solicited or received contributions, other than for a party committee, made expenditures or given such individual's consent to any other person, other than a party committee, to solicit or receive contributions or make expenditures with the intent to bring about such individual's nomination for election or election to any such office. "Candidate" also means a slate of candidates which is to appear on the ballot in a primary for the office of justice of the peace. For the purposes of sections 9-600 to 9-610, inclusive and section 9-621, "candidate" also means an individual who is a candidate in a primary for town committee members.

(12) "Treasurer" means the individual appointed by a candidate or by the chairperson of a party committee or a political committee to receive and disburse funds on behalf of the candidate or committee.

(13) "Deputy treasurer" means the individual appointed by the candidate or by the chairperson of a committee to serve in the capacity of the treasurer if the treasurer is unable to perform the treasurer's
duties.

(14) "Solicitor" means an individual appointed by a treasurer of a committee to receive, but not to disburse, funds on behalf of the committee.

(15) "Referendum question" means a question to be voted upon at any election or referendum, including a proposed constitutional amendment.

(16) "Lobbyist" means a lobbyist, as defined in section 1-91, and "communicator lobbyist" means a communicator lobbyist, as defined in section 1-91, and "client lobbyist" means a client lobbyist, as defined in section 1-91.

(17) "Business with which he is associated" means any business in which the contributor is a director, officer, owner, limited or general partner or holder of stock constituting five per cent or more of the total outstanding stock of any class. Officer refers only to the president, executive or senior vice-president or treasurer of such business.

(18) "Agent" means a person authorized to act for or in place of another.

(19) "Entity" means the following, whether organized in this or any other state: An organization, corporation, whether for-profit or not-for-profit, cooperative association, limited partnership, professional association, limited liability company and limited liability partnership. "Entity" includes any tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to time, and any tax-exempt political organization organized under Section 527 of said code.

(20) "Federal account" means a depository account that is subject to
the disclosure and contribution limits provided under the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended from time to time.

(21) "Public funds" means funds belonging to, or under the control of, the state or a political subdivision of the state.

(22) "Legislative caucus committee" means a committee established under subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of section 9-605 by the majority of the members of a political party who are also state representatives or state senators.

(23) "Legislative leadership committee" means a committee established under subdivision (3) of subsection (e) of section 9-605 by a leader of the General Assembly.

(24) "Immediate family" means the spouse or a dependent child of an individual.

(25) "Organization expenditure" means an expenditure by a party committee, legislative caucus committee or legislative leadership committee for the benefit of a candidate or candidate committee for:

(A) The preparation, display or mailing or other distribution of a party candidate listing. As used in this subparagraph, "party candidate listing" means any communication that meets the following criteria: (i) The communication lists the name or names of candidates for election to public office, (ii) the communication is distributed through public advertising such as broadcast stations, cable television, newspapers or similar media, or through direct mail, telephone, electronic mail, publicly accessible sites on the Internet or personal delivery, and (iii) the communication is made to promote the success or defeat of any candidate or slate of candidates seeking the nomination for election, or election or for the purpose of aiding or promoting the success or defeat of any referendum question or the success or defeat of any political party, provided such communication is not a solicitation for or on
(B) A document in printed or electronic form, including a party platform, an electronic page providing merchant account services to be used by a candidate for the collection of on-line contributions, a copy of an issue paper, information pertaining to the requirements of this title, a list of registered voters and voter identification information, which document is created or maintained by a party committee, legislative caucus committee or legislative leadership committee for the general purposes of party or caucus building and is provided (i) to a candidate who is a member of the party that has established such party committee, or (ii) to a candidate who is a member of the party of the caucus or leader who has established such legislative caucus committee or legislative leadership committee, whichever is applicable;

(C) A campaign event at which a candidate or candidates are present; or

(D) The retention of the services of an advisor to provide assistance relating to campaign organization, financing, accounting, strategy, law or media.

(26) "Solicit" means (A) requesting that a contribution be made, (B) participating in any fundraising activities for a candidate committee, exploratory committee, political committee or party committee, including, but not limited to, forwarding tickets to potential contributors, receiving contributions for transmission to any such committee, serving on the committee that is hosting a fundraising event, introducing the candidate or making other public remarks at a fundraising event, being honored or otherwise recognized at a fundraising event, or bundling contributions, (C) serving as chairperson, treasurer or deputy treasurer of any such committee, or (D) establishing a political committee for the sole purpose of soliciting
or receiving contributions for any committee. "Solicit" does not include (i) making a contribution that is otherwise permitted under this chapter, (ii) informing any person of a position taken by a candidate for public office or a public official, (iii) notifying the person of any activities of, or contact information for, any candidate for public office, (iv) serving as a member in any party committee or as an officer of such committee that is not otherwise prohibited in this subdivision, or (v) mere attendance at a fundraiser.

(27) "Bundle" means the forwarding of five or more contributions to a single committee by a communicator lobbyist, an agent of such lobbyist, or a member of the immediate family of such lobbyist, or raising contributions for a committee at a fundraising affair held by, sponsored by, or hosted by a communicator lobbyist or an agent of such lobbyist, or a member of the immediate family of such lobbyist.

(28) "Slate committee" means a political committee formed by two or more candidates for nomination or election to any municipal office in the same town, city or borough, or in a primary for the office of justice of the peace or the position of town committee member, whenever such political committee will serve as the sole funding vehicle for the candidates' campaigns.

(29) (A) "Covered transfer" means any donation, transfer or payment of funds by a person to another person if the person receiving the donation, transfer or payment makes independent expenditures or transfers funds to another person who makes independent expenditures.

(B) The term "covered transfer" does not include:

(i) A donation, transfer or payment made by a person in the ordinary course of any trade or business;

(ii) A donation, transfer or payment made by a person, if the person
making the donation, transfer or payment prohibited the use of such donation, transfer or payment for an independent expenditure or a covered transfer and the recipient of the donation, transfer or payment agreed to follow the prohibition and deposited the donation, transfer or payment in an account which is segregated from any account used to make independent expenditures or covered transfers;

(iii) Dues, fees or assessments that are transferred between affiliated entities and paid by individuals on a regular, periodic basis in accordance with a per-individual calculation that is made on a regular basis;

(iv) For purposes of this subdivision, "affiliated" means (I) the governing instrument of the entity requires it to be bound by decisions of the other entity; (II) the governing board of the entity includes persons who are specifically designated representatives of the other entity or who are members of the governing board, officers, or paid executive staff members of the other entity, or whose service on the governing board is contingent upon the approval of the other entity; or (III) the entity is chartered by the other entity. "Affiliated" includes entities that are an affiliate of the other entity or where both of the entities are an affiliate of the same entity.

(30) "Party building activity" includes, but is not limited to, any political meeting, conference, convention, and other event, attendance or involvement at which promotes or advances the interests of a party at a local, state or national level, and any associated expenses, including travel, lodging, and any admission fees or other costs, whether or not any such meeting, conference, convention, or other event is sponsored by the party.

(31) "Social media" means an electronic medium where users may create and view user-generated content, such as uploaded or downloaded videos or still photographs, blogs, video blogs, podcasts.
(32) "General election campaign" means (A) in the case of a candidate nominated at a primary, the period beginning on the day following the primary and ending on the date the treasurer files the final statement for such campaign pursuant to section 9-608, or (B) in the case of a candidate nominated without a primary, the period beginning on the day following the day on which the candidate is nominated and ending on the date the treasurer files the final statement for such campaign pursuant to section 9-608.

(33) "Primary campaign" means the period beginning on the day following the close of (A) a convention held pursuant to section 9-382 for the purposes of endorsing a candidate for nomination to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer or Secretary of the State or the district office of state senator or state representative, or (B) a caucus, convention or town committee meeting held pursuant to section 9-390 for the purpose of endorsing a candidate for the municipal office of state senator or state representative, whichever is applicable, and ending on the day of a primary held for the purpose of nominating a candidate to such office.

Sec. 186. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 9-601a of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) As used in this chapter, [and chapter 157,] "contribution" means:

(1) Any gift, subscription, loan, advance, payment or deposit of money or anything of value, made to promote the success or defeat of any candidate seeking the nomination for election, or election or for the purpose of aiding or promoting the success or defeat of any referendum question or the success or defeat of any political party;
(2) A written contract, promise or agreement to make a contribution for any such purpose;

(3) The payment by any person, other than a candidate or treasurer, of compensation for the personal services of any other person which are rendered without charge to a committee or candidate for any such purpose;

(4) An expenditure that is not an independent expenditure; or

(5) Funds received by a committee which are transferred from another committee or other source for any such purpose.

(b) As used in this chapter, "contribution" does not mean:

(1) A loan of money made in the ordinary course of business by a national or state bank;

(2) Any communication made by a corporation, organization or association solely to its members, owners, stockholders, executive or administrative personnel, or their families;

(3) Nonpartisan voter registration and get-out-the-vote campaigns by any corporation, organization or association aimed at its members, owners, stockholders, executive or administrative personnel, or their families;

(4) Uncompensated services provided by individuals volunteering their time on behalf of a party committee, political committee, slate committee or candidate committee, including any services provided for the benefit of any candidate and any unreimbursed travel expenses made by an individual who volunteers the individual's personal services to any such committee. For purposes of this
subdivision, an individual is a volunteer if such individual is not receiving compensation for such services regardless of whether such individual received compensation in the past or may receive compensation for similar services that may be performed in the future;

(5) The use of real or personal property, a portion or all of the cost of invitations and the cost of food or beverages, voluntarily provided by an individual to a candidate, including a nonparticipating or participating candidate under the Citizens' Election Program, or to a party, political or slate committee, in rendering voluntary personal services at the individual's residential premises or a community room in the individual's residence facility, to the extent that the cumulative value of the invitations, food or beverages provided by an individual on behalf of any candidate or committee does not exceed four hundred dollars with respect to any single event or does not exceed eight hundred dollars for any such event hosted by two or more individuals, provided at least one such individual owns or resides at the residential premises, and further provided the cumulative value of the invitations, food or beverages provided by an individual on behalf of any such candidate or committee does not exceed eight hundred dollars with respect to a calendar year or single election, as the case may be;

(6) The sale of food or beverage for use by a party, political, slate or candidate committee, including those for a participating or nonparticipating candidate, at a discount, if the charge is not less than the cost to the vendor, to the extent that the cumulative value of the discount given to or on behalf of any single candidate committee does not exceed four hundred dollars with respect to any single primary or election, or to or on behalf of any party, political or slate committee, does not exceed six hundred dollars in a calendar year;

(7) The display of a lawn sign by a human being or on real property;

(8) The payment, by a party committee or slate committee of the
costs of preparation, display, mailing or other distribution incurred by the committee or individual with respect to any printed slate card, sample ballot or other printed list containing the names of three or more candidates;

(9) The donation of any item of personal property by an individual to a committee for a fund-raising affair, including a tag sale or auction, or the purchase by an individual of any such item at such an affair, to the extent that the cumulative value donated or purchased does not exceed one hundred dollars;

(10) (A) The purchase of advertising space which clearly identifies the purchaser, in a program for a fund-raising affair sponsored by the candidate committee of a candidate for an office of a municipality, provided the cumulative purchase of such space does not exceed two hundred fifty dollars from any single such candidate or the candidate's committee with respect to any single election campaign if the purchaser is a business entity or fifty dollars for purchases by any other person;

(B) The purchase of advertising space which clearly identifies the purchaser, in a program for a fund-raising affair or on signs at a fund-raising affair sponsored by a party committee or a political committee, other than an exploratory committee, provided the cumulative purchase of such space does not exceed two hundred fifty dollars from any single party committee or a political committee, other than an exploratory committee, in any calendar year if the purchaser is a business entity or fifty dollars for purchases by any other person. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subparagraph, the following may not purchase advertising space in a program for a fund-raising affair or on signs at a fund-raising affair sponsored by a party committee or a political committee, other than an exploratory committee: (i) A communicator lobbyist, (ii) a member of the immediate family of a communicator lobbyist, (iii) a state contractor,
(iv) a prospective state contractor, or (v) a principal of a state contractor or prospective state contractor. As used in this subparagraph, "state contractor", "prospective state contractor" and "principal of a state contractor or prospective state contractor" have the same meanings as provided in subsection (f) of section 9-612;

(11) The payment of money by a candidate to the candidate's candidate committee; [provided the committee is for a nonparticipating candidate;]

(12) The donation of goods or services by a business entity to a committee for a fund-raising affair, including a tag sale or auction, to the extent that the cumulative value donated does not exceed two hundred dollars;

(13) The advance of a security deposit by an individual to a telephone company, as defined in section 16-1, for telecommunications service for a committee or to another utility company, such as an electric distribution company, provided the security deposit is refunded to the individual;

(14) The provision of facilities, equipment, technical and managerial support, and broadcast time by a community antenna television company, as defined in section 16-1, for community access programming pursuant to section 16-331a, unless (A) the major purpose of providing such facilities, equipment, support and time is to influence the nomination or election of a candidate, or (B) such facilities, equipment, support and time are provided on behalf of a political party;

(15) The sale of food or beverage by a town committee to an individual at a town fair, county fair, local festival or similar mass gathering held within the state, to the extent that the cumulative payment made by any one individual for such items does not exceed
fifty dollars;

(16) An organization expenditure by a party committee, legislative caucus committee or legislative leadership committee;

(17) The donation of food or beverage by an individual for consumption at a slate, candidate, political committee or party committee meeting, event or activity that is not a fund-raising affair to the extent that the cumulative value of the food or beverages donated by an individual for a single meeting or event does not exceed fifty dollars;

(18) The value associated with the de minimis activity on behalf of a party committee, political committee, slate committee or candidate committee, including for activities including, but not limited to, (A) the creation of electronic or written communications or digital photos or video as part of an electronic file created on a voluntary basis without compensation, including, but not limited to, the creation and ongoing content development and delivery of social media on the Internet or telephone, including, but not limited to, the sending or receiving of electronic mail or messages, (B) the posting or display of a candidate's name or group of candidates' names at a town fair, county fair, local festival or similar mass gathering by a party committee, (C) the use of personal property or a service that is customarily attendant to the occupancy of a residential dwelling, or the donation of an item or items of personal property that are customarily used for campaign purposes, by an individual, to a candidate committee, provided the cumulative fair market value of such use of personal property or service or items of personal property does not exceed one hundred dollars in the aggregate for any single election or calendar year, as the case may be;

(19) The use of offices, telephones, computers and similar equipment provided by a party committee, legislative caucus
committee or legislative leadership committee that serve as headquarters for or are used by such party committee, legislative caucus committee or legislative leadership committee;

(20) A communication, as described in subdivision (7) of subsection (b) of section 9-601b;

(21) An independent expenditure, as defined in section 9-601c;

(22) A communication containing an endorsement on behalf of a candidate for nomination or election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State Comptroller, Attorney General, state senator or state representative, from a candidate for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State Comptroller, Attorney General, state senator or state representative, provided the candidate (A) making the endorsement is unopposed at the time of the communication, and (B) being endorsed paid for such communication;

(23) A communication that is sent by mail to addresses in the district for which a candidate being endorsed by another candidate pursuant to this subdivision is seeking nomination or election to the office of state senator or state representative, containing an endorsement on behalf of such candidate for such nomination or election from a candidate for the office of state senator or state representative, provided the candidate (A) making the endorsement is not seeking election to the office of state senator or state representative for a district that contains any geographical area shared by the district for the office to which the endorsed candidate is seeking nomination or election, and (B) being endorsed paid for such communication; or

(24) Campaign training events provided to multiple individuals by a legislative caucus committee and any associated materials, provided the cumulative value of such events and materials does not exceed six
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thousand dollars in the aggregate for a calendar year.

Sec. 187. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 9-601b of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) As used in this chapter, [and chapter 157, the term] "expenditure" means:

(1) Any purchase, payment, distribution, loan, advance, deposit or gift of money or anything of value, when made to promote the success or defeat of any candidate seeking the nomination for election, or election, of any person or for the purpose of aiding or promoting the success or defeat of any referendum question or the success or defeat of any political party;

(2) Any communication that (A) refers to one or more clearly identified candidates, and (B) is broadcast by radio, television, other than on a public access channel, or by satellite communication or via the Internet, or as a paid-for telephone communication, or appears in a newspaper, magazine or on a billboard, or is sent by mail; or

(3) The transfer of funds by a committee to another committee.

(b) [The term] As used in this chapter, "expenditure" does not mean:

(1) A loan of money, made in the ordinary course of business, by a state or national bank;

(2) A communication made by any corporation, organization or association solely to its members, owners, stockholders, executive or administrative personnel, or their families;

(3) Nonpartisan voter registration and get-out-the-vote campaigns by any corporation, organization or association aimed at its members, owners, stockholders, executive or administrative personnel, or their
families;

(4) Uncompensated services provided by individuals volunteering their time on behalf of a party committee, political committee, slate committee or candidate committee, including any services provided for the benefit of [nonparticipating and participating candidates under the Citizens' Election Program] any candidate and any unreimbursed travel expenses made by an individual who volunteers the individual's personal services to any such committee. For purposes of this subdivision, an individual is a volunteer if such individual is not receiving compensation for such services regardless of whether such individual received compensation in the past or may receive compensation for similar services that may be performed in the future;

(5) Any news story, commentary or editorial distributed through the facilities of any broadcasting station, newspaper, magazine or other periodical, unless such facilities are owned or controlled by any political party, committee or candidate;

(6) The use of real or personal property, a portion or all of the cost of invitations and the cost of food or beverages, voluntarily provided by an individual to a candidate [including a nonparticipating or participating candidate under the Citizens' Election Program], or to a party, political or slate committee, in rendering voluntary personal services at the individual's residential premises or a community room in the individual's residence facility, to the extent that the cumulative value of the invitations, food or beverages provided by an individual on behalf of any candidate or committee does not exceed four hundred dollars with respect to any single event or does not exceed eight hundred dollars for any such event hosted by two or more individuals, provided at least one such individual owns or resides at the residential premises, and further provided the cumulative value of the invitations, food or beverages provided by an individual on behalf of any such candidate or committee does not exceed eight hundred dollars with
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respect to a calendar year or single election, as the case may be;

(7) A communication described in subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section that includes speech or expression made (A) prior to the ninety-day period preceding the date of a primary or an election at which the clearly identified candidate or candidates are seeking nomination to public office or position, that is made for the purpose of influencing any legislative or administrative action, as defined in section 1-91, or executive action, or (B) during a legislative session for the purpose of influencing legislative action;

(8) An organization expenditure by a party committee, legislative caucus committee or legislative leadership committee;

(9) A commercial advertisement that refers to an owner, director or officer of a business entity who is also a candidate and that had previously been broadcast or appeared when the owner, director or officer was not a candidate;

(10) A communication containing an endorsement on behalf of a candidate for nomination or election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State Comptroller, Attorney General, state senator or state representative, from a candidate for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State Comptroller, Attorney General, state senator or state representative, shall not be an expenditure attributable to the endorsing candidate, if the candidate making the endorsement is unopposed at the time of the communication;

(11) A communication that is sent by mail to addresses in the district for which a candidate being endorsed by another candidate pursuant to the provisions of this subdivision is seeking nomination or election to the office of state senator or state representative, containing an
endorsement on behalf of such candidate for such nomination or election, from a candidate for the office of state senator or state representative, shall not be an expenditure attributable to the endorsing candidate, if the candidate making the endorsement is not seeking election to the office of state senator or state representative for a district that contains any geographical area shared by the district for the office to which the endorsed candidate is seeking nomination or election;

(12) Campaign training events provided to multiple individuals by a legislative caucus committee and any associated materials, provided the cumulative value of such events and materials does not exceed six thousand dollars in the aggregate for a calendar year;

(13) A lawful communication by any charitable organization which is a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as from time to time amended;

(14) The use of offices, telephones, computers and similar equipment provided by a party committee, legislative caucus committee or legislative leadership committee that serve as headquarters for or are used by such party committee, legislative caucus committee or legislative leadership committee; or

(15) An expense or expenses incurred by a human being acting alone in an amount that is two hundred dollars or less, in the aggregate, that benefits a candidate for a single election.

Sec. 188. Subsection (a) of section 9-601c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) As used in this chapter, [and chapter 157, the term] "independent expenditure" means an expenditure, as defined in section 9-601b, that
is made without the consent, coordination, or consultation of, a candidate or agent of the candidate, candidate committee, political committee or party committee.

Sec. 189. Subsection (b) of section 9-601d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(b) Any person who makes or obligates to make an independent expenditure or expenditures in an election or primary for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State Comptroller, Attorney General, state senator or state representative, which exceed one thousand dollars, in the aggregate, during a primary campaign or a general election campaign, as defined in section [9-700] 9-601, shall file, electronically, a long-form and a short-form report of such independent expenditure or expenditures with the State Elections Enforcement Commission pursuant to subsections (c) and (d) of this section. The person that makes or obligates to make such independent expenditure or expenditures shall file such reports not later than twenty-four hours after (1) making any such payment, or (2) obligating to make any such payment, with respect to the primary or election. If any such person makes or incurs a subsequent independent expenditure, such person shall report such expenditure pursuant to subsection (d) of this section. Such reports shall be filed under penalty of false statement.

Sec. 190. Subdivision (1) of subsection (g) of section 9-601d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(g) (1) A person may, unless otherwise restricted or prohibited by law, including, but not limited to, any provision of this chapter, [or chapter 157,] establish a dedicated independent expenditure account, for the purpose of engaging in independent expenditures, that is
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segregated from all other accounts controlled by such person. Such dedicated independent expenditure account may receive covered transfers directly from persons other than the person establishing the dedicated account and may not receive transfers from another account controlled by the person establishing the dedicated account, except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection. If an independent expenditure is made from such segregated account, any report required pursuant to this section or disclaimer required pursuant to section 9-621 may include only those persons who made covered transfers directly to the dedicated independent expenditure account.

Sec. 191. Subsection (b) of section 9-605 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(b) The registration statement shall include: (1) The name and address of the committee; (2) a statement of the purpose of the committee; (3) the name and address of its treasurer, and deputy treasurer if applicable; (4) the name, address and position of its chairman, and other principal officers if applicable; (5) the name and address of the depository institution for its funds; (6) the name of each person, other than an individual, that is a member of the committee; (7) the name and party affiliation of each candidate whom the committee is supporting and the office or position sought by each candidate; (8) if the committee is supporting the entire ticket of any party, a statement to that effect and the name of the party; (9) if the committee is supporting or opposing any referendum question, a brief statement identifying the substance of the question; (10) if the committee is established by a business entity or organization, the name of the entity or organization; (11) if the committee is established by an organization, whether it will receive its funds from the organization's treasury or from voluntary contributions; (12) if the committee files reports with the Federal Elections Commission or any out-of-state
agency, a statement to that effect including the name of the agency; (13) a statement indicating whether the committee is established for a single primary, election or referendum or for ongoing political activities; (14) if the committee is established or controlled by a lobbyist, a statement to that effect and the name of the lobbyist; (15) the name and address of the person making the initial contribution or disbursement, if any, to the committee; and (16) any information that the State Elections Enforcement Commission requires to facilitate compliance with the provisions of this chapter. [or chapter 157.] If no such initial contribution or disbursement has been made at the time of the filing of such statement, the treasurer of the committee shall, not later than forty-eight hours after receipt of such contribution or disbursement, file a report with the State Elections Enforcement Commission. The report shall be in the same form as statements filed under section 9-608.

Sec. 192. Subsection (d) of section 9-606 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(d) No person shall act as a treasurer or deputy treasurer (1) unless the person is an elector of this state, the person has paid any civil penalties or forfeitures assessed pursuant to [chapters 155 to 157, inclusive,] chapter 155 and a statement, signed by the chairman in the case of a party committee or political committee or by the candidate in the case of a candidate committee, designating the person as treasurer or deputy treasurer, has been filed in accordance with section 9-603, and (2) if such person has been convicted of or pled guilty or nolo contendere to, in a court of competent jurisdiction, any (A) felony involving fraud, forgery, larceny, embezzlement or bribery, or (B) criminal offense under this title, unless at least eight years have elapsed from the date of the conviction or plea or the completion of any sentence, whichever date is later, without a subsequent conviction
of or plea to another such felony or offense. In the case of a political committee, the filing of a statement of organization by the chairman of the committee, in accordance with the provisions of section 9-605, shall constitute compliance with the filing requirements of this section. No provision of this subsection shall prevent the treasurer, deputy treasurer or solicitor of any committee from being the treasurer, deputy treasurer or solicitor of any other committee or prevent any committee from having more than one solicitor, but no candidate shall have more than one treasurer. A candidate shall not serve as the candidate's own treasurer or deputy treasurer, except that a candidate who is exempt from forming a candidate committee under subsection (b) of section 9-604 and has filed a certification that the candidate is financing the candidate's campaign from the candidate's own personal funds or is not receiving or expending in excess of one thousand dollars may perform the duties of a treasurer for the candidate's own campaign.

Sec. 193. Subsection (a) of section 9-606a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) (1) Wherever the term "campaign treasurer" is used in the following sections of the general statutes, the term "treasurer" shall be substituted in lieu thereof; and (2) wherever the term "deputy campaign treasurer" is used in the following sections of the general statutes, the term "deputy treasurer" shall be substituted in lieu thereof: 9-7b, 9-602, 9-604, 9-605, 9-606, 9-607, 9-608, 9-609, 9-610, 9-614, 9-622, 9-623, 9-624 [, 9-675, 9-700, 9-703, 9-704, 9-706, 9-707, 9-709, 9-711 and 9-712] and 9-675.

Sec. 194. Subsection (i) of section 9-607 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

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(i) The right of any person to expend money for proper legal expenses in maintaining or contesting the results of any election or primary shall not be affected or limited by the provisions of this chapter, provided only sources eligible to contribute to the candidate for the campaign may contribute to the payment of legal expenses.

Sec. 195. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 9-608 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) (1) Each treasurer of a committee, other than a state central committee, shall file a statement, sworn under penalty of false statement with the proper authority in accordance with the provisions of section 9-603, (A) on the tenth calendar day in the months of January, April, July and October, provided, if such tenth calendar day is a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, the statement shall be filed on the next business day, except that in the case of a candidate or exploratory committee established for an office to be elected at a special election, statements pursuant to this subparagraph shall not be required, (B) on the seventh day preceding each regular state election, except that (i) in the case of a candidate or exploratory committee established for an office to be elected at a municipal election, the statement shall be filed on the seventh day preceding a regular municipal election in lieu of such date, except if the candidate's name is not eligible to appear on the ballot, in which case such statement shall not be required, (ii) in the case of a town committee, the statement shall be filed on the seventh day preceding each municipal election in addition to such date, and (iii) in the case of a candidate committee in a state election that is required to file any supplemental campaign finance statements pursuant to subdivisions (1) and (2) of subsection (a) of section 9-712, such supplemental campaign finance statements shall satisfy the filing requirement under this subdivision,
and (iv) in the case of a candidate committee established by a candidate whose name is not eligible to appear on the ballot, such statement shall not be required, and (C) if the committee has made or received a contribution or expenditure in connection with any other election, a primary or a referendum, on the seventh day preceding the election, primary or referendum, except that in the case of a candidate committee in a primary that is required to file statements pursuant to subdivisions (1) and (2) of subsection (a) of section 9-712, such statements shall satisfy the filing requirement under this subdivision. The statement shall be complete as of eleven fifty-nine o'clock p.m. of the last day of the month preceding the month in which the statement is required to be filed, except that for the statement required to be filed on the seventh day preceding the election, primary or referendum, the statement shall be complete as of eleven fifty-nine o'clock p.m. of the second day immediately preceding the required filing day. The statement shall cover a period to begin with the first day not included in the last filed statement. In the case of a candidate committee, the statement required to be filed in January shall be in lieu of the statement formerly required to be filed within forty-five days following an election.

Sec. 196. Subsection (d) of section 9-608 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(d) At the time of filing statements required under this section, the treasurer of each candidate committee shall send to the candidate a duplicate statement and the treasurer of each party committee and each political committee other than an exploratory committee shall send to the chairman of the committee a duplicate statement. Each statement required to be filed with the commission under this section, section 9-601d, section 9-706 or section 9-712 shall be deemed to be filed in a timely manner if: (1) For a statement filed as a hard copy,
including, but not limited to, a statement delivered by the United States Postal Service, courier service, parcel service or hand delivery, the statement is received by the commission by five o'clock p.m. on the day the statement is required to be filed, (2) for a statement authorized by the commission to be filed electronically, including, but not limited to, a statement filed via dedicated electronic mail, facsimile machine, a web-based program created by the commission or other electronic means, the statement is transmitted to the commission not later than eleven fifty-nine o'clock p.m. on the day the statement is required to be filed, or (3) for a statement required to be filed pursuant to section 9-601d, [section 9-706 or section 9-712,] by the deadline specified in each such section. Any other filing required to be filed with a town clerk pursuant to this section shall be deemed to be filed in a timely manner if it is delivered by hand to the office of the town clerk in accordance with the provisions of section 9-603 before four-thirty o'clock p.m. or postmarked by the United States Postal Service before midnight on the required filing day. If the day for any filing falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, the statement shall be filed on the next business day thereafter. The State Elections Enforcement Commission shall not levy a penalty upon a treasurer for failure to file a hard copy of a statement in a timely manner in accordance with the provisions of this section if such treasurer has a copy of the statement time stamped by the State Elections Enforcement Commission that shows timely receipt of the statement or the treasurer has a return receipt from the United States Postal Service or a similar receipt from a commercial delivery service confirming timely delivery of such statement was made or should have been made to said commission.

Sec. 197. Subparagraph (A) of subdivision (1) of subsection (e) of section 9-608 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(A) Such committees may distribute their surplus to a party
committee, or a political committee organized for ongoing political activities, return such surplus to all contributors to the committee on a prorated basis of contribution, [distribute all or any part of such surplus to the Citizens' Election Fund established in section 9-701,] distribute such surplus to any charitable organization which is a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as from time to time amended, or, in the case of a candidate committee for any candidate, [other than a participating candidate,] distribute such surplus to an organization under Section 501(c)(19) of said code, as from time to time amended, provided (i) no candidate committee may distribute such surplus to a committee which has been established to finance future political campaigns of the candidate, and (ii) [a candidate committee which received moneys from the Citizens' Election Fund shall distribute such surplus to such fund, and (iii)] a candidate committee [for a nonparticipating candidate, as described in subsection (b) of section 9-703, may only] may distribute any such surplus [to the Citizens' Election Fund or] to a charitable organization;

Sec. 198. Subparagraphs (E) to (H), inclusive, of subdivision (1) of subsection (e) of section 9-608 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(E) The treasurer of a candidate committee, or of a political committee, other than a political committee formed for ongoing political activities or an exploratory committee, shall, prior to the dissolution of such committee, either (i) distribute any equipment purchased, including, but not limited to, computer equipment, to any recipient as set forth in subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, or (ii) sell any equipment purchased, including but not limited to computer equipment, to any person for fair market value and then distribute the proceeds of such sale to any recipient as set forth in said subparagraph.
(A); and

[(F) The treasurer of a qualified candidate committee may, following an election or unsuccessful primary, provide a post-primary thank you meal or a post-election thank you meal for committee workers, provided such meal (i) occurs not later than fourteen days after the applicable election or primary day, and (ii) the cost for such meal does not exceed thirty dollars per worker;

(G) The treasurer of a qualified candidate committee may, following an election or unsuccessful primary, exclusive of any payments that have been rendered pursuant to a written service agreement, make payment to a treasurer for services rendered to the candidate committee, provided such payment does not exceed one thousand dollars; and]

[(H)] [(F) The treasurer of a candidate committee may, following an election or unsuccessful primary, utilize funds for the purpose of complying with any audit conducted by the State Elections Enforcement Commission pursuant to subdivision [(5)] [(4)] of subsection (a) of section 9-7b.

Sec. 199. Subsection (f) of section 9-608 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(f) If an exploratory committee has been established by a candidate pursuant to subsection (c) of section 9-604, the treasurer of the committee shall file a notice of intent to dissolve it with the appropriate authority not later than fifteen days after the candidate's declaration of intent to seek nomination or election to a particular public office, except that in the case of an exploratory committee established by a candidate for purposes that include aiding or promoting the candidate's candidacy for nomination or election to the
General Assembly or a state office, the treasurer of the committee shall file such notice of intent to dissolve the committee not later than fifteen days after the earlier of: (1) The candidate's declaration of intent to seek nomination or election to a particular public office, (2) the candidate's endorsement at a convention, caucus or town committee meeting, or (3) the candidate's filing of a candidacy for nomination under section 9-400 or 9-405. The treasurer shall also file a statement identifying all contributions received or expenditures made by the exploratory committee since the previous statement and the balance on hand or deficit, as the case may be. In the event of a surplus, the treasurer shall, not later than the filing of the statement, distribute the surplus to the candidate committee established pursuant to said section, except that, in the case of a surplus of an exploratory committee established by a candidate who intends to be a participating candidate, as defined in section 9-703, in the Citizens' Election Program, the treasurer may distribute to the candidate committee only that portion of such surplus that is attributable to contributions that meet the criteria for qualifying contributions for the candidate committee under section 9-704 and shall distribute the remainder of such surplus to the Citizens' Election Fund established in section 9-701, and in the case of a surplus of an exploratory committee established for nomination or election to an office other than the General Assembly or a state office, the treasurer may only distribute to the candidate committee for nomination or election to the General Assembly or state office of such candidate that portion of such surplus which is in excess of the total contributions which the exploratory committee received from lobbyists or political committees established by lobbyists, during any period in which the prohibitions in subsection (e) of section 9-610 apply, and any remaining amount shall be returned to all such lobbyists and political committees established by or on behalf of lobbyists, on a prorated basis of contribution, or distributed to any charitable organization which is a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal
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Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as from time to time amended. If the candidate decides not to seek nomination or election to any office, the treasurer shall, within fifteen days after such decision, comply with the provisions of this subsection and distribute any surplus in the manner provided by this section for political committees other than those formed for ongoing political activities, except that if the surplus is from an exploratory committee established by the State Treasurer, any portion of the surplus that is received from a principal of an investment services firm or a political committee established by such firm shall be returned to such principal or committee on a prorated basis of contribution. In the event of a deficit, the treasurer shall file a statement thirty days after the decision or declaration with the proper authority and, thereafter, on the seventh day of each month following if on the last day of the previous month there was an increase or decrease in such deficit in excess of five hundred dollars from that reported on the last statement filed. The treasurer shall file supplemental statements until the deficit is eliminated. If the exploratory committee does not have a surplus or deficit, the statement filed after the candidate's declaration or decision shall be the last required statement. If a candidate certifies on the statement of organization for the exploratory committee pursuant to subsection (c) of section 9-604 that the candidate will not be a candidate for the office of state representative and subsequently establishes a candidate committee for the office of state representative, the treasurer of the candidate committee shall pay to the State Treasurer, for deposit in the General Fund, an amount equal to the portion of any contribution received by said exploratory committee that exceeded two hundred fifty dollars. As used in this subsection, "principal of an investment services firm" has the meaning set forth in subsection (e) of section 9-612 and "state office" has the same meaning set forth in subsection (e) of section 9-610.
Sec. 200. Subsection (d) of section 9-610 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(d) (1) No incumbent holding office shall, during the three months preceding an election in which he is a candidate for reelection or election to another office, use public funds to mail or print flyers or other promotional materials intended to bring about his election or reelection.

(2) No official or employee of the state or a political subdivision of the state shall authorize the use of public funds for a television, radio, movie theater, billboard, bus poster, newspaper or magazine promotional campaign or advertisement, which (A) features the name, face or voice of a candidate for public office, or (B) promotes the nomination or election of a candidate for public office, during the twelve-month period preceding the election being held for the office which the candidate described in this subdivision is seeking.

[(3) As used in subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection, "public funds" does not include any grant or moneys paid to a qualified candidate committee from the Citizens' Election Fund under this chapter.]

[(4)] (3) No candidate's participation in connection with any activity of the Council of State Governments shall constitute a violation of this subsection.

Sec. 201. Subsections (a) to (d), inclusive, of section 9-675 of the general statutes, as amended by section 1 of public act 16-203, are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) The State Elections Enforcement Commission shall (1) create a web-based program for the preparation and electronic submission of
financial disclosure statements required by [chapters 155 to 157, inclusive] chapter 155, and (2) prescribe the standard reporting format and specifications for any software program created by a vendor for such purpose. No software program created by a vendor may be used for the electronic submission of such financial disclosure statements unless the commission determines that the software program provides for the standard reporting format and complies with the specifications prescribed under subdivision (2) of this subsection for any such software program. The commission shall provide training in the use of the web-based program created by the commission.

(b) On and after July 1, 2017, the following shall file all financial disclosure statements required by [chapters 155 to 157, inclusive,] chapter 155 by electronic submission pursuant to subsection (a) of this section: (1) The treasurer of the candidate committee or exploratory committee for each candidate for nomination or election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer, Secretary of the State, state senator, state representative or judge of probate that raises or spends one thousand dollars or more, (2) the treasurer of any state central committee, legislative caucus committee or legislative leadership committee, (3) the treasurer of any other political committee or town committee required to be registered with the commission that (A) raises or spends one thousand dollars or more during the current calendar year, or (B) raised or spent one thousand dollars or more in the preceding regular election cycle, and (4) the treasurer of any committee, or any other person, who makes or obligates to make any independent expenditure and who is required to file a financial disclosure statement of any such independent expenditure with the State Elections Enforcement Commission in accordance with the provisions of section 9-601d. Once any such candidate committee or exploratory committee has raised or spent one thousand dollars or more during an election campaign, all previously filed statements required by [chapters 155 to 157, inclusive,]
chapter 155 which were not filed by electronic submission shall be refiled in such manner not later than the date on which the treasurer of such committee is required to file its next financial disclosure statement.

(c) (1) The treasurer of the candidate committee for any other candidate, as defined in section 9-601, that neither raises nor spends one thousand dollars or more who is required to file the financial disclosure statements required by [chapters 155 to 157, inclusive,] chapter 155 with the commission, and (2) the treasurer of any other political committee or town committee that neither raises nor spends one thousand dollars or more who is required to file the financial disclosure statements required by [chapters 155 to 157, inclusive,] chapter 155 with the State Elections Enforcement Commission may file any such financial disclosure statements by electronic submission pursuant to subsection (a) of this section.

(d) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, upon the written request of a treasurer or any other person described in subdivisions (1) to (4), inclusive, of subsection (b) of this section, the commission may waive the requirement to file by electronic submission pursuant to subsection (a) of this section if such treasurer or other person demonstrates good cause.

Sec. 202. Section 53a-119 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

A person commits larceny when, with intent to deprive another of property or to appropriate the same to himself or a third person, he wrongfully takes, obtains or withholds such property from an owner. Larceny includes, but is not limited to:

(1) Embezzlement. A person commits embezzlement when he wrongfully appropriates to himself or to another property of another
in his care or custody.

(2) Obtaining property by false pretenses. A person obtains property by false pretenses when, by any false token, pretense or device, he obtains from another any property, with intent to defraud him or any other person.

(3) Obtaining property by false promise. A person obtains property by false promise when, pursuant to a scheme to defraud, he obtains property of another by means of a representation, express or implied, that he or a third person will in the future engage in particular conduct, and when he does not intend to engage in such conduct or does not believe that the third person intends to engage in such conduct. In any prosecution for larceny based upon a false promise, the defendant's intention or belief that the promise would not be performed may not be established by or inferred from the fact alone that such promise was not performed.

(4) Acquiring property lost, mislaid or delivered by mistake. A person who comes into control of property of another that he knows to have been lost, mislaid, or delivered under a mistake as to the nature or amount of the property or the identity of the recipient is guilty of larceny if, with purpose to deprive the owner thereof, he fails to take reasonable measures to restore the property to a person entitled to it.

(5) Extortion. A person obtains property by extortion when he compels or induces another person to deliver such property to himself or a third person by means of instilling in him a fear that, if the property is not so delivered, the actor or another will: (A) Cause physical injury to some person in the future; or (B) cause damage to property; or (C) engage in other conduct constituting a crime; or (D) accuse some person of a crime or cause criminal charges to be instituted against him; or (E) expose a secret or publicize an asserted fact, whether true or false, tending to subject some person to hatred,
contempt or ridicule; or (F) cause a strike, boycott or other collective labor group action injurious to some person's business; except that such a threat shall not be deemed extortion when the property is demanded or received for the benefit of the group in whose interest the actor purports to act; or (G) testify or provide information or withhold testimony or information with respect to another's legal claim or defense; or (H) use or abuse his position as a public servant by performing some act within or related to his official duties, or by failing or refusing to perform an official duty, in such manner as to affect some person adversely; or (I) inflict any other harm which would not benefit the actor.

(6) Defrauding of public community. A person is guilty of defrauding a public community who (A) authorizes, certifies, attests or files a claim for benefits or reimbursement from a local, state or federal agency which he knows is false; or (B) knowingly accepts the benefits from a claim he knows is false; or (C) as an officer or agent of any public community, with intent to prejudice it, appropriates its property to the use of any person or draws any order upon its treasury or presents or aids in procuring to be allowed any fraudulent claim against such community. For purposes of this subdivision such order or claim shall be deemed to be property.

(7) Theft of services. A person is guilty of theft of services when: (A) With intent to avoid payment for restaurant services rendered, or for services rendered to him as a transient guest at a hotel, motel, inn, tourist cabin, rooming house or comparable establishment, he avoids such payment by unjustifiable failure or refusal to pay, by stealth, or by any misrepresentation of fact which he knows to be false; or (B) (i) except as provided in section 13b-38i, with intent to obtain railroad, subway, bus, air, taxi or any other public transportation service without payment of the lawful charge therefor or to avoid payment of the lawful charge for such transportation service which has been
rendered to him, he obtains such service or avoids payment therefor by force, intimidation, stealth, deception or mechanical tampering, or by unjustifiable failure or refusal to pay, or (ii) with intent to obtain the use of equipment, including a motor vehicle, without payment of the lawful charge therefor, or to avoid payment of the lawful charge for such use which has been permitted him, he obtains such use or avoids such payment therefor by means of any false or fraudulent representation, fraudulent concealment, false pretense or personation, trick, artifice or device, including, but not limited to, a false representation as to his name, residence, employment, or driver's license; or (C) obtaining or having control over labor in the employ of another person, or of business, commercial or industrial equipment or facilities of another person, knowing that he is not entitled to the use thereof, and with intent to derive a commercial or other substantial benefit for himself or a third person, he uses or diverts to the use of himself or a third person such labor, equipment or facilities.

(8) Receiving stolen property. A person is guilty of larceny by receiving stolen property if he receives, retains, or disposes of stolen property knowing that it has probably been stolen or believing that it has probably been stolen, unless the property is received, retained or disposed of with purpose to restore it to the owner. A person who accepts or receives the use or benefit of a public utility commodity which customarily passes through a meter, knowing such commodity (A) has been diverted therefrom, (B) has not been correctly registered or (C) has not been registered at all by a meter, is guilty of larceny by receiving stolen property.

(9) Shoplifting. A person is guilty of shoplifting who intentionally takes possession of any goods, wares or merchandise offered or exposed for sale by any store or other mercantile establishment with the intention of converting the same to his own use, without paying the purchase price thereof. A person intentionally concealing
unpurchased goods or merchandise of any store or other mercantile establishment, either on the premises or outside the premises of such store, shall be prima facie presumed to have so concealed such article with the intention of converting the same to his own use without paying the purchase price thereof.

(10) Conversion of a motor vehicle. A person is guilty of conversion of a motor vehicle who, after renting or leasing a motor vehicle under an agreement in writing which provides for the return of such vehicle to a particular place at a particular time, fails to return the vehicle to such place within the time specified, and who thereafter fails to return such vehicle to the agreed place or to any other place of business of the lessor within one hundred twenty hours after the lessor shall have sent a written demand to him for the return of the vehicle by registered mail addressed to him at his address as shown in the written agreement or, in the absence of such address, to his last-known address as recorded in the records of the motor vehicle department of the state in which he is licensed to operate a motor vehicle. It shall be a complete defense to any civil action arising out of or involving the arrest or detention of any person to whom such demand was sent by registered mail that he failed to return the vehicle to any place of business of the lessor within one hundred twenty hours after the mailing of such demand.

(11) Obtaining property through fraudulent use of an automated teller machine. A person obtains property through fraudulent use of an automated teller machine when such person obtains property by knowingly using in a fraudulent manner an automated teller machine with intent to deprive another of property or to appropriate the same to himself or a third person. In any prosecution for larceny based upon fraudulent use of an automated teller machine, the crime shall be deemed to have been committed in the town in which the machine was located. In any prosecution for larceny based upon more than one
instance of fraudulent use of an automated teller machine, (A) all such instances in any six-month period may be combined and charged as one offense, with the value of all property obtained thereby being accumulated, and (B) the crime shall be deemed to have been committed in any of the towns in which a machine which was fraudulently used was located. For the purposes of this subsection, "automated teller machine" means an unmanned device at which banking transactions including, without limitation, deposits, withdrawals, advances, payments and transfers may be conducted, and includes, without limitation, a satellite device and point of sale terminal as defined in section 36a-2.

(12) Library theft. A person is guilty of library theft when (A) he conceals on his person or among his belongings a book or other archival library materials, belonging to, or deposited in, a library facility with the intention of removing the same from the library facility without authority or without authority removes a book or other archival library materials from such library facility or (B) he mutilates a book or other archival library materials belonging to, or deposited in, a library facility, so as to render it unusable or reduce its value. The term "book or other archival library materials" includes any book, plate, picture, photograph, engraving, painting, drawing, map, manuscript, document, letter, public record, microform, sound recording, audiovisual material in any format, magnetic or other tape, electronic data-processing record, artifact or other documentary, written or printed material regardless of physical form or characteristics, or any part thereof, belonging to, on loan to, or otherwise in the custody of a library facility. The term "library facility" includes any public library, any library of an educational institution, organization or society, any museum, any repository of public records and any archives.

(13) Conversion of leased property. (A) A person is guilty of
conversion of leased personal property who, with the intent of converting the same to his own use or that of a third person, after renting or leasing such property under an agreement in writing which provides for the return of such property to a particular place at a particular time, sells, conveys, conceals or aids in concealing such property or any part thereof, and who thereafter fails to return such property to the agreed place or to any other place of business of the lessor within one hundred ninety-two hours after the lessor shall have sent a written demand to him for the return of the property by registered or certified mail addressed to him at his address as shown in the written agreement, unless a more recent address is known to the lessor. Acknowledgment of the receipt of such written demand by the lessee shall not be necessary to establish that one hundred ninety-two hours have passed since such written demand was sent. (B) Any person, being in possession of personal property other than wearing apparel, received upon a written lease, who, with intent to defraud, sells, conveys, conceals or aids in concealing such property, or any part thereof, shall be prima facie presumed to have done so with the intention of converting such property to his own use. (C) A person who uses a false or fictitious name or address in obtaining such leased personal property shall be prima facie presumed to have obtained such leased personal property with the intent of converting the same to his own use or that of a third person. (D) "Leased personal property", as used in this subdivision, means any personal property received pursuant to a written contract, by which one owning such property, the lessor, grants to another, the lessee, the right to possess, use and enjoy such personal property for a specified period of time for a specified sum, but does not include personal property that is rented or leased pursuant to chapter 743i.

(14) Failure to pay prevailing rate of wages. A person is guilty of failing to pay the prevailing rate of wages when he (A) files a certified payroll, in accordance with section 31-53 which he knows is false, in
violation of section 53a-157a, and (B) fails to pay to an employee or to an employee welfare fund the amount attested to in the certified payroll with the intent to convert such amount to his own use or to the use of a third party.

(15) Theft of utility service. A person is guilty of theft of utility service when he intentionally obtains electric, gas, water, telecommunications, wireless radio communications or community antenna television service that is available only for compensation: (A) By deception or threat or by false token, slug or other means including, but not limited to, electronic or mechanical device or unauthorized use of a confidential identification or authorization code or through fraudulent statements, to avoid payment for the service by himself or another person; or (B) by tampering or making connection with or disconnecting the meter, pipe, cable, conduit, conductor, attachment or other equipment or by manufacturing, modifying, altering, programming, reprogramming or possessing any device, software or equipment or part or component thereof or by disguising the identity or identification numbers of any device or equipment utilized by a supplier of electric, gas, water, telecommunications, wireless radio communications or community antenna television service, without the consent of such supplier, in order to avoid payment for the service by himself or another person; or (C) with intent to avoid payment by himself or another person for a prospective or already rendered service the charge or compensation for which is measured by a meter or other mechanical measuring device provided by the supplier of the service, by tampering with such meter or device or by attempting in any manner to prevent such meter or device from performing its measuring function, without the consent of the supplier of the service. There shall be a rebuttable presumption that the person to whom the service is billed has the intent to obtain the service and to avoid making payment for the service if, without the consent of the supplier of the service: (i) Any meter, pipe, cable, conduit, conductor,
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attachment or other equipment has been tampered with or connected or disconnected, (ii) any device, software or equipment or part or component thereof has been modified, altered, programmed, reprogrammed or possessed, (iii) the identity or identification numbers of any device or equipment utilized by the supplier of the service have been disguised, or (iv) a meter or other mechanical measuring device provided by the supplier of the service has been tampered with or prevented from performing its measuring function. The presumption does not apply if the person to whose service the condition applies has received such service for less than thirty-one days or until the service supplier has made at least one meter or service reading and provided a billing statement to the person as to whose service the condition applies. The presumption does not apply with respect to wireless radio communications.

(16) Air bag fraud. A person is guilty of air bag fraud when such person, with intent to defraud another person, obtains property from such other person or a third person by knowingly selling, installing or reinstalling any object, including any counterfeit air bag or nonfunctional air bag, as such terms are defined in section 14-106d, in lieu of an air bag that was designed in accordance with federal safety requirements as provided in 49 CFR 571.208, as amended, and which is proper for the make, model and year of the vehicle, as part of the vehicle inflatable restraint system.

(17) Theft of motor fuel. A person is guilty of theft of motor fuel when such person (A) delivers or causes to be delivered motor fuel, as defined in section 14-327a, into the fuel tank of a vehicle or into a portable container, or into both, on the premises of a retail dealer, as defined in section 14-318, and (B) with the intent to appropriate such motor fuel to himself or a third person, leaves such premises without paying the purchase price for such motor fuel.

[(18) Failure to repay surplus Citizens' Election Fund grant funds. A

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person is guilty of failure to repay surplus Citizens' Election Fund grant funds when such person fails to return to the Citizens' Election Fund any surplus funds from a grant made pursuant to sections 9-700 to 9-716, inclusive, not later than ninety days after the primary or election for which the grant is made.]

Sec. 203. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 1-101a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(1) "Crime related to state or quasi-public agency office" means larceny by state embezzlement, [or theft, as defined in subdivision (18) of section 53a-119,] bribery under section 53a-147 or bribe receiving under section 53a-148, committed by a person while serving as a public official or state employee;

Sec. 204. (Effective from passage) On or before June 30, 2017, all moneys in the Citizens' Election Fund shall be transferred from said fund and credited to the resources of the General Fund.

Sec. 205. Subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 9-611 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(b) (1) No individual shall make a contribution or contributions to, or for the benefit of, an exploratory committee, in excess of [three hundred seventy-five] one thousand dollars, if the candidate establishing the exploratory committee certifies on the statement of organization for the exploratory committee pursuant to subsection (c) of section 9-604 that the candidate will not be a candidate for the office of state representative. No individual shall make a contribution or contributions to, or for the benefit of, any exploratory committee, in excess of two hundred fifty dollars, if the candidate establishing the exploratory committee does not so certify.
Sec. 206. Subsection (e) of section 9-613 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(e) No political committee organized by a business entity shall make a contribution or contributions to (1) a state central committee of a political party, in excess of seven thousand five hundred dollars in any calendar year, (2) a town committee of any political party, in excess of one thousand five hundred dollars in any calendar year, (3) an exploratory committee in excess of [three hundred seventy-five] one thousand dollars, or (4) any other kind of political committee, in excess of two thousand dollars in any calendar year.

Sec. 207. Subsection (b) of section 9-615 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(b) No such committee shall make a contribution or contributions to, or for the benefit of, an exploratory committee, in excess of [three hundred seventy-five] one thousand dollars. Any such committee may make unlimited contributions to a political committee formed solely to aid or promote the success or defeat of a referendum question.

Sec. 208. Subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of section 9-617 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(2) No state central committee shall make a contribution or contributions in any one calendar year to, or for the benefit of (A) a legislative caucus committee or legislative leadership committee, in excess of ten thousand dollars, or (B) any other political committee, other than an exploratory committee or a committee formed solely to aid or promote the success or defeat of a referendum question, in excess of two thousand five hundred dollars. No state central
committee shall make contributions in excess of [three hundred seventy-five] one thousand dollars to an exploratory committee.

Sec. 209. Subdivision (2) of subsection (c) of section 9-617 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(2) No town committee shall make a contribution or contributions in any one calendar year to, or for the benefit of (A) a legislative caucus committee or legislative leadership committee, in excess of two thousand dollars, or (B) any other political committee, other than an exploratory committee or a committee formed solely to aid or promote the success or defeat of a referendum question, in excess of one thousand five hundred dollars. No town committee shall make contributions in excess of [three hundred seventy-five] one thousand dollars to an exploratory committee.

Sec. 210. Subsection (a) of section 9-618 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) A political committee organized for ongoing political activities may make unlimited contributions to, or for the benefit of, any national committee of a political party; or a committee of a candidate for federal or out-of-state office. Except as provided in subdivision (3) of subsection (d) of this section, no such political committee shall make a contribution or contributions in excess of two thousand dollars to another political committee in any calendar year. No political committee organized for ongoing political activities shall make a contribution in excess of [three hundred seventy-five] one thousand dollars to an exploratory committee. If such an ongoing committee is established by an organization or a business entity, its contributions shall be subject to the limits imposed by sections 9-613 to 9-615, inclusive. A political committee organized for ongoing political
activities may make contributions to a charitable organization which is a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as from time to time amended, or make memorial contributions.

Sec. 211. Subsection (a) of section 9-619 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) No political committee established for a single primary or election shall make contributions to a national committee, or a committee of a candidate for federal or out-of-state office. If such a political committee is established by an organization or a business entity, its contributions shall also be subject to the limitations imposed by sections 9-613 to 9-615, inclusive. Except as provided in subdivision (2) of subsection (d) of this section, no political committee formed for a single election or primary shall, with respect to such election or primary make a contribution or contributions in excess of two thousand dollars to another political committee, provided no such political committee shall make a contribution in excess of [three hundred seventy-five] one thousand dollars to an exploratory committee.

Sec. 212. Subdivision (1) of subsection (d) of section 9-618 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(d) (1) No legislative caucus committee or legislative leadership committee shall make a contribution or contributions to, for the benefit of, or pursuant to the authorization or request of, a candidate or a committee supporting or opposing any candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary, or any candidate's campaign for election, to the office of: (A) State senator, in excess of [ten] twenty thousand dollars; or (B) state representative, in excess of [five] ten thousand
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dollars. The limits imposed by this subdivision shall apply separately to primaries and elections. No legislative caucus committee or legislative leadership committee shall make a contribution or contributions to, for the benefit of, or pursuant to the authorization or request of, a candidate or a committee supporting or opposing any candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary, or any candidate's campaign for election, to any office not included in this subdivision.

Sec. 213. Subdivision (1) of subsection (d) of section 9-619 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(d) (1) No legislative caucus committee or legislative leadership committee shall make a contribution or contributions to, for the benefit of, or pursuant to the authorization or request of, a candidate or a committee supporting or opposing any candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary, or any candidate's campaign for election, to the office of: (A) State senator, in excess of [ten] twenty thousand dollars; or (B) state representative, in excess of [five] ten thousand dollars. The limits imposed by this subdivision shall apply separately to primaries and elections. No legislative caucus committee or legislative leadership committee shall make a contribution or contributions to, for the benefit of, or pursuant to the authorization or request of, a candidate or a committee supporting or opposing any candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary, or any candidate's campaign for election, to any office not included in this subdivision.

Sec. 214. (NEW) (Effective from passage and applicable to taxable and income years commencing on or after January 1, 2017) (a) As used in this section, the following terms shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates another meaning:

(1) "7/7 participant" means an eligible owner whose application submitted pursuant to subsection (c) of this section has been approved
by the commissioner;

(2) "7/7 site" means the real property redeveloped and utilized or proposed to be redeveloped and utilized by a 7/7 participant in accordance with this section;

(3) "Brownfield" has the same meaning as provided in section 32-760 of the general statutes;

(4) "Completion of the brownfield remediation" means the completed remediation of a 7/7 site by a 7/7 participant as evidenced by the filing of either a verification or interim verification that meets the requirements of section 22a-133x, 22a-133y or 22a-134 of the general statutes;

(5) "Eligible owner" means any person, firm, limited liability company, nonprofit or for-profit corporation or other business entity that holds title to (A) a brownfield, provided such owner did not establish, create or maintain a source of pollution to the waters of the state for purposes of section 22a-432 of the general statutes and is not responsible pursuant to any other provision of the general statutes for any pollution or source of pollution on such brownfield; or (B) real property that has been abandoned or underutilized for ten or more years; and

(6) "Qualified expenditures" means the expenditures associated with the investigation, assessment and remediation of a brownfield, including, but not limited to: (A) Soil, groundwater and infrastructure investigation; (B) assessment; (C) remediation of soil, sediments, groundwater or surface water; (D) abatement; (E) hazardous materials or waste removal and disposal; (F) long-term groundwater or natural attenuation monitoring; (G) (i) environmental land use restrictions, (ii) activity and use limitations, or (iii) other forms of institutional control; (H) reasonable attorneys' fees; (I) planning, engineering and
environmental consulting; and (j) remedial activity to address building and structural issues, including, but not limited to, demolition, asbestos abatement, polychlorinated biphenyls removal, contaminated wood or paint removal and other infrastructure remedial activities. "Qualified expenditures" do not include expenditures funded for such investigation, assessment, remediation and development directly through other state brownfield programs administered by the commissioner.

(b) There is established within the Department of Economic and Community Development the 7/7 program. Said program shall provide incentives to businesses for redeveloping and utilizing brownfields and real property that has been abandoned or underutilized for ten or more years. Participants in said program shall be eligible for the tax incentives provided under subsections (e) to (h), inclusive, of this section.

(c) To be designated a 7/7 participant, an eligible owner shall submit to the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development an application, on forms provided by the commissioner, that shall include the following information: (1) A description of the real property such eligible owner seeks to utilize and the proposed use for such property; (2) a written certification (A) from such eligible owner stating that such property is a brownfield, or (B) from the municipality in which such property is located stating that such property has been abandoned or underutilized for ten or more years, as determined by such municipality; (3) a plan that such eligible owner shall submit to high schools in the area of the brownfield and the regional-community technical colleges that includes the anticipated workforce needs for the proposed use of such property and workforce training requirements in order to enable such schools and colleges to develop educational training programs to meet such workforce needs; (4) a commitment by the eligible owner to hire not less than thirty per
cent of its workforce from students enrolled in any programs developed as a result of subdivision (3) of this subsection; (5) a written certification from the municipality in which such property is located that such municipality supports the application for the designation of such property as a 7/7 site; and (6) any other information the commissioner deems necessary. The commissioner shall approve any application that satisfies the requirements of this subsection and shall notify the Commissioner of Revenue Services whenever he or she approves the application of an eligible owner.

(d) Any 7/7 participant that seeks to redevelop and utilize a brownfield shall not be eligible for any of the benefits provided under subsections (e) to (h), inclusive, of this section until the completion of the brownfield remediation and the participant's notification of such completion to the Commissioners of Revenue Services and Economic and Community Development and the municipality in which such brownfield is located.

(e) (1) If a 7/7 participant is subject to the tax imposed under chapter 208 of the general statutes, the Commissioner of Revenue Services shall grant a credit against any tax due under the provisions of said chapter in an amount equal to the total amount of tax due under said chapter for the income year that is attributable to the operations of such participant's business located on the 7/7 site after the deduction of any other credits allowable under said chapter. The credit allowed by this subdivision shall be available in the first income year in which such participant begins business operations at such site and the succeeding six income years.

(2) If a 7/7 participant is subject to the tax imposed under chapter 229 of the general statutes, the Commissioner of Revenue Services shall grant a credit to each member, shareholder or partner of such participant against any tax due under the provisions of said chapter, other than the liability imposed by section 12-707 of the general statutes.
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statutes, in an amount equal to such member's, shareholder's or partner's amount of tax due under said chapter for the taxable year that is attributable to the operations of such participant's business located on the 7/7 site after the deduction of any other credits allowable under said chapter. The credit allowed by this subdivision shall be available in the first taxable year in which such participant begins business operations at such site and the succeeding six taxable years.

(f) (1) The taxes imposed by chapter 219 of the general statutes shall not apply to any item purchased by a 7/7 participant in the first seven calendar years from the date such participant initiates business operations at a 7/7 site, provided such item is purchased for use in the ordinary course of business at such site.

(2) At the time of sale, a 7/7 participant shall present to the person who makes the sale a certificate to the effect that the item is subject to such exemption. The certificate shall be signed by and bear the name and address of the purchaser. The certificate shall be substantially in such form as the Commissioner of Revenue Services prescribes.

(3) If a purchaser who presents a certificate, in accordance with subdivision (2) of this subsection, makes any use of the item other than the purpose set forth in subdivision (1) of this subsection, the use shall be deemed to be a use by the purchaser in accordance with chapter 219 of the general statutes, as of the time the property is first used by him or her, and the item shall be taxable to such purchaser in accordance with said chapter.

(g) (1) In the case of a 7/7 participant subject to the tax imposed under chapter 208 of the general statutes, in arriving at net income, as defined in section 12-213 of the general statutes, in the eighth income year following such 7/7 participant's initiation of business operations at a 7/7 site that was a brownfield and the six succeeding income
years, there shall be deducted from gross income, as defined in section 12-213 of the general statutes, an amount not to exceed eight and fifty-seven-one-hundredths per cent of the qualified expenditures associated with the remediation of such site.

(2) In the case of a 7/7 participant subject to the tax imposed under chapter 229 of the general statutes, in the eighth income year following such 7/7 participant's initiation of business operations at a 7/7 site that was a brownfield and the six succeeding income years, there shall be subtracted from Connecticut adjusted gross income, as defined in section 12-701 of the general statutes, an amount not to exceed eight and fifty-seven-one-hundredths per cent of the qualified expenditures associated with the remediation of such site.

(h) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes or of any special act, municipal charter or home rule ordinance, for five assessment years following the date a 7/7 participant obtained a building permit to begin construction at a 7/7 site, the municipality in which such site is located shall continue to use the assessed value of such site as of the date such participant's application was approved under subsection (c) of this section.

(i) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, in consultation with the Commissioner of Revenue Services, shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to implement the provisions of this section.

Sec. 215. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 12-217 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage and applicable to income years commencing on or after January 1, 2017):

(a) (1) In arriving at net income as defined in section 12-213, whether or not the taxpayer is taxable under the federal corporation net income
tax, there shall be deducted from gross income, (A) all items deductible under the Internal Revenue Code effective and in force on the last day of the income year except (i) any taxes imposed under the provisions of this chapter which are paid or accrued in the income year and in the income year commencing January 1, 1989, and thereafter, any taxes in any state of the United States or any political subdivision of such state, or the District of Columbia, imposed on or measured by the income or profits of a corporation which are paid or accrued in the income year, (ii) deductions for depreciation, which shall be allowed as provided in subsection (b) of this section, (iii) deductions for qualified domestic production activities income, as provided in Section 199 of the Internal Revenue Code, and (iv) in the case of any captive real estate investment trust, the deduction for dividends paid provided under Section 857(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, and (B) additionally, in the case of a regulated investment company, the sum of (i) the exempt-interest dividends, as defined in the Internal Revenue Code, and (ii) expenses, bond premium, and interest related to tax-exempt income that are disallowed as deductions under the Internal Revenue Code, and (C) in the case of a taxpayer maintaining an international banking facility as defined in the laws of the United States or the regulations of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, as either may be amended from time to time, the gross income attributable to the international banking facility, provided, no expense or loss attributable to the international banking facility shall be a deduction under any provision of this section, and (D) additionally, in the case of all taxpayers, all dividends as defined in the Internal Revenue Code effective and in force on the last day of the income year not otherwise deducted from gross income, including dividends received from a DISC or former DISC as defined in Section 992 of the Internal Revenue Code and dividends deemed to have been distributed by a DISC or former DISC as provided in Section 995 of said Internal Revenue Code, other than thirty per cent of dividends received from a domestic corporation in which the taxpayer owns less than twenty per cent of
the total voting power and value of the stock of such corporation, and
(E) additionally, in the case of all taxpayers, the value of any capital
gain realized from the sale of any land, or interest in land, to the state,
any political subdivision of the state, or to any nonprofit land
conservation organization where such land is to be permanently
preserved as protected open space or to a water company, as defined
in section 25-32a, where such land is to be permanently preserved as
protected open space or as Class I or Class II water company land, and
(F) in the case of manufacturers, the amount of any contribution to a
manufacturing reinvestment account established pursuant to section
32-9zz in the income year that such contribution is made to the extent
not deductible for federal income tax purposes, and (G) additionally,
to the extent allowable under subsection (g) of section 214 of this act,
the amount paid by a 7/7 participant, as defined in section 214 of this
act, for the remediation of a brownfield.

Sec. 216. Subparagraph (B) of subdivision (20) of subsection (a) of
section 12-701 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is
substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage and applicable to taxable
years commencing on or after January 1, 2017):

(B) There shall be subtracted therefrom (i) to the extent properly
includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, any
income with respect to which taxation by any state is prohibited by
federal law, (ii) to the extent allowable under section 12-718, exempt
dividends paid by a regulated investment company, (iii) the amount of
any refund or credit for overpayment of income taxes imposed by this
state, or any other state of the United States or a political subdivision
thereof, or the District of Columbia, to the extent properly includable
in gross income for federal income tax purposes, (iv) to the extent
properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes
and not otherwise subtracted from federal adjusted gross income
pursuant to clause (x) of this subparagraph in computing Connecticut
adjusted gross income, any tier 1 railroad retirement benefits, (v) to the extent any additional allowance for depreciation under Section 168(k) of the Internal Revenue Code, as provided by Section 101 of the Job Creation and Worker Assistance Act of 2002, for property placed in service after December 31, 2001, but prior to September 10, 2004, was added to federal adjusted gross income pursuant to subparagraph (A)(ix) of this subdivision in computing Connecticut adjusted gross income for a taxable year ending after December 31, 2001, twenty-five per cent of such additional allowance for depreciation in each of the four succeeding taxable years, (vi) to the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, any interest income from obligations issued by or on behalf of the state of Connecticut, any political subdivision thereof, or public instrumentality, state or local authority, district or similar public entity created under the laws of the state of Connecticut, (vii) to the extent properly includable in determining the net gain or loss from the sale or other disposition of capital assets for federal income tax purposes, any gain from the sale or exchange of obligations issued by or on behalf of the state of Connecticut, any political subdivision thereof, or public instrumentality, state or local authority, district or similar public entity created under the laws of the state of Connecticut, in the income year such gain was recognized, (viii) any interest on indebtedness incurred or continued to purchase or carry obligations or securities the interest on which is subject to tax under this chapter but exempt from federal income tax, to the extent that such interest on indebtedness is not deductible in determining federal adjusted gross income and is attributable to a trade or business carried on by such individual, (ix) ordinary and necessary expenses paid or incurred during the taxable year for the production or collection of income which is subject to taxation under this chapter but exempt from federal income tax, or the management, conservation or maintenance of property held for the production of such income, and the amortizable bond premium for the taxable year on any bond the interest on which is subject to tax under
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this chapter but exempt from federal income tax, to the extent that such expenses and premiums are not deductible in determining federal adjusted gross income and are attributable to a trade or business carried on by such individual, (x) (I) for a person who files a return under the federal income tax as an unmarried individual whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than fifty thousand dollars, or as a married individual filing separately whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than fifty thousand dollars, or for a husband and wife who file a return under the federal income tax as married individuals filing jointly whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than sixty thousand dollars or a person who files a return under the federal income tax as a head of household whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than sixty thousand dollars, an amount equal to the Social Security benefits includable for federal income tax purposes; and (II) for a person who files a return under the federal income tax as an unmarried individual whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is fifty thousand dollars or more, or as a married individual filing separately whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is fifty thousand dollars or more, or for a husband and wife who file a return under the federal income tax as married individuals filing jointly whose federal adjusted gross income from such taxable year is sixty thousand dollars or more or for a person who files a return under the federal income tax as a head of household whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is sixty thousand dollars or more, an amount equal to the difference between the amount of Social Security benefits includable for federal income tax purposes and the lesser of twenty-five per cent of the Social Security benefits received during the taxable year, or twenty-five per cent of the excess described in Section 86(b)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code, (xi) to the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, any amount rebated to a taxpayer pursuant to section 12746, (xii) to the extent properly includable in the gross income.
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income for federal income tax purposes of a designated beneficiary, any distribution to such beneficiary from any qualified state tuition program, as defined in Section 529(b) of the Internal Revenue Code, established and maintained by this state or any official, agency or instrumentality of the state, (xiii) to the extent allowable under section 12-701a, contributions to accounts established pursuant to any qualified state tuition program, as defined in Section 529(b) of the Internal Revenue Code, established and maintained by this state or any official, agency or instrumentality of the state, (xiv) to the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, the amount of any Holocaust victims' settlement payment received in the taxable year by a Holocaust victim, (xv) to the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes of an account holder, as defined in section 31-51ww, interest earned on funds deposited in the individual development account, as defined in section 31-51ww, of such account holder, (xvi) to the extent properly includable in the gross income for federal income tax purposes of a designated beneficiary, as defined in section 3-123aa, interest, dividends or capital gains earned on contributions to accounts established for the designated beneficiary pursuant to the Connecticut Homecare Option Program for the Elderly established by sections 3-123aa to 3-123ff, inclusive, (xvii) to the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, any income received from the United States government as retirement pay for a retired member of (I) the Armed Forces of the United States, as defined in Section 101 of Title 10 of the United States Code, or (II) the National Guard, as defined in Section 101 of Title 10 of the United States Code, (xviii) to the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes for the taxable year, any income from the discharge of indebtedness in connection with any reacquisition, after December 31, 2008, and before January 1, 2011, of an applicable debt instrument or instruments, as those terms are defined in Section 108 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended by Section 1231 of the
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, to the extent any such income was added to federal adjusted gross income pursuant to subparagraph (A)(xi) of this subdivision in computing Connecticut adjusted gross income for a preceding taxable year, (xix) to the extent not deductible in determining federal adjusted gross income, the amount of any contribution to a manufacturing reinvestment account established pursuant to section 32-9zz in the taxable year that such contribution is made, [and] (xx) to the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, for the taxable year commencing January 1, 2015, ten per cent of the income received from the state teachers' retirement system, for the taxable year commencing January 1, 2016, twenty-five per cent of the income received from the state teachers' retirement system, and for the taxable year commencing January 1, 2017, and each taxable year thereafter, fifty per cent of the income received from the state teachers' retirement system, and (xxi) to the extent allowable under subsection (g) of section 214 of this act, the amount paid by a 7/7 participant, as defined in section 214 of this act, for the remediation of a brownfield.

Sec. 217. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 51-47 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) The judges of the Superior Court, judges of the Appellate Court and judges of the Supreme Court shall receive annually salaries as follows:

(1) On and after July 1, 2014, (A) the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, one hundred ninety-four thousand seven hundred fifty-seven dollars; (B) the Chief Court Administrator if a judge of the Supreme Court, Appellate Court or Superior Court, one hundred eighty-seven thousand one hundred forty-eight dollars; (C) each associate judge of the Supreme Court, one hundred eighty thousand two hundred four dollars; (D) the Chief Judge of the Appellate Court, one hundred
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seventy-eight thousand two hundred ten dollars; (E) each judge of the Appellate Court, one hundred sixty-nine thousand two hundred forty-five dollars; (F) the Deputy Chief Court Administrator if a judge of the Superior Court, one hundred sixty-six thousand one hundred fifty-eight dollars; (G) each judge of the Superior Court, one hundred sixty-two thousand seven hundred fifty-one dollars.

(2) On and after July 1, 2015, (A) the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, two hundred thousand five hundred ninety-nine dollars; (B) the Chief Court Administrator if a judge of the Supreme Court, Appellate Court or Superior Court, one hundred ninety-two thousand seven hundred sixty-three dollars; (C) each associate judge of the Supreme Court, one hundred eighty-five thousand six hundred ten dollars; (D) the Chief Judge of the Appellate Court, one hundred eighty-three thousand five hundred fifty-six dollars; (E) each judge of the Appellate Court, one hundred seventy-four thousand three hundred twenty-three dollars; (F) the Deputy Chief Court Administrator if a judge of the Superior Court, one hundred seventy-one thousand one hundred forty-three dollars; (G) each judge of the Superior Court, one hundred sixty-seven thousand six hundred thirty-four dollars.

(3) On and after [July 1, 2017] July 1, 2019, (A) the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, two hundred six thousand six hundred seventeen dollars; (B) the Chief Court Administrator if a judge of the Supreme Court, Appellate Court or Superior Court, one hundred ninety-eight thousand five hundred forty-five dollars; (C) each associate judge of the Supreme Court, one hundred ninety-one thousand one hundred seventy-eight dollars; (D) the Chief Judge of the Appellate Court, one hundred eighty-nine thousand sixty-three dollars; (E) each judge of the Appellate Court, one hundred seventy-nine thousand five hundred fifty-two dollars; (F) the Deputy Chief Court Administrator if a judge of the Superior Court, one hundred seventy-six thousand two hundred seventy-seven dollars; (G) each judge of the Superior Court, one
(b) (1) In addition to the salary such judge is entitled to receive under subsection (a) of this section, on and after July 1, 2014, a judge designated as the administrative judge of the appellate system shall receive one thousand one hundred nine dollars in annual salary, each Superior Court judge designated as the administrative judge of a judicial district shall receive one thousand one hundred nine dollars in annual salary and each Superior Court judge designated as the chief administrative judge for facilities, administrative appeals, judicial marshal service or judge trial referees or for the Family, Juvenile, Criminal or Civil Division of the Superior Court shall receive one thousand one hundred nine dollars in annual salary.

(2) In addition to the salary such judge is entitled to receive under subsection (a) of this section, on and after July 1, 2015, a judge designated as the administrative judge of the appellate system shall receive one thousand one hundred forty-two dollars in additional compensation, each Superior Court judge designated as the administrative judge of a judicial district shall receive one thousand one hundred forty-two dollars in additional compensation and each Superior Court judge designated as the chief administrative judge for facilities, administrative appeals, judicial marshal service or judge trial referees or for the Family, Juvenile, Criminal or Civil Division of the Superior Court shall receive one thousand one hundred forty-two dollars in additional compensation.

(3) In addition to the salary such judge is entitled to receive under subsection (a) of this section, on and after [July 1, 2017] July 1, 2019, a judge designated as the administrative judge of the appellate system shall receive one thousand one hundred seventy-seven dollars in additional compensation, each Superior Court judge designated as the administrative judge of a judicial district shall receive one thousand one hundred seventy-seven dollars in additional compensation and
each Superior Court judge designated as the chief administrative judge for facilities, administrative appeals, judicial marshal service or judge trial referees or for the Family, Juvenile, Criminal or Civil Division of the Superior Court shall receive one thousand one hundred seventy-seven dollars in additional compensation.

Sec. 218. Subsection (f) of section 52-434 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(f) Each judge trial referee shall receive, for acting as a referee or as a single auditor or committee of any court or for performing duties assigned by the Chief Court Administrator with the approval of the Chief Justice, for each day the judge trial referee is so engaged, in addition to the retirement salary: (1) (A) On and after July 1, 2014, the sum of two hundred forty-four dollars; (B) on and after July 1, 2015, the sum of two hundred fifty-one dollars, and (C) on and after July 1, 2017, the sum of two hundred fifty-nine dollars; and (2) expenses, including mileage. Such amounts shall be taxed by the court making the reference in the same manner as other court expenses.

Sec. 219. Subsection (h) of section 46b-231 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(h) (1) On and after July 1, 2014, the Chief Family Support Magistrate shall receive a salary of one hundred forty-one thousand six hundred eighty-six dollars, and other family support magistrates shall receive an annual salary of one hundred thirty-four thousand eight hundred forty-eight dollars.

(2) On and after July 1, 2015, the Chief Family Support Magistrate shall receive a salary of one hundred forty-five thousand nine hundred thirty-six dollars, and other family support magistrates shall receive an
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annual salary of one hundred thirty-eight thousand eight hundred ninety-three dollars.

(3) On and after [July 1, 2017] July 1, 2019, the Chief Family Support Magistrate shall receive a salary of one hundred fifty thousand three hundred fourteen dollars, and other family support magistrates shall receive an annual salary of one hundred forty-three thousand sixty dollars.

Sec. 220. Subsection (b) of section 46b-236 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(b) (1) On and after July 1, 2014, each family support referee shall receive, for acting as a family support referee, in addition to the retirement salary, the sum of two hundred eleven dollars and expenses, including mileage, for each day a family support referee is so engaged.

(2) On and after July 1, 2015, each family support referee shall receive, for acting as a family support referee, in addition to the retirement salary, the sum of two hundred seventeen dollars and expenses, including mileage, for each day a family support referee is so engaged.

(3) On and after [July 1, 2017] July 1, 2019, each family support referee shall receive, for acting as a family support referee, in addition to the retirement salary, the sum of two hundred twenty-three dollars and expenses, including mileage, for each day a family support referee is so engaged.

Sec. 221. Subsection (i) of section 10-217a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

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(i) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal [years] year ending June 30, 2008, [to June 30, 2017, inclusive] and each fiscal year thereafter, the amount of the grants payable to local or regional boards of education in accordance with this section shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for purposes of this section.

Sec. 222. Subsection (d) of section 10-71 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(d) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal [years] year ending June 30, 2004, [to June 30, 2017, inclusive] and each fiscal year thereafter, the amount of the grants payable to towns, regional boards of education or regional educational service centers in accordance with this section shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for the purposes of this section for such year.

Sec. 223. Section 10-17g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, the board of education for each local and regional school district that is required to provide a program of bilingual education, pursuant to section 10-17f, may make application to the State Board of Education and shall annually receive a grant in an amount equal to the product obtained by multiplying one million nine hundred sixteen thousand one hundred thirty by the ratio which the number of eligible children in the school district bears to the total number of such eligible children state-wide. The board of education for each local and regional school district receiving funds pursuant to this section shall annually, on or before September first, submit to the State Board of Education a progress report which shall include (1) measures of increased

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educational opportunities for eligible students, including language support services and language transition support services provided to such students, (2) program evaluation and measures of the effectiveness of its bilingual education and English as a second language programs, including data on students in bilingual education programs and students educated exclusively in English as a second language programs, and (3) certification by the board of education submitting the report that any funds received pursuant to this section have been used for the purposes specified. The State Board of Education shall annually evaluate programs conducted pursuant to section 10-17f. For purposes of this section, measures of the effectiveness of bilingual education and English as a second language programs include, but need not be limited to, mastery examination results, under section 10-14n, and graduation and school dropout rates.

Any amount appropriated under this section in excess of one million nine hundred sixteen thousand one hundred thirty dollars shall be spent in accordance with the provisions of sections 10-17k, 10-17n and 10-66t. Any unexpended funds, as of November first, appropriated to the Department of Education for purposes of providing a grant to a local or regional board of education for the provision of a program of bilingual education, pursuant to section 10-17f, shall be distributed on a pro rata basis to each local and regional board of education receiving a grant under this section. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2009, [to June 30, 2017, inclusive] and each fiscal year thereafter, the amount of grants payable to local or regional boards of education for the provision of a program of bilingual education under this section shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for such grants for such year.

Sec. 224. Subsection (e) of section 10-66j of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

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(e) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, [to June 30, 2017, inclusive] and each fiscal year thereafter, the amount of grants payable to regional educational service centers shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for such grants for such year.

Sec. 225. Subsection (c) of section 10-264l of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(c) (1) The maximum amount each interdistrict magnet school program, except those described in subparagraphs (A) to (G), inclusive, of subdivision (3) of this subsection, shall be eligible to receive per enrolled student who is not a resident of the town operating the magnet school shall be (A) six thousand sixteen dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, (B) six thousand seven hundred thirty dollars for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2009, to June 30, 2012, inclusive, and (C) seven thousand eighty-five dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, and each fiscal year thereafter. The per pupil grant for each enrolled student who is a resident of the town operating the magnet school program shall be three thousand dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, and each fiscal year thereafter.

(2) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, and each fiscal year thereafter, the commissioner may, within available appropriations, provide supplemental grants for the purposes of enhancing educational programs in such interdistrict magnet schools, as the commissioner determines. Such grants shall be made after the commissioner has conducted a comprehensive financial review and approved the total operating budget for such schools, including all revenue and expenditure estimates.

(3) (A) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraphs (C) to (G),
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inclusive, of this subdivision, each interdistrict magnet school operated by a regional educational service center that enrolls less than fifty-five per cent of the school's students from a single town shall receive a per pupil grant in the amount of (i) six thousand two hundred fifty dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, (ii) six thousand five hundred dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, (iii) seven thousand sixty dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, (iv) seven thousand six hundred twenty dollars for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2009, to June 30, 2012, inclusive, and (v) seven thousand nine hundred dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, and each fiscal year thereafter.

(B) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraphs (C) to (G), inclusive, of this subdivision, each interdistrict magnet school operated by a regional educational service center that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent of the school's students from a single town shall receive a per pupil grant for each enrolled student who is not a resident of the district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent of the school's students in the amount of (i) six thousand sixteen dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, (ii) six thousand seven hundred thirty dollars for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2009, to June 30, 2012, inclusive, and (iii) seven thousand eighty-five dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, and each fiscal year thereafter. The per pupil grant for each enrolled student who is a resident of the district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent of the school's students shall be three thousand dollars.

(C) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, and each fiscal year thereafter, each interdistrict magnet school operated by a regional educational service center that began operations for the school year commencing July 1, 2001, and that for the school year commencing July 1, 2008, enrolled at least fifty-five per cent, but no more than eighty per cent of the school's students from a single town shall receive
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a per pupil grant (i) for each enrolled student who is a resident of the district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but no more than eighty per cent of the school's students, up to an amount equal to the total number of such enrolled students as of October 1, 2013, using the data of record, in the amount of eight thousand one hundred eighty dollars, (ii) for each enrolled student who is a resident of the district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but not more than eighty per cent of the school's students, in an amount greater than the total number of such enrolled students as of October 1, 2013, using the data of record, in the amount of three thousand dollars, (iii) for each enrolled student who is not a resident of the district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but no more than eighty per cent of the school's students, up to an amount equal to the total number of such enrolled students as of October 1, 2013, using the data of record, in the amount of eight thousand one hundred eighty dollars, and (iv) for each enrolled student who is not a resident of the district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but not more than eighty per cent of the school's students, in an amount greater than the total number of such enrolled students as of October 1, 2013, using the data of record, in the amount of seven thousand eighty-five dollars.

(D) (i) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (D)(ii) of this subparagraph, each interdistrict magnet school operated by (I) a regional educational service center, (II) the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on behalf of a regional community-technical college, (III) the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System on behalf of a state university, (IV) the Board of Trustees for The University of Connecticut on behalf of the university, (V) the board of governors for an independent institution of higher education, as defined in subsection (a) of section 10a-173, or the equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the independent institution of higher education, except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (E) of this subdivision, (VI) cooperative arrangements pursuant to section 10-
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158a, (VII) any other third-party not-for-profit corporation approved by the commissioner, and (VIII) the Hartford school district for the operation of Great Path Academy on behalf of Manchester Community College, that enrolls less than sixty per cent of its students from Hartford [pursuant to the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, or the 2013 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended,] shall receive a per pupil grant in the amount of nine thousand six hundred ninety-five dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, and ten thousand four hundred forty-three dollars for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2011, to June 30, [2017] 2019, inclusive.

(ii) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, and each fiscal year thereafter, any interdistrict magnet school described in subparagraph (D)(i) of this subparagraph that enrolls less than fifty per cent of its incoming students from Hartford shall receive a per pupil grant in the amount of seven thousand nine hundred dollars for one-half of the total number of non-Hartford students enrolled in the school over fifty per cent of the total school enrollment and shall receive a per pupil grant in the amount of ten thousand four hundred forty-three dollars for the remainder of the total school enrollment.

(E) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, and each fiscal year thereafter, each interdistrict magnet school operated by the board of governors for an independent institution of higher education, as defined in subsection (a) of section 10a-173, or the equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the independent institution of higher education, that (i) began operations for the school year commencing July 1, 2014, (ii) enrolls less than sixty per cent of its students from Hartford pursuant to the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O’Neill, et al., as extended, or the 2013 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O’Neill, et al., as extended, and (iii) enrolls students at least half-time, shall be eligible to receive a per
pupil grant (I) equal to sixty-five per cent of the grant amount determined pursuant to subparagraph (D) of this subdivision for each student who is enrolled at such school for at least two semesters in each school year, and (II) equal to thirty-two and one-half per cent of the grant amount determined pursuant to subparagraph (D) of this subdivision for each student who is enrolled at such school for one semester in each school year.

(F) Each interdistrict magnet school operated by a local or regional board of education, pursuant to the [2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, or the 2013 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al.] decision in Sheff v. O'Neill, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, shall receive a per pupil grant for each enrolled student who is not a resident of the district in the amount of (i) twelve thousand dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, and (ii) thirteen thousand fifty-four dollars for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2011, to June 30, [2017] 2019, inclusive.

(G) In addition to the grants described in subparagraph (E) of this subdivision, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, the commissioner may, subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the Finance Advisory Committee, established pursuant to section 4-93, provide supplemental grants to the Hartford school district of up to one thousand fifty-four dollars for each student enrolled at an interdistrict magnet school operated by the Hartford school district who is not a resident of such district.

(H) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, and each fiscal year thereafter, the half-day Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts interdistrict magnet school operated by the Capital Region Education Council shall be eligible to receive a per pupil grant equal to sixty-five per cent of the per pupil grant specified in subparagraph (A) of this subdivision.
(I) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, to June 30, 2018, inclusive, the half-day Greater Hartford Academy of Mathematics and Science interdistrict magnet school operated by the Capitol Region Education Council shall be eligible to receive a per pupil grant equal to six thousand seven hundred eighty-seven dollars for (i) students enrolled in grades ten to twelve, inclusive, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, (ii) students enrolled in grades eleven and twelve for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, and (iii) students enrolled in grade twelve for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, and each fiscal year thereafter, the half-day Greater Hartford Academy of Mathematics and Science interdistrict magnet school shall not be eligible for any additional grants pursuant to subsection (c) of this section.

(4) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2015, and June 30, 2016, the department may limit payment to an interdistrict magnet school operator to an amount equal to the grant that such magnet school operator was eligible to receive based on the enrollment level of the interdistrict magnet school program on October 1, 2013. Approval of funding for enrollment above such enrollment level shall be prioritized by the department as follows: (A) Increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program that is adding planned new grade levels for the school years commencing July 1, 2015, and July 1, 2016; (B) increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program that added planned new grade levels for the school year commencing July 1, 2014, and was funded during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015; (C) increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program that is moving into a permanent facility for the school years commencing July 1, 2014, to July 1, 2016, inclusive; (D) increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program to ensure compliance with subsection (a) of this section; and (E) new enrollments for a new interdistrict magnet school program commencing operations on or after July 1, 2014, pursuant to the 2013 stipulation and order for
Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O’Neill, et al., as extended. Any interdistrict magnet school program operating less than full-time, but at least half-time, shall be eligible to receive a grant equal to sixty-five per cent of the grant amount determined pursuant to this subsection.

(5) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the department may limit payment to an interdistrict magnet school operator to an amount equal to the grant that such magnet school operator was eligible to receive based on the enrollment level of the interdistrict magnet school program on October 1, 2013, or October 1, 2015, whichever is lower. Approval of funding for enrollment above such enrollment level shall be prioritized by the department as follows: (A) Increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program that is adding planned new grade levels for the school years commencing July 1, 2015, and July 1, 2016; (B) increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program that added planned new grade levels for the school year commencing July 1, 2014, and was funded during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015; (C) increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program that added planned new grade levels for the school year commencing July 1, 2015, and was funded during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016; and (D) increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program to ensure compliance with subsection (a) of this section. Any interdistrict magnet school program operating less than full-time, but at least half-time, shall be eligible to receive a grant equal to sixty-five per cent of the grant amount determined pursuant to this subsection.

(6) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, and within available appropriations, the department may limit payment to an interdistrict magnet school operator to an amount equal to the grant that such magnet school operator was eligible to receive based on the enrollment level of the interdistrict magnet school program on October 1, 2013, October 1, 2015, or October 1, 2016, whichever is lower.
Approval of funding for enrollment above such enrollment level shall be prioritized by the department and subject to the commissioner's approval, including increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program as a result of planned and approved new grade levels. Any interdistrict magnet school program operating less than full-time, but at least half-time, shall be eligible to receive a grant equal to sixty-five per cent of the grant amount determined pursuant to this subsection.

(7) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, and within available appropriations, the department may limit payment to an interdistrict magnet school operator to an amount equal to the grant that such magnet school operator was eligible to receive based on the enrollment level of the interdistrict magnet school program on October 1, 2013, October 1, 2015, or October 1, 2017, whichever is lower. Approval of funding for enrollment above such enrollment level shall be prioritized by the department and subject to the commissioner's approval. Any interdistrict magnet school program operating less than full-time, but at least half-time, shall be eligible to receive a grant equal to sixty-five per cent of the grant amount determined pursuant to this subsection.

[(6)] (8) Within available appropriations, the commissioner may make grants to the following entities that operate an interdistrict magnet school that assists the state in meeting its obligations pursuant to the decision in Sheff v. O'Neill, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, as determined by the commissioner and that provide academic support programs and summer school educational programs approved by the commissioner to students participating in such interdistrict magnet school program: (A) Regional educational service centers, (B) local and regional boards
of education, (C) the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on behalf of a regional community-technical college, (D) the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System on behalf of a state university, (E) the Board of Trustees for The University of Connecticut on behalf of the university, (F) the board of governors for an independent institution of higher education, as defined in subsection (a) of section 10a-173, or the equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the independent institution of higher education, (G) cooperative arrangements pursuant to section 10-158a, and (H) any other third-party not-for-profit corporation approved by the commissioner.

[(7)] (9) Within available appropriations, the Commissioner of Education may make grants, in an amount not to exceed seventy-five thousand dollars, for start-up costs associated with the development of new interdistrict magnet school programs that assist the state in meeting [the goals of the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, or the goals of the 2013 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended] its obligations pursuant to the decision in Sheff v. O'Neill, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, as determined by the commissioner, to the following entities that develop such a program: (A) Regional educational service centers, (B) local and regional boards of education, (C) the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on behalf of a regional community-technical college, (D) the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System on behalf of a state university, (E) the Board of Trustees for The University of Connecticut on behalf of the university, (F) the board of governors for an independent institution of higher education, as defined in subsection (a) of section 10a-173, or the equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the independent institution of higher education, (G) cooperative arrangements pursuant to section 10-158a, and (H) any other third-party not-for-profit corporation
approved by the commissioner.

[(8)] (10) The amounts of the grants determined pursuant to this subsection shall be proportionately adjusted, if necessary, within available appropriations, and in no case shall any grant pursuant to this section exceed the reasonable operating budget of the interdistrict magnet school program, less revenues from other sources.

Sec. 226. Subsection (o) of section 10-264l of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(o) For the school years commencing July 1, 2009, to July 1, 2018, inclusive, any local or regional board of education operating an interdistrict magnet school pursuant to the stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, or the 2013 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended decision in Sheff v. O'Neill, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, shall not charge tuition for any student enrolled in a preschool program or in kindergarten to grade twelve, inclusive, in an interdistrict magnet school operated by such school district, except the Hartford school district may charge tuition for any student enrolled in the Great Path Academy.

Sec. 227. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 17a-17 of the general statutes, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, the provisions of said section shall not be considered in any increases or decreases to residential rates or allowable per diem payments to private residential treatment centers licensed pursuant to section 17a-145 of the general statutes.

Sec. 228. (Effective from passage) (a) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the Commissioner of Public Health shall reduce on a pro rata basis payments to full-time municipal health departments, pursuant to
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section 19a-202 of the general statutes, and to health districts, pursuant to section 19a-245 of the general statutes, in an aggregate amount equal to $512,330.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 19a-202 and 19a-245 of the general statutes, payments made pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall be made on or after October 15, 2017.

Sec. 229. *(Effective from passage)* For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, the Department of Social Services and the Department of Children and Families may, with the approval of the Office of Policy and Management, and in compliance with any advanced planning document approved by the federal Department of Health and Human Services, establish receivables for the reimbursement anticipated from approved projects.

Sec. 230. Subsection (b) of section 17b-104 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof *(Effective from passage)*:

(b) On July 1, 2007, and annually thereafter, the commissioner shall increase the payment standards over those of the previous fiscal year under the temporary family assistance program and the state-administered general assistance program by the percentage increase, if any, in the most recent calendar year average in the consumer price index for urban consumers over the average for the previous calendar year, provided the annual increase, if any, shall not exceed five per cent, except that the payment standards for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2010, June 30, 2011, June 30, 2012, June 30, 2013, June 30, 2016, [and] June 30, 2017, June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, shall not be increased.

Sec. 231. Subsection (a) of section 17b-106 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof *(Effective from passage)*:

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(a) On January 1, 2006, and on each January first thereafter, the Commissioner of Social Services shall increase the unearned income disregard for recipients of the state supplement to the federal Supplemental Security Income Program by an amount equal to the federal cost-of-living adjustment, if any, provided to recipients of federal Supplemental Security Income Program benefits for the corresponding calendar year. On July 1, 1989, and annually thereafter, the commissioner shall increase the adult payment standards over those of the previous fiscal year for the state supplement to the federal Supplemental Security Income Program by the percentage increase, if any, in the most recent calendar year average in the consumer price index for urban consumers over the average for the previous calendar year, provided the annual increase, if any, shall not exceed five percent, except that the adult payment standards for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1993, June 30, 1994, June 30, 1995, June 30, 1996, June 30, 1997, June 30, 1998, June 30, 1999, June 30, 2000, June 30, 2001, June 30, 2002, June 30, 2003, June 30, 2004, June 30, 2005, June 30, 2006, June 30, 2007, June 30, 2008, June 30, 2009, June 30, 2010, June 30, 2011, June 30, 2012, June 30, 2013, June 30, 2016, [and] June 30, 2017, June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, shall not be increased. Effective October 1, 1991, the coverage of excess utility costs for recipients of the state supplement to the federal Supplemental Security Income Program is eliminated. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the commissioner may increase the personal needs allowance component of the adult payment standard as necessary to meet federal maintenance of effort requirements.

Sec. 232. Section 17b-244 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) The room and board component of the rates to be paid by the state to private facilities and facilities operated by regional education
service centers which are licensed to provide residential care pursuant to section 17a-227, but not certified to participate in the Title XIX Medicaid program as intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities, shall be determined annually by the Commissioner of Social Services, except that rates effective April 30, 1989, shall remain in effect through October 31, 1989. Any facility with real property other than land placed in service prior to July 1, 1991, shall, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1995, receive a rate of return on real property equal to the average of the rates of return applied to real property other than land placed in service for the five years preceding July 1, 1993. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, and any succeeding fiscal year, the rate of return on real property for property items shall be revised every five years. The commissioner shall, upon submission of a request by such facility, allow actual debt service, comprised of principal and interest, on the loan or loans in lieu of property costs allowed pursuant to section 17-313b-5 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies, whether actual debt service is higher or lower than such allowed property costs, provided such debt service terms and amounts are reasonable in relation to the useful life and the base value of the property. In the case of facilities financed through the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, the commissioner shall allow actual debt service, comprised of principal, interest and a reasonable repair and replacement reserve on the loan or loans in lieu of property costs allowed pursuant to section 17-313b-5 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies, whether actual debt service is higher or lower than such allowed property costs, provided such debt service terms and amounts are determined by the commissioner at the time the loan is entered into to be reasonable in relation to the useful life and base value of the property. The commissioner may allow fees associated with mortgage refinancing provided such refinancing will result in state reimbursement savings, after comparing costs over the terms of the existing proposed loans. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1992, the inflation factor used to determine rates shall be one-half of
the gross national product percentage increase for the period between the midpoint of the cost year through the midpoint of the rate year. For fiscal year ending June 30, 1993, the inflation factor used to determine rates shall be two-thirds of the gross national product percentage increase from the midpoint of the cost year to the midpoint of the rate year. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 1996, and June 30, 1997, no inflation factor shall be applied in determining rates. The Commissioner of Social Services shall prescribe uniform forms on which such facilities shall report their costs. Such rates shall be determined on the basis of a reasonable payment for necessary services. Any increase in grants, gifts, fund-raising or endowment income used for the payment of operating costs by a private facility in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1992, shall be excluded by the commissioner from the income of the facility in determining the rates to be paid to the facility for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1993, provided any operating costs funded by such increase shall not obligate the state to increase expenditures in subsequent fiscal years. Nothing contained in this section shall authorize a payment by the state to any such facility in excess of the charges made by the facility for comparable services to the general public. The service component of the rates to be paid by the state to private facilities and facilities operated by regional education service centers which are licensed to provide residential care pursuant to section 17a-227, but not certified to participate in the Title XIX Medicaid programs as intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities, shall be determined annually by the Commissioner of Developmental Services in accordance with section 17b-244a. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, no facility shall receive a rate that is more than two per cent greater than the rate in effect for the facility on June 30, 2007, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2007, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2007. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, no facility shall receive a rate that is more than
two per cent greater than the rate in effect for the facility on June 30, 2008, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2008, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2008. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2010, and June 30, 2011, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2009, shall remain in effect until June 30, 2011, except that (1) the rate paid to a facility may be higher than the rate paid to the facility for the period ending June 30, 2009, if a capital improvement required by the Commissioner of Developmental Services for the health or safety of the residents was made to the facility during the fiscal years ending June 30, 2010, or June 30, 2011, and (2) any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, or June 30, 2011, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2011, shall remain in effect until June 30, 2012, except that (A) the rate paid to a facility may be higher than the rate paid to the facility for the period ending June 30, 2011, if a capital improvement required by the Commissioner of Developmental Services for the health or safety of the residents was made to the facility during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, and (B) any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate. Any facility that has a significant decrease in land and building costs shall receive a reduced rate to reflect such decrease in land and building costs. The rate paid to a facility may be increased if a capital improvement approved by the Department of Developmental Services, in consultation with the Department of Social Services, for the health or safety of the residents was made to the facility during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, or June 30, 2015, only to the extent such increases are within available appropriations. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the period ending June
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30, 2015, except the rate paid to a facility may be higher than the rate paid to the facility for the period ending June 30, 2015, if a capital improvement approved by the Department of Developmental Services, in consultation with the Department of Social Services, for the health or safety of the residents was made to the facility during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, or June 30, 2017, [only] to the extent such rate increases are within available appropriations. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, and each succeeding fiscal year, any facility that would have been issued a lower rate, due to interim rate status, a change in allowable fair rent or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the period ending June 30, 2017, except the rate paid to a facility may be higher than the rate paid to the facility for the period ending June 30, 2017, if a capital improvement approved by the Department of Developmental Services, in consultation with the Department of Social Services, for the health or safety of the residents was made to the facility during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, or June 30, 2019, to the extent such rate increases are within available appropriations.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, state rates of payment for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, for residential care homes, community living arrangements and community companion homes that receive the flat rate for residential services under section 17-311-54 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies shall be set in accordance with section 234 of this act.

[(b)] (c) The Commissioner of Social Services and the Commissioner of Developmental Services shall adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 to implement the provisions of this section.
Sec. 233. Section 17b-340 of the general statutes is amended by adding subsection (j) as follows (Effective from passage):

(NEW) (j) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, state rates of payment for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, for residential care homes, community living arrangements and community companion homes that receive the flat rate for residential services under section 17-311-54 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies shall be set in accordance with section 234 of this act.

Sec. 234. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of section 17b-244 and subsections (a) to (i), inclusive, of section 17b-340 of the general statutes, or any other provision of the general statutes, or regulation adopted thereunder, the state rates of payments in effect for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, for residential care homes, community living arrangements and community companion homes that receive the flat rate for residential services under section 17-311-54 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies shall remain in effect until June 30, 2019.

Sec. 235. Subdivision (1) of subsection (h) of section 17b-340 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(h) (1) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1993, any residential care home with an operating cost component of its rate in excess of one hundred thirty per cent of the median of operating cost components of rates in effect January 1, 1992, shall not receive an operating cost component increase. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1993, any residential care home with an operating cost component of its rate that is less than one hundred thirty per cent of the median of operating cost components of rates in effect January 1, 1992, shall have an allowance for real wage growth equal to sixty-five per cent of the increase determined in accordance with subsection (q) of section 17-311-52 of
the regulations of Connecticut state agencies, provided such operating
cost component shall not exceed one hundred thirty per cent of the
median of operating cost components in effect January 1, 1992.
Beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 1993, for the purpose of
determining allowable fair rent, a residential care home with allowable
fair rent less than the twenty-fifth percentile of the state-wide
allowable fair rent shall be reimbursed as having allowable fair rent
equal to the twenty-fifth percentile of the state-wide allowable fair
rent. Beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 1997, a residential
care home with allowable fair rent less than three dollars and ten cents
per day shall be reimbursed as having allowable fair rent equal to
three dollars and ten cents per day. Property additions placed in
service during the cost year ending September 30, 1996, or any
succeeding cost year shall receive a fair rent allowance for such
additions as an addition to three dollars and ten cents per day if the
fair rent for the facility for property placed in service prior to
September 30, 1995, is less than or equal to three dollars and ten cents
per day. Beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, a
residential care home shall be reimbursed the greater of the allowable
accumulated fair rent reimbursement associated with real property
additions and land as calculated on a per day basis or three dollars and
ten cents per day if the allowable reimbursement associated with real
property additions and land is less than three dollars and ten cents per
day. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, and any succeeding fiscal
year, the allowance for real wage growth, as determined in accordance
with subsection (q) of section 17-311-52 of the regulations of
Connecticut state agencies, shall not be applied. For the fiscal year
ending June 30, 1996, and any succeeding fiscal year, the inflation
adjustment made in accordance with subsection (p) of section 17-311-
52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies shall not be applied
to real property costs. Beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30,
1997, minimum allowable patient days for rate computation purposes
for a residential care home with twenty-five beds or less shall be
eighty-five per cent of licensed capacity. Beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, for the purposes of determining the allowable salary of an administrator of a residential care home with sixty beds or less the department shall revise the allowable base salary to thirty-seven thousand dollars to be annually inflated thereafter in accordance with section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies. The rates for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, shall be based upon the increased allowable salary of an administrator, regardless of whether such amount was expended in the 2000 cost report period upon which the rates are based. Beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, and until the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, inclusive, the inflation adjustment for rates made in accordance with subsection (p) of section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies shall be increased by two per cent, and beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, the inflation adjustment for rates made in accordance with subsection (c) of said section shall be increased by one per cent. Beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999, for the purpose of determining the allowable salary of a related party, the department shall revise the maximum salary to twenty-seven thousand eight hundred fifty-six dollars to be annually inflated thereafter in accordance with section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies and beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, such allowable salary shall be computed on an hourly basis and the maximum number of hours allowed for a related party other than the proprietor shall be increased from forty hours to forty-eight hours per work week. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, each facility shall receive a rate that is two and one-quarter per cent more than the rate the facility received in the prior fiscal year, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2004, than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2004. Effective upon receipt of all the necessary federal approvals to secure federal financial participation matching
funds associated with the rate increase provided in subdivision (4) of subsection (f) of this section, but in no event earlier than October 1, 2005, and provided the user fee imposed under section 17b-320 is required to be collected, each facility shall receive a rate that is determined in accordance with applicable law and subject to appropriations, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective October 1, 2005, than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective October 1, 2005. Such rate increase shall remain in effect unless: (A) The federal financial participation matching funds associated with the rate increase are no longer available; or (B) the user fee created pursuant to section 17b-320 is not in effect. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2006, shall remain in effect until September 30, 2006, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2006, than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2006. Effective October 1, 2006, no facility shall receive a rate that is more than four per cent greater than the rate in effect for the facility on September 30, 2006, except for any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective October 1, 2006, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective October 1, 2006. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2010, and June 30, 2011, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2009, shall remain in effect until June 30, 2011, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, or the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate, except (i) any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, or the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, due to interim rate status or agreement with the Commissioner of Social Services shall be issued such lower rate; and (ii) the commissioner may increase a facility’s rate
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for reasonable costs associated with such facility's compliance with the provisions of section 19a-495a concerning the administration of medication by unlicensed personnel. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2011, shall remain in effect until June 30, 2012, except that (I) any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, due to interim rate status or agreement with the Commissioner of Social Services shall be issued such lower rate; and (II) the commissioner may increase a facility's rate for reasonable costs associated with such facility's compliance with the provisions of section 19a-495a concerning the administration of medication by unlicensed personnel. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, the Commissioner of Social Services may, within available appropriations, provide a rate increase to a residential care home. Any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, due to interim rate status or agreement with the Commissioner of Social Services shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2012, and June 30, 2013, the Commissioner of Social Services may provide fair rent increases to any facility that has undergone a material change in circumstances related to fair rent and has an approved certificate of need pursuant to section 17b-352, 17b-353, 17b-354 or 17b-355. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2014, and June 30, 2015, for those facilities that have a calculated rate greater than the rate in effect for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, the commissioner may increase facility rates based upon available appropriations up to a stop gain as determined by the commissioner. No facility shall be issued a rate that is lower than the rate in effect on June 30, 2013, except that any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, or the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, due to interim rate status or agreement with the commissioner, shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, and each fiscal year thereafter, a residential care home shall receive a rate increase for any capital improvement made during the fiscal year for the health and safety of
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residents and approved by the Department of Social Services, provided such rate increase is within available appropriations. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, and each succeeding fiscal year thereafter, costs of less than ten thousand dollars that are incurred by a facility and are associated with any land, building or nonmovable equipment repair or improvement that are reported in the cost year used to establish the facility's rate shall not be capitalized for a period of more than five years for rate-setting purposes. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, subject to available appropriations, the commissioner may, at the commissioner's discretion: Increase the inflation cost limitation under subsection (c) of section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies, provided such inflation allowance factor does not exceed a maximum of five per cent; establish a minimum rate of return applied to real property of five per cent inclusive of assets placed in service during cost year 2013; waive the standard rate of return under subsection (f) of section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies for ownership changes or health and safety improvements that exceed one hundred thousand dollars and that are required under a consent order from the Department of Public Health; and waive the rate of return adjustment under subsection (f) of section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies to avoid financial hardship. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the period ending June 30, 2015, except the commissioner may, in the commissioner's discretion and within available appropriations, provide pro rata fair rent increases to facilities which have documented fair rent additions placed in service in cost report years ending September 30, 2014, and September 30, 2015, that are not otherwise included in rates issued. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, and each succeeding fiscal year, any facility that would have been issued a lower rate, due to interim rate status, a change in allowable fair rent or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal year
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ending June 30, 2018, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the period ending June 30, 2017, except the commissioner may, in the commissioner's discretion and within available appropriations, provide pro rata fair rent increases to facilities which have documented fair rent additions placed in service in the cost report year ending September 30, 2016, that are not otherwise included in rates issued. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the period ending June 30, 2018, except the commissioner may, in the commissioner's discretion and within available appropriations, provide pro rata fair rent increases to facilities which have documented fair rent additions placed in service in the cost report year ending September 30, 2017, that are not otherwise included in rates issued.

Sec. 236. Subdivision (4) of subsection (f) of section 17b-340 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(4) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1992, (A) no facility shall receive a rate that is less than the rate it received for the rate year ending June 30, 1991; (B) no facility whose rate, if determined pursuant to this subsection, would exceed one hundred twenty per cent of the state-wide median rate, as determined pursuant to this subsection, shall receive a rate which is five and one-half per cent more than the rate it received for the rate year ending June 30, 1991; and (C) no facility whose rate, if determined pursuant to this subsection, would be less than one hundred twenty per cent of the state-wide median rate, as determined pursuant to this subsection, shall receive a rate which is six and one-half per cent more than the rate it received for the rate year ending June 30, 1991. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1993, no facility shall receive a rate that is less than the rate it received for the rate year ending June 30, 1992, or six per cent more than the rate it received for the rate year ending June 30, 1992. For the fiscal year
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ending June 30, 1994, no facility shall receive a rate that is less than the rate it received for the rate year ending June 30, 1993, or six per cent more than the rate it received for the rate year ending June 30, 1993. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1995, no facility shall receive a rate that is more than five per cent less than the rate it received for the rate year ending June 30, 1994, or six per cent more than the rate it received for the rate year ending June 30, 1994. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 1996, and June 30, 1997, no facility shall receive a rate that is more than three per cent more than the rate it received for the prior rate year. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1998, a facility shall receive a rate increase that is not more than two per cent more than the rate that the facility received in the prior year. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999, a facility shall receive a rate increase that is not more than three per cent more than the rate that the facility received in the prior year and that is not less than one per cent more than the rate that the facility received in the prior year, exclusive of rate increases associated with a wage, benefit and staffing enhancement rate adjustment added for the period from April 1, 1999, to June 30, 1999, inclusive. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, each facility, except a facility with an interim rate or replaced interim rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999, and a facility having a certificate of need or other agreement specifying rate adjustments for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, shall receive a rate increase equal to one per cent applied to the rate the facility received for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999, exclusive of the facility’s wage, benefit and staffing enhancement rate adjustment. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, no facility with an interim rate, replaced interim rate or scheduled rate adjustment specified in a certificate of need or other agreement for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, shall receive a rate increase that is more than one per cent more than the rate the facility received in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, each facility, except a facility with an interim rate or replaced interim rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, and a facility having a certificate of need or other
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agreement specifying rate adjustments for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, shall receive a rate increase equal to two per cent applied to the rate the facility received for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, subject to verification of wage enhancement adjustments pursuant to subdivision (14) of this subsection. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, no facility with an interim rate, replaced interim rate or scheduled rate adjustment specified in a certificate of need or other agreement for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, shall receive a rate increase that is more than two per cent more than the rate the facility received for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, each facility shall receive a rate that is two and one-half per cent more than the rate the facility received in the prior fiscal year. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, each facility shall receive a rate that is two per cent more than the rate the facility received in the prior fiscal year, except that such increase shall be effective January 1, 2003, and such facility rate in effect for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, shall be paid for services provided until December 31, 2002, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2002, than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2002, and have such rate increased two per cent effective June 1, 2003. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2003, shall remain in effect, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2003, than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2003. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2004, shall remain in effect until December 31, 2004, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2004, than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2004. Effective January 1, 2005, each facility shall
receive a rate that is one per cent greater than the rate in effect December 31, 2004. Effective upon receipt of all the necessary federal approvals to secure federal financial participation matching funds associated with the rate increase provided in this subdivision, but in no event earlier than July 1, 2005, and provided the user fee imposed under section 17b-320 is required to be collected, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, the department shall compute the rate for each facility based upon its 2003 cost report filing or a subsequent cost year filing for facilities having an interim rate for the period ending June 30, 2005, as provided under section 17-311-55 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies. For each facility not having an interim rate for the period ending June 30, 2005, the rate for the period ending June 30, 2006, shall be determined beginning with the higher of the computed rate based upon its 2003 cost report filing or the rate in effect for the period ending June 30, 2005. Such rate shall then be increased by eleven dollars and eighty cents per day except that in no event shall the rate for the period ending June 30, 2006, be thirty-two dollars more than the rate in effect for the period ending June 30, 2005, and for any facility with a rate below one hundred ninety-five dollars per day for the period ending June 30, 2005, such rate for the period ending June 30, 2006, shall not be greater than two hundred seventeen dollars and forty-three cents per day and for any facility with a rate equal to or greater than one hundred ninety-five dollars per day for the period ending June 30, 2005, such rate for the period ending June 30, 2006, shall not exceed the rate in effect for the period ending June 30, 2005, increased by eleven and one-half per cent. For each facility with an interim rate for the period ending June 30, 2005, the interim replacement rate for the period ending June 30, 2006, shall not exceed the rate in effect for the period ending June 30, 2005, increased by eleven dollars and eighty cents per day plus the per day cost of the user fee payments made pursuant to section 17b-320 divided by annual resident service days, except for any facility with an interim rate below one hundred ninety-five dollars per day for the period
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ending June 30, 2005, the interim replacement rate for the period ending June 30, 2006, shall not be greater than two hundred seventeen dollars and forty-three cents per day and for any facility with an interim rate equal to or greater than one hundred ninety-five dollars per day for the period ending June 30, 2005, the interim replacement rate for the period ending June 30, 2006, shall not exceed the rate in effect for the period ending June 30, 2005, increased by eleven and one-half per cent. Such July 1, 2005, rate adjustments shall remain in effect unless (i) the federal financial participation matching funds associated with the rate increase are no longer available; or (ii) the user fee created pursuant to section 17b-320 is not in effect. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, each facility shall receive a rate that is three percent greater than the rate in effect for the period ending June 30, 2006, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2006, than for the rate period ending June 30, 2006, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2006. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, each facility shall receive a rate that is two and nine-tenths per cent greater than the rate in effect for the period ending June 30, 2007, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2007, than for the rate period ending June 30, 2007, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2007. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2008, shall remain in effect until June 30, 2009, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2010, and June 30, 2011, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2009, shall remain in effect until June 30, 2011, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, or the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal years

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ending June 30, 2012, and June 30, 2013, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2011, shall remain in effect until June 30, 2013, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, or the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, the department shall determine facility rates based upon 2011 cost report filings subject to the provisions of this section and applicable regulations except: (I) A ninety per cent minimum occupancy standard shall be applied; (II) no facility shall receive a rate that is higher than the rate in effect on June 30, 2013; and (III) no facility shall receive a rate that is more than four per cent lower than the rate in effect on June 30, 2013, except that any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2013, than for the rate period ending June 30, 2013, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2013. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2014, shall remain in effect until June 30, 2015, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2014, than for the rate period ending June 30, 2014, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2014. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the period ending June 30, 2015, except the rate paid to a facility may be higher than the rate paid to the facility for the period ending June 30, 2015, if the commissioner provides, within available appropriations, pro rata fair rent increases, which may, at the discretion of the commissioner, include increases for facilities which have undergone a material change in circumstances related to fair rent additions or moveable equipment placed in service in cost report years ending September 30, 2014, and September 30, 2015, and not otherwise included in rates issued. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, and each succeeding fiscal year, any facility that would have been issued a lower rate, due to interim rate status, a change in...
allowable fair rent or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, facilities that received a rate decrease due to the expiration of a 2015 fair rent asset shall receive a rate increase of an equivalent amount effective July 1, 2017. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the department shall determine facility rates based upon 2016 cost report filings subject to the provisions of this section and applicable regulations, provided no facility shall receive a rate that is higher than the rate in effect on December 31, 2016, and no facility shall receive a rate that is more than two per cent lower than the rate in effect on December 31, 2016. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, no facility shall receive a rate that is higher than the rate in effect on June 30, 2018, except the rate paid to a facility may be higher than the rate paid to the facility for the period ending June 30, 2018, if the commissioner provides, within available appropriations, pro rata fair rent increases, which may, at the discretion of the commissioner, include increases for facilities which have undergone a material change in circumstances related to fair rent additions or moveable equipment placed in service in the cost report year ending September 30, 2017, and not otherwise included in rates issued. The Commissioner of Social Services shall add fair rent increases to any other rate increases established pursuant to this subdivision for a facility which has undergone a material change in circumstances related to fair rent, except for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2010, June 30, 2011, and June 30, 2012, such fair rent increases shall only be provided to facilities with an approved certificate of need pursuant to section 17b-352, 17b-353, 17b-354 or 17b-355. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, the commissioner may, within available appropriations, provide pro rata fair rent increases for facilities which have undergone a material change in circumstances related to fair rent additions placed in service in cost report years ending September 30, 2008, to September 30, 2011, inclusive, and not otherwise included in rates issued. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2014, and June 30, 2015, the commissioner may, within available appropriations, provide

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pro rata fair rent increases, which may include moveable equipment at the discretion of the commissioner, for facilities which have undergone a material change in circumstances related to fair rent additions or moveable equipment placed in service in cost report years ending September 30, 2012, and September 30, 2013, and not otherwise included in rates issued. The commissioner shall add fair rent increases associated with an approved certificate of need pursuant to section 17b-352, 17b-353, 17b-354 or 17b-355. Interim rates may take into account reasonable costs incurred by a facility, including wages and benefits. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the Commissioner of Social Services may, subject to available appropriations, increase or decrease rates issued to licensed chronic and convalescent nursing homes and licensed rest homes with nursing supervision. Notwithstanding any provision of this section, the Commissioner of Social Services shall, effective July 1, 2015, within available appropriations, adjust facility rates in accordance with the application of standard accounting principles as prescribed by the commissioner, for each facility subject to subsection (a) of this section. Such adjustment shall provide a pro-rata increase based on direct and indirect care employee salaries reported in the 2014 annual cost report, and adjusted to reflect subsequent salary increases, to reflect reasonable costs mandated by collective bargaining agreements with certified collective bargaining agents, or otherwise provided by a facility to its employees. For purposes of this subsection, "employee" shall not include a person employed as a facility's manager, chief administrator, a person required to be licensed as a nursing home administrator or any individual who receives compensation for services pursuant to a contractual arrangement and who is not directly employed by the facility. The commissioner may establish an upper limit for reasonable costs associated with salary adjustments beyond which the adjustment shall not apply. Nothing in this section shall require the commissioner to distribute such adjustments in a way that jeopardizes anticipated federal reimbursement. Facilities that receive

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such adjustment but do not provide increases in employee salaries as described in this subsection on or before July 31, 2015, may be subject to a rate decrease in the same amount as the adjustment by the commissioner. Of the amount appropriated for this purpose, no more than nine million dollars shall go to increases based on reasonable costs mandated by collective bargaining agreements.

Sec. 237. Subdivision (13) of subsection (f) of section 17b-340 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(13) For the fiscal year ending June 30, [1994] 2014, and any succeeding fiscal year, for purposes of computing minimum allowable patient days, utilization of a facility’s certified beds shall be determined at a minimum of [ninety-five] ninety per cent of capacity, except for new facilities and facilities which are certified for additional beds which may be permitted a lower occupancy rate for the first three months of operation after the effective date of licensure.

Sec. 238. Subsection (g) of section 17b-340 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(g) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1993, any intermediate care facility for individuals with intellectual disabilities with an operating cost component of its rate in excess of one hundred forty per cent of the median of operating cost components of rates in effect January 1, 1992, shall not receive an operating cost component increase. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1993, any intermediate care facility for individuals with intellectual disabilities with an operating cost component of its rate that is less than one hundred forty per cent of the median of operating cost components of rates in effect January 1, 1992, shall have an allowance for real wage growth equal to thirty per cent of the increase determined in accordance with subsection (q) of section
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17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies, provided such operating cost component shall not exceed one hundred forty per cent of the median of operating cost components in effect January 1, 1992. Any facility with real property other than land placed in service prior to October 1, 1991, shall, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1995, receive a rate of return on real property equal to the average of the rates of return applied to real property other than land placed in service for the five years preceding October 1, 1993. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, and any succeeding fiscal year, the rate of return on real property for property items shall be revised every five years. The commissioner shall, upon submission of a request, allow actual debt service, comprised of principal and interest, in excess of property costs allowed pursuant to section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies, provided such debt service terms and amounts are reasonable in relation to the useful life and the base value of the property. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1995, and any succeeding fiscal year, the inflation adjustment made in accordance with subsection (p) of section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies shall not be applied to real property costs. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, and any succeeding fiscal year, the allowance for real wage growth, as determined in accordance with subsection (q) of section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies, shall not be applied. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, and any succeeding fiscal year, no rate shall exceed three hundred seventy-five dollars per day unless the commissioner, in consultation with the Commissioner of Developmental Services, determines after a review of program and management costs, that a rate in excess of this amount is necessary for care and treatment of facility residents. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, rate period, the Commissioner of Social Services shall increase the inflation adjustment for rates made in accordance with subsection (p) of section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies to update allowable fiscal year 2000 costs to include a three and one-half per cent
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inflation factor. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, rate period, the commissioner shall increase the inflation adjustment for rates made in accordance with subsection (p) of section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies to update allowable fiscal year 2001 costs to include a one and one-half per cent inflation factor, except that such increase shall be effective November 1, 2002, and such facility rate in effect for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, shall be paid for services provided until October 31, 2002, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2002, than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2002, and have such rate updated effective November 1, 2002, in accordance with applicable statutes and regulations. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2003, shall remain in effect, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2003, than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2003. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2004, shall remain in effect until September 30, 2004. Effective October 1, 2004, each facility shall receive a rate that is five per cent greater than the rate in effect September 30, 2004. Effective upon receipt of all the necessary federal approvals to secure federal financial participation matching funds associated with the rate increase provided in subdivision (4) of subsection (f) of this section, but in no event earlier than October 1, 2005, and provided the user fee imposed under section 17b-320 is required to be collected, each facility shall receive a rate that is four per cent more than the rate the facility received in the prior fiscal year, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective October 1, 2005, than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective October 1, 2005. Such rate increase shall remain in effect unless: (1) The federal financial participation
matching funds associated with the rate increase are no longer available; or (2) the user fee created pursuant to section 17b-320 is not in effect. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2006, shall remain in effect until September 30, 2006, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2006, than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2006. Effective October 1, 2006, no facility shall receive a rate that is more than three per cent greater than the rate in effect for the facility on September 30, 2006, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective October 1, 2006, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective October 1, 2006. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, each facility shall receive a rate that is two and nine-tenths per cent greater than the rate in effect for the period ending June 30, 2007, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2007, than for the rate period ending June 30, 2007, due to interim rate status, or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2007. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2008, shall remain in effect until June 30, 2009, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2010, and June 30, 2011, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2009, shall remain in effect until June 30, 2011, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, or the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2011, shall remain in effect until June 30, 2012, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department.
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department, shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2014, and June 30, 2015, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the period ending June 30, 2013, except the rate paid to a facility may be higher than the rate paid to the facility for the period ending June 30, 2013, if a capital improvement approved by the Department of Developmental Services, in consultation with the Department of Social Services, for the health or safety of the residents was made to the facility during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, or June 30, 2015, only to the extent such rate increases are within available appropriations. Any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, or the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the period ending June 30, 2015, except the rate paid to a facility may be higher than the rate paid to the facility for the period ending June 30, 2015, if a capital improvement approved by the Department of Developmental Services, in consultation with the Department of Social Services, for the health or safety of the residents was made to the facility during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, or June 30, 2017, only to the extent such rate increases are within available appropriations. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, and each succeeding fiscal year, any facility that would have been issued a lower rate, due to interim rate status, a change in allowable fair rent or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the period ending June 30, 2017, except the rate paid to a facility may be higher than the rate paid to the facility for the period ending June 30, 2017, if a capital improvement approved by the Department of Developmental Services, in consultation with the Department of Social Services, for the health or safety of the residents was made to the facility during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, or June 30, 2019, only to the extent such rate
increases are within available appropriations. Any facility that has a significant decrease in land and building costs shall receive a reduced rate to reflect such decrease in land and building costs. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2012, June 30, 2013, June 30, 2014, June 30, 2015, June 30, 2016, [and] June 30, 2017, June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, the Commissioner of Social Services may provide fair rent increases to any facility that has undergone a material change in circumstances related to fair rent and has an approved certificate of need pursuant to section 17b-352, 17b-353, 17b-354 or 17b-355. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the Commissioner of Social Services may, within available appropriations, increase or decrease rates issued to intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities to reflect a reduction in available appropriations as provided in subsection (a) of this section. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2014, and June 30, 2015, the commissioner shall not consider rebasing in determining rates.

Sec. 239. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-183t of the general statutes, for each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, the state shall make payments pursuant to subsections (a) and (c) of said section only within available appropriations for these purposes. The retired teachers' health insurance premium account within the Teachers' Retirement Fund, established in accordance with the provisions of subsection (d) of said section, shall pay any remaining costs associated with (1) the basic plan's premium equivalent under subsection (a) of said section to ensure that the retiree share of such premium equivalent remains at one-third, and (2) the subsidy under subsection (c) of said section.

Sec. 240. Section 17b-256f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective January 1, 2018):

The Commissioner of Social Services shall [increase income disregards used to determine eligibility by the Department of Social
Services] establish eligibility for the federal Qualified Medicare Beneficiary, the Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary and the Qualifying Individual programs, administered in accordance with the provisions of 42 USC 1396d(p), by such amounts that shall result in persons with income that is (1) less than [two hundred eleven] one hundred per cent of the federal poverty level qualifying for the Qualified Medicare Beneficiary program, (2) at or above [two hundred eleven] one hundred per cent of the federal poverty level but less than [two hundred thirty-one] one hundred twenty per cent of the federal poverty level qualifying for the Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary program, and (3) at or above [two hundred thirty-one] one hundred twenty per cent of the federal poverty level but less than [two hundred forty-six] one hundred thirty-five per cent of the federal poverty level qualifying for the Qualifying Individual program. The commissioner shall not apply an asset test for eligibility under the Medicare Savings Program. The commissioner shall not consider as income Aid and Attendance pension benefits granted to a veteran, as defined in section 27-103, or the surviving spouse of such veteran. The Commissioner of Social Services, pursuant to section 17b-10, may implement policies and procedures to administer the provisions of this section while in the process of adopting such policies and procedures in regulation form, provided the commissioner prints notice of the intent to adopt the regulations [in the Connecticut Law Journal] on the department's Internet web site and the eRegulations System not later than twenty days after the date of implementation. Such policies and procedures shall be valid until the time final regulations are adopted.

Sec. 241. Section 16-2a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) There shall be an independent Office of Consumer Counsel, within the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, for administrative purposes only, to act as the advocate for consumer
interests in all matters which may affect Connecticut consumers with respect to public service companies, electric suppliers and certified telecommunications providers, including, but not limited to, rates and related issues, ratepayer-funded programs and matters concerning the reliability, maintenance, operations, infrastructure and quality of service of such companies, suppliers and providers. The Office of Consumer Counsel is authorized to appear in and participate in any regulatory or judicial proceedings, federal or state, in which such interests of Connecticut consumers may be involved, or in which matters affecting utility services rendered or to be rendered in this state may be involved. The Office of Consumer Counsel shall be a party to each contested case before the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority and shall participate in such proceedings to the extent it deems necessary. Said Office of Consumer Counsel may appeal from a decision, order or authorization in any such state regulatory proceeding notwithstanding its failure to appear or participate in said proceeding.

(b) Except as prohibited by the provisions of section 4-181, the Office of Consumer Counsel shall have access to the records of the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority and shall be entitled to call upon the assistance of the authority's and the department's experts, and shall have the benefit of all other facilities or information of the authority or department in carrying out the duties of the Office of Consumer Counsel, except for such internal documents, information or data as are not available to parties to the authority's proceedings. The department shall provide such space as necessary within the department's quarters for the operation of the Office of Consumer Counsel, and the department shall be empowered to set regulations providing for adequate compensation for the provision of such office space.

[(c) There shall be established an Office of State Broadband within}
the Office of Consumer Counsel. The Office of State Broadband shall work to facilitate the availability of broadband access to every state citizen and to increase access to and the adoption of ultra-high-speed gigabit capable broadband networks. The Office of Consumer Counsel may work in collaboration with public and nonprofit entities and state agencies, and may provide advisory assistance to municipalities, local authorities and private corporations for the purpose of maximizing opportunities for the expansion of broadband access in the state and fostering innovative approaches to broadband in the state, including the procurement of grants for such purpose. The Office of State Broadband shall include a Broadband Policy Coordinator and such other staff as the Consumer Counsel deems necessary to perform the duties of the Office of State Broadband.

[(d)] (c) The Office of Consumer Counsel shall be under the direction of a Consumer Counsel, who shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of either house of the General Assembly. The Consumer Counsel shall be an elector of this state and shall have demonstrated a strong commitment and involvement in efforts to safeguard the rights of the public. The Consumer Counsel shall serve for a term of five years unless removed pursuant to section 16-5. The salary of the Consumer Counsel shall be equal to that established for management pay plan salary group seventy-one by the Commissioner of Administrative Services. No Consumer Counsel shall, for a period of one year following the termination of service as Consumer Counsel, accept employment by a public service company, a certified telecommunications provider or an electric supplier. No Consumer Counsel who is also an attorney shall in any capacity, appear or participate in any matter, or accept any compensation regarding a matter, before the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority, for a period of one year following the termination of service as Consumer Counsel.
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[(e)] (d) The Consumer Counsel shall hire such staff as necessary to perform the duties of said Office of Consumer Counsel and may employ from time to time outside consultants knowledgeable in the utility regulation field including, but not limited to, economists, capital cost experts and rate design experts. The salaries and qualifications of the individuals so hired shall be determined by the Commissioner of Administrative Services pursuant to section 4-40.

[(f)] (e) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent any party interested in such proceeding or action from appearing in person or from being represented by counsel therein.

[(g)] (f) As used in this section, "consumer" means any person, city, borough or town that receives service from any public service company, electric supplier or from any certified telecommunications provider in this state whether or not such person, city, borough or town is financially responsible for such service.

[(h)] (g) The Office of Consumer Counsel shall not be required to post a bond as a condition to presenting an appeal from any state regulatory decision, order or authorization.

[(i)] (h) The expenses of the Office of Consumer Counsel shall be assessed in accordance with the provisions of section 16-49.

Sec. 242. Section 2 of public act 17-192 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) For the purposes of this section, "transportation project" means any transportation planning or capital project undertaken by the state on or after July 1, 2018, that expands capacity on a limited access highway, transit or railroad system or parking facility or is estimated to cost one hundred fifty million dollars or more, but does not mean any transportation project undertaken by the state on or after July 1, 2018, that the Commissioner of Transportation finds is necessary to
maintain the state's infrastructure in good repair and estimates to cost less than one hundred fifty million dollars.

(b) The Commissioner of Transportation, in consultation with the Commissioners of Economic and Community Development, Housing and Energy and Environmental Protection, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to transportation and finance, revenue and bonding, shall develop a method to assess each transportation project to determine the impact of such transportation project on economic development, transit-oriented development, housing development, access to employment, the environment, traffic congestion and public safety.

(c) On or before February 1, 2018, the commissioner shall submit, in accordance with section 11-4a of the general statutes, such assessment method to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to transportation. Not later than sixty days after the receipt of such assessment method, said committee shall meet to approve or reject such assessment method and advise the commissioner of said committee's approval or rejection. If said committee fails to approve or reject such assessment method within sixty days of such receipt, such assessment method shall be deemed approved. Such assessment method shall become effective when approved by an affirmative vote of said committee or deemed approved. In the event that such assessment method is rejected, such assessment method shall be returned to the commissioner for revisions and resubmitted to said committee not later than thirty days after such rejection.

(d) On and after July 1, 2018, the commissioner shall assess each transportation project using the assessment method approved pursuant to subsection (c) of this section. The commissioner shall not
include a transportation project in the Department of Transportation's five-year transportation capital plan for the state unless the assessment of such transportation project is completed.

(e) The commissioner shall submit the assessment of each transportation project to the Transportation Policy Advisory Council established pursuant to section 1 of [this act] public act 17-192 and post such assessments on the Department of Transportation's Internet web site.

(f) The Department of Transportation shall not submit a request for appropriations or authorization of bonds for a transportation project to the General Assembly unless the commissioner has submitted the assessment of such transportation project pursuant to subsection (e) of this section. [The provisions of this subsection do not apply to a transportation project undertaken by the department provided the commissioner finds such project is necessary to maintain the state's transportation infrastructure in good repair and such project does not add capacity to a limited access highway, transit or railroad system or parking facility and is estimated to cost less than one hundred fifty million dollars.]

(g) On or before January 1, 2019, and annually thereafter, the commissioner shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to transportation and finance, revenue and bonding, on the assessments of transportation projects completed in the previous calendar year.

Sec. 243. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 5-217 of the general statutes, the Commissioner of Administrative Services may continue or extend any candidate list that was scheduled to expire on or after June 7, 2017, to a date not later than December 31, 2018.
Sec. 244. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2018) (a) There is established an Office of Health Strategy, which shall be within the Department of Public Health for administrative purposes only. The department head of said office shall be the executive director of the Office of Health Strategy, who shall be appointed by the Governor in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-5 to 4-8, inclusive, of the general statutes, with the powers and duties therein prescribed.

(b) The Office of Health Strategy shall be responsible for the following:

(1) Developing and implementing a comprehensive and cohesive health care vision for the state, including, but not limited to, a coordinated state health care cost containment strategy;

(2) Directing and overseeing (A) the all-payers claim database program established pursuant to section 38-1091 of the general statutes, and (B) the State Innovation Model Initiative and related successor initiatives;

(3) Coordinating the state's health information technology initiatives;

(4) Directing and overseeing the Office of Health Care Access and all of its duties and responsibilities as set forth in chapter 368z of the general statutes; and

(5) Convening forums and meetings with state government and external stakeholders, including, but not limited to, the Connecticut Health Insurance Exchange, to discuss health care issues designed to develop effective health care cost and quality strategies.

(c) The Office of Health Strategy shall constitute a successor, in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-38d, 4-38e and 4-39 of the general statutes, to the functions, powers and duties of the following:
(1) The Connecticut Health Insurance Exchange, established pursuant to section 38a-1081 of the general statutes, relating to the administration of the all-payer claims database pursuant to section 38a-1091 of the general statutes; and

(2) The Office of the Lieutenant Governor, relating to the (A) development of a chronic disease plan pursuant to section 19a-6q of the general statutes, (B) housing, chairing and staffing of the Health Care Cabinet pursuant to section 19a-725 of the general statutes, and (C) (i) appointment of the health information technology officer pursuant to section 19a-755 of the general statutes, and (ii) oversight of the duties of such health information technology officer as set forth in sections 17b-59, 17b-59a and 17b-59f of the general statutes.

(d) Any order or regulation of the entities listed in subdivisions (1) and (2) of subsection (c) of this section that is in force on July 1, 2018, shall continue in force and effect as an order or regulation until amended, repealed or superseded pursuant to law.

Sec. 245. Subsection (b) of section 4-85 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(b) Any allotment requisition and any allotment in force shall be subject to the following: (1) If the Governor determines that due to a change in circumstances since the budget was adopted certain reductions should be made in allotment requisitions or allotments in force or that estimated budget resources during the fiscal year will be insufficient to finance all appropriations in full, the Governor may modify such allotment requisitions or allotments in force to the extent the Governor deems necessary. Before such modifications are effected the Governor shall file a report with the joint standing committee having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies and the joint standing committee having
cognizance of matters relating to state finance, revenue and bonding describing the change in circumstances which makes it necessary that certain reductions should be made or the basis for his determination that estimated budget resources will be insufficient to finance all appropriations in full. (2) If the cumulative monthly financial statement issued by the Comptroller pursuant to section 3-115 includes a projected General Fund deficit greater than one-half of one per cent of the total of General Fund appropriations, the Governor, within thirty days following the issuance of such statement, shall file a report with such joint standing committees, including a plan which he shall implement to modify such allotments to the extent necessary to prevent a deficit. No modification of an allotment requisition or an allotment in force made by the Governor pursuant to this subsection shall result in a reduction of more than three per cent of the total appropriation from any fund or more than five per cent of any appropriation, except such limitations shall not apply in time of war, invasion or emergency caused by natural disaster.

Sec. 246. Subsection (b) of section 4-85 of the general statutes, as amended by section 165 of public act 15-244 and section 481 of public act 15-5 of the June special session, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 1, 2019):

(b) Any allotment requisition and any allotment in force shall be subject to the following: (1) If the Governor determines that due to a change in circumstances since the budget was adopted certain reductions should be made in allotment requisitions or allotments in force or that estimated budget resources during the fiscal year will be insufficient to finance all appropriations in full, the Governor may modify such allotment requisitions or allotments in force to the extent the Governor deems necessary. Before such modifications are effected the Governor shall file a report with the joint standing committee having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the
Section 247. (NEW) (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes to the contrary, no collective bargaining agreement entered into on or after the effective date of this section between a municipality and an employee organization that is the exclusive representative of the municipality's employees shall contain any provision limiting the ability of the municipality to permit volunteer services for the benefit of the municipality.
Section 2-32a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

[No] The General Assembly shall adopt no public act which imposes a state mandate on any political subdivision of this state which requires the appropriation of funds for the budget of such political subdivision in order to comply with the provisions of such act, except by a concurring vote by two-thirds of the full membership of each house, and no such act shall be effective as to such political subdivision earlier than the first fiscal year of such political subdivision beginning after five months following the date of passage of such act.

Section 2-32a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

The General Assembly shall adopt no public act which imposes a state mandate on any political subdivision of this state which requires the appropriation of funds for the budget of such political subdivision in order to comply with the provisions of such act, except by a concurring vote by two-thirds of the full membership of each house, and no such act shall be effective as to such political subdivision earlier than the first fiscal year of such political subdivision beginning after five months following the date of passage of such act.

Section 2-32a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

The General Assembly shall adopt no public act which imposes a state mandate on any political subdivision of this state which requires the appropriation of funds for the budget of such political subdivision in order to comply with the provisions of such act, except by a concurring vote by two-thirds of the full membership of each house, and no such act shall be effective as to such political subdivision earlier than the first fiscal year of such political subdivision beginning after five months following the date of passage of such act.
located shall consult when possible regarding municipal and board of 
education consolidation to enable the joint purchasing of property, 
casualty and workers' compensation insurance. For the purpose of this 
section, "municipality" means any town, city, borough, consolidated 
town and city or consolidated town and borough.

Sec. 252. (NEW) (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding any special 
act, municipal charter or home rule ordinance, each local board of 
education shall first consult with (1) the board of finance in each town 
or city having a board of finance, (2) the board of selectmen in each 
town or city having no board of finance, or (3) the authority making 
appropriations for the school district, before authorizing such board of 
finance, board of selectmen or such other authority making 
appropriations to share responsibility for the maintenance of the 
buildings, grounds, equipment and information technology of such 
board of education.

Sec. 253. (Effective from passage) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions 
of section 12-142 of the general statutes, title 7 or 10 of the general 
statutes, chapters 170 and 204 of the general statutes, any special act, 
any municipal charter or any home rule ordinance, if a municipality or 
regional board of education has adopted a budget or levied taxes for 
the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, prior to the adoption of the state 
budget for said fiscal year and such municipality or regional board of 
education receives, pursuant to such adopted state budget, an amount 
in excess of five hundred thousand dollars of state aid than that 
projected in the municipality's or regional board of education's 
adopted budget, such municipality or regional board of education 
shall (1) amend its budget in the same manner as such budget was 
originally adopted, and (2) not later than January 1, 2018, adjust the tax 
levy and the amount of any remaining installments of such taxes. The 
amendment to such budget shall be in an amount not exceeding the 
increase in state aid to the municipality or regional board of education.
If a municipality has levied a tax that was due and payable in a single installment for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, such municipality may mail or hand to persons liable therefor a supplemental rate bill for any additional tax levy resulting pursuant to subdivision (2) of this subsection or the repeal of the motor vehicle mill rate cap.

(b) For the purposes of this section, "municipality" means any town, city, borough, consolidated town and city or consolidated town and borough.

Sec. 254. (Effective from passage) The Governor shall achieve General Fund savings of $19,472,184 in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, and $24,042,877 in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, by eliminating deputy secretary positions within state agencies, consolidating human resources functions for all state agencies into the Department of Administrative Services, eliminating all filled executive assistant positions within state agencies and reducing filled executive secretary communications positions within state agencies. For the purposes of this section, "state agency" has the same meaning as provided in section 4-60v of the general statutes.

Sec. 255. (Effective from passage) (a) Not later than January 1, 2018, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall create a pilot program that applies the principles of the Pew-MacArthur Results First cost-benefit analysis model, with the overall goal of promoting cost-effective policies and programming by the state, to at least ten grant programs financed by the state selected by the secretary. Such grant programs shall include, but need not be limited to, programs that provide services for families in the state, employment programs and at least one contracting program that is provided by a state agency with an annual budget of over two hundred million dollars.

(b) Not later than April 1, 2018, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall submit a report, in accordance with the
provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies. Such report shall include, but need not be limited to, which grant programs the secretary has included in the pilot program, the status of the pilot program and any recommendations.

Sec. 256. (Effective from passage) The University of Connecticut Health Center board of directors, established pursuant to subsection (c) of section 10a-104 of the general statutes, shall seek to establish public-private partnerships with hospitals or other private entities selected by the board. Not later than April 1, 2018, the board shall submit a report concerning the status of such partnerships and any recommended legislation to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to higher education, public health and appropriations, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.

Sec. 257. Subsection (b) of section 32-1s of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(b) Any order or regulation of the Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism, which is in force on July 1, 2011, shall continue in force and effect as an order or regulation of the Department of Economic and Community Development until amended, repealed or superseded pursuant to law. Where any order or regulation of said commission or said department conflicts, the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development may implement policies and procedures consistent with the provisions of this section and sections 3-110f, 3-110h, 3-110i, 4-9a, 4-66aa, 4-89, [4b-53,] 4b-60, 4b-64, 4b-66a, 5-198, 7-147a, 7-147b, 7-147c, 7-147j, 7-147p, 7-147q, 7-147y, 8-37lll, 10-382, 10-384, 10-385, 10-386, 10-387, 10-388, 10-389, 10-391, 10-392, 10-393, 10-394, 10-395, 10-396, 10-397, 10-397a, 10-399, 10-400, 10-401, 10-
Sec. 258. (Effective from passage) Not later than December 1, 2017, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall issue a request for proposals for the provision of health care services and behavioral health care services to inmates of the Department of Correction. Any such proposals shall be submitted to the office not later than February 1, 2018. If, based on such proposals, the secretary determines that the state would achieve savings by contracting with a new provider of such services, the secretary shall enter into such a contract with one of the providers who responded to the request for proposals not later than July 1, 2018.

Sec. 259. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) Any purchase contract, as defined in section 2 of public act 17-130, entered into or amended on or after January 1, 2018, by The University of Connecticut or The University of Connecticut Health Center shall be exempt from the competitive bidding and competitive negotiation requirements of the provisions of section 10a-151b of the general statutes and chapter 62 of the general statutes as long as such contract complies with the policies and guidelines adopted under subsection (b) of this section.

(b) Not later than January 1, 2018, the Board of Trustees for The University of Connecticut and the Board of Directors for The University of Connecticut Health Center shall establish policies and guidelines that (1) establish an alternative competitive bidding and
competitive negotiation process, and (2) establish a cost-benefit analysis and contracting process that eliminates or transfers institutional activities to government or private entities. Each board shall consider the anticipated value of the contract, the number and nature of potential sources and the time and cost of the contract processes.

(c) The policies and guidelines established by each board pursuant to subsection (b) of this section shall not be deemed to be regulations, as defined in section 4-166 of the general statutes, provided such policies and guidelines (1) are adopted after reasonable opportunity has been provided for interested persons to present their views, and (2) remain subject to the provisions of section 4-175 of the general statutes.

(d) The accounts of The University of Connecticut and The University of Connecticut Health Center shall be subject to audit by the Auditors of Public Accounts in accordance with the policies and guidelines established under subsection (b) of this section.

(e) Not later than January 1, 2019, and annually thereafter, each board shall submit a report that includes the policies and guidelines established by the board pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, and expenditures and revenues generated as a result of such policies and guidelines, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to higher education and appropriations, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.

(f) Nothing in this section shall be construed to affect the authority of the Attorney General.

(g) Nothing in this section shall be construed to exempt the Board of Trustees for The University of Connecticut and the Board of Directors for The University of Connecticut Health Center from complying with
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the provisions of section 10a-109n of the general statutes.

Sec. 260. Subdivision (16) of section 4e-1 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective January 1, 2018):

(16) "Emergency procurement" means procurement by a state contracting agency, quasi-public agency, as defined in section 1-120, judicial department or [constituent unit of higher education] the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities that is made necessary by a sudden, unexpected occurrence that poses a clear and imminent danger to public safety or requires immediate action to prevent or mitigate the loss or impairment of life, health, property or essential public services or in response to a court order, settlement agreement or other similar legal judgment;

Sec. 261. Subdivision (28) of section 4e-1 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective January 1, 2018):

(28) "State contracting agency" means any executive branch agency, board, commission, department, office, institution or council. "State contracting agency" does not include the judicial branch, the legislative branch, the offices of the Secretary of the State, the State Comptroller, the Attorney General, the State Treasurer, with respect to their constitutional functions, any state agency with respect to contracts specific to the constitutional and statutory functions of the office of the State Treasurer. For the purposes of section 4e-16, "state contracting agency" includes [any constituent unit of the state system of higher education] the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities and for the purposes of section 4e-19, "state contracting agency" includes the State Education Resource Center, established under section 10-4q;

Sec. 262. Section 4e-13 of the general statutes is repealed and the
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following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective January 1, 2018):

(a) The Department of Administrative Services, in consultation with the State Contracting Standards Board, shall establish and maintain a single electronic portal available on the Internet and located on the Department of Administrative Services' web site for purposes of posting all contracting opportunities with state agencies in the executive branch, the [constituent units of the state system of higher education] Connecticut State Colleges and Universities and quasi-public agencies. Such electronic portal shall be known as the State Contracting Portal.

(b) The State Contracting Portal shall, among other things, include: (1) All requests for bids or proposals, and other solicitations regardless of the method of source selection, related materials and all resulting contracts and agreements by state agencies; (2) a searchable database for locating information; (3) personal services agreements and purchase of service agreements; (4) a state procurement and contract manual or other similar information designated by the Department of Administrative Services as describing approved contracting processes and procedures; and (5) prominent features to encourage the active recruitment and participation of small businesses and women and minority-owned enterprises in the state contracting process.

(c) All state agencies in the executive branch, the [constituent units of the state system of higher education] Connecticut State Colleges and Universities and quasi-public agencies shall post all bids, requests for proposals and all resulting contracts and agreements on the State Contracting Portal and shall, with the assistance of the Department of Administrative Services as needed, develop the infrastructure and capability to electronically communicate with the State Contracting Portal.

(d) All state agencies in the executive branch, the [constituent units
of the state system of higher education] Connecticut State Colleges and Universities and quasi-public agencies shall develop written policies and procedures to ensure that information is posted to the State Contracting Portal in a timely, complete and accurate manner consistent with the highest legal and ethical standards of state government.

(e) The Department of Administrative Services shall periodically report to the Governor and the State Contracting Standards Board on the progress of all state agencies in the executive branch, the [constituent units of the state system higher education] Connecticut State Colleges and Universities and quasi-public agencies, in developing the capacity, infrastructure, policies and procedures to electronically communicate with the State Contracting Portal and the Department of Administrative Services' progress toward establishment and maintenance of the State Contracting Portal.

Sec. 263. Section 4e-47 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective January 1, 2018):

On or after January 1, [2011] **2018**, the State Contracting Standards Board shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to apply the contracting procedures, as described in sections 4e-18 to 4e-45, inclusive, [to each constituent unit of the state system of higher education] to the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities. Such regulations shall take into consideration circumstances and factors that are unique to such constituent units.

Sec. 264. Subsection (c) of section 10a-151b of the general statutes, as amended by section 4 of public act 17-130, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(c) Competitive bidding or competitive negotiation is not required in the case of (1) minor purchases of ten thousand dollars or less in
amount, (2) purchases made pursuant to subsection (k) of this section, (3) emergency purchases, (4) agricultural purchases of dairy products, poultry, farm-raised seafood, beef, pork, lamb, eggs, fruits, vegetables or other farm products in an amount of fifty thousand dollars or less, [or] (5) a qualified contract, as described in subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 2 of [this act] public act 17-130, that is entered into pursuant to the policies adopted by either the Board of Trustees of The University of Connecticut or the Board of Regents for Higher Education pursuant to section 3 of [this act] public act 17-130, or (6) a contract described in subsection (a) of section 259 of this act. Whenever an emergency exists by reason of extraordinary conditions or contingencies that could not reasonably be foreseen and guarded against, or because of unusual trade or market conditions, the chief executive officer may, if it is for the best interest of the state, make purchases without competitive bidding. A statement of all emergency purchases made under the provisions of this subsection shall be set forth in the annual report of the chief executive officer. The chief executive officer, when making an agricultural purchase in accordance with subdivision (4) of this subsection, shall give preference to dairy products, poultry, farm-raised seafood, beef, pork, lamb, eggs, fruits, vegetables or other farm products grown or produced in this state when such products, poultry, farm-raised seafood, beef, pork, lamb, eggs, fruits or vegetables are comparable in cost to other dairy products, poultry, eggs, fruits or vegetables being considered for purchase by the chief executive officer that have not been grown or produced in this state.

Sec. 265. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2017) Each local board of education for a municipality shall consult with the legislative body of such municipality prior to entering into a lease for portable classrooms, motor vehicles or equipment, including, but not limited to, telephone systems, computers and copy machines.
Sec. 266. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2017) Each local board of education for a municipality shall consult with the legislative body of such municipality prior to purchasing payroll processing or accounts payable software systems to determine whether such systems may be purchased or shared on a regional basis.

Sec. 267. Section 51-50b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) There shall be deducted and withheld from the salary payable to each judge under subsections (a) and (d) of section 51-47, family support magistrate under subsection (h) of section 46b-231, and compensation commissioner under section 31-277 a sum equal to five per cent of the judge's, family support magistrate's or commissioner's salary prior to the effective date of this section and eight per cent of such salary on and after the effective date of this section. The sums deducted and withheld shall be deposited in the Judge's Retirement Fund. The provisions of this subsection shall apply to any family support magistrate who had elected under the provisions of subdivision (2) of subsection (i) of section 46b-231.

(b) The provisions of this section with respect to judges shall apply only to any person first appointed a judge of any court after May 20, 1967, and, on or after July 1, 1978, to any person who was appointed a judge on or prior to May 20, 1967, and who is reappointed to the same court on or after July 1, 1978, or who is appointed to a different court on or after July 1, 1978. The deduction or withholding shall commence with the reappointment or appointment, as the case may be. The appointment of a judge of the Supreme Court to the office of Chief Justice, the appointment, on or after August 1, 1983, of a judge of the Appellate Court to the Supreme Court prior to the expiration of his term as an Appellate Court judge or the appointment of a Superior Court judge to the Supreme Court or, on or after August 1, 1983, to the Appellate Court, prior to the expiration of his term as a Superior Court
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judge shall not be deemed to be a reappointment to the same court or appointment to a different court.

(c) All matching noncontributory payments required to be made by the state to carry out the provisions of sections 51-49, 51-50 and 51-50a on behalf of compensation commissioners shall be an expense of the compensation commission for purposes of assessment under section 31-345.

(d) All contributions made under this section shall be refunded without interest to any judge, family support magistrate or compensation commissioner who resigns or is otherwise removed from judicial office or from the office of family support magistrate or the office of compensation commissioner prior to becoming eligible for retirement benefits or in the event of the death of any such judge, family support magistrate or commissioner, to his named beneficiary or, if none, his estate, provided no pension is payable under section 51-51.

Sec. 268. Section 46a-68 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) [Each] Except as provided in subsection (g) of this section, each state agency, department, board and commission with twenty-five, or more, full-time employees shall develop and implement, in cooperation with the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities, an affirmative action plan that commits the agency, department, board or commission to a program of affirmative action in all aspects of personnel and administration. Such plan shall be developed pursuant to regulations adopted by the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities in accordance with chapter 54 to ensure that affirmative action is undertaken as required by state and federal law to provide equal employment opportunities and to comply with all responsibilities under the provisions of sections 4-61u to 4-
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61w, inclusive, sections 46a-54 to 46a-64, inclusive, section 46a-64c and sections 46a-70 to 46a-78, inclusive. The executive head of each such agency, department, board or commission shall be directly responsible for the development, filing and implementation of such affirmative action plan. The Metropolitan District of Hartford County shall be deemed to be a state agency for purposes of this section and sections 4a-60, 4a-60a and 4a-60g.

(b) (1) Each state agency, department, board or commission shall designate a full-time or part-time equal employment opportunity officer. If such equal employment opportunity officer is an employee of the agency, department, board or commission, the executive head of the agency, department, board or commission shall be directly responsible for the supervision of the officer.

(2) The Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities shall provide training and technical assistance to equal employment opportunity officers in plan development and implementation.

(3) The Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities and the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors shall provide training concerning state and federal discrimination laws and techniques for conducting investigations of discrimination complaints to persons designated by state agencies, departments, boards or commissions as equal employment opportunity officers and persons designated by the Attorney General or the Attorney General's designee to represent such agencies, departments, boards or commissions pursuant to subdivision (5) of this subsection. On or after October 1, 2011, such training shall be provided for a minimum of five hours during the first year of service or designation, and a minimum of three hours every two years thereafter.

(4) (A) Each person designated by a state agency, department, board or commission as an equal employment opportunity officer shall (i) be
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responsible for mitigating any discriminatory conduct within the agency, department, board or commission, (ii) investigate all complaints of discrimination made against the state agency, department, board or commission, except if any such complaint has been filed with the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities or the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the state agency, department, board or commission may rely upon the process of the applicable commission, as applicable, in lieu of such investigation, and (iii) report all findings and recommendations upon the conclusion of an investigation to the commissioner or director of the state agency, department, board or commission for proper action.

(B) Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraphs (A)(i), (A)(ii) and (A)(iii) of this subdivision, if a discrimination complaint is made against the executive head of a state agency or department, any member of a state board or commission or any equal employment opportunity officer alleging that the executive head, member or officer directly or personally engaged in discriminatory conduct, or if a complaint of discrimination is made by the executive head of a state agency, any member of a state board or commission or any equal employment opportunity officer, the complaint shall be referred to the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities for review and, if appropriate, investigation by the Department of Administrative Services, except if any such complaint has been filed with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission or the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities, the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities or Department of Administrative Services may rely upon the process of the applicable commission in lieu of such investigation. If the discrimination complaint is made by or against the executive head, any member or the equal employment opportunity officer of the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities alleging that the executive head, member or officer directly or personally engaged in discriminatory conduct, the commission shall
refer the complaint to the Department of Administrative Services for review and, if appropriate, investigation. If the complaint is by or against the executive head or equal employment opportunity officer of the Department of Administrative Services, the complaint shall be referred to the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities for review and, if appropriate, investigation. Each person who conducts an investigation pursuant to this subparagraph shall report all findings and recommendations upon the conclusion of such investigation to the appointing authority of the individual who was the subject of the complaint for proper action. The provisions of this subparagraph shall apply to any such complaint pending on or after July 5, 2007.

(5) Each person designated by a state agency, department, board or commission as an equal employment opportunity officer, and each person designated by the Attorney General or the Attorney General's designee to represent an agency pursuant to subdivision (6) of this subsection, shall complete training provided by the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities and the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors pursuant to subdivision (3) of this subsection.

(6) No person designated by a state agency, department, board or commission as an equal employment opportunity officer shall represent such agency, department, board or commission before the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities or the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission concerning a discrimination complaint. If a discrimination complaint is filed with the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities or the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission against a state agency, department, board or commission, the Attorney General, or the Attorney General's designee, other than the equal employment opportunity officer for such agency, department, board or commission, shall represent the state agency, department, board or commission before the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities or the Equal Employment Opportunity
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Commission. In the case of a discrimination complaint filed against the Metropolitan District of Hartford County, the Attorney General, or the Attorney General's designee, shall not represent such district before the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities or the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

(c) [Each] Except as provided in subsection (g) of this section, each state agency, department, board and commission that employs two hundred fifty or more full-time employees shall file an affirmative action plan developed in accordance with subsection (a) of this section, with the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities, semiannually, except that any state agency, department, board or commission which has an affirmative action plan approved by the commission may be permitted to file its plan on an annual basis in a manner prescribed by the commission and any state agency, department, board or commission that employs twenty-five or more employees but fewer than two hundred fifty full-time employees shall file its affirmative action plan biennially, unless the commission disapproves the most recent submission of the plan, in which case the commission may require the resubmission of such plan by a time chosen by the commission, until the plan is approved. All affirmative action plans shall be filed electronically, if practicable.

(d) The Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities shall review and formally approve, conditionally approve or disapprove the content of such affirmative action plans within ninety days of the submission of each plan to the commission. If the commissioners, by a majority vote of those present and voting, fail to approve, conditionally approve or disapprove a plan within such period, the plan shall be deemed to be approved. Any plan that is filed more than ninety days after the date such plan is due to be filed in accordance with the schedule established pursuant to subsection (g) of this section shall be deemed disapproved.
(e) The Commissioner of Administrative Services and the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall cooperate with the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities to insure that the State Personnel Act and personnel regulations are administered, and that the process of collective bargaining is conducted by all parties in a manner consistent with the affirmative action responsibilities of the state.

(f) The Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities shall monitor the activity of such plans within each state agency, department, board and commission and report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before April first of each year concerning the results of such plans.

(g) [The Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities shall adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, to carry out the requirements of this section. The executive director shall establish a schedule for semiannual, annual and biennial filing of plans.] (1) Any state agency, department, board or commission that is required to maintain a federal affirmative action or equal employment opportunity plan or report may submit such federal plan or report to the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities in lieu of the affirmative action plan required pursuant to subsection (a) or (c) of this section. Except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, upon receipt of such federal plan or report, such plan or report shall be deemed approved by the commission for the duration that such plan or report is in compliance with the requirements of the federal agency responsible for monitoring the compliance of such state agency, department, board or commission.

(2) Any state agency, department, board or commission may submit an affirmative action plan to the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities in a form prescribed by 41 CFR 60-2, as amended from time to time, for a federal affirmative action or equal employment
opportunity plan. Such affirmative action plan shall be subject to review and approval by the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities in accordance with subsection (d) of this section as to the plan's compliance with the requirements of 41 CFR 60-2, as amended from time to time.

(h) The executive director of the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities shall establish a schedule for the filing of each plan or report submitted pursuant to subsection (g) of this section, taking into account the frequency such plan or report is required to be submitted to a federal agency, provided no state agency, department, board or commission submitting a plan or report that is in compliance with the requirements of the federal agency responsible for monitoring the compliance of such state agency, department, board or commission shall be required to file more frequently than such agency, department, board or commission would otherwise be required to file a state affirmative action plan.

Sec. 269. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) For purposes of this section and section 271 of this act, "residential building" means a one-family, two-family, three-family or four-family dwelling for which a certificate of occupancy was issued on or after January 1, 1983.

(b) There is established an account to be known as the "Crumbling Foundations Assistance Fund" which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the General Fund. The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account and any moneys as may be available from federal, state or other sources, except any money from the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Office of the Executive Administrator of the Crumbling Foundations Assistance program established pursuant to subsection (d) of this section in amounts necessary to fund the Crumbling Foundations Assistance program established pursuant to subsection (e) of this section and the
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Collapsing Foundations Interest Rate Reduction program established pursuant to subsection (b) of section 270 of this act.

(c) There is established an account to be known as the "Crumbling Foundations Voluntary Assistance Fund" which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the General Fund. The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited into the account and any voluntary contributions. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Office of the Executive Administrator of the Crumbling Foundations Assistance program established pursuant to subsection (d) of this section in amounts necessary to fund the Crumbling Foundations Assistance program established pursuant to subsection (e) of this section.

(d) There is established within the office of the Governor the Office of the Executive Administrator of the Crumbling Foundations Assistance program, which shall administer the Crumbling Foundations Assistance program established pursuant to subsection (e) of this section. The Office of the Executive Administrator of the Crumbling Foundations Assistance program may enter into a contract with the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority created pursuant to section 8-244 of the general statutes or any lending institution to develop and implement a long-term low-interest loan program to assist homeowners in obtaining financing to repair or replace concrete foundations that have deteriorated due to the presence of pyrrhotite. All costs associated with the operation of the Office of the Executive Administrator of the Crumbling Foundations Assistance program, including, but not limited to, payroll expenses and employee benefits, shall be paid out of the Crumbling Foundations Assistance Fund established pursuant to subsection (c) of this section.

(e) (1) There is established the Crumbling Foundations Assistance program, administered by the Office of the Executive Administrator of the Crumbling Foundations Assistance program, established pursuant
to subsection (d) of this section, for the purposes of providing grants to owners of residential buildings to repair or replace the concrete foundations of such residential buildings that have deteriorated due to the presence of pyrrhotite. The Office of the Executive Administrator of the Crumbling Foundations Assistance program shall establish eligibility requirements and contract with independent adjusters to adjudicate claims for the amount of such grants. Such grants shall be subject to a requirement that the owner of the residential building obtain a written evaluation from a professional engineer licensed pursuant to chapter 391 of the general statutes indicating that the concrete foundation of such residential building has deteriorated due to the presence of pyrrhotite. The cost of obtaining such evaluation shall be reimbursed by the program to such owner if such evaluation indicates that such concrete foundation has deteriorated due to the presence of pyrrhotite. If the Office of the Executive Administrator of the Crumbling Foundations Assistance program identifies a method of determining whether the concrete foundations of residential buildings have deteriorated due to the presence of pyrrhotite that is more cost effective than requiring the owners of such residential buildings to obtain such evaluations, such office may alter such requirement accordingly. Not later than ninety days after the Executive Administrator of the Crumbling Foundations Assistance program takes office and semiannually thereafter, the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to local governments and housing shall consider and either approve or reject all grant eligibility requirements established by such Administrator pursuant to this subsection.

(2) An owner of a residential building who receives financial assistance pursuant to a homeowners insurance policy for the purpose of repairing or replacing the concrete foundation of a residential building may be entitled to receive a grant from the Crumbling Foundations Assistance program pursuant to this section, provided the
amount of the financial assistance received shall be deducted from the amount of the grant.

(3) An owner of a residential building who receives a grant from the Crumbling Foundations Assistance program pursuant to this section for the purpose of repairing or replacing the concrete foundation of a residential building shall indemnify and hold harmless any insurance company that voluntarily contributed moneys annually to the Crumbling Foundations Voluntary Assistance Fund established pursuant to subsection (c) of this section. Such owner shall indemnify such insurance company in an amount equal to or greater than the total contribution made by such insurance company to such fund.

(4) Any grant received from the Crumbling Foundations Assistance program pursuant to this section by an owner of a residential building shall not be considered income for state income tax purposes.

(f) For the purposes of this section, "person" means (1) any employee of a public agency, as defined in section 1-200 of the general statutes, or (2) any homeowner of a residential building who provided information to the Crumbling Foundations Assistance program.

(g) Except as provided in subsection (h) of this section, no person shall solicit, disclose, receive or make use of, or authorize, knowingly permit, participate in or acquiesce in the use of, any list of the names of, or any information concerning, individuals applying for or receiving assistance from the Crumbling Foundations Assistance program or individuals participating in any program administered pursuant to this act, that is (1) directly or indirectly derived from the records, papers, files or communications of the state or any political subdivision or agency of the state, or (2) acquired in the course of the performance of the official duties of any such agency or political subdivision.
(h) The prohibition set forth in subsection (b) of this section shall not apply to (1) any solicitation, disclosure, receipt or use of, or authorization for use of, such list or information made for purposes directly connected with the administration of programs of the Department of Housing and in accordance with any regulations adopted by the Commissioner of Housing, or (2) data that does not directly or indirectly identify individual program applicants or participants, provided such data is used for research or investigatory purposes authorized by the Commissioner of Housing or the General Assembly.

Sec. 270. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) For the purposes of this section:

(1) "Eligible borrower" means the owner of a residential building who (A) utilizes such residential building as such owner's primary residence or does not utilize such residential building as such owner's primary residence but has obtained written evaluations from two professional engineers licensed pursuant to chapter 391 of the general statutes who are structural engineers, indicating the concrete foundation of such residential building has deteriorated to the point where such residential building is unsafe for human habitation, (B) has, for an owner utilizing such residential building as a primary residence, obtained a written evaluation pursuant to subsection (e) of section 269 of this act, and (C) has completed and filed a consumer statement regarding the concrete foundation of such residential building with the Department of Consumer Protection.

(2) "Participating lender" means a depository bank or credit union that participates in the Collapsing Foundations Interest Rate Reduction program established pursuant to this section.

(3) "Qualifying loan" means any loan provided to an eligible borrower for the purpose of repairing or replacing a concrete
foundation that shows evidence of deterioration due to the presence of pyrrhotite and is (A) issued by a participating lender, (B) subject to such participating lender's applicable underwriting standards, and (C) subject to terms established by the Commissioner of Consumer Protection pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.

(b) There is established a Collapsing Foundations Interest Rate Reduction program, administered by the Department of Consumer Protection, for the purpose of assisting eligible borrowers through the utilization of interest rate subsidies when such borrowers experience difficulty obtaining financing for the repair or replacement of concrete foundations due to the cost of such repair and replacement, failure to meet underwriting criteria, decreased market value of an affected home or personal financial circumstances. The Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall seek the participation of banks and credit unions to offer below market rate loans to such borrowers and develop additional terms for such loans, in consultation with the Lieutenant Governor and representatives of the banking and credit union industries, not later than thirty days before the program is made available to eligible borrowers. The commissioner shall publish such terms and any subsequent amendments to such terms on the Internet web site of the Department of Consumer Protection not later than fifteen days before the program is made available to eligible borrowers.

(c) There is established an account to be known as the "Collapsing Foundations Interest Rate Reduction account" which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the General Fund. The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Department of Consumer Protection for the purpose of providing credit enhancements in the form of interest rate subsidies for qualifying loans made to eligible borrowers, thereby lowering such borrowers' monthly
Sec. 271. (NEW) (Effective from passage) Not later than January 1, 2018, the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall report, in accordance with section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to planning and development regarding any testing methods utilized by foreign and domestic governmental entities to determine acceptable levels of pyrrhotite in natural aggregates used or available for use in concrete foundations for residential buildings.

Sec. 272. (NEW) (Effective from passage) Upon receipt of a copy of a written evaluation obtained by the owner of a residential building pursuant to subsection (e) of section 269 of this act, which indicates that the concrete foundation in such residential building has deteriorated due to the presence of pyrrhotite, a municipality shall waive any application fee that would otherwise be required for a building permit to repair or replace such concrete foundation.

Sec. 273. Subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of section 29-252a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(2) On and after July 1, 1999, the State Building Inspector shall assess an education fee on each building permit application. During the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1999, the amount of such fee shall be sixteen cents per one thousand dollars of construction value as declared on the building permit application, and the State Building Inspector shall remit such fees, quarterly, to the Department of Administrative Services, for deposit in the General Fund. Upon deposit in the General Fund, the amount of such fees shall be credited to the appropriation to the Department of Administrative Services and shall be used for the code training and educational programs established pursuant to section 29-251c. On and after July 1, 2000, the
assessments shall be made in accordance with regulations adopted pursuant to subsection (d) of section 29-251c. The State Building Inspector shall waive such fee on an application for a building permit to repair or replace the concrete foundation of a residential building if such concrete foundation has deteriorated due to the presence of pyrrhotite, provided the municipality waived the application fee for such building permit pursuant to section 272 of this act.

Sec. 274. (NEW) (Effective from passage) The Office of the Executive Administrator of the Crumbling Foundations Assistance program shall, in consultation with the Labor Commissioner and within available appropriations, establish a training program for contractors engaged in the repair and replacement of concrete foundations that have deteriorated due to the presence of pyrrhotite.

Sec. 275. Subsection (d) of section 20-327b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(d) (1) Not later than January 1, 2013, the Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall, by regulations adopted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, prescribe the form of the written residential disclosure report required by this section and sections 20-327c to 20-327e, inclusive. The regulations shall provide that the form include information concerning:

(A) Municipal assessments, including, but not limited to, sewer or water charges applicable to the property. Such information shall include: (i) Whether such assessment is in effect and the amount of the assessment; (ii) whether there is an assessment on the property that has not been paid, and if so, the amount of the unpaid assessment; and (iii) to the extent of the seller’s knowledge, whether there is reason to believe that the municipality may impose an assessment in the future;
(B) Leased items on the premises, including, but not limited to, propane fuel tanks, water heaters, major appliances and alarm systems;

(C) (i) Whether the real property is located in a municipally designated village district or municipally designated historic district or has been designated on the National Register of Historic Places, and (ii) a statement that information concerning village districts and historic districts may be obtained from the municipality's village or historic district commission, if applicable.

(2) Such form of the written residential disclosure report shall contain the following:

(A) A certification by the seller in the following form:

"To the extent of the seller's knowledge as a property owner, the seller acknowledges that the information contained above is true and accurate for those areas of the property listed. In the event a real estate broker or salesperson is utilized, the seller authorizes the brokers or salespersons to provide the above information to prospective buyers, selling agents or buyers' agents.

.... (Date) .... (Seller)
.... (Date) .... (Seller)"

(B) A certification by the buyer in the following form:

"The buyer is urged to carefully inspect the property and, if desired, to have the property inspected by an expert. The buyer understands that there are areas of the property for which the seller has no knowledge and that this disclosure statement does not encompass those areas. The buyer also acknowledges that the buyer has read and received a signed copy of this statement from the seller or seller's agent."
(C) A statement concerning the responsibility of real estate brokers in the following form:

"This report in no way relieves a real estate broker of the broker's obligation under the provisions of section 20-328-5a of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies to disclose any material facts. Failure to do so could result in punitive action taken against the broker, such as fines, suspension or revocation of license."

(D) A statement that any representations made by the seller on the written residential disclosure report shall not constitute a warranty to the buyer.

(E) A statement that the written residential disclosure report is not a substitute for inspections, tests and other methods of determining the physical condition of property.

(F) Information concerning environmental matters such as lead, radon, subsurface sewage disposal, flood hazards and, if the residence is or will be served by well water, as defined in section 21a-150, the results of any water test performed for volatile organic compounds and such other topics as the Commissioner of Consumer Protection may determine would be of interest to a buyer.

(G) A statement that information concerning the residence address of a person convicted of a crime may be available from law enforcement agencies or the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection and that the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection maintains a site on the Internet listing information about the residence address of persons required to register under section 54-251, 54-252, 54-253 or 54-254, who have so registered.
(H) If the property is located in a common interest community, whether the property is subject to any community or association dues or fees.

(I) Whether, during the seller's period of ownership, there is or has ever been an underground storage tank located on the property, and, if there is or was, if it has been removed. If such underground storage tank has been removed, such seller shall state when it was removed, who removed it and shall provide any and all written documentation of such removal within the seller's possession and control.

(J) A statement that the prospective purchaser should consult with the municipal building official in the municipality in which the property is located to confirm that building permits and certificates of occupancy have been issued for work on the property, where applicable.

(K) A statement that the prospective purchaser should have the property inspected by a licensed home inspector.

(L) A statement that the prospective purchaser should have the foundation of the property inspected by a professional engineer licensed pursuant to chapter 391 for deterioration due to the presence of pyrrhotite.

(M) A question as to whether the seller has knowledge of any testing or repairs performed on or related to a foundation on the property.

[(L)] (N) A question as to whether the seller is aware of any prior or pending litigation, government agency or administrative action, order or lien on the premises related to the release of any hazardous substance.

[(M)] (O) Whether there are smoke detectors and carbon monoxide
detectors located in a dwelling on the premises, the number of such detectors, whether there have been any problems with such detectors and an explanation of any such problems.

Sec. 276. (NEW) (Effective from passage) The Insurance Commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to require that each insurance company shall, upon issuing, renewing, amending or endorsing a homeowners insurance policy, provide a copy of such policy and all amendments, endorsements and riders to such policy to any holder of a residential mortgage loan issued to the individual or individuals insured pursuant to such policy.

Sec. 277. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) For the purposes of this section, "personal risk insurance" means homeowners, tenants, mobile manufactured home and other property and casualty insurance for personal, family or household needs except workers' compensation insurance.

(b) No policy of personal risk insurance, master policy obtained pursuant to section 47-83 of the general statutes or property insurance policy maintained pursuant to section 47-255 of the general statutes, shall be issued, renewed, amended or endorsed by an insurance company unless such policy states that the filing of a claim by the insured pursuant to such policy will toll the contractual limitation period for commencing a suit on such claim until such time as the insurance company provides the insured with written notice of its decision wholly or partially denying the insured's claim. Such notice shall disclose either the date upon which the contractual limitation period for commencing a suit on such claim will expire or reference a provision of such policy that establishes such contractual limitation period.

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the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(B) There shall be subtracted therefrom (i) to the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, any income with respect to which taxation by any state is prohibited by federal law, (ii) to the extent allowable under section 12-718, exempt dividends paid by a regulated investment company, (iii) the amount of any refund or credit for overpayment of income taxes imposed by this state, or any other state of the United States or a political subdivision thereof, or the District of Columbia, to the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, (iv) to the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes and not otherwise subtracted from federal adjusted gross income pursuant to clause (x) of this subparagraph in computing Connecticut adjusted gross income, any tier 1 railroad retirement benefits, (v) to the extent any additional allowance for depreciation under Section 168(k) of the Internal Revenue Code, as provided by Section 101 of the Job Creation and Worker Assistance Act of 2002, for property placed in service after December 31, 2001, but prior to September 10, 2004, was added to federal adjusted gross income pursuant to subparagraph (A)(ix) of this subdivision in computing Connecticut adjusted gross income for a taxable year ending after December 31, 2001, twenty-five per cent of such additional allowance for depreciation in each of the four succeeding taxable years, (vi) to the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, any interest income from obligations issued by or on behalf of the state of Connecticut, any political subdivision thereof, or public instrumentality, state or local authority, district or similar public entity created under the laws of the state of Connecticut, (vii) to the extent properly includable in determining the net gain or loss from the sale or other disposition of capital assets for federal income tax purposes, any gain from the sale or exchange of obligations issued by or on behalf of the state of Connecticut.
Connecticut, any political subdivision thereof, or public instrumentality, state or local authority, district or similar public entity created under the laws of the state of Connecticut, in the income year such gain was recognized, (viii) any interest on indebtedness incurred or continued to purchase or carry obligations or securities the interest on which is subject to tax under this chapter but exempt from federal income tax, to the extent that such interest on indebtedness is not deductible in determining federal adjusted gross income and is attributable to a trade or business carried on by such individual, (ix) ordinary and necessary expenses paid or incurred during the taxable year for the production or collection of income which is subject to taxation under this chapter but exempt from federal income tax, or the management, conservation or maintenance of property held for the production of such income, and the amortizable bond premium for the taxable year on any bond the interest on which is subject to tax under this chapter but exempt from federal income tax, to the extent that such expenses and premiums are not deductible in determining federal adjusted gross income and are attributable to a trade or business carried on by such individual, (x) (I) for a person who files a return under the federal income tax as an unmarried individual whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than fifty thousand dollars, or as a married individual filing separately whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than fifty thousand dollars, or for a husband and wife who file a return under the federal income tax as married individuals filing jointly whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than sixty thousand dollars, or for a person who files a return under the federal income tax as a head of household whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than sixty thousand dollars, an amount equal to the Social Security benefits includable for federal income tax purposes; and (II) for a person who files a return under the federal income tax as an unmarried individual whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is fifty thousand dollars or more, or
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as a married individual filing separately whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is fifty thousand dollars or more, or for a husband and wife who file a return under the federal income tax as married individuals filing jointly whose federal adjusted gross income from such taxable year is sixty thousand dollars or more or for a person who files a return under the federal income tax as a head of household whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is sixty thousand dollars or more, an amount equal to the difference between the amount of Social Security benefits includable for federal income tax purposes and the lesser of twenty-five per cent of the Social Security benefits received during the taxable year, or twenty-five per cent of the excess described in Section 86(b)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code, (xi) to the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, any amount rebated to a taxpayer pursuant to section 12-746, (xii) to the extent properly includable in the gross income for federal income tax purposes of a designated beneficiary, any distribution to such beneficiary from any qualified state tuition program, as defined in Section 529(b) of the Internal Revenue Code, established and maintained by this state or any official, agency or instrumentality of the state, (xiii) to the extent allowable under section 12-701a, contributions to accounts established pursuant to any qualified state tuition program, as defined in Section 529(b) of the Internal Revenue Code, established and maintained by this state or any official, agency or instrumentality of the state, (xiv) to the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, the amount of any Holocaust victims' settlement payment received in the taxable year by a Holocaust victim, (xv) to the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes of an account holder, as defined in section 31-51ww, interest earned on funds deposited in the individual development account, as defined in section 31-51ww, of such account holder, (xvi) to the extent properly includable in the gross income for federal income tax purposes of a designated beneficiary, as defined in section 3-123aa, interest,
dividends or capital gains earned on contributions to accounts
established for the designated beneficiary pursuant to the Connecticut
Homecare Option Program for the Elderly established by sections 3-
123aa to 3-123ff, inclusive, (xvii) to the extent properly includable in
gross income for federal income tax purposes, any income received
from the United States government as retirement pay for a retired
member of (I) the Armed Forces of the United States, as defined in
Section 101 of Title 10 of the United States Code, or (II) the National
Guard, as defined in Section 101 of Title 10 of the United States Code,
(xviii) to the extent properly includable in gross income for federal
income tax purposes for the taxable year, any income from the
discharge of indebtedness in connection with any reacquisition, after
December 31, 2008, and before January 1, 2011, of an applicable debt
instrument or instruments, as those terms are defined in Section 108 of
the Internal Revenue Code, as amended by Section 1231 of the
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, to the extent any
such income was added to federal adjusted gross income pursuant to
subparagraph (A)(xi) of this subdivision in computing Connecticut
adjusted gross income for a preceding taxable year, (xix) to the extent
not deductible in determining federal adjusted gross income, the
amount of any contribution to a manufacturing reinvestment account
established pursuant to section 32-9zz in the taxable year that such
contribution is made, [and] (xx) to the extent properly includable in
gross income for federal income tax purposes, for the taxable year
commencing January 1, 2015, ten per cent of the income received from
the state teachers' retirement system, for the taxable year commencing
January 1, 2016, twenty-five per cent of the income received from the
state teachers' retirement system, and for the taxable year commencing
January 1, 2017, and each taxable year thereafter, fifty per cent of the
income received from the state teachers' retirement system; and (xxi)
the amount of any contribution made to the Crumbling Foundations
Voluntary Assistance Fund established pursuant to subsection (c) of
section 269 of this act, in the taxable year that such contribution is
made.

Sec. 279. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) On and after the effective date of this section, no person shall reuse any part of recycled material known to contain the mineral pyrrhotite to produce structural concrete for residential or commercial construction.

(b) A violation of subsection (a) of this section shall be an unfair or deceptive act or practice pursuant to subsection (a) of section 42-110b of the general statutes.

Sec. 280. (NEW) (Effective from passage) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall form a working group with representatives of the homebuilders and construction industries to develop a model quality control plan for quarries. Such working group shall submit such plan to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to planning and development not later than February 1, 2018.

Sec. 281. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2017) (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, each joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of any state agency that is the subject of a report issued by the Auditors of Public Accounts pursuant to any provision of the general statutes and the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to government administration shall hold a joint public hearing concerning such report not later than one hundred eighty days after such report is submitted to the General Assembly by the auditors.

(b) The chairpersons of any such committee may elect not to hold a public hearing on any auditor report that (1) contains no state agency violations of state statute or regulation, (2) contains only minor or technical recommendations, or (3) the chairpersons determine does not otherwise necessitate a public hearing.
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Sec. 282. (Effective from passage) The State Comptroller, in collaboration with the Chief Court Administrator, the Labor Commissioner and the chairman of the Workers' Compensation Commission shall take such measures as the Comptroller deems necessary to recoup any salary increase received by a judge of the Superior Court, Appellate Court or Supreme Court, a judge trial referee, a family support magistrate, a family support referee or a workers' compensation commissioner for the period of time commencing on July 1, 2017, through the effective date of this section. No salary increase received by a judge of the Superior Court, Appellate Court or Supreme Court, a judge trial referee, a family support magistrate, a family support referee or a workers' compensation commissioner for the period of time commencing on July 1, 2017, through the effective date of this section shall be included in the computation of the retirement salary of such judge, judge trial referee, family support magistrate, family support referee or workers' compensation commissioner.

Sec. 283. (NEW) (Effective from passage) For each new registration, renewal of registration, transfer of registration, supplemental registration, combination registration, antique, rare or special interest registration or modified antique registration of a: (1) Passenger motor vehicle, (2) motor home, (3) motorcycle, (4) truck, or (5) passenger van with the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles pursuant to subsection (a) of section 14-49 of the general statutes, the individual registering such vehicle shall pay to the commissioner a supplemental fee of ten dollars for such a registration for a biennial period and five dollars for such a registration for an annual period. Payments collected pursuant to this section shall be transferred to the Commissioner of Revenue Services for deposit into the Passport to the State Parks and Forests account established pursuant to section 284 of this act and used by the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection for personal service expenditures related to the management and operation of state
parks and forests. The fee required by this section shall be in addition to any other fees prescribed by any provision of chapter 14 of the general statutes for such registration.

Sec. 284. (NEW) (Effective from passage) There is established an account to be known as the "Passport to the State Parks and Forests account" which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account of the General Fund. The account shall contain any moneys received by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles pursuant to section 283 of this act and any fees collected by the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection pursuant to subsection (a) of section 23-26 of the general statutes. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection for personal service expenditures related to the management and operation of state parks and forests.

Sec. 285. Subsection (a) of section 23-26 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) The commissioner may (1) provide for the collection of fees for parking, admission, boat launching and other uses of state parks, forests, boat launches and other state recreational facilities, except that no fee shall be charged, on or after the effective date of this section, for parking at state parks for individuals who have paid the fee under subsection (a) of section 283 of this act, (2) establish from time to time the daily and seasonal amount thereof, (3) enter into contractual relations with other persons for the operation of concessions, (4) establish other sources of revenue to be derived from services to the general public using such parks, forests and facilities, (5) employ such assistants as may be necessary for the collection of such revenue. The commissioner shall deposit such revenue derived therefrom with the State Treasurer in the [General Fund] Passport to the State Parks and Forests account established pursuant to section 284 of this act. On and
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after July 1, 1992, any increase in any fee or any establishment of a new fee under this section shall be by regulations adopted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54. Not later than May 1, 2010, said commissioner shall establish the daily and seasonal amount of such parking, admission, boat launching and other use fees for residents of this state in amounts not greater than one hundred thirty-five per cent of the amounts charged for such fees by said commissioner as of April 1, 2009. Not later than May 1, 2010, said commissioner shall establish the daily and seasonal amount of such parking, admission, boat launching and other use fees for nonresidents of this state in amounts not greater than one hundred fifty per cent of the amounts charged for such fees by said commissioner as of April 1, 2009. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the commissioner may enter into an agreement with any municipality under which the municipality may retain fees collected by municipal officers at state boat launches when state employees are not on duty.

Sec. 286. Section 7-560 of the general statutes, as amended by section 49 of public act 17-147, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

Whenever used in subsection (a) of section 7-394b and sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive, and sections 297, 300 and 303 to 308, inclusive, of this act, the following definitions shall apply:

(1) "Attorney General" means the Attorney General of the state of Connecticut.

(2) "Certified municipality" means a municipality that has been certified as a tier I or tier II municipality by the secretary.

(3) "Chief executive officer" means the officer described in section 7-193.

(4) "Debt service payment fund" means the fund into which the
proceeds of the property tax intercept procedure are deposited and from which debt service on all outstanding general obligations of a municipality which have a term of more than one year and additionally all outstanding general obligations which the municipality determines are to be supported by the tax intercept procedure shall be paid as provided in subsection (a) of section 7-394b and sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive.

(5) "Debt service payment fund requirement" means an amount at least equal to the aggregate amount of principal, sinking fund installments, if any, and interest during the then current fiscal year as the same become due and payable on all outstanding general obligations of the municipality which have a term of more than one year and additionally all outstanding general obligations which the municipality determines are to be supported by the tax intercept procedure.

(6) "Deficit" means with respect to the general fund of any municipality, any cumulative excess of expenditures, encumbrances, or other uses of funds for any fiscal year and all prior fiscal years over revenues of the municipality for such period and the prior year's unassigned fund balance, as reflected in the most recent audited financial statements of such municipality. For purposes of determining such excess, revenues shall not include the proceeds of tax anticipation notes and expenditures shall not include any principal payment of tax anticipation notes.

(7) "Deficit obligation" means any general obligation with a term of more than one year or any bond or any note issued in anticipation thereof, issued by a municipality either for the purpose of or having the effect of reducing, eliminating or preventing a general fund, special revenue fund or enterprise fund deficiency, other than any obligation issued pursuant to chapter 110.
(8) "Designated tier I municipality" means a municipality designated as a tier I municipality in accordance with the provisions of section 297 of this act.

(9) "Designated tier II municipality" means a municipality designated as a tier II municipality in accordance with the provisions of section 300 of this act.

(10) "Designated tier III municipality" means a municipality designated as a tier III municipality in accordance with the provisions of section 303 of this act.

(11) "Designated tier IV municipality" means a municipality designated as a tier IV municipality in accordance with the provisions of section 305 of this act.

(12) "Equalized mill rate" means the tax rate derived from the most recent available grand levy of a municipality divided by the equalized net grand list on which such levy is based, as determined by the secretary in accordance with section 10-261a.

(13) "Fund balance" means the amount that assets and deferred outflow of resources of a municipality's general fund exceeds the liabilities and deferred inflow of resources of the general fund of the municipality, as of the fiscal year ended as reflected in the municipality's most recent audited financial statements presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

(14) "Fund balance percentage" means the fund balance of the general fund of a municipality as of the fiscal year ended in the municipality's most recent audited financial statements and presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, divided by the sum of revenues of the general fund and operating transfers into the general fund for the fiscal year.
"General fund deficiency" means a deficit or a projected fiscal year deficit, or both.

"General obligation" means an obligation issued by a municipality and secured by the full faith and credit and taxing power of such municipality including any contingent obligation which is payable from the general fund and is subject to annual appropriation.

"Maximum required capital reserve" means the maximum aggregate amount of principal, interest and other amounts due and owing during any succeeding fiscal year, excluding any sinking fund installments payable in a prior fiscal year on outstanding general obligations of a certified municipality supported by a special capital reserve fund issued pursuant to subsection (a) of section 7-394b and sections 7-568 to 7-579, inclusive.

"Minimum required capital reserve" means the aggregate amount of principal, sinking fund installments, interest and other amounts due and owing during the next succeeding fiscal year on outstanding general obligations of a certified municipality supported by a special capital reserve fund pursuant to subsection (a) of section 7-394b and sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive.

"Municipal Accountability Review Board" means the Municipal Accountability Review Board established pursuant to section 304 of this act.

"Municipal aid" means formula grants, grants, payments in lieu of taxes, reimbursements, payments and other funding provided by the state to municipalities and used to fund municipal general fund budgets, including education budgets.

"Municipal Finance Advisory Commission" means the Municipal Finance Advisory Commission established in section 7-394b.
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(22) "Municipal revenue increase in fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, as a per cent of revenues" means the net difference in estimated municipal revenues from state sources and new municipal taxing authority as compiled by the secretary pursuant to section 4-71b for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, as compared to the estimated municipal revenues from such sources compiled by the secretary pursuant to section 4-71b for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, divided by the sum of revenues of the general fund and operating transfers into the general fund as reported in the municipality's audited financial statements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016.

[(13)] (23) "Municipality" means any town, city, borough, consolidated town and city, consolidated city and borough, any metropolitan district, any district, as defined in section 7-324, and any other political subdivision of the state having the power to levy taxes and to issue bonds, notes or other obligations.

[(14)] (24) "Obligation" means any bond, bond anticipation note or other interim funding obligation, certificate of participation, security, financing lease, installment purchase agreements, capital lease, receivable or other asset sale, refinancing covered by this definition and any other transaction which constitutes debt in accordance with both municipal reporting standards in section 7-394a and the regulations prescribing municipal financial reporting adopted by the secretary.

[(15)] (25) "Outstanding obligation" means any obligation with respect to which a principal or interest payment, sinking fund installment or other payment or deposit is, or will be, due in the future and for which moneys or defeasance securities have not been deposited in escrow.

[(16)] (26) "Projected fiscal year deficit" means, with respect to the general fund of any municipality during any fiscal year, the excess of
estimated expenditures and uses of funds for the fiscal year over estimated revenues and any cumulative unassigned general fund balance from the prior fiscal year. For purposes of determining such excess, estimated revenues shall not include the proceeds of tax anticipation notes and estimated expenditures shall not include any principal payment of tax anticipation notes.

[(17)] (27) "Property taxes" means all taxes on real and personal property levied by the municipality in accordance with the general statutes including any interest, penalties and other related charges, and shall not mean any rent, rate, fee, special assessment or other charge based on benefit or use.

[(18)] (28) "Property tax intercept procedure" means a procedure where a municipality provides for the collection and deposit in a debt service payment fund maintained with a trustee of all property taxes needed to meet the debt service payment fund requirement and which meets all the requirements of section 7-562.

(29) "Property tax levy" means the mill rate of the municipality multiplied by the net taxable grand list of the municipality.

[(19)] (30) "Revenues" means, with respect to the general fund for any municipality for any fiscal year, property taxes and other moneys that are generally available for, accounted for and deposited in the municipality's general fund.

[(20)] (31) "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management.

[(21)] (32) "Special capital reserve fund" means the fund established pursuant to section 7-571 to secure the timely payment of principal and interest on general obligations issued by a certified municipality approved by the Treasurer pursuant to section 7-573.
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[(22)] (33) "State" means the state of Connecticut.

[(23)] (34) "Tier I municipality" means any municipality which has applied to and been certified by the secretary as a tier I municipality.

[(24)] (35) "Tier II municipality" means any municipality which has applied to and been certified by the secretary as a tier II municipality.

[(25)] (36) "Treasurer" means the Treasurer of the state of Connecticut.

[(26)] (37) "Trustee" means any trust company or bank having the powers of a trust company within or without the state, appointed by the municipality as trustee for the municipality's tax intercept procedure or special capital reserve fund and approved by the Treasurer, as well as any successor trust company or bank having the powers of a trust company within or without the state succeeding a prior trust company or bank as trustee, so appointed and approved.

Sec. 287. Section 7-561 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

Any municipality may establish a property tax intercept procedure and a debt service payment fund, as provided in sections 7-562 to 7-564, inclusive. The municipal officer or body empowered to issue general obligations or to determine the details of general obligations authorized by the municipality may establish such tax intercept procedure and such debt service payment fund, may determine the details and approve the terms of all indentures and agreements and other instruments necessary or appropriate to establish and implement a tax intercept procedure and a debt service payment fund as provided in [subsection (a) of section 7-394b and] sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive, and may bind the municipality, pursuant to any such indenture or agreement, with the requirements of [subsection (a) of section 7-394b and] sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive, and of any
ordinance or resolution authorizing the issuance of such general obligations of the municipality.

Sec. 288. Section 7-562 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) Any municipality which proposes to issue general obligations supported by a tax intercept procedure shall deliver to the secretary, together with the notice described in this section, documentation demonstrating that: (1) Such municipality has authorized the issuance of such obligations in accordance with the general statutes, charter, special act or home rule ordinance or the provisions of [subsection (a) of section 7-394b and] sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive; (2) such municipality has established a property tax intercept procedure and a debt service payment fund with a trustee in accordance with the provisions of [subsection (a) of section 7-394b and] sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive; and (3) such property tax intercept procedure shall assure that the property tax receipts transferred to the trustee and deposited in the debt service payment fund shall be in an amount at least equal to and deposited by such dates so as to satisfy the debt service payment fund requirement.

(b) Each such property tax intercept procedure and debt service payment fund shall: (1) Take effect immediately upon the issuance of such obligations; (2) provide that all outstanding general obligations of the municipality which have a term of more than one year shall be supported by and paid from debt service payment fund and that property taxes collected by the tax collector of such municipality shall be deposited in such debt service payment fund as provided in subsection (a) of this section; and (3) provide that the tax intercept procedure, the debt service payment fund, any indenture or agreement establishing them, may be amended by the municipality without the consent of any holder of any obligation of the municipality if such amendment does not impair the rights of the holders and is requested
(c) Prior to the issuance of any general obligation and on or prior to the first day of each fiscal year thereafter, a municipality pursuant to its tax intercept procedure shall determine the percentage or amounts of property taxes to be deposited in such debt service payment fund, the time that such taxes shall be deposited therein and such other terms, conditions and requirements as such municipality shall determine to be in the best interest of the municipality, provided such terms, conditions and requirements shall assure that the debt service payment fund shall have money deposited therein by such dates so as to satisfy, and in amounts equal to or in excess of, the debt service payment requirement. Pursuant to the tax intercept procedure, the chief executive officer of such municipality shall certify to both the tax collector of such municipality and the trustee of the debt service payment requirement, the percentage or amount and the time for deposit of the property taxes therein and such other matters with respect to the operations of the fund as may be required by the tax intercept procedure. Such percentage, amount and time shall be sufficient to assure that the debt service payment fund shall have sufficient moneys available to meet the debt service payment fund requirement. The tax collector shall, immediately upon receipt, remit such property taxes in the percentage or amount and at the time set forth in such certificate to the trustee for deposit in the debt service payment fund. Nothing shall preclude the municipality or its duly authorized officers from causing additional amounts of municipal taxes or other funds to be deposited in the fund.

(d) If the percentage or amount and the time for deposit of the property taxes and such other matters with respect to the operations of the fund as may be required by the tax intercept procedure are not sufficient to meet the debt service payment fund requirement, the trustee and the chief executive officer shall notify the secretary and the
Treasurer and thereafter all property taxes of such municipality shall be intercepted by the tax collector and tendered to the trustee for deposit in the debt service payment fund until the moneys deposited therein shall be at least equal to the debt service payment fund requirement.

(e) Funds in the debt service payment fund shall be applied only to pay the outstanding general obligations of the municipality as and when the same shall become due, provided if at any time during any fiscal year, the moneys in the debt service payment fund exceed the debt service payment fund requirement for such fiscal year, the municipality, may instruct the trustee to, and the trustee shall, subject to any restrictions in the tax intercept procedures, pay over to such municipality the amount of such excess for use by the municipality in any manner allowed by law.

(f) The trustee shall from time to time withdraw from the debt service payment fund all amounts required for the payment of debt service on all general obligations of the municipality, as the same shall become due, and shall cause the amounts so withdrawn and disbursed to the paying agents for such general obligations to be applied to such payment.

(g) The debt service payment fund and all moneys or securities therein or payable thereto are hereby declared to be property of the depositing municipality devoted to essential governmental purposes and accordingly shall not be applied to any purpose other than as provided in [subsection (a) of section 7-394b and] sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive, and shall not be subject to any order, judgment, lien, execution, attachment, set-off or counterclaim by any creditor of the municipality, except the trustee.

Sec. 289. Section 7-563 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):
The tax intercept procedure and the debt service payment fund shall be established pursuant to an indenture or other agreement between the municipality and the trustee. Such indenture or agreement shall include all the terms, conditions and requirements pertaining to the tax intercept procedure and the debt service payment fund in accordance with the requirements of [subsection (a) of section 7-394b and] sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive, and the municipality shall agree to comply with all such terms, conditions and requirements for the benefit of the holders of any general obligations supported by such tax intercept procedure. Such indenture or agreement may also include covenants to pay the fees and expenses of the trustee and to indemnify the trustee from claims against the trustee, covenants of the municipality to protect and safeguard the security and rights of the holders of the obligations issued and sold subject thereto and inclusion of such covenants in the contract of the municipality with such holders and for the benefit of any holders of outstanding general obligations, provided such benefit conferred thereon shall not be deemed to restrict, preclude or otherwise impair any rights that such holders currently may assert and, without limiting said rights, such indenture or agreement shall contain covenants as to: (1) Establishment, maintenance and implementation of both the property tax intercept procedure and the debt service payment fund in a manner such that the municipality can transfer to the trustee for deposit in the debt service payment fund amounts at least equal to the debt service payment fund requirement, and the temporary investment of proceeds of such funds pending their use in accordance with [subsection (a) of section 7-394b and] sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive, and subject to such limitations on investment of public funds otherwise provided for by the general statutes; (2) the appointment, rights, powers and duties of the trustee including limiting or abrogating the rights of the holders of such general obligations to appoint any other trustee and vesting in the trustee all or any such rights, duties and powers; and (3) conditions which would give rise to an event of default under the terms and conditions of such
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general obligations and actions and remedies which the trustee may
take and assert on behalf of such holders. Any requirement set forth in
[subsection (a) of section 7-394b and] sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive,
pertaining to the tax intercept procedure and debt service payment
fund may be modified to the extent necessary to comply with any
covenant of the municipality necessary to ensure the exclusion of
interest on such obligations from gross income for federal income tax
purposes.

Sec. 290. Section 7-564 of the general statutes is repealed and the
following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

The holders of general obligations for the benefit of whom the
property tax intercept procedure and debt service payment fund is
established shall have, in addition to all other rights and remedies
under law, the following rights and remedies subject to the terms and
conditions of the applicable indenture or agreement with the trustee:

(1) In the event the municipality shall fail or refuse to comply with
the indenture or agreement with the trustee or shall default in any
contract made with the holders of such general obligations, the holders
of twenty-five per cent in aggregate principal amounts of such then
outstanding obligations, by instrument or instruments filed with the
trustee and proved or acknowledged to the satisfaction of the trustee
may cause the trustee to take action for the purposes provided for in
[subsection (a) of section 7-394b and] sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive.

(2) Such trustee may, upon written request of the holders of twenty-
five per cent in principal amount of such general obligations then
outstanding, in its own name, exercise all or any of the powers of any
such holders including: (A) By mandamus or other suit, action or
proceeding at law or in equity, enforce all rights of the holders of such
general obligations, including requiring the municipality to carry out
the provisions of any contract with the holders or any indenture or
agreement with the trustee and to perform its duty thereunder; (B) bring suit upon such general obligations; and (C) by action or suit in equity, enjoin any acts or things which may be unlawful or in violation of the rights of the holders of such obligations.

(3) Such trustee shall have and possess all of the powers necessary or appropriate for the exercise of any functions specifically set forth in subsection (a) of section 7-394b and sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive, or incident to the general representation of the holders of such general obligations of such issue in the enforcement and protection of their rights.

(4) The Superior Court shall have jurisdiction of any suit, action or proceeding by or on behalf of the holders of obligations. The venue of such suit, action or proceeding shall be the judicial district in which such municipality is located.

Sec. 291. Section 7-565 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

The state does hereby pledge to and agree with the holders of any general obligations issued under subsection (a) of section 7-394b and sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive, and with those parties who may enter into contracts with a municipality pursuant to the provisions of subsection (a) of section 7-394b and sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive, that the state will not limit or alter the rights hereby vested in a municipality until such obligations, together with the interest thereon, are fully met and discharged and such contracts are fully performed on the part of the municipality, provided nothing in subsection (a) of section 7-394b and sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive, shall preclude limitation or alteration if and when adequate provision shall be made by law for the protection of the holders of such general obligations of a municipality or those entering into such contracts with a municipality. A municipality as agent for the state is authorized to include this
pledge and undertaking by the state in such general obligations.

Sec. 292. Section 7-568 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) Except as expressly provided in [subsection (a) of section 7-394b and] sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive, no municipality shall issue any deficit obligation to fund a general fund deficiency.

(b) Notwithstanding any charter, special act or home-rule ordinance to the contrary, any municipality which has no outstanding deficit obligation and which has not issued a deficit obligation in the past five years, is authorized and empowered to issue deficit obligations to fund a deficit, provided such municipality shall, within the time and in the manner prescribed by regulations adopted by the secretary, in consultation with the Treasurer: (1) Notify the secretary of its intent to issue such deficit obligations, (2) provide the secretary with the documentation required under [subsection (a) of section 7-394b and] sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive, (3) establish a property tax intercept procedure, and (4) establish and covenant to maintain with a trustee a debt service payment fund into which the property tax receipts shall be deposited pursuant to the property tax intercept procedure in an amount at least equal to the debt service payment requirement and from which the trustee shall disburse funds to pay debt service on all general obligations of such municipality which have a term of over one year as and when the same shall become due. [The secretary shall refer to the Municipal Finance Advisory Commission, pursuant to the provisions of section 7-395, any municipality which notifies the secretary that it intends to issue deficit obligations under this section.] Notwithstanding any other provisions of sections 7-560 to 7-565, inclusive, sections 7-568 to 7-579, inclusive, and sections 297, 300 and 303 to 308, inclusive, of this act, any municipality that issues a deficit obligation pursuant to this section or in the five years preceding July 1, 2017, shall be designated a tier III municipality by the secretary.
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Sec. 293. Section 7-569 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

No municipality, including any certified or designated municipality, shall issue any obligation for which there is a special capital reserve fund of any kind which is in any way contributed to or guaranteed by the state unless and until such obligation, and the indenture or agreement establishing such special capital reserve fund, is approved by the Treasurer. The approval of the Treasurer shall be based on documentation provided and certified by such municipality demonstrating to the Treasurer's satisfaction that (1) (A) the secretary has certified the municipality, (B) the municipality has requested designation as a tier I, II or III municipality, or (C) the secretary has designated the municipality as a tier III or IV municipality, (2) the Municipal Finance Advisory Commission, in the case of a certified municipality or designated tier I municipality, or the Municipal Accountability Review Board, in the case of a designated tier II, III or IV municipality, has approved the obligation to be issued under [subsection (a) of section 7-394b and] sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive, (3) the municipality is not in default on any general obligation after giving effect to an obligation approved under this section, (4) the municipality has funded or made due provision to fund the special capital reserve fund, (5) the financing is in the public interest, and (6) the secretary and the Treasurer have approved the property tax intercept procedure authorized by [subsection (a) of section 7-394b and] sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive.

Sec. 294. Section 7-570 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

Any certified or designated municipality which has authorized the issue of its general obligations and proposed to issue and secure such general obligations by a special capital reserve fund is hereby empowered to authorize and issue additional general obligations in
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the manner described in this section, solely for the purposes and in such amounts as are necessary (1) to fund all or a portion of such special capital reserve fund and (2) to pay all or a portion of the costs of issuing such authorized general obligations and such additional general obligations. Such additional general obligations and the appropriation of the proceeds thereof shall be authorized by a resolution adopted by a majority of all the members of the legislative body of the municipality, which for purposes of this section shall mean the body described below, notwithstanding the provisions of any general statute, special act, charter, special act charter, home-rule ordinance, local ordinance or local law governing the authorization of bonds or other obligations of such municipality or the appropriation of the proceeds thereof, all of which provisions are hereby superseded solely for the purposes of this section, including, but not limited to, any public hearing requirement, referendum approval requirement, referendum petition requirement, or recommendation or approval by any official, board, commission, agency, town meeting, representative town meeting, board of finance or other entity. The legislative body of the municipality empowered to authorize such additional obligations shall mean (A) the board of selectmen in any town without a charter, (B) the board of selectmen, council, board of directors, board of aldermen or board of burgesses in any municipality with a charter, (C) the board of education in any regional school district, (D) the city council in any unconsolidated city, (E) the board of burgesses in any unconsolidated borough, and (F) the board of directors or similar body in any other municipality. Notwithstanding any provision of a local law, ordinance, charter, special act charter, home-rule ordinance or the provisions of any bond authorizing ordinance or resolution, a certified or designated municipality's obligations may be sold at public sale on sealed proposal, by negotiation or by private placement in such manner at such price or prices, at such time or times and on such terms or conditions as the Treasurer determines to be in the best interest of the municipality and the state. Any certified or designated

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municipality which issues general obligations under [subsection (a) of section 7-394b and] sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive, shall transfer bond proceeds and such other funds to the special capital reserve fund in the amount necessary to cause the amount of money in the special capital reserve fund to equal the maximum required capital reserve and to maintain therein an amount equal to the maximum required capital reserve.

Sec. 295. Section 7-571 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) Any certified or designated municipality may establish a special capital reserve fund to secure general obligations with a term of more than one year issued pursuant to [subsection (a) of section 7-394b and] sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive. The special capital reserve fund shall be established pursuant to an indenture or other agreement between the municipality and the trustee. Such indenture or agreement shall include all the terms, conditions and requirements pertaining to the special capital reserve fund in accordance with the requirements of [subsection (a) of section 7-394b and] sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive, any requirements imposed by the secretary or the Treasurer, and any requirements imposed by the ordinance or resolution authorizing the issuance of such general obligations, and the municipality shall agree to comply with all such terms, conditions and requirements for the benefit of the holders of any general obligations supported by such special capital reserve fund and for the benefit of the state. Such indenture or agreement may also include covenants to pay the fees and expenses of the trustee and to indemnify the trustee against claims against the trustee and any other provisions which the municipality determines are necessary or appropriate to secure general obligations. The municipal officer or body empowered to issue such general obligations or to determine the details of such general obligations authorized by the municipality may establish such capital reserve fund.
and may determine the details and approve the terms of all indentures and agreements and other instruments necessary or appropriate to establish and implement such special capital reserve fund as provided in [subsection (a) of section 7-394b and] sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive, and may bind the municipality pursuant to any such indenture or agreement.

(b) The special capital reserve fund shall consist of (1) bond proceeds and other moneys of the municipality available to be deposited therein and (2) any money made available therefor by the state in accordance with this section. All moneys held in the special capital reserve fund, except as hereinafter provided, shall be used to pay interest due and owing in respect of general obligations of the municipality secured by such special capital reserve fund and for the redemption and retirement of such general obligations as they mature or become due pursuant to any sinking fund redemption provisions, or for the redemption and retirement of such general obligations pursuant to any refinancing or refunding provided any such refinancing or refunding obligations are not supported by any special capital reserve fund and any amounts in such special capital reserve fund are first applied to repay to the state any amounts which the state has paid or deposited in the special capital reserve fund and which the municipality has not repaid to the state. Income and interest from the investment of moneys in the special capital reserve fund shall be retained therein to meet any deficiencies in the maximum required capital reserve. Any amounts in excess of the maximum required capital reserve may be transferred first to the state in an amount equal to the aggregate amount transferred by the state for deposit in the special capital payment fund minus the aggregate amount of all previous reimbursements to the state, second to the debt service payment fund until the moneys in the debt service reserve fund equal or exceed the debt service payment requirement, and third to the municipality. Notwithstanding any provisions of this section, no

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municipality shall issue an obligation secured by a special capital reserve fund unless and until there is in the special capital reserve fund moneys and investments in an aggregate amount equal to the maximum required capital reserve, after giving effect to such obligations being issued. Any municipality may appropriate and deposit bond proceeds into the special capital reserve fund to bring the amount of money and investments therein to the maximum required capital reserve. Any requirement set forth in [subsection (a) of section 7-394b and] sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive, pertaining to the special capital reserve fund may be modified to the extent necessary to comply with any covenant of the municipality necessary to ensure the exclusion of interest on general obligations of the municipality supported by the special capital reserve fund from gross income for federal income tax purposes. On or before December first of each year, there is deemed to be appropriated from the state General Fund such sums, if any, as shall be certified by the chief executive officer of a certified or designated municipality to the secretary, the Treasurer and the Municipal Finance Advisory Commission for a certified municipality or a designated tier I municipality, or the Municipal Accountability Review Board, for a designated tier II, III or IV municipality, as necessary to restore special capital reserve fund to an amount equal to the minimum required capital reserve, and such amounts shall be allotted and paid from the General Fund of the state to the trustee for deposit in the special capital reserve fund. Such amounts, if any, shall be repaid by the municipality to the state and credited to the General Fund as soon as possible, from any moneys available therefor. For purposes of valuation of the special capital reserve fund, securities acquired as an investment for such fund shall be valued at par, actual cost to the certified or designated municipality or market value, whichever value is lower.

Sec. 296. Section 7-572 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):
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Any municipality that desires to issue general obligations under section 7-573 shall apply to the secretary for certification or designation. The secretary may certify as a Tier I municipality any municipality which applies to be certified, provided such municipality (1) has a long-term bond rating from at least one bond rating agency which is investment grade or higher, (2) is unable to secure municipal bond insurance from any bond insurance company on reasonable terms and conditions on the date the secretary certifies such municipality, and (3) otherwise meets the standards established by the secretary. Such standards shall be adopted as regulations established in writing by the secretary, in consultation after consulting with the Treasurer, and shall provide for a level of supervision over such municipality which the secretary deems to be sufficient to minimize the risk of a draw upon the special capital reserve fund and a transfer from the state General Fund and shall be posted on the Internet website of the Office of Policy and Management. The secretary may recertify and decertify any municipality then certified, provided the secretary shall not automatically decertify any municipality which is able to secure bond insurance after it has been certified by the secretary.

Sec. 297. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) The chief elected official of a municipality may apply to the secretary to request designation as a tier I municipality if any of the following conditions exist: (1) The municipality has no bond rating, or its highest bond rating is A or above, provided the municipality has no rating that is not investment grade, receives less than thirty per cent of its current fiscal year general fund budget revenues in the form of municipal aid from the state, has a positive fund balance percentage, and has a municipal revenue increase in fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, as a per cent of revenues of two per cent or more, (2) the municipality has no bond rating or its highest bond rating is A, provided the municipality has no rating that is not investment grade, receives less than thirty per cent of its current
fiscal year general fund budget revenues in the form of municipal aid from the state, and had a positive fund balance percentage of less than five per cent, or (3) the municipality's highest bond rating is AA or above, provided the municipality has no rating that is not investment grade, receives thirty per cent or more of its current fiscal year general fund budget revenues in the form of municipal aid from the state, has an equalized mill rate of less than thirty, has a positive fund balance percentage, and has a municipal revenue increase in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, as a per cent of revenues of two per cent or more.

(b) The secretary shall refer any municipality which has requested designation as a tier I municipality to the Municipal Finance Advisory Commission, pursuant to the provisions of section 7-395 of the general statutes.

Sec. 298. Section 7-573 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

Any [Tier I] tier I certified municipality or designated tier I municipality that meets the eligibility requirements of subdivisions (1) to (3), inclusive, of section 7-572, may issue general obligations with a term of more than one year which are supported by a special capital reserve fund, but not general obligations to fund a general fund deficiency, as provided in [subsection (a) of section 7-394b and] sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive. Any such [Tier] tier I municipality shall, within the time and in the manner prescribed by [regulations] written procedures adopted by the secretary, in consultation with the Treasurer: (1) Notify the secretary of its intent to issue such obligations, (2) provide the secretary with the documentation required under [subsection (a) of section 7-394b and] sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive, (3) establish a property tax intercept procedure and debt service payment fund in accordance with the provisions of [subsection (a) of section 7-394b and] sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive, and (4) comply with sections 7-569 to 7-571, inclusive. The secretary shall refer
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to the Municipal Finance Advisory Commission, pursuant to the provisions of section 7-395, any tier I certified municipality which notifies the secretary that it intends to issue obligations under this section.

Sec. 299. Section 7-574 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

Any municipality that desires to issue general obligations under section 7-575 shall apply to the secretary for certification. The secretary may certify as a tier II municipality any municipality which applies to be certified to issue a general obligation authorized by [subsection (a) of section 7-394b and] sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive, provided such municipality (1) has a long-term bond rating from at least one bond rating agency which is investment grade or higher, (2) is unable to obtain municipal bond insurance from any bond insurance company on reasonable terms and conditions on the date the secretary certifies such municipality, (3) has not issued a deficit obligation in the last five years, (4) has no deficit obligations outstanding, and (5) otherwise meets the standards established by the secretary. Such standards shall be [adopted as regulations] established in writing by the secretary, [in consultation] after consulting with the Treasurer, [and] shall provide for a level of supervision over such municipality which the secretary deems to be sufficient to minimize the risk of a draw upon the special capital reserve fund and a transfer from the state General Fund and shall be posted on the Internet web site of the Office of Policy and Management. The secretary may recertify and decertify any municipality then certified, provided the secretary shall not automatically decertify any municipality which is able to secure bond insurance after it has been certified by the secretary.

Sec. 300. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) The chief elected official of a municipality may apply to the secretary to request designation as a tier II municipality if any of the following conditions exist: (1) The
municipality has no bond rating from a bond rating agency, or, if its highest bond rating is A, provided the municipality has no rating that is not investment grade, receives thirty per cent or more of its current fiscal year general fund budget revenues in the form of municipal aid from the state, has a positive fund balance percentage of fifteen per cent or more, has an equalized mill rate of less than thirty, and has a municipal revenue increase in fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, as a percentage of revenues of twenty per cent or more, (2) the municipality has no bond rating from a bond rating agency, or, if its highest bond rating is A, provided the municipality has no rating that is not investment grade, receives thirty per cent or more of its current fiscal year general fund budget revenues in the form of municipal aid from the state, has an equalized mill rate of less than thirty, and has a positive fund balance percentage of less than five per cent, (3) the municipality's highest bond rating is AA or higher, provided the municipality has no rating that is not investment grade, receives thirty per cent or more of its current fiscal year general fund budget revenues in the form of municipal aid from the state, and has an equalized mill rate of thirty or more, (4) the municipality's highest bond rating is AA or higher, provided the municipality has no rating that is not investment grade, and has a negative fund balance percentage, or (5) the municipality's highest bond rating is Baa or BBB, provided the municipality has no rating that is not investment grade, has a positive fund balance percentage and an equalized mill rate of less than thirty.

(b) The secretary shall refer any municipality which has requested designation as a tier II municipality to the Municipal Accountability Review Board established pursuant to section 304 of this act. In preparing and adopting its annual budgets, such municipality shall only include assumptions respecting state revenues and property tax revenues as approved by such board and such board shall approve or disapprove all obligations issued by a designated tier II municipality pursuant to section 7-575 of the general statutes, and this section,
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provided it shall only approve such obligations which in its judgment improve the financial condition of such municipality.

Sec. 301. Section 7-575 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

Any tier II certified municipality or any designated tier II, III or IV municipality that meets the eligibility requirements of subdivisions (1) to (5), inclusive, of section 7-574 or any designated tier IV municipality that does not meet such eligibility requirements but receives approval by the Municipal Accountability Review Board pursuant to subdivision (7) of subsection (a) of section 305 of this act, may issue general obligations with a term of more than one year which are supported by a special capital reserve fund, including general obligations to fund a deficit, as provided in [subsection (a) of section 7-394b and] sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive, provided no municipality shall issue an obligation with a term of more than one year to fund a projected fiscal year deficit. Any such certified or designated tier II municipality shall, within the time and in the manner prescribed by [regulations adopted] written standards established by the secretary, [in consultation] after consulting with the Treasurer: (1) Notify the secretary of its intent to issue such obligations, (2) provide the secretary with the documentation required under [subsection (a) of section 7-394b and] sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive, (3) establish a property tax intercept procedure and debt service payment fund in accordance with the provisions of [subsection (a) of section 7-394b and] sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive, and (4) comply with sections 7-569 to 7-571, inclusive. The secretary shall refer to the Municipal Finance Advisory Commission, pursuant to the provisions of section 7-395, any certified tier II municipality which notifies the secretary that it intends to issue obligations under this section. A municipality that issues a deficit obligation pursuant to this section shall be a designated tier III municipality.
Sec. 302. Section 7-576 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

Each tier II certified municipality shall work with and report to the Municipal Finance Advisory Commission as provided for in this section. The secretary shall refer to the Municipal Finance Advisory Commission any tier II certified municipality for the purpose of improving the fiscal condition of such municipality. Such municipality shall prepare and present to the Municipal Finance Advisory Commission for its review and approval a three-year financial plan and monthly financial report in the manner prescribed by the Municipal Finance Advisory Commission. In addition, in preparing and adopting its annual budgets, such municipality shall include assumptions respecting state revenues and property tax revenues as approved by the Municipal Finance Advisory Commission. The Municipal Finance Advisory Commission shall approve or disapprove all obligations issued by a tier II certified municipality pursuant to section 7-575 and this section, [inclusive,) provided it shall only approve such obligations which in its judgment improve the financial condition of such municipality.

Sec. 303. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) The chief elected official of a municipality may apply to the secretary to request designation as a tier III municipality if any of the following conditions exist: (1) The municipality has at least one bond rating from a bond rating agency that is below investment grade, (2) the municipality has no bond rating from a bond rating agency, or, if its highest bond rating is A, Baa or BBB, provided the municipality has no rating that is not investment grade, and it has either (A) a negative fund balance percentage, or (B) an equalized mill rate that is thirty or more and it receives thirty per cent or more of its current fiscal year general fund budget revenues in the form of municipal aid from the state, (3) the municipality issues a deficit obligation or has issued a deficit obligation in the five years
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preceding July 1, 2017, or (4) the secretary, based on reports and findings of the Municipal Finance Advisory Commission, finds that the fiscal condition of the municipality warrants its designation as a tier III municipality.

(b) The secretary shall refer any municipality that is a designated tier III municipality to the Municipal Accountability Review Board established pursuant to the provisions of section 304 of this act.

Sec. 304. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) There is established a Municipal Accountability Review Board, which shall be in the Office of Policy and Management for administrative purposes only and which shall be comprised of an equal number of (1) representatives or members of collective bargaining units representing municipal employees, and (2) state and local government officials. The members of the board shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for expenses incurred in performance of their duties. Expenses of the board related to its work with designated tier III or IV municipalities, including any staff, consultants and other expenses adopted by the board, may, following consultation with such municipalities, be charged to such municipalities by the board and may be paid from the proceeds of any deficit obligation or debt restructuring bonds.

(b) Each designated tier III municipality shall work with the Municipal Accountability Review Board and report to it as provided for in this section. In addition to possessing such powers granted to such board with respect to the designated or certified tier II municipalities referred to it, the following shall apply:

(1) The board shall review and comment on the municipality's annual budget prior to its adoption by the legislative body.

(2) In preparing and adopting its annual budgets, the municipality shall only include assumptions respecting state revenues and property
tax revenues and a mill rate as are approved by the board.

(3) The board shall approve or disapprove all obligations issued by a tier III municipality that is eligible to issue bonds pursuant to the provisions of section 7-575 of the general statutes, provided it shall only approve such obligations which in its judgment improve the financial condition of such municipality.

(4) The board shall review and comment on proposed debt obligations of the municipality not covered by section 7-575 of the general statutes prior to their issuance.

(5) The board may approve or disapprove any contract of the municipality exceeding two hundred thousand dollars.

(6) With respect to any proposed collective bargaining agreement negotiated pursuant to sections 7-467 to 7-477, inclusive, of the general statutes or pursuant to section 10-153d of the general statutes, the board shall review and comment on the impact of any such agreement on the municipality's financial plan and fiscal sustainability prior to action on such proposed agreement by the municipal legislative body or legislative body of the local or regional school district, as applicable.

(7) The board may review and comment on the impact of any arbitration award on the municipality's financial plan and fiscal sustainability prior to the ability of the municipal legislative body pursuant to section 7-473c of the general statutes or the legislative body of the local or regional school district pursuant to section 10-153f of the general statutes to act on such awards.

(8) The board shall monitor compliance with the municipality's three-year financial plan and annual budget and recommend that the municipality make such changes as are necessary to ensure budgetary balance in such plan and budget.
(9) The board shall recommend that the municipality implement measures relating to the efficiency and productivity of the municipality’s operations and management as the board deems appropriate, to reduce costs and improve services so as to advance the purposes of sections 7-560 to 7-565, inclusive, of the general statutes, sections 7-568 to 7-579, inclusive, of the general statutes and sections 196, 199 and 202 to 207, inclusive, of this act.

(10) The board may obtain information on the financial condition and financial needs of the municipality.

(11) The board, in consultation with the municipality, may retain such staff and hire consultants experienced in the field of municipal finance, municipal law, governmental operations and administration or governmental accounting as it deems necessary or desirable for accomplishing its purposes.

(12) The board shall establish such written procedures as the board deems necessary to carry out its responsibilities and meet the purposes of sections 7-560 to 7-565, inclusive, of the general statutes, sections 7-568 to 7-579, inclusive, of the general statutes and sections 297, 300 and 303 to 308, inclusive, of this act.

(13) The board may impose reasonable requirements necessary for a municipality to receive any budgeted increase in any state assistance.

(c) With respect to any municipality referred to the Municipal Review Accountability Board, such municipality and each of its administrative units shall supply the board with such financial reports, data, audits, statements and any other records or documentation as the board may require to exercise its powers and to perform its duties and functions. Such reports may include, but shall not be limited to, (1) proposed budgets, (2) monthly reports of the financial condition of the municipality, (3) the status of the municipality’s current annual budget.
and progress under its financial plan for the then current fiscal year, (4) estimates of the operating results for all funds or accounts to the end of the then current fiscal year, (5) pension plan and debt projections, (6) statements and projections of general fund cash flow reserves, (7) the number of municipal employees on the municipal payroll, and (8) debt service requirements on all bonds and notes of the municipality for the following month.

Sec. 305. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) The chief elected official of a tier III municipality may apply to the secretary to request designation as a tier IV municipality. The secretary may approve the request if the secretary determines that such designation is necessary to ensure the fiscal sustainability of the municipality and is in the best interests of the state. The Municipal Accountability Review Board, with the approval of at least two-thirds of its members, may designate a tier III municipality as a tier IV municipality based on a finding by the board that the fiscal condition of such municipality warrants such a designation. Such designation shall require the approval of the Governor. Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 7-568 to 7-575, inclusive, of the general statutes and sections 297 and 300 of this act, a municipality designated as a tier IV municipality pursuant to this section shall retain such designation following the issuance of a deficit obligation subsequent to such municipality's designation as a tier IV municipality. With respect to a designated tier IV municipality, the Municipal Accountability Review Board shall have the same powers and responsibilities as it has with respect to designated tier III municipalities in addition to which it shall have the following additional or superseding authority and responsibilities:

(1) To review and approve or disapprove the municipality's annual budget, including, but not limited to, the general fund, other governmental funds, enterprise funds and internal service funds. No annual budget, annual tax levy or user fee for the municipality shall
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become operative until it has been approved by the board. If the board disapproves any annual budget, it shall adopt an interim budget and establish a tax rate and user fees. Such interim budget shall take effect at the commencement of the fiscal year and shall remain in effect until the municipality submits and the board approves a modified budget.

(2) To review and approve all bond ordinances and bond resolutions of the municipality.

(3) To monitor compliance with the municipality's three-year financial plan and annual budget and require that the municipality make such changes as are necessary to ensure budgetary balance in such plan and budget.

(4) (A) To approve or reject all collective bargaining agreements for a new term, other than modifications, amendments or reopenings of an agreement, to be entered into by the municipality or any of its agencies or administrative units, including the board of education. If it rejects an agreement, the board shall indicate the specific provisions of the proposed agreement which caused the rejection, as well as its rationale for the rejection. The board may indicate the total cost impact or savings that are acceptable in a new agreement. Following any rejection of a proposed collective bargaining agreement, the parties to the agreement shall have ten days from the date of the board's rejection to consider the board's concerns and propose a modified agreement. After the expiration of such ten-day period, the board shall approve or reject any such modified agreement. If the parties have been unable to reach an agreement or the board rejects such modified agreement, the board shall set forth the terms of the agreement, which shall be binding upon the parties. In establishing the terms of the agreement, as well as in making a determination to reject a proposed agreement, the parties shall have an opportunity to make a presentation to the board. The board shall not be limited to consideration and inclusion in the collective bargaining agreement of matters raised or negotiated by the
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parties; and (B) to approve or reject all modifications, amendments or reopeners to collective bargaining agreements entered into by the municipality or any of its agencies or administrative units, including the board of education. If it rejects an amendment to an agreement, the board shall indicate the specific provisions of the proposed amendment which caused the rejection, as well as its rationale for the rejection. The board may indicate the total cost impact or savings acceptable in a new amendment. If the board rejects a proposed amendment to a collective bargaining agreement, the parties to the agreement shall have ten days from the date of the board's rejection to consider the board's concerns and put forth a modified amendment. After the expiration of such ten-day period, the board shall approve or reject any revised amendment. If the parties are unable to reach a modified amendment or the board rejects such modified amendment, the board shall set forth the terms of the new amendment, which shall be binding upon the parties. For the purposes of this subparagraph, the board shall be limited to the subject of any proposed amendment. In establishing the terms of the new agreement, as well as in making a determination to reject a proposed amendment pursuant to this subdivision, the parties shall have an opportunity to make a presentation to the board.

(5) With respect to collective bargaining agreements of the municipality or any of its agencies or administrative units, including, but not limited to, the board of education, that are in or are subject to binding arbitration, to serve as the binding arbitration panel. The board shall have the power to impose binding arbitration upon the parties any time after the seventy-fifth day following the commencement of negotiations or to reject any arbitration award pending potential municipal or board of education legislative action pursuant to section 7-473c or 10-153f of the general statutes. If, upon the date of a municipality's designation as a tier IV municipality, the parties are in binding arbitration, the board shall immediately replace

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any established binding arbitration panel. The board may reduce the time limits in the applicable provisions of the general statutes or any public or special acts governing binding arbitration by one-half. The board shall not be limited to consideration and inclusion in the collective bargaining agreement of the last best offers or the matters raised by or negotiated by the parties.

(6) (A) To require its approval of proposed transfers of a municipality's appropriations in excess of fifty thousand dollars, (B) to review, approve, disapprove or modify the budget of the board of education for the municipality on a line-item basis and to require the board of education to submit to it any budget transfers, or (C) to appoint a financial manager and delegate to such manager, in writing, such powers as the board deems necessary or appropriate for the purpose of managing the financial and administrative affairs of the municipality for the period of time during which the municipality is subject to the powers of the board provided the board may override any actions taken by such manager at any time and shall not delegate the powers enumerated under subdivisions (2), (3) and (5) to (7), inclusive, and (11) to (13), inclusive, of subsection (b) of section 304 of this act, or subdivisions (1), (2) and (4) to (7), inclusive, of this section.

(7) To approve and authorize the issuance of obligations under section 7-575 of the general statutes, including, with regard to a designated tier IV municipality otherwise ineligible to issue such obligations, for the purposes of issuing general obligations for purposes of deficit financing, addressing pension liabilities in accordance with section 7-374c of the general statutes, debt restructuring and other purposes allowed for which municipal obligations are authorized by the general statutes.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 7-370c of the general statutes, or any other public or special act, local law or charter, or ordinance or resolution, which limits or imposes conditions on the
date of the first maturity of, or the due date of the first sinking fund payment for, or on the amount of any principal or any principal and interest installments on, or sinking fund payment deposit for, refunding bonds issued by any municipality, the board may authorize a designated tier IV municipality to issue refunding bonds for which the provisions of section 7-371 of the general statutes regarding such limitations shall not apply, regardless of whether or not such refunding bonds achieve net present value savings, as described in section 7-370c of the general statutes, with respect to the refunded bonds. The board shall only approve the issue of such refunding bonds upon a determination that, in its judgment, the issue of such bonds will improve the financial condition of such municipality.

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 7-370c or 7-371 of the general statutes, or any other public or special act, local law or charter, or ordinance or resolution, which limits or imposes conditions on the final maturity of, or the due date of the last sinking fund payment for, bonds issued by any municipality, the board may authorize a designated tier IV municipality to issue bonds for which the last installment of any series of such bonds shall mature, or the last sinking fund payment for such series of bonds shall be due, not later than thirty years from the date of issue of such bonds. The board shall only approve the issuance of such bonds upon a determination that, in its judgment, such issuance will improve the financial condition of such municipality.

Sec. 306. (NEW) (Effective from passage) A municipality designated as a tier I municipality in accordance with section 297 of this act or designated as a tier II municipality in accordance with section 300 of this act shall retain such designation, notwithstanding any positive changes in the factors leading to its current designation, for a minimum of the two fiscal years subsequent to its most current designation or until, following any such designation, (1) there have
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been no annual operating budgetary deficits in the general fund of the municipality for two consecutive fiscal years, (2) the municipality's bond rating has either improved or remained unchanged since its most current designation, (3) the municipality has presented and the commission or board has approved a financial plan that projects a positive unreserved fund for the three succeeding consecutive fiscal years covered by such financial plan, and (4) the municipality's audits for such consecutive fiscal years have been completed and contain no general fund deficit. Notwithstanding any other provisions of sections 7-560 to 7-575, inclusive, of the general statutes, sections 7-568 to 7-579, inclusive, of the general statutes and sections 297, 300 and 303 to 308, inclusive, of this act, the municipality shall remain undesignated for purposes of a tier designation, unless circumstances would result in the municipality being designated as a tier numerically higher than its most recent designation.

Sec. 307. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) A municipality designated as a tier III municipality in accordance with section 202 of this act or designated as a tier IV municipality in accordance with section 305 of this act shall retain such designation, for a minimum of the three fiscal years subsequent to its most current designation notwithstanding any positive changes in the factors leading to its current designation, or until, following its most current designation: (1) There have been no annual operating budgetary deficits in the general fund of the municipality for three consecutive fiscal years, (2) the municipality's bond rating has either improved or remained unchanged since its most current designation, provided it has no bond ratings that are below investment grade, (3) the municipality has presented and the board has approved a financial plan that projects a positive unreserved fund balance for the three succeeding consecutive fiscal years covered by such financial plan, and (4) the audits for the aforementioned consecutive fiscal years have been completed and contain no general fund deficit.
(b) Notwithstanding any other provisions of sections 7-560 to 7-565, inclusive, of the general statutes, sections 7-568 to 7-579, inclusive, of the general statutes and sections 297, 300 and 303 to 308, inclusive, of this act, the municipality shall remain undesignated for purposes of a tier designation, unless it has an annual operating budgetary deficit in its general fund equal to one per cent or more of its most recently completed annual general fund budget or if it experiences an annual operating budgetary deficit in its general fund in consecutive years of any amount or if it has one or more bond ratings that are below investment grade.

Sec. 308. Section 7-577 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) The Attorney General may apply for a writ of mandamus on behalf of the Municipal Finance Advisory Commission or the Municipal Accountability Review Board, acting through its chairperson, requiring any official, employee or agent of the municipality to carry out and give effect to any determination of the commission authorized by subsection (a) of section 7-394b and sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive, and any obligation by a municipality to repay to the state any amounts the state pays into a special capital reserve fund and compliance by a municipality with any agreements or indenture pertaining to a special capital reserve fund or tax intercept procedure or debt service payment fund related thereto. Each such application shall be filed in superior court for the judicial district of Hartford.

(b) The superior court for the judicial district of Hartford may, by application of the secretary, the commission, the Municipal Accountability Review Board or the Attorney General, enforce, by appropriate decree or process, any provisions of subsection (a) of section 7-394b and sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive, or any act or determination of the commission rendered pursuant to subsection (a)
Sec. 309. Section 7-578 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

Within one year of initial participation [in] as a certified tier I or tier II municipality, a participating municipality may develop a comprehensive economic development plan designed to increase the tax base of the municipality to a level that will allow the municipality to provide an adequate level of municipal services. The plan shall be approved by the legislative authority of the municipality. If at any time after the comprehensive economic development plan has been completed and the municipality fails to show substantial progress in meeting the goals of the plan, the state may suspend further assistance to the municipality. The secretary, in consultation with the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, shall evaluate the comprehensive economic development plan annually. The secretary may provide qualified staff and financial assistance to the qualifying municipality for purposes of developing a comprehensive economic development plan.

Sec. 310. Section 7-579 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

For the purposes of [subsection (a) of section 7-394b and] sections 7-560 to 7-579, inclusive, deficit obligation, as defined in section 7-560, with respect to the town and city of New Haven, means such obligation issued on or after July 1, 1993.

Sec. 311. Subsection (b) of section 7-474 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) (1) Any agreement reached by the negotiators shall be reduced to writing. Except where the legislative body is the town meeting, a
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request for funds necessary to implement such written agreement and for approval of any provisions of the agreement which are in conflict with any charter, special act, ordinance, rule or regulation adopted by the municipal employer or its agents, such as a personnel board or civil service commission, or any general statute directly regulating the hours of work of policemen or firemen or any general statute providing for the method or manner of covering or removing employees from coverage under the Connecticut municipal employees' retirement system or under the Policemen and Firemen Survivors' Benefit Fund shall be submitted by the bargaining representative of the municipality within fourteen days of the date on which such agreement is reached to the legislative body which may approve or reject such request as a whole by a majority vote of those present and voting on the matter. [but, if]

(2) (A) If an agreement is rejected, the matter shall be returned to the parties [for further bargaining.] who shall initiate arbitration in accordance with the provisions of section 7-437c. The parties may submit any award issued pursuant to such arbitration to the municipality for approval in the same manner as the rejected agreement. If the arbitration award is rejected by the legislative body, the matter shall be returned again to the parties for further arbitration. Any award issued pursuant to such further arbitration shall be deemed approved by the legislative body.

(B) If an arbitration award, other than an award issued pursuant to subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, is rejected, the matter shall be returned to the parties for further arbitration. Any award issued pursuant to such further arbitration shall be deemed approved by the legislative body.

(C) Failure by the bargaining representative of the municipality to submit such request to the legislative body within such fourteen-day period shall be considered to be a prohibited practice committed by the
municipal employer. Such request shall be considered [approved] rejected if the legislative body fails to vote to approve or reject such request within thirty days of the end of the fourteen-day period for submission to said body. Where the legislative body is the town meeting, approval of the agreement by a majority of the selectmen shall make the agreement valid and binding upon the town and the board of finance shall appropriate or provide whatever funds are necessary to comply with such collective bargaining agreement.

Sec. 312. (Effective from passage) (a) There is established a task force to study the expenditure of tax revenue for the provision of local services by municipal governments.

(b) The task force shall consist of the following members:

(1) One appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, who shall be a representative of the Connecticut Council of Small Towns;

(2) One appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, who shall be a representative of the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities;

(3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, who shall have expertise in economics;

(4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who shall be a municipal official;

(5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives, who shall have expertise in economics;

(6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, who shall be a municipal official; and

(7) The chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing
committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to planning and development and finance, or their designees.

(c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (3), (4), (5), (6) or (7) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member of the General Assembly.

(d) All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority.

(e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task force from among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons shall schedule the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held not later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

(f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to planning and development shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

(g) Not later than April 1, 2018, the task force shall submit a report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to planning and development and finance, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date that it submits such report or April 1, 2018, whichever is later.

Sec. 313. Section 22a-2d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) There is established a Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, which shall have jurisdiction relating to the preservation and protection of the air, water and other natural
resources of the state, energy and policy planning and regulation and advancement of telecommunications and related technology. [For the purposes of energy policy and regulation, the department shall have the following goals: (1) Reducing rates and decreasing costs for Connecticut's ratepayers, (2) ensuring the reliability and safety of our state's energy supply, (3) increasing the use of clean energy and technologies that support clean energy, and (4) developing the state's energy-related economy. For the purpose of environmental protection and regulation, the]

The department shall have the following goals: [(A)] (1) Conserving, improving and protecting the natural resources and environment of the state, and [(B)] (2) preserving the natural environment while fostering sustainable development. The department head shall be the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection who shall be appointed by the Governor in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-5 to 4-8, inclusive, with the powers and duties therein prescribed.

(b) [The] There is established a Public Utilities Regulatory Authority [within the department] which shall [be responsible] have jurisdiction [for] of all matters of rate regulation for public utilities and regulated entities under title 16 and shall promote policies that will lead to just and reasonable utility rates. [The department head shall be the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection who shall be appointed by the Governor in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-5 to 4-8, inclusive, with the powers and duties therein prescribed. The Department of Energy and Environmental Protection shall establish bureaus, one of which shall be designated an energy bureau.] The authority shall have the following goals: (1) Reducing rates and decreasing costs for Connecticut's ratepayers, (2) ensuring the reliability and safety of our state's energy supply, (3) increasing the use of clean energy and technologies that support clean energy, and (4) developing the state's energy-related economy. The head of such authority shall be the chairperson elected in accordance with section
[(b) The Department of Energy and Environmental Protection shall constitute a successor department to the Department of Environmental Protection and the Department of Public Utility Control in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-38d, 4-38e and 4-39.]

(c) The Legislative Commissioners' Office shall, in codifying the provisions of this section, make such conforming, technical, grammatical and punctuation changes throughout the general statutes as are necessary to carry out the purposes of this section.

Sec. 314. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) The state may, in any public or special act, modify a contract to which it is a party (1) if any impairment to the contract is not substantial, or (2) (A) if any impairment to the contract is substantial, the public or special act serves a legitimate public purpose such as remedying a general social or economic problem, and (B) if such purpose is demonstrated, the means chosen to accomplish such purpose are reasonable and necessary.

(b) Any such impairment of a contract as described in subsection (a) of this section may be considered reasonable and necessary if (1) the state considered such impairment along with other policy alternatives, (2) the state reasonably determined that it could not serve its purposes equally well with an evident and more moderate course of action, and (3) the state's action is not unreasonable in light of the surrounding circumstances.

Sec. 315. Subsection (e) of section 5-276a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage and applicable to negotiations then in progress):

(e) (1) The arbitrator selected shall contact the parties to schedule dates and places for hearings which shall commence not later than
twenty days after the selection of the arbitrator and which shall be, where feasible, in the principal locality of the state board, department, commission or agency or unit thereof involved. At least ten days prior to each such hearing, written notice of the designated time and place of such hearing shall be sent to the state employer and the state employee organization. The arbitrator shall preside over such hearings, shall have the power to take testimony, to administer oaths and to summon, by subpoena, any person whose testimony may be pertinent to the proceedings, together with any records or other documents deemed by the arbitrator to relate to such matters. In the case of contumacy or refusal to obey a subpoena issued to any person, the Superior Court, upon application by the arbitrator or either party, shall have jurisdiction to order such person to appear before the arbitrator to produce subpoenaed records and to give testimony touching the matter under investigation or in question, and any failure to obey such order may be punished by the court as a contempt thereof. The parties may, at any time during the course of the proceeding, jointly request the arbitrator to attempt to mediate any or all of the disputed issues.

(2) The hearings may, at the discretion of the parties or the arbitrator, be continued and shall be concluded within thirty days after their commencement, unless such period is extended by the joint request of the parties or by the arbitrator.

(3) Prior to the commencement of the hearings, each party shall submit to the arbitrator three copies of a list of all resolved and unresolved issues, including the party's proposal on each disputed issue. During the hearing no new issues can be considered unless such addition is mutually agreed to by the parties. Upon receipt of both such lists, the arbitrator shall simultaneously distribute a copy of each to the opposing party. Upon the hearing, each party shall present such testimony and other evidence as it deems appropriate and as the arbitrator finds relevant to the issues presented. Evidence as to each
disputed issue shall be presented first by the party presenting the demand underlying such issue. At any time prior to the issuance of the award by the arbitrator, the parties may jointly file with the arbitrator stipulations setting forth such disputed issues the parties have agreed are to be withdrawn from arbitration. Within fourteen days after the conclusion of the taking of testimony, the parties may file with the arbitrator three copies of their briefs including their last best offer on each unresolved issue and, where possible, estimates of the costs of resolution of each disputed issue. Immediately upon receipt of both briefs or upon the expiration of the time for filing such briefs, whichever is sooner, the arbitrator shall distribute a copy of each such brief to the opposing party. Within seven days after receipt of the opposing briefs on the disputed issues or within seven days after the expiration of the time for filing such briefs, whichever is sooner, the parties may file with the arbitrator three copies of a reply brief, responding to the briefs on the unresolved issues. Immediately upon receipt of both reply briefs or upon the expiration of the time for filing such briefs, whichever is sooner, the arbitrator shall distribute a copy of each such brief to the opposing party.

(4) Within twenty days after the last day for filing reply briefs, the arbitrator shall file with the secretary of the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration the award on each unresolved issue as well as the issues resolved by the parties during the arbitration proceedings. The arbitrator shall immediately and simultaneously distribute a copy thereof to each party. In making such award, the arbitrator shall select the more reasonable last best offer proposal on each of the disputed issues based on the factors in subdivision (5) of this subsection. The arbitrator (A) shall give a decision as to each disputed issue considered, (B) shall state with particularity the basis for such decision as to each disputed issue and the manner in which the factors enumerated in subdivision (5) of this subsection were considered in arriving at such decision, (C) shall confine the award to the issues
submitted and shall not make observations or declarations of opinion which are not directly essential in reaching a determination, and (D) shall not affect the rights accorded to either party by law or by any collective bargaining agreement nor in any manner, either by drawing inferences or otherwise, modify, add to, subtract from or alter such provisions of law or agreement. If the day for filing any document under this subsection falls on a day which is not a business day of the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration, then the time for filing shall be extended to the next business day of the board.

(5) (A) The factors to be considered by the arbitrator in arriving at a decision are: The history of negotiations between the parties including those leading to the instant proceeding; the existing conditions of employment of similar groups of employees; the wages, fringe benefits and working conditions prevailing in the labor market; the overall compensation paid to the employees involved in the arbitration proceedings, including direct wages compensation, overtime and premium pay, vacations, holidays and other leave, insurance, pensions, medical and hospitalization benefits, food and apparel furnished and all other benefits received by such employees; the ability of the employer to pay; changes in the cost of living; and the interests and welfare of the employees.

(B) In determining the ability of the employer to pay, the arbitrator shall consider the financial capability of the state, which shall include: (i) The fiscal health of the state; (ii) the balance in the Budget Reserve Fund, established under section 4-30a; (iii) the short and long-term liabilities of the state, including, but not limited to, its ability to meet minimum funding levels required by law, contract or court order; (iv) the initial budgeted revenue for the state for the past five fiscal years as compared to the actual revenue received by the state for such fiscal years; (v) state revenue projections for the fiscal years during the term of the proposed collective bargaining agreement; (vi) the economic
outlook for the state; and (vii) the state's access to capital markets. The financial capability of the state shall not include the state's ability to raise revenue through new or increased taxes.

(C) Where there is a conflict between any provision of an agreement or arbitration award approved in accordance with the provisions of sections 5-270 to 5-280, inclusive, on matters appropriate to collective bargaining, as defined in said sections, and the provisions of this subdivision, the provisions of this subdivision shall prevail. If the application of this subdivision requires an agreement or award to be returned to the parties for further bargaining, only the provisions of such agreement or award that have changed from those previously approved by the General Assembly shall be resubmitted by the parties in accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) of section 5-278. Any modification to the provisions of this subparagraph and subparagraph (B) of this subdivision shall require the vote of two-thirds of the members of each house of the General Assembly. No modification to any provision of any such agreement or award shall require such vote.

(6) The award of the arbitrator shall be final and binding upon the employer and the designated employee organization unless rejected by the legislature as provided in section 5-278, except that a motion to vacate or modify the arbitrator's decision concerning any issue in such award may be filed in the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford within thirty days following receipt of such award. Such motion to vacate or modify shall identify the specific issue or issues in the award which the court is being asked to vacate or modify. Any decision by the arbitrator on issues that are not subject to a motion to vacate or modify shall be final and binding upon the parties. The court, after hearing, may vacate or modify the arbitrator's decision concerning the award or any issue in the award only if the court finds that substantial rights of a party have been prejudiced because such
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award is: (A) In violation of constitutional provisions; (B) in excess of the statutory authority of the arbitrator; (C) made upon unlawful procedure; (D) affected by other error of law; (E) clearly erroneous in view of the reliable, probative and substantial evidence of the whole record; or (F) arbitrary or capricious or characterized by abuse of discretion or clearly unwarranted exercise of discretion.

(7) The secretary of the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration shall serve as staff to the arbitrator for purposes of all proceedings undertaken pursuant to this subsection.

Sec. 316. Subsection (b) of section 5-278 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(b) (1) Any agreement reached by the negotiators shall be reduced to writing. The agreement, together with a request for funds necessary to fully implement such agreement and for approval of any provisions of the agreement which are in conflict with any statute or any regulation of any state agency, and any arbitration award, issued in accordance with section 5-276a, together with a statement setting forth the amount of funds necessary to implement such award, shall be filed by the bargaining representative of the employer with the clerks of the House of Representatives and the Senate within ten days after the date on which such agreement is reached or such award is distributed.

(2) (A) The General Assembly may approve any such agreement as a whole by a majority vote of each house or may reject such agreement as a whole by a majority vote of either house. The General Assembly may reject any such award as a whole by a two-thirds vote of either house if it determines that there are insufficient funds for full implementation of the award. If an agreement is rejected, the matter shall be returned to the parties, [for further bargaining.] who shall initiate arbitration in accordance with the provisions of section 5-276a.
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The parties may submit any award issued pursuant to such arbitration to the General Assembly for approval in the same manner as the rejected agreement. If the arbitration award is rejected by the General Assembly, the matter shall be returned again to the parties for further arbitration. Any award issued pursuant to such further arbitration shall be deemed approved by the General Assembly.

(B) If an arbitration award, other than an award issued pursuant to subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, is rejected, the matter shall be returned to the parties for further arbitration. Any award issued pursuant to such further arbitration shall be deemed approved by the General Assembly. Once approved by the General Assembly, any provision of an agreement or award need not be resubmitted by the parties to such agreement or award as part of a future contract approval process unless changes in the language of such provision are negotiated by such parties. Any supplemental understanding reached between such parties containing provisions which would supersede any provision of the general statutes or any regulation of any state agency or would require additional state funding shall be submitted to the General Assembly for approval in the same manner as agreements and awards.

(3) If the General Assembly is in session, it shall vote to approve or reject such agreement or award within thirty days after the date of filing. If the General Assembly is not in session when such agreement or award is filed, it shall be submitted to the General Assembly within ten days of the first day of the next regular session or special session called for such purpose.

(4) (A) The agreement or award shall be deemed [approved] rejected if the General Assembly fails to vote to approve or reject such agreement or award within thirty days after such filing or submission. The provisions of this subparagraph may be repealed or amended only by a two-thirds vote of each house of the General Assembly. (B) The
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thirty-day period shall not begin or expire unless the General Assembly is in regular session.

(5) For the purpose of this subsection, any agreement or award filed with the clerks within thirty days before the commencement of a regular session of the General Assembly shall be deemed to be filed on the first day of such session.

Sec. 317. Subsections (e) and (f) of section 5-278 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(e) [Where] (1) Except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, where there is a conflict between any agreement or arbitration award approved in accordance with the provisions of sections 5-270 to 5-280, inclusive, on matters appropriate to collective bargaining, as defined in said sections, and any general statute or special act, or regulations adopted by any state agency, the terms of such agreement or arbitration award shall prevail; provided if participation of any employees in a retirement system is effected by such agreement or arbitration award, the effective date of participation in said system, notwithstanding any contrary provision in such agreement or arbitration award, shall be the first day of the third month following the month in which a certified copy of such agreement or arbitration award is received by the Retirement Commission or such later date as may be specified in the agreement or arbitration award.

(2) On and after June 30, 2027, where there is a conflict between any provision of an agreement or arbitration award approved in accordance with the provisions of sections 5-270 to 5-280, inclusive, on matters appropriate to collective bargaining, as defined in said sections, and the provisions of section 318 of this act, the provisions of said section 318 shall prevail. If the application of this subsection

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requires an agreement or award to be returned to the parties for further bargaining, only the provisions of such agreement or award that have changed from those previously approved by the General Assembly shall be resubmitted by the parties in accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) of this section. The provisions of this subdivision may be repealed or amended only by a two-thirds vote of each house of the General Assembly.

(f) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, collective bargaining negotiations concerning changes to the state employees retirement system to be effective on and after July 1, 1988, and collective bargaining negotiations concerning health and welfare benefits to be effective on and after July 1, 1994, shall be conducted between the employer and a coalition committee which represents all state employees who are members of any designated employee organization. (2) On and after June 30, 2027, the provisions of any agreement negotiated pursuant to this subsection shall be in conformance with the provisions of section 318 of this act. The provisions of this subdivision may be repealed or amended only by a two-thirds vote of each house of the General Assembly. (3) The provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection shall not be construed to prevent the employer and any designated employee organization from bargaining directly with each other on matters related to the state employees retirement system and health and welfare benefits whenever the parties jointly agree that such matters are unique to the particular bargaining unit. [(3)] (4) The provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection shall not be construed to prevent the employer and representatives of employee organizations from dealing with any state-wide issue using the procedure established in said subdivision.

Sec. 318. (NEW) (Effective from passage) On and after June 30, 2027, no agreement negotiated pursuant to the provisions of subsection (f) of section 5-278 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, shall (1) be
for a term of more than four years, (2) include any provision for cost-of-living adjustments to retirement income, or (3) include any provision for the inclusion of overtime pay in the calculation of any member's retirement income, and no arbitration award issued in accordance with section 5-276a of the general statutes shall contain any provision prohibited by this section for inclusion in such agreement. The provisions of this section may be repealed or amended only by a two-thirds vote of each house of the General Assembly.

Sec. 319. Subsection (h) of section 5-154 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(h) "Salary" means (1) any payment, including longevity payments and payments for accrued vacation time under section 5-252, but, on and after July 1, 2027, excluding any overtime pay, for state service made from a payroll submitted to the Comptroller; and (2) the cash value of maintenance furnished by the state; and (3) fees received from the state in whole or in part in lieu of or in addition to item (1) above and established to the satisfaction of the Retirement Commission, to the extent that the employee has made retirement contributions on such fees; and (4) compensation paid by the United States to state employees who are employees of the United States Purchasing and Finance Office; and (5) compensation paid to employees of the Connecticut Institute for Municipal Studies. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 5-208a, any state employee who is employed by more than one state agency during any week shall, for compensation earned on and after January 1, 1983, have all such compensation recognized for all purposes of the retirement program. The provision of subdivision (1) of this subsection concerning the exclusion of overtime pay from the definition of "salary" and this provision may be repealed or amended only by a two-thirds vote of each house of the General Assembly;
Sec. 320. Subsection (q) of section 5-200 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(q) Commencing November 1, 1989, elected officials and employees in the legislative department and elected officials in the executive department shall be granted rights and benefits equal to those granted to employees in the classified service covered under a prevailing collective bargaining agreement negotiated in accordance with [subdivision (1) of] subsection (f) of section 5-278.

Sec. 321. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (c) of section 5-155a of the general statutes, not later than November 1, 2017, the Retirement Commission shall prepare a valuation, in accordance with the provisions of section 5-156b of the general statutes, of the assets and liabilities of the state employees retirement system. Such valuation of the assets and liabilities of the system shall reflect, to the greatest extent possible, the immediate effect of the provisions of section 320 of this act on said system. On the basis of such valuation, the commission shall (1) redetermine the normal rate of contribution and, until it is amortized, the unfunded past service liability, and (2) take into account the results of such valuation in making the certification required on or before December 1, 2017, pursuant to subsection (a) of section 5-156a of the general statutes.

Sec. 322. (Effective from passage) (a) There is established the Teachers' Retirement System Viability Commission, which shall consist of the members of the Teachers' Retirement Board, as established pursuant to section 10-183l of the general statutes, and a global consulting firm with significant experience and expertise in human resources, talent development and health and retirement benefits and investments, contracted in accordance with the following:
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(1) Not later than sixty days after the effective date of this section, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall, within available appropriations, contract with a global consulting firm with significant experience and expertise in human resources, talent development and health and retirement benefits and investments. If, not later than sixty days after the effective date of this section, the secretary has not contracted with such a consulting firm pursuant to this section, the Office of Legislative Management shall contract with such a consulting firm.

(2) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management or the executive director of the Office of Legislative Management, as the case may be, shall identify candidates with significant experience to perform the duties of the global consulting firm pursuant to this section through the solicitation of qualifications and any other factor that may bear on the ability to perform such duties. The secretary or the executive director, as the case may be, shall select and contract with the consulting firm through the solicitation of bids for the performance of such duties from not less than four of the candidates so identified. Each solicitation and any response to any such solicitation shall be made in writing. Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, any such contract shall not be deemed a personal service agreement for purposes of chapter 55a of the general statutes and shall not be subject to the provisions of chapter 58 or 62 of the general statutes.

(3) If the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management contracts with a consulting firm pursuant to this section, the Governor, with the approval of the Finance Advisory Committee, shall transfer any funds appropriated to the Office of Legislative Management for the purpose of contracting with such consulting firm to the Office of Policy and Management. If the Office of Legislative Management contracts with a consulting firm pursuant to this section, the funds appropriated to the
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Office of Legislative Management for the purpose of contracting with such consulting firm shall be retained by the Office of Legislative Management.

(4) The state may accept gifts, grants and donations designated for the purposes of contracting with the consulting firm pursuant to this section provided the state shall not accept any such gift, grant or donation from any candidate identified pursuant to subdivision (2) of this subsection.

(b) The commission shall develop and implement a plan to maintain the financial viability of the Connecticut teachers' retirement system, established under section 10-183c of the general statutes. In developing such plan, the commission shall give significance to the financial capability of the state, which shall include: (1) The fiscal health of the state; (2) the balance in the Budget Reserve Fund, established under section 4-30a of the general statutes; (3) the short and long-term liabilities of the state, including, but not limited to, the state's ability to meet minimum funding levels required by law, contract or court order; (4) the state's initial budgeted revenue for the state for the previous five fiscal years as compared to the actual revenue received by the state for such fiscal years; (5) state revenue projections for the fiscal years during the period in which the proposed plan is to be in operation; (6) the economic outlook for the state; and (7) the state's access to capital markets. The financial capability of the state shall not include the state's ability to raise revenue through new or increased taxes. The commission shall hold at least one public hearing and solicit the input of members, as defined in section 10-183b of the general statutes, of the teachers' retirement system in developing such plan.

(c) Not later than ninety days after a contract is entered into with such consulting firm, the commission shall submit such plan, and any proposed legislation necessary for the further implementation of such plan, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having
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cognizance of matters relating to education and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes. The commission shall terminate not later than one year after the date it submits such report.

Sec. 323. Section 10-183l of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) (1) On and after July 1, 1991, the management of the system shall continue to be vested in the Teachers' Retirement Board, whose members shall include the Treasurer, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the Commissioner of Education, or their designees, who shall be voting members of the board, ex officio. (2) On or before June 15, 1985, and quadrennially thereafter, the members of the system shall elect from their number, in a manner prescribed by said board, two persons to serve as members of said board for terms of four years beginning July first following such election. Both of such persons shall be active teachers who shall be nominated by the members of the system who are not retired and elected by all the members of the system. On or before July 1, 1991, and quadrennially thereafter, the members of the system shall elect from their number, in a manner prescribed by said board, three persons to serve as members of said board for terms of four years beginning July first following such election. Two of such persons shall be retired teachers who shall be nominated by the retired members of the system and elected by all the members of the system and one shall be an active teacher who shall be nominated by the members of the system who are not retired and elected by all the members of the system. (3) On or before July 1, 2011, and quadrennially thereafter, the members of the system shall elect from their number, in a manner prescribed by said board, one person to serve as a member of said board for a term of four years beginning July first following such election. Such person shall be an active teacher who shall be nominated by the members of the system who are
not retired, elected by all the members of the system and a member of an exclusive representative of a teachers' bargaining unit that is not represented by the members of the board elected under subdivision (2) of this subsection. (4) If a vacancy occurs in the positions filled by the members of the system who are not retired, said board shall elect a member of the system who is not retired to fill the unexpired portion of the term. If a vacancy occurs in the positions filled by the retired members of the system, said board shall elect a retired member of the system to fill the unexpired portion of the term. The Governor shall appoint five public members to said board in accordance with the provisions of section 4-9a. The members of the board shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for any expenditures or loss of salary or wages which they incur through service on the board. All decisions of the board shall require the approval of six members of the board or a majority of the members who are present, whichever is greater.

(b) In carrying out its duties, the board may employ a secretary and such clerical and other assistance as may be necessary. Their salaries shall be paid by said board with the approval of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management. Said board shall employ the services of one or more actuaries, each of which shall be an individual or firm having on its staff a fellow of the Society of Actuaries, to carry out the actuarial duties of this section and sections 10-183b, 10-183r, and 10-183z and for such related purposes as the board deems advisable. The cost of such services shall be charged to the funds provided for in section 10-183r. Said board shall arrange for such actuary to prepare an actuarial valuation of the assets and liabilities of the system as of [June 30, 1980,] the effective date of this act, and [at least once every two years] annually thereafter. On the basis of reasonable actuarial assumptions approved by the board, such actuary shall determine the normal cost required to meet the actuarial cost of current service and the unfunded accrued liability. [Commencing December 1, 2002, such
valuation shall be completed prior to December first biennially.] Said board shall adopt all needed actuarial tables and may adopt regulations and rules not inconsistent with this chapter, including regulations and rules for payment of purchased service credits and repayment of previously withdrawn accumulated contributions. Said board shall establish such funds as are necessary for the management of the system. The board may enter into such contractual agreements, in accordance with established procedures, as may be necessary for the discharge of its duties.

Sec. 324. (Effective from passage) (a) (1) Not later than sixty days after the effective date of this section, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall, within available appropriations and in consultation with the speaker of the House of Representatives, the minority leader of the House of Representatives, the president pro tem of the Senate and the Senate Republican President Pro Tempore, contract with an independent financial and operational global professional services advisor ("Advisor"), in accordance with subdivision (2) of this subsection, for the purposes of assisting (A) the secretary in developing and implementing a long-term fiscal and operational plan for the state ("Sustainability Plan"), and (B) the General Assembly in developing guidelines for the authorization of general budget expenditures, which may include recommendations for legislation. If, not later than sixty days after the effective date of this section, the secretary has not contracted with the Advisor pursuant to this section, the executive director of the Office of Legislative Management shall, within available appropriations, so contract with the Advisor, provided the Advisor shall be under the direction of the secretary.

(2) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management or the executive director of the Office of Legislative Management, as the case may be, shall identify candidates with significant experience and
expertise in restructuring and turnaround work in the private and public sectors to perform the duties of the Advisor pursuant to this section through the solicitation of qualifications and any other factor that may bear on the ability to perform such duties. The secretary or the executive director, as the case may be, shall select and contract with the Advisor through the solicitation of bids for the performance of such duties from not less than four of the candidates so identified. Each solicitation and any response to any such solicitation shall be made in writing. Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, any such contract shall not be deemed a personal service agreement for purposes of chapter 18a or 55a of the general statutes and shall not be subject to the provisions of chapter 58 or 62 of the general statutes.

(3) (A) If the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management contracts with the Advisor pursuant to this section, the Governor shall, with the approval of the Finance Advisory Committee, transfer to the Office of Policy and Management any funds appropriated to the Office of Legislative Management for the purposes set forth in this section. If the executive director of the Office of Legislative Management contracts with the Advisor pursuant to this section, such funds shall be retained by the Office of Legislative Management.

(B) The state may accept gifts, grants and donations designated for the purposes of contracting with the Advisor pursuant to this section, provided the state shall not accept any such gift, grant or donation from any candidate identified pursuant to subdivision (2) of this subsection.

(b) (1) The objectives of the Sustainability Plan and guidelines for the authorization of general budget expenditures, which may include recommendations for legislation, shall be to ensure the continued ability of the state to provide essential services, promote economic growth and meet long-term obligations. The Sustainability Plan shall
be based upon five-year projections of state revenues and expenses under existing law and contractual commitments, including, but not limited to, collective bargaining agreements. The Sustainability Plan shall include a comprehensive capital budget for the state based on an inventory of all capital assets owned by the state or any state agency, department, authority or instrumentality.

(2) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the Sustainability Plan may include the establishment of a public-private partnership to ensure the financial viability of the John Dempsey Hospital and The University of Connecticut Health Center and to address identified concerns for the purpose of ensuring that the clinical operations of said center are self-sustaining assets. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to prohibit The University of Connecticut Health Center from developing and implementing a plan of its own initiative for such purposes.

(c) (1) Except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, not later than ninety days after the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management or the executive director of the Office of Legislative Management, as the case may be, contracts with the Advisor pursuant to this section, the Advisor shall complete the development of the Sustainability Plan, reduce such plan to writing and file such plan with the clerks of the House of Representatives and the Senate. Not later than thirty days after such filing, the General Assembly may approve the Sustainability Plan as a whole by a majority vote of each house or may reject such plan as a whole by a majority vote of either house, provided such plan shall be deemed approved if the General Assembly fails to vote to approve or reject such plan during such thirty-day period.

(2) Following any rejection by the General Assembly of the Sustainability Plan, (A) the Advisor shall, in accordance with subsection (b) of this section, develop a revised plan, reduce such
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revised plan to writing and file such revised plan with the clerks of the House of Representatives and the Senate not later than thirty days after such rejection, and (B) the General Assembly shall vote to approve or reject such revised plan, in accordance with subdivision (1) of this subsection, not later than thirty days after such filing.

(d) Upon the approval by the General Assembly of the Sustainability Plan, (1) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall submit quarterly reports, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies and finance, revenue and bonding on (A) the status of the implementation of such plan, and (B) any recommendations for legislation or funding necessary to implement such plan, and (2) said committees shall jointly hold meetings at the times of the first two such quarterly reports for the purpose of informing the public on the status of the implementation of such plan.

Sec. 325. Subsection (d) of section 3-20 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof *(Effective from passage):*

(d) (1) All bonds of the state, authorized by the State Bond Commission acting prior to July 1, 1972, pursuant to any bond act taking effect prior to such date, shall be issued in accordance with such bond act or this section.

(2) All bonds of the state authorized to be issued by the State Bond Commission acting on or after July 1, 1972, pursuant to any bond act taking effect before, on or after such date shall be authorized and shall be issued in accordance with this section, except that all bonds of the state authorized to be issued by the State Bond Commission acting on or after July 1, 2017, pursuant to any bond act taking effect before, on
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or after July 1, 2017, shall not exceed in the aggregate two billion dollars in any fiscal year.

Sec. 326. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) The Comptroller shall determine the amount of labor-management savings realized by the State of Connecticut for each fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, to June 30, 2027, inclusive, pursuant to the operation of the agreement between the state and the State Employees Bargaining Agent Coalition (SEBAC) with all attachments and agreements appended thereto, filed with the General Assembly on July 21, 2017, including any agreement reached through negotiations between the state and SEBAC concerning wages, hours and other conditions of employment and any other agreement between the state and individual collective bargaining units representing state employees to achieve the labor-management savings specified in the state budget act for the biennium commencing on July 1, 2017, and for adjustments or revisions made to said act for the fiscal year commencing on July 1, 2018, and for each successive state budget act thereafter and any even-numbered year adjustments or revisions made thereto, until and including for the biennium commencing July 1, 2025.

(b) Not later than December 1, 2018, and each December first thereafter, until and including December 1, 2027, the Comptroller shall report the amount of labor-management savings realized for the previous fiscal year pursuant to the operation of the agreements described in subsection (a) of this section to the Governor and the General Assembly in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.

(c) If the amount of savings reported by the Comptroller in accordance with subsection (b) of this section is less than the labor-management savings specified in the state budget act or any even-numbered year adjustments thereto, for the previous fiscal year, the Governor shall take immediate action to recover any such unrealized
savings for the previous fiscal year and to ensure that for the second year of the biennium, if applicable, such savings specified in the state budget act for the even-numbered year of the biennium are realized.

(d) Not later than January first annually, the Governor shall report in accordance with section 11-4a of the general statutes to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations any action taken or to be implemented in accordance with subsection (c) of this section.

Sec. 327. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 47-33d and 47-33h of the general statutes, any reversionary interest under a certain lease from Moses Seymour, Esq., Frederick Wolcott, Esq., Elijah Wadsworth, Moses Seymour, Jr., Roger Skinner, Esq. and Aaron Smith, Esq., as lessors, and Julius Deming, Esq., treasurer, and the inhabitants of the county of Litchfield, as lessee and predecessor in interest to the state of Connecticut, for the parcel of land on which the old Litchfield County Courthouse now stands at 15 West Street, Litchfield, Connecticut, dated March 4, 1803, and recorded January 5, 1819, in Volume 21, Page 358 of the Litchfield land records, the root of title which is a deed from Grove Catlin to said Moses Seymour, Esq., et al, dated and recorded March 5, 1801, in Volume 20, Page 93, and a deed from John Marsh to Moses Seymour, Esq., et al, dated and recorded August 6, 1802, in Volume 20, Page 488, less a small parcel of land conveyed out by Moses Seymour, Esq., et al to David Boardman, et al, dated September 13, 1802, and recorded March 30, 1803, in Volume 22, Page 91, is hereby terminated pursuant to sections 47-33c and 47-33e of the general statutes, unless the holder of such reversionary interest has preserved such interest by recording a notice, deed, probate certificate or other instrument of conveyance describing such interest in the Litchfield land records pursuant to sections 47-33d, 47-33f and 47-33g of the general statutes within the forty-year period ending on the effective date of this section.
reversionary interest described in this section shall be deemed to include the land and improvements, including the Litchfield County Courthouse. The leased parcel of land has an area of approximately 0.31 acres and is identified as Lot 20 in Block 47 on Litchfield Tax Assessor's Map 206.

Sec. 328. Section 33 of public act 17-230 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

The bridge on Route 229 in Southington, overpassing Interstate 84, shall be designated the "Detective Bruce [Boisland] Boislard Memorial Bridge".

Sec. 329. Section 38 of public act 17-230 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

Bridge number 01592 carrying Maple Street over the Naugatuck River in Ansonia shall be designated the ["Veterans of Foreign Wars Memorial Bridge"] "American Legion Bridge".

Sec. 330. Section 2-33a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

The General Assembly shall not authorize an increase in general budget expenditures for any fiscal year above the amount of general budget expenditures authorized for the previous fiscal year by a percentage which exceeds the greater of the percentage increase in personal income or the percentage increase in inflation, unless the Governor declares an emergency or the existence of extraordinary circumstances and at least three-fifths of the members of each house of the General Assembly vote to exceed such limit for the purposes of such emergency or extraordinary circumstances. Any such declaration shall specify the nature of such emergency or circumstances and may provide that such proposed additional expenditures shall not be considered general budget expenditures for the current fiscal year for
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the purposes of determining general budget expenditures for the ensuing fiscal year and any act of the General Assembly authorizing such expenditures may contain such provision. As used in this section, "increase in personal income" means the average of the annual increase in personal income in the state for each of the preceding five calendar years, [according to] using United States Bureau of Economic Analysis data; "increase in inflation" means the increase in the consumer price index for urban consumers, all items less food and energy, during the preceding [twelve-month period, according to] calendar year, calculated on a December over December basis, using United States Bureau of Labor Statistics data; and "general budget expenditures" means (1) expenditures from appropriated funds authorized by public or special act of the General Assembly, [provided (1) general budget expenditures] and (2) any expenditure authorized by public or special act of the General Assembly for a program or purpose that, in the fiscal year preceding such fiscal year, was made from an appropriated fund, regardless of how such program or purpose was previously identified, if (A) such program or purpose being funded in such fiscal year is essentially the same as that funded in the previous fiscal year, and (B) such program or purpose is being funded in such fiscal year by (i) state bonding, (ii) a revenue intercept, or (iii) use of a nonappropriated account. "General budget expenditures" shall not include expenditures for payment of the principal of and interest on bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness, expenditures pursuant to section 4-30a, [or current or increased expenditures for statutory grants to distressed municipalities, provided such grants are in effect on July 1, 1991] expenditures of any federal funds granted to the state or its agencies, and [(2)] expenditures for the implementation of federal mandates or court orders [shall not be considered general budget expenditures] for the first fiscal year in which such expenditures are authorized, but such expenditures shall be considered general budget expenditures for such year for the purposes of determining general budget expenditures for the ensuing fiscal year. As used in this section,
"federal mandates" means those programs or services in which the state must participate, [or in which the state participated on July 1, 1991,] and in which the state must meet federal entitlement and eligibility criteria in order to receive federal reimbursement, provided expenditures for program or service components which are optional under federal law or regulation shall be considered general budget expenditures.

Sec. 331. (Effective from passage) The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of sections 331 to 337, inclusive, of this act, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate not exceeding $141,250,000.

Sec. 332. (Effective from passage) The proceeds of the sale of bonds described in sections 331 to 337, inclusive, of this act, to the extent hereinafter stated, shall be used for the purpose of acquiring, by purchase or condemnation, undertaking, constructing, reconstructing, improving or equipping, or purchasing land or buildings or improving sites for the projects hereinafter described, including payment of architectural, engineering, demolition or related costs in connection therewith, or of payment of the cost of long-range capital programming and space utilization studies as hereinafter stated:

(a) For the Office of Policy and Management:

(1) For transit-oriented development and predevelopment activities, not exceeding $4,000,000;

(2) For an information technology capital investment program, not exceeding $10,000,000;

(3) For the provision of assistance to owners of residential buildings who have obtained qualified test results indicating that the foundation of such owner's residential building is deteriorating due to the
presence of pyrrhotite, not exceeding $20,000,000.

(b) For the Department of Administrative Services:

(1) Alterations and improvements in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, not exceeding $1,000,000;

(2) Infrastructure repairs and improvements, including fire, safety and compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act improvements, improvements to state-owned buildings and grounds, including energy conservation and off-site improvements, and preservation of unoccupied buildings and grounds, including office development, acquisition, renovations for additional parking and security improvements, not exceeding $10,000,000;

(3) Removal or encapsulation of asbestos and hazardous materials in state-owned buildings, not exceeding $5,000,000;

(4) Upgrade and replacement of technology infrastructure for the Connecticut Education Network, not exceeding $1,500,000.

(c) For the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection:

(1) Dam repairs, including state-owned dams, not exceeding $4,000,000;

(2) For the purpose of funding any energy services project that results in increased efficiency measures in state buildings pursuant to section 16a-38l of the general statutes, or for any renewable energy or combined heat and power project in state buildings, not exceeding $20,000,000.

(d) For the Department of Developmental Services: Fire, safety and environmental improvements to regional facilities and intermediate care facilities for client and staff needs, including improvements in compliance with current codes, site improvements, handicapped
access improvements, utilities, repair or replacement of roofs, air conditioning and other interior and exterior building renovations and additions at all state-owned facilities, not exceeding $2,500,000.

(e) For the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services: Fire, safety and environmental improvements to regional facilities and intermediate care facilities for client and staff needs, including improvements in compliance with current codes, site improvements, handicapped access improvements, utilities, repair or replacement of roofs, air conditioning and other interior and exterior building renovations and additions at all state-owned facilities, not exceeding $2,000,000.

(f) For the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities:

(1) All colleges and universities:

   (A) System telecommunications infrastructure upgrades, improvements and expansions, not exceeding $2,000,000;

   (B) Advanced manufacturing and emerging technology programs, not exceeding $2,750,000;

   (C) Security improvements, not exceeding $3,000,000;

(2) All community colleges: Deferred maintenance, code compliance and infrastructure improvements, not exceeding $20,000,000;

(3) All universities: Deferred maintenance, code compliance and infrastructure improvements, not exceeding $12,500,000;

(4) Naugatuck Valley Community College:

   (A) Upgrades to mechanical systems, not exceeding $6,000,000;

   (B) Alterations and improvements in compliance with the
Americans with Disabilities Act, not exceeding $5,000,000.

(g) For the Department of Children and Families: Alterations, renovations and improvements to buildings and grounds, including new or revised juvenile justice facilities, not exceeding $5,000,000.

(h) For the Judicial Department: Alterations, renovations and improvements to buildings and grounds at state-owned and maintained facilities, not exceeding $5,000,000.

Sec. 333. (Effective from passage) All provisions of section 3-20 of the general statutes or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to sections 331 to 337, inclusive, of this act, and temporary notes issued in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds.

Sec. 334. (Effective from passage) None of the bonds described in sections 330 to 336, inclusive, of this act, shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request for such authorization, which is signed by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management or by or on behalf of such state officer, department or agency and stating such terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may require.

Sec. 335. (Effective from passage) For the purposes of sections 331 to 337, inclusive, of this act, "state moneys" means the proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized pursuant to said sections 331 to 337, inclusive, or
of temporary notes issued in anticipation of the moneys to be derived from the sale of such bonds. Each request filed as provided in section 334 of this act for an authorization of bonds shall identify the project for which the proceeds of the sale of such bonds are to be used and expended and, in addition to any terms and conditions required pursuant to said section 334, shall include the recommendation of the person signing such request as to the extent to which federal, private or other moneys then available or thereafter to be made available for costs in connection with any such project should be added to the state moneys available or becoming available hereunder for such project. If the request includes a recommendation that some amount of such federal, private or other moneys should be added to such state moneys, then, if and to the extent directed by the State Bond Commission at the time of authorization of such bonds, such amount of such federal, private or other moneys then available, or thereafter to be made available for costs in connection with such project, may be added to any state moneys available or becoming available hereunder for such project and shall be used for such project. Any other federal, private or other moneys then available or thereafter to be made available for costs in connection with such project shall, upon receipt, be used by the State Treasurer, in conformity with applicable federal and state law, to meet the principal of outstanding bonds issued pursuant to sections 331 to 337, inclusive, of this act, or to meet the principal of temporary notes issued in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of bonds theretofore authorized pursuant to said sections 331 to 337, inclusive, for the purpose of financing such costs, either by purchase or redemption and cancellation of such bonds or notes or by payment thereof at maturity. Whenever any of the federal, private or other moneys so received with respect to such project are used to meet the principal of such temporary notes or whenever principal of any such temporary notes is retired by application of revenue receipts of the state, the amount of bonds theretofore authorized in anticipation of which such temporary notes were issued,
and the aggregate amount of bonds which may be authorized pursuant to section 331 of this act, shall each be reduced by the amount of the principal so met or retired. Pending use of the federal, private or other moneys so received to meet principal as hereinabove directed, the amount thereof may be invested by the State Treasurer in bonds or obligations of, or guaranteed by, the state or the United States or agencies or instrumentalities of the United States, shall be deemed to be part of the debt retirement funds of the state, and net earnings on such investments shall be used in the same manner as the moneys so invested.

Sec. 336. (Effective from passage) Any balance of proceeds of the sale of said bonds authorized for any project described in section 332 of this act in excess of the cost of such project may be used to complete any other project described in said section 332, if the State Bond Commission shall so determine and direct. Any balance of proceeds of the sale of said bonds in excess of the costs of all the projects described in said section 332 shall be deposited to the credit of the General Fund.

Sec. 337. (Effective from passage) The bonds issued pursuant to sections 331 to 337, inclusive, of this act, shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due.

Sec. 338. (Effective from passage) The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of this section and section 339 of this act, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding $100,000,000.
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Sec. 339. (Effective from passage) None of the bonds described in sections 338 to 340, inclusive, of this act shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request for such authorization, which is signed by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management or by or on behalf of such state officer, department or agency and stating such terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may require.

Sec. 340. (Effective from passage) All provisions of section 3-20 of the general statutes, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section and sections 338 and 339 of this act are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to this section and sections 338 and 339 of this act and temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. Such bonds issued pursuant to section 338 of this act shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of such bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due.

Sec. 341. (Effective from passage) The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of this section and sections 342 to 348, inclusive, of this act, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal
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amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding $124,950,000.

Sec. 342. (Effective from passage) The proceeds of the sale of the bonds described in sections 341 to 348, inclusive, of this act shall be used for the purpose of providing grants-in-aid and other financing for the projects, programs and purposes hereinafter stated:

(a) For the Office of Policy and Management: For the Responsible Growth Incentive Fund, not exceeding $2,000,000.

(b) For the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection:

(1) For a program to establish energy microgrids to support critical municipal infrastructure, not exceeding $5,000,000;

(2) Grants-in-aid to municipalities for improvements to incinerators and landfills, including, but not limited to, bulky waste landfills, not exceeding $1,450,000;

(3) Grants-in-aid for containment, removal or mitigation of identified hazardous waste disposal sites, not exceeding $2,500,000.

(c) For Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated: For the purpose of recapitalizing the programs established in chapter 581 of the general statutes, not exceeding $7,000,000.

(d) For the Capital Region Development Authority: For the purposes of encouraging development, as provided in section 32-602 of the general statutes, not exceeding $40,000,000.

(e) For the Department of Education: Grants-in-aid to assist targeted local and regional school districts for alterations, repairs, improvements, technology and equipment in low-performing schools, not exceeding $2,000,000.

(f) For the Department of Transportation: Grants-in-aid to
municipalities for use in the manner set forth in, and in accordance with the provisions of, sections 13a-175a to 13a-175k, inclusive, of the general statutes, not exceeding $30,000,000.

(g) For the Department of Administrative Services: Grants-in-aid to municipalities for the purpose of a regional school district incentive grant, not exceeding $5,000,000.

(h) For the Department of Economic and Community Development: For targeted brownfield remediation, not exceeding $30,000,000.

Sec. 343. (Effective from passage) All provisions of section 3-20 of the general statutes or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to sections 341 to 348, inclusive, of this act, and temporary notes issued in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said sections 341 to 348, inclusive, and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds.

Sec. 344. (Effective from passage) None of the bonds described in sections 341 to 348, inclusive, of this act shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request for such authorization, which is signed by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management or by or on behalf of such state officer, department or agency and stating such terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may require.

Sec. 345. (Effective from passage) For the purposes of sections 341 to 348, inclusive, of this act, "state moneys" means the proceeds of the sale
of bonds authorized pursuant to said sections 341 to 348, inclusive, or
of temporary notes issued in anticipation of the moneys to be derived
from the sale of such bonds. Each request filed as provided in section
344 of this act for an authorization of bonds shall identify the project
for which the proceeds of the sale of such bonds are to be used and
expended and, in addition to any terms and conditions required
pursuant to said section 344, include the recommendation of the
person signing such request as to the extent to which federal, private
or other moneys then available or thereafter to be made available for
costs in connection with any such project should be added to the state
moneys available or becoming available under said sections 341 to 348,
inclusive, for such project. If the request includes a recommendation
that some amount of such federal, private or other moneys should be
added to such state moneys, then, if and to the extent directed by the
State Bond Commission at the time of authorization of such bonds,
such amount of such federal, private or other moneys then available or
thereafter to be made available for costs in connection with such
project may be added to any state moneys available or becoming
available hereunder for such project and be used for such project. Any
other federal, private or other moneys then available or thereafter to be
made available for costs in connection with such project upon receipt
shall, in conformity with applicable federal and state law, be used by
the State Treasurer to meet the principal of outstanding bonds issued
pursuant to said sections 341 to 348, inclusive, or to meet the principal
of temporary notes issued in anticipation of the money to be derived
from the sale of bonds theretofore authorized pursuant to said sections
341 to 348, inclusive, for the purpose of financing such costs, either by
purchase or redemption and cancellation of such bonds or notes or by
payment thereof at maturity. Whenever any of the federal, private or
other moneys so received with respect to such project are used to meet
the principal of such temporary notes or whenever the principal of any
such temporary notes is retired by application of revenue receipts of
the state, the amount of bonds theretofore authorized in anticipation of
which such temporary notes were issued, and the aggregate amount of bonds which may be authorized pursuant to section 341 of this act shall each be reduced by the amount of the principal so met or retired. Pending use of the federal, private or other moneys so received to meet the principal as directed in this section, the amount thereof may be invested by the State Treasurer in bonds or obligations of, or guaranteed by, the state or the United States or agencies or instrumentalities of the United States, shall be deemed to be part of the debt retirement funds of the state, and net earnings on such investments shall be used in the same manner as the moneys so invested.

Sec. 346. (Effective from passage) The bonds issued pursuant to sections 341 to 348, inclusive, of this act shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due.

Sec. 347. (Effective from passage) In accordance with section 342 of this act, the state, through the state agencies specified in said section 342, may provide grants-in-aid and other financings to or for the agencies for the purposes and projects as described in said section 342. All financing shall be made in accordance with the terms of a contract at such time or times as shall be determined within authorization of funds by the State Bond Commission.

Sec. 348. (Effective from passage) In the case of any grant-in-aid made pursuant to subsection (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g) or (h) of section 342 of this act that is made to any entity which is not a political subdivision of the state, the contract entered into pursuant to section 347 of this act
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shall provide that if the premises for which such grant-in-aid was made ceases, within ten years of the date of such grant, to be used as a facility for which such grant was made, an amount equal to the amount of such grant, minus ten per cent per year for each full year which has elapsed since the date of such grant, shall be repaid to the state and that a lien shall be placed on such land in favor of the state to ensure that such amount shall be repaid in the event of such change in use, provided if the premises for which such grant-in-aid was made are owned by the state, a municipality or a housing authority, no lien need be placed.

Sec. 349. (Effective July 1, 2018) The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of this section and sections 350 to 355, inclusive, of this act, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding $159,875,000.

Sec. 350. (Effective July 1, 2018) The proceeds of the sale of bonds described in sections 350 to 355, inclusive, of this act, to the extent hereinafter stated, shall be used for the purpose of acquiring, by purchase or condemnation, undertaking, constructing, reconstructing, improving or equipping, or purchasing land or buildings or improving sites for the projects hereinafter described, including payment of architectural, engineering, demolition or related costs in connection therewith, or of payment of the cost of long-range capital programming and space utilization studies as hereinafter stated:

(a) For the Office of Policy and Management:

(1) For transit-oriented development and predevelopment activities, not exceeding $4,000,000;

(2) For an information technology capital investment program, not exceeding $20,000,000.
(3) For the provision of assistance to owners of residential buildings who have obtained qualified test results indicating that the foundation of such owner's residential building is deteriorating due to the presence of pyrrhotite, not exceeding $20,000,000.

(b) For the Department of Administrative Services:

(1) Alterations and improvements in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, not exceeding $1,000,000;

(2) Infrastructure repairs and improvements, including fire, safety and compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act improvements, improvements to state-owned buildings and grounds, including energy conservation and off-site improvements, and preservation of unoccupied buildings and grounds, including office development, acquisition, renovations for additional parking and security improvements, not exceeding $10,000,000;

(3) Removal or encapsulation of asbestos and hazardous materials in state-owned buildings, not exceeding $5,000,000;

(4) Upgrade and replacement of technology infrastructure for the Connecticut Education Network, not exceeding $1,500,000.

(c) For the Military Department: Acquisition of property for development of readiness centers in Litchfield county, not exceeding $2,000,000.

(d) For the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection: For the purpose of funding any energy services project that results in increased efficiency measures in state buildings pursuant to section 16a-38l of the general statutes, or for any renewable energy or combined heat and power project in state buildings, not exceeding $20,000,000.
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(e) For the Department of Developmental Services: Fire, safety and environmental improvements to regional facilities and intermediate care facilities for client and staff needs, including improvements in compliance with current codes, site improvements, handicapped access improvements, utilities, repair or replacement of roofs, air conditioning and other interior and exterior building renovations and additions at all state-owned facilities, not exceeding $2,500,000.

(f) For the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services: Fire, safety and environmental improvements to regional facilities and intermediate care facilities for client and staff needs, including improvements in compliance with current codes, site improvements, handicapped access improvements, utilities, repair or replacement of roofs, air conditioning and other interior and exterior building renovations and additions at all state-owned facilities, not exceeding $2,000,000.

(g) For the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities:

(1) All colleges and universities:

(A) System telecommunications infrastructure upgrades, improvements and expansions, not exceeding $2,000,000;

(B) Advanced manufacturing and emerging technology programs, not exceeding $2,875,000;

(C) Security improvements, not exceeding $5,000,000;

(2) All community colleges: Deferred maintenance, code compliance and infrastructure improvements, not exceeding $30,000,000;

(3) All universities: Deferred maintenance, code compliance and infrastructure improvements, not exceeding $7,000,000;

(4) Naugatuck Valley Community College: Alterations and
improvements in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, not exceeding $5,000,000.

(h) For the Judicial Department:

(1) Alterations, renovations and improvements to buildings and grounds at state-owned and maintained facilities, not exceeding $5,000,000;

(2) Implementation of the Technology Strategic Plan Project, not exceeding $3,000,000;

(3) Exterior renovations and improvements at the superior courthouse in New Haven, not exceeding $2,000,000.

(i) For the Department of Correction: Renovations and improvements to existing state-owned buildings for inmate housing, programming and staff training space and additional inmate capacity, and for support facilities and off-site improvements, not exceeding $10,000,000.

Sec. 351. (Effective July 1, 2018) All provisions of section 3-20 of the general statutes or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to sections 349 to 355, inclusive, of this act, and temporary notes issued in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds.

Sec. 352. (Effective July 1, 2018) None of the bonds described in
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sections 349 to 355, inclusive, of this act shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request for such authorization, which is signed by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management or by or on behalf of such state officer, department or agency and stating such terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may require.

Sec. 353. (Effective July 1, 2018) For the purposes of sections 349 to 355, inclusive, of this act, "state moneys" means the proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized pursuant to said sections 349 to 355, inclusive, or of temporary notes issued in anticipation of the moneys to be derived from the sale of such bonds. Each request filed as provided in section 352 of this act for an authorization of bonds shall identify the project for which the proceeds of the sale of such bonds are to be used and expended and, in addition to any terms and conditions required pursuant to said section 352, shall include the recommendation of the person signing such request as to the extent to which federal, private or other moneys then available or thereafter to be made available for costs in connection with any such project should be added to the state moneys available or becoming available hereunder for such project. If the request includes a recommendation that some amount of such federal, private or other moneys should be added to such state moneys, then, if and to the extent directed by the State Bond Commission at the time of authorization of such bonds, such amount of such federal, private or other moneys then available, or thereafter to be made available for costs in connection with such project, may be added to any state moneys available or becoming available hereunder for such project and shall be used for such project. Any other federal, private or other moneys then available or thereafter to be made available for costs in connection with such project shall, upon receipt, be used by the State Treasurer, in conformity with applicable federal and state law, to meet the principal of outstanding bonds issued pursuant to sections 349 to 355, inclusive, of this act, or to meet the

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principal of temporary notes issued in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of bonds theretofore authorized pursuant to said sections 349 to 355, inclusive, for the purpose of financing such costs, either by purchase or redemption and cancellation of such bonds or notes or by payment thereof at maturity. Whenever any of the federal, private or other moneys so received with respect to such project are used to meet the principal of such temporary notes or whenever principal of any such temporary notes is retired by application of revenue receipts of the state, the amount of bonds theretofore authorized in anticipation of which such temporary notes were issued, and the aggregate amount of bonds which may be authorized pursuant to section 349 of this act, shall each be reduced by the amount of the principal so met or retired. Pending use of the federal, private or other moneys so received to meet principal as hereinabove directed, the amount thereof may be invested by the State Treasurer in bonds or obligations of, or guaranteed by, the state or the United States or agencies or instrumentalities of the United States, shall be deemed to be part of the debt retirement funds of the state, and net earnings on such investments shall be used in the same manner as the moneys so invested.

Sec. 354. (Effective July 1, 2018) Any balance of proceeds of the sale of said bonds authorized for any project described in section 350 of this act in excess of the cost of such project may be used to complete any other project described in said section 350, if the State Bond Commission shall so determine and direct. Any balance of proceeds of the sale of said bonds in excess of the costs of all the projects described in said section 350 shall be deposited to the credit of the General Fund.

Sec. 355. (Effective July 1, 2018) The bonds issued pursuant to sections 349 to 355, inclusive, of this act shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds.
as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due.

Sec. 356. (Effective July 1, 2018) The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of this section and sections 357 to 359, inclusive, of this act, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding $100,000,000.

Sec. 357. (Effective July 1, 2018) The proceeds of the sale of bonds described in sections 356 to 359, inclusive, of this act shall be used by the Department of Housing for the purposes hereinafter stated: Housing development and rehabilitation, including moderate cost housing, moderate rental, congregate and elderly housing, urban homesteading, community housing development corporations, housing purchase and rehabilitation, housing for the homeless, housing for low-income persons, limited equity cooperatives and mutual housing projects, abatement of hazardous material including asbestos and lead-based paint in residential structures, emergency repair assistance for senior citizens, housing land bank and land trust, housing and community development, predevelopment grants and loans, reimbursement for state and federal surplus property, private rental investment mortgage and equity program, housing infrastructure, demolition, renovation or redevelopment of vacant buildings or related infrastructure, septic system repair loan program, acquisition and related rehabilitation including loan guarantees for private developers of rental housing for the elderly, projects under the program established in section 8-37pp of the general statutes, and participation in federal programs, including administrative expenses associated with those programs eligible under the general statutes, not
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exceeding $100,000,000, provided in using such proceeds, the
department shall prioritize areas of the state with low rates of
homeownership, and provided not more than $30,000,000 shall be used
for revitalization of state moderate rental housing units on the
Connecticut Housing Finance Authority's State Housing Portfolio.

Sec. 358. (Effective July 1, 2018) None of the bonds described in
sections 26 to 29, inclusive, of this act shall be authorized except upon
a finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with
it a request for such authorization, which is signed by the Secretary of
the Office of Policy and Management or by or on behalf of such state
officer, department or agency and stating such terms and conditions as
said commission, in its discretion may require.

Sec. 359. (Effective July 1, 2018) All provisions of section 3-20 of the
general statutes, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby
which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section and
sections 356 to 359, inclusive, of this act, are hereby adopted and shall
apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant
to this section and sections 355 to 355, inclusive, of this act, and
temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the
sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with
said section 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall
mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their
respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or
resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds.
Such bonds issued pursuant to section 356 of this act shall be general
obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of
Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and
interest on such bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and
as part of the contract of the state with the holders of such bonds,
appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such
principal and interest is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay
such principal and interest as the same become due.

Sec. 360. (Effective July 1, 2018) The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of this section and sections 361 to 367, inclusive, of this act, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding $140,000,000.

Sec. 361. (Effective July 1, 2018) The proceeds of the sale of the bonds described in sections 360 to 367, inclusive, of this act shall be used for the purpose of providing grants-in-aid and other financing for the projects, programs and purposes hereinafter stated:

(a) For the Office of Policy and Management: For the Responsible Growth Incentive Fund, not exceeding $2,000,000.

(b) For the Department of Housing: Grants-in-aid to private nonprofit organizations for supportive housing for persons with intellectual disability or autism spectrum disorder or both, not exceeding $10,000,000.

(c) For Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated: For the purpose of recapitalizing the programs established in chapter 581 of the general statutes, not exceeding $23,000,000.

(d) For the Capital Region Development Authority: For the purposes of encouraging development, as provided in section 32-602 of the general statutes, not exceeding $40,000,000.

(e) For the Department of Education: Grants-in-aid to assist targeted local and regional school districts for alterations, repairs, improvements, technology and equipment in low-performing schools, not exceeding $20,000,000.

(f) For the Department of Transportation: Grants-in-aid to
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municipalities for use in the manner set forth in, and in accordance with the provisions of, sections 13a-175a to 13a-175k, inclusive, of the general statutes, not exceeding $30,000,000.

(g) For the Department of Administrative Services: Grants-in-aid to municipalities for the purpose of a regional school district incentive grant, not exceeding $5,000,000.

(h) For the Department of Economic and Community Development: For targeted brownfield remediation, not exceeding $10,000,000.

Sec. 362. (Effective July 1, 2018) All provisions of section 3-20 of the general statutes or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to sections 360 to 367, inclusive, of this act, and temporary notes issued in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said sections 360 to 367, inclusive, and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds.

Sec. 363. (Effective July 1, 2018) None of the bonds described in sections 360 to 367, inclusive, of this act shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request for such authorization, which is signed by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management or by or on behalf of such state officer, department or agency and stating such terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may require.

Sec. 364. (Effective July 1, 2018) For the purposes of sections 360 to 367, inclusive, of this act, "state moneys" means the proceeds of the sale
of bonds authorized pursuant to said sections 360 to 367, inclusive, or of temporary notes issued in anticipation of the moneys to be derived from the sale of such bonds. Each request filed as provided in section 363 of this act for an authorization of bonds shall identify the project for which the proceeds of the sale of such bonds are to be used and expended and, in addition to any terms and conditions required pursuant to said section 363, include the recommendation of the person signing such request as to the extent to which federal, private or other moneys then available or thereafter to be made available for costs in connection with any such project should be added to the state moneys available or becoming available under said sections 360 to 367, inclusive, for such project. If the request includes a recommendation that some amount of such federal, private or other moneys should be added to such state moneys, then, if and to the extent directed by the State Bond Commission at the time of authorization of such bonds, such amount of such federal, private or other moneys then available or thereafter to be made available for costs in connection with such project may be added to any state moneys available or becoming available hereunder for such project and be used for such project. Any other federal, private or other moneys then available or thereafter to be made available for costs in connection with such project upon receipt shall, in conformity with applicable federal and state law, be used by the State Treasurer to meet the principal of outstanding bonds issued pursuant to said sections 360 to 367, inclusive, or to meet the principal of temporary notes issued in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of bonds theretofore authorized pursuant to said sections 360 to 367, inclusive, for the purpose of financing such costs, either by purchase or redemption and cancellation of such bonds or notes or by payment thereof at maturity. Whenever any of the federal, private or other moneys so received with respect to such project are used to meet the principal of such temporary notes or whenever the principal of any such temporary notes is retired by application of revenue receipts of the state, the amount of bonds theretofore authorized in anticipation of
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which such temporary notes were issued, and the aggregate amount of bonds which may be authorized pursuant to section 360 of this act shall each be reduced by the amount of the principal so met or retired. Pending use of the federal, private or other moneys so received to meet the principal as directed in this section, the amount thereof may be invested by the State Treasurer in bonds or obligations of, or guaranteed by, the state or the United States or agencies or instrumentalities of the United States, shall be deemed to be part of the debt retirement funds of the state, and net earnings on such investments shall be used in the same manner as the moneys so invested.

Sec. 365. (Effective July 1, 2018) The bonds issued pursuant to sections 360 to 367, inclusive, of this act shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due.

Sec. 366. (Effective July 1, 2018) In accordance with section 361 of this act, the state, through the state agencies specified in said section 361, may provide grants-in-aid and other financings to or for the agencies for the purposes and projects as described in said section 361. All financing shall be made in accordance with the terms of a contract at such time or times as shall be determined within authorization of funds by the State Bond Commission.

Sec. 367. (Effective July 1, 2018) In the case of any grant-in-aid made pursuant to subsection (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h) or (i) of section 361 of this act that is made to any entity which is not a political subdivision of the state, the contract entered into pursuant to section 366 of this act
shall provide that if the premises for which such grant-in-aid was made ceases, within ten years of the date of such grant, to be used as a facility for which such grant was made, an amount equal to the amount of such grant, minus ten per cent per year for each full year which has elapsed since the date of such grant, shall be repaid to the state and that a lien shall be placed on such land in favor of the state to ensure that such amount shall be repaid in the event of such change in use, provided if the premises for which such grant-in-aid was made are owned by the state, a municipality or a housing authority no lien need be placed.

Sec. 368. (Effective from passage) The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of this section and sections 369 to 373, inclusive, of this act, from time to time to authorize the issuance of special tax obligation bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding $809,933,750.

Sec. 369. (Effective from passage) The proceeds of the sale of bonds described in sections 368 to 373, inclusive, of this act, to the extent hereinafter stated, shall be used for the purpose of payment of the transportation costs, as defined in subdivision (6) of section 13b-75 of the general statutes, with respect to the projects and uses hereinafter described, which projects and uses are hereby found and determined to be in furtherance of one or more of the authorized purposes for the issuance of special tax obligation bonds set forth in section 13b-74 of the general statutes. For the Department of Transportation:

(a) For the Bureau of Engineering and Highway Operations:

(1) Interstate Highway Program, not exceeding $13,000,000;

(2) Urban Systems Projects, not exceeding $14,776,250;

(3) Intrastate Highway Program, not exceeding $44,000,000;
(4) Environmental compliance, soil and groundwater remediation, hazardous materials abatement, demolition, salt shed construction and renovation, storage tank replacement, and environmental emergency response at or in the vicinity of state-owned properties or related to Department of Transportation operations, not exceeding $17,660,000;

(5) State bridge improvement, rehabilitation and replacement projects, not exceeding $33,000,000;

(6) Capital resurfacing and related reconstruction, not exceeding $75,000,000;

(7) Fix-it-First program to repair the state's bridges, not exceeding $111,115,000, provided not more than $10,900,000 shall be made available for the Stratford Bridge carrying US1 over the Metro North Rail Line;

(8) Fix-it-First program to repair the state's roads, not exceeding $55,000,000;

(9) Local Transportation Capital Program, not exceeding $62,000,000;

(10) Grants-in-aid to municipalities for use in the manner set forth in, and in accordance with the provisions of, sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, of the general statutes, not exceeding $30,000,000.

(b) For the Bureau of Public Transportation: Bus and rail facilities and equipment, including rights-of-way, other property acquisition and related projects, not exceeding $236,250,000, provided not more than $10,000,000 shall be made available for service and equipment improvements to the Danbury Rail Line and not more than $250,000 shall be made available for a feasibility study to explore possibilities for a new passenger rail station at the Wall St. location on the Danbury Rail Line in Norwalk.
(c) For the Bureau of Administration:

(1) Department facilities, not exceeding $63,132,500;

(2) Cost of issuance of special tax obligation bonds and debt service reserve, not exceeding $55,000,000.

Sec. 370. (Effective from passage) None of the bonds described in sections 368 to 373, inclusive, of this act shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it (1) a request for such authorization, which is signed by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management or by or on behalf of such state officer, department or agency and stating such terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may require, and (2) any capital development impact statement and any human services facility colocation statement required to be filed with the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management pursuant to section 4b-31 of the general statutes, any advisory report regarding the state conservation and development policies plan required pursuant to section 16a-31 of the general statutes, and any statement regarding farmland required pursuant to subsection (g) of section 3-20 of the general statutes and section 22-6 of the general statutes, provided the State Bond Commission may authorize said bonds without a finding that the reports and statements required by subdivision (2) of this section have been filed with it if said commission authorizes the secretary of said commission to accept such reports and statements on its behalf. No funds derived from the sale of bonds authorized by said commission without a finding that the reports and statements required by subdivision (2) of this section have been filed with it shall be allotted by the Governor for any project until the reports and statements required by subdivision (2) of this section, with respect to such project, have been filed with the secretary of said commission.

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373, inclusive, of this act, each request filed, as provided in section 370 of this act, for an authorization of bonds shall identify the project for which the proceeds of the sale of such bonds are to be used and expended and, in addition to any terms and conditions required pursuant to said section 370, include the recommendation of the person signing such request as to the extent to which federal, private or other moneys then available or thereafter to be made available for costs in connection with any such project should be added to the state moneys available or becoming available from the proceeds of bonds and temporary notes issued in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of bonds. If the request includes a recommendation that some amount of such federal, private or other moneys should be added to such state moneys, then, if and to the extent directed by the State Bond Commission at the time of authorization of such bonds, such amount of such federal, private or other moneys then available or thereafter to be made available for costs in connection with such project shall be added to such state moneys.

Sec. 372. (Effective from passage) Any balance of proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized for the projects or purposes of section 369 of this act, in excess of the aggregate costs of all the projects so authorized, shall be used in the manner set forth in sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, of the general statutes, and in the proceedings of the State Bond Commission respecting the issuance and sale of said bonds.

Sec. 373. (Effective from passage) Bonds issued pursuant to sections 368 to 373, inclusive, of this act shall be special obligations of the state and shall not be payable from or charged upon any funds other than revenues of the state pledged therefor in subsection (b) of section 13b-61 of the general statutes and section 13b-61a of the general statutes, or such other receipts, funds or moneys as may be pledged therefor. Said bonds shall not be payable from or charged upon any funds other than such pledged revenues or such other receipts, funds or moneys as may
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be pledged therefor, nor shall the state or any political subdivision thereof be subject to any liability thereon, except to the extent of such pledged revenues or such other receipts, funds or moneys as may be pledged therefor. Said bonds shall be issued under and in accordance with the provisions of sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, of the general statutes.

Sec. 374. (Effective from passage) The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of this section and sections 375 to 379, inclusive, of this act, from time to time to authorize the issuance of special tax obligation bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding $745,067,392.

Sec. 375. (Effective July 1, 2018) The proceeds of the sale of bonds described in sections 374 to 379, inclusive, of this act, to the extent hereinafter stated, shall be used for the purpose of payment of the transportation costs, as defined in subdivision (6) of section 13b-75 of the general statutes, with respect to the projects and uses hereinafter described, which projects and uses are hereby found and determined to be in furtherance of one or more of the authorized purposes for the issuance of special tax obligation bonds set forth in section 13b-74 of the general statutes. For the Department of Transportation:

(a) For the Bureau of Engineering and Highway Operations:

(1) Interstate Highway Program, not exceeding $13,000,000;

(2) Urban Systems Projects, not exceeding $16,217,392;

(3) Intrastate Highway Program, not exceeding $44,000,000;

(4) Environmental compliance, soil and groundwater remediation, hazardous materials abatement, demolition, salt shed construction and renovation, storage tank replacement, and environmental emergency

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response at or in the vicinity of state-owned properties or related to Department of Transportation operations, not exceeding $15,000,000;

(5) State bridge improvement, rehabilitation and replacement projects, not exceeding $33,000,000;

(6) Capital resurfacing and related reconstruction, not exceeding $75,000,000;

(7) Fix-it-First program to repair the state's bridges, not exceeding $88,850,000;

(8) Fix-it-First program to repair the state's roads, not exceeding $55,000,000;

(9) Local Transportation Capital Program, not exceeding $64,000,000;

(10) Grants-in-aid to municipalities for use in the manner set forth in, and in accordance with the provisions of, sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, of the general statutes, not exceeding $30,000,000;

(11) Local Bridge Program, not exceeding $10,000,000.

(b) For the Bureau of Public Transportation: Bus and rail facilities and equipment, including rights-of-way, other property acquisition and related projects, not exceeding $246,000,000, provided not more than $10,000,000 shall be made available for service and equipment improvements to the Danbury Rail Line.

(c) For the Bureau of Administration: Cost of issuance of special tax obligation bonds and debt service reserve, not exceeding $55,000,000.

Sec. 376. (Effective July 1, 2018) None of the bonds described in sections 374 to 379, inclusive, of this act shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed
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with it (1) a request for such authorization, which is signed by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management or by or on behalf of such state officer, department or agency and stating such terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may require, and (2) any capital development impact statement and any human services facility colocation statement required to be filed with the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management pursuant to section 4b-31 of the general statutes, any advisory report regarding the state conservation and development policies plan required pursuant to section 16a-31 of the general statutes, and any statement regarding farmland required pursuant to subsection (g) of section 3-20 of the general statutes, and section 22-6 of the general statutes, provided the State Bond Commission may authorize said bonds without a finding that the reports and statements required by subdivision (2) of this section have been filed with it if said commission authorizes the secretary of said commission to accept such reports and statements on its behalf. No funds derived from the sale of bonds authorized by said commission without a finding that the reports and statements required by subdivision (2) of this section have been filed with it shall be allotted by the Governor for any project until the reports and statements required by subdivision (2) of this section, with respect to such project, have been filed with the secretary of said commission.

Sec. 377. (Effective July 1, 2018) For the purposes of sections 374 to 379, inclusive, of this act, each request filed, as provided in section 46 of this act, for an authorization of bonds shall identify the project for which the proceeds of the sale of such bonds are to be used and expended and, in addition to any terms and conditions required pursuant to said section 376, include the recommendation of the person signing such request as to the extent to which federal, private or other moneys then available or thereafter to be made available for costs in connection with any such project should be added to the state moneys available or becoming available from the proceeds of bonds

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and temporary notes issued in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of bonds. If the request includes a recommendation that some amount of such federal, private or other moneys should be added to such state moneys, then, if and to the extent directed by the State Bond Commission at the time of authorization of such bonds, such amount of such federal, private or other moneys then available or thereafter to be made available for costs in connection with such project shall be added to such state moneys.

Sec. 378. (Effective July 1, 2018) Any balance of proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized for the projects or purposes of section 375 of this act, in excess of the aggregate costs of all the projects so authorized, shall be used in the manner set forth in sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, of the general statutes, and in the proceedings of the State Bond Commission respecting the issuance and sale of said bonds.

Sec. 379. (Effective July 1, 2018) Bonds issued pursuant to sections 374 to 379, inclusive, of this act, shall be special obligations of the state and shall not be payable from or charged upon any funds other than revenues of the state pledged therefor in subsection (b) of section 13b-61 of the general statutes and section 13b-61a of the general statutes, or such other receipts, funds or moneys as may be pledged therefor. Said bonds shall not be payable from or charged upon any funds other than such pledged revenues or such other receipts, funds or moneys as may be pledged therefor, nor shall the state or any political subdivision thereof be subject to any liability thereon, except to the extent of such pledged revenues or such other receipts, funds or moneys as may be pledged therefor. Said bonds shall be issued under and in accordance with the provisions of sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, of the general statutes.

Sec. 380. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 4-66c of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

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(a) For the purposes of subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have power, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate [one billion five hundred eighty-four million four hundred eighty-seven thousand five hundred forty-four] one billion six hundred forty-four million four hundred eighty-seven thousand five hundred forty-four dollars, provided [seventy-five] thirty million dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, 2016. All provisions of section 3-20, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby, which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section, are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request for such authorization, which is signed by or on behalf of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and states such terms and conditions as said commission in its discretion may require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and accordingly as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due.

(b) (1) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent
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hereinafter stated, shall be used, subject to the provisions of subsections (c) and (d) of this section, for the purpose of redirecting, improving and expanding state activities which promote community conservation and development and improve the quality of life for urban residents of the state as hereinafter stated: (A) For the Department of Economic and Community Development: Economic and community development projects, including administrative costs incurred by the Department of Economic and Community Development, not exceeding sixty-seven million five hundred ninety-one thousand six hundred forty-two dollars, one million dollars of which shall be used for a grant to the development center program and the nonprofit business consortium deployment center approved pursuant to section 32-411; (B) for the Department of Transportation: Urban mass transit, not exceeding two million dollars; (C) for the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection: Recreation development and solid waste disposal projects, not exceeding one million nine hundred ninety-five thousand nine hundred two dollars; (D) for the Department of Social Services: Child day care projects, elderly centers, shelter facilities for victims of domestic violence, emergency shelters and related facilities for the homeless, multipurpose human resource centers and food distribution facilities, not exceeding thirty-nine million one hundred thousand dollars, provided four million dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, 1994; (E) for the Department of Economic and Community Development: Housing projects, not exceeding three million dollars; (F) for the Office of Policy and Management: (i) Grants-in-aid to municipalities for a pilot demonstration program to leverage private contributions for redevelopment of designated historic preservation areas, not exceeding one million dollars; (ii) grants-in-aid for urban development projects including economic and community development, transportation, environmental protection, public safety, children and families and social services projects and programs, including, in the case of economic and community development
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projects administered on behalf of the Office of Policy and Management by the Department of Economic and Community Development, administrative costs incurred by the Department of Economic and Community Development, not exceeding [one billion four hundred sixty-nine million eight hundred thousand] one billion five hundred twenty-nine million eight hundred thousand dollars, provided [seventy-five] thirty million dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, [2016] 2018.

(2) (A) Five million dollars of the grants-in-aid authorized in subparagraph (F)(ii) of subdivision (1) of this subsection may be made available to private nonprofit organizations for the purposes described in said subparagraph (F)(ii). (B) Twelve million dollars of the grants-in-aid authorized in subparagraph (F)(ii) of subdivision (1) of this subsection may be made available for necessary renovations and improvements of libraries. (C) Five million dollars of the grants-in-aid authorized in subparagraph (F)(ii) of subdivision (1) of this subsection shall be made available for small business gap financing. (D) Ten million dollars of the grants-in-aid authorized in subparagraph (F)(ii) of subdivision (1) of this subsection may be made available for regional economic development revolving loan funds. (E) One million four hundred thousand dollars of the grants-in-aid authorized in subparagraph (F)(ii) of subdivision (1) of this subsection shall be made available for rehabilitation and renovation of the Black Rock Library in Bridgeport. (F) Two million five hundred thousand dollars of the grants-in-aid authorized in subparagraph (F)(ii) of subdivision (1) of this subsection shall be made available for site acquisition, renovation and rehabilitation for the Institute for the Hispanic Family in Hartford. (G) Three million dollars of the grants-in-aid authorized in subparagraph (F)(ii) of subdivision (1) of this subsection shall be made available for the acquisition of land and the development of commercial or retail property in New Haven. (H) Seven hundred fifty thousand dollars of the grants-in-aid authorized in subparagraph
(F)(ii) of subdivision (1) of this subsection shall be made available for repairs and replacement of the fishing pier at Cummings Park in Stamford. (I) Ten million dollars of the grants-in-aid authorized in subparagraph (F)(ii) of subdivision (1) of this subsection shall be made available for development of an intermodal transportation facility in northeastern Connecticut.

Sec. 381. Subsection (a) of section 4-66m of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have the power, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate five million four million nine hundred thirty-seven thousand one hundred forty-nine dollars.

Sec. 382. Subsection (a) of section 4a-10 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have the power, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate four hundred eighty-four million one hundred thousand dollars five hundred fourteen million one hundred thousand dollars, provided fifteen million dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, 2018.

Sec. 383. Subsection (a) of section 7-538 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the
State Bond Commission shall have the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate [eight hundred twenty-five million] nine hundred fifty million dollars, provided [thirty million] thirty-five million dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, 2016.

Sec. 384. (Effective from passage) (a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have the power from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate one hundred twenty million dollars, provided sixty million dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, 2018.

(b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the Office of Policy and Management for grants-in-aid to municipalities for municipal purposes and projects.

(c) All provisions of section 3-20 of the general statutes, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby, which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request for such authorization which is signed by or on behalf of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and states such terms and conditions as said commission,
in its discretion, may require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due.

Sec. 385. Subsection (a) of section 8-336n of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) For the purpose of capitalizing the Housing Trust Fund created by section 8-336o, the State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of this section, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding [two hundred eighty-five] three hundred fifteen million dollars, provided (1) twenty million dollars shall be effective July 1, 2005, (2) twenty million dollars shall be effective July 1, 2006, (3) twenty million dollars shall be effective July 1, 2007, (4) thirty million dollars shall be effective July 1, 2008, (5) twenty million dollars shall be effective July 1, 2009, (6) twenty-five million dollars shall be effective July 1, 2011, (7) twenty-five million dollars shall be effective July 1, 2012, (8) thirty million dollars shall be effective July 1, 2013, (9) thirty million dollars shall be effective July 1, 2014, (10) forty million dollars shall be effective July 1, 2015, [and] (11) twenty-five million dollars shall be effective July 1, 2016, and (12) thirty million dollars shall be effective July 1, 2018. The proceeds of the sale of bonds pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the Housing Trust Fund.

Sec. 386. Section 10-287d of the general statutes, as amended by
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section 85 of public act 17-237, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

For the purposes of funding (1) grants to projects that have received approval of the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to sections 10-287 and 10-287a, subsection (a) of section 10-65 and section 10-76e, (2) grants to assist school building projects to remedy safety and health violations and damage from fire and catastrophe, and (3) technical high education and career school projects pursuant to section 10-283b, as amended by [this act] public act 17-237, the State Treasurer is authorized and directed, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of section 3-20, to issue bonds of the state from time to time in one or more series in an aggregate amount not exceeding [eleven billion two] twelve billion one hundred sixteen million one hundred sixty thousand dollars, provided [five hundred sixty] four hundred fifty million dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, [2016] 2018. Bonds of each series shall bear such date or dates and mature at such time or times not exceeding thirty years from their respective dates and be subject to such redemption privileges, with or without premium, as may be fixed by the State Bond Commission. They shall be sold at not less than par and accrued interest and the full faith and credit of the state is pledged for the payment of the interest thereon and the principal thereof as the same shall become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due. The State Treasurer is authorized to invest temporarily in direct obligations of the United States, United States agency obligations, certificates of deposit, commercial paper or bank acceptances such portion of the proceeds of such bonds or of any notes issued in anticipation thereof as may be deemed available for such purpose.
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Sec. 387. Section 10-292k of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

For purposes of funding interest subsidy grants, except for interest subsidy grants made pursuant to subsection (b) of section 10-292m, the State Treasurer is authorized and directed, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of section 3-20, to issue bonds of the state from time to time in one or more series in an aggregate amount not exceeding three hundred sixty-six million eight hundred thousand dollars, provided two million one hundred thousand dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, 2016. Bonds of each series shall bear such date or dates and mature at such time or times not exceeding thirty years from their respective dates and be subject to such redemption privileges, with or without premium, as may be fixed by the State Bond Commission. They shall be sold at not less than par and accrued interest and the full faith and credit of the state is pledged for the payment of the interest thereon and the principal thereof as the same shall become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due. The State Treasurer is authorized to invest temporarily in direct obligations of the United States, United States agency obligations, certificates of deposit, commercial paper or bank acceptances, such portion of the proceeds of such bonds or of any notes issued in anticipation thereof as may be deemed available for such purpose.

Sec. 388. Subsection (a) of section 10-508 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the
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State Bond Commission shall have the power from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate [one hundred million] seventy-one million five hundred nineteen thousand one hundred forty-nine dollars, provided ten million dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, 2015, [ten million] one million five hundred nineteen thousand one hundred forty-nine dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, 2016, [ten million dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, 2017, ten million dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, 2018,] ten million dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, 2019, ten million dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, 2020, ten million dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, 2021, ten million dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, 2022, and ten million dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, 2023.

Sec. 389. Subsection (a) of section 10a-91d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage)

(a) It is hereby determined and found to be in the best interest of this state and the system to establish CSCU 2020 as the efficient and cost-effective course to achieve the objective of renewing, modernizing, enhancing, expanding, acquiring and maintaining the infrastructure of the system, the particular project or projects, each being hereby approved as a project of CSCU 2020, and the presently estimated cost thereof being as follows:

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Fine Arts Instructional Center  
(construction)  71,556,000
Fine Arts Instructional Center  
(equipment)  4,115,000
Goddard Hall/Communications Building  
Renovation  
(design/construction)  19,239,000  11,048,000
Goddard Hall Renovation  
(equipment)  1,095,000
Sports Center Addition and Renovation (design)  0
Outdoor Track-Phase II  1,506,396
Athletic Support Building  1,921,000
New Warehouse  1,894,868

Southern Connecticut State University  
Code Compliance/Infrastructure Improvements  16,955,915  8,637,000  2,356,723
New Academic Laboratory Building/Parking Garage  
(constuct garage, design academic laboratory building, demolish Seabury Hall)  8,944,000
New Academic Laboratory Building/Parking Garage  
(constuct academic laboratory building)  63,171,000
New School of Business Building

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Technology and Technology Upgrades  26,895,000  14,500,000  61,844,000
Alterations/Improvements:
   Auxiliary Service Facilities  18,672,422  15,000,000  20,000,000
Telecommunications
   Infrastructure Upgrade  10,000,000  3,415,000  5,000,000
Land and Property Acquisition  3,650,190  2,600,000  4,000,000
Deferred Maintenance/Code Compliance Infrastructure Improvements  48,557,000
Strategic Master Plan of
   Academic Programs  3,000,000
Consolidation and Upgrade of
   System Student and Financial Information Technology Systems  20,000,000
Advanced Manufacturing
   Center at Asnuntuck Community College  25,500,000

Totals  285,000,000  285,000,000  483,500,000

Sec. 390. Subsection (a) of section 10a-91e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) The State Bond Commission shall approve the CSCU 2020 program and authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate one billion fifty-three million five hundred thousand dollars. The amount provided for the issuance and sale of bonds in accordance with this section shall be capped in each fiscal year in the following amounts, provided, to the extent the board of regents does not provide for the issuance of all or a portion of
such amount in a fiscal year, or the Governor disapproves the request for issuance of all or a portion of the amount of the bonds as provided in subsection (d) of this section, any amount not provided for or disapproved, as the case may be, shall be carried forward and added to the capped amount for a subsequent fiscal year, but not later than the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, and provided further, the costs of issuance and capitalized interest, if any, may be added to the capped amount in each fiscal year, and each of the authorized amounts shall be effective on July first of the fiscal year indicated as follows:

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Sec. 391. Section 10a-109c of the general statutes is amended by adding subdivision (34) as follows (Effective from passage):

(NEW) (34) "Utility, infrastructure, administrative and support facilities" includes any project as defined in subdivision (16) of this section for such facilities at Storrs or the regional campuses or at the health center including any building or structure essential, necessary
or useful for such facilities and includes, without limitation, new construction, expansion, extension, addition, renovation, restoration, replacement, repair and deferred maintenance of such facilities, and all appurtenances and facilities either on, above or under the ground that are used or usable in connection with any of such facilities and all other aspects of a project related to or in support of such facilities.

Sec. 392. Subdivision (10) of subsection (a) of section 10a-109d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(10) To borrow money and issue securities to finance the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, improvement or equipping of any one project, or more than one, or any combination of projects, or to refund securities issued after June 7, 1995, or to refund any such refunding securities or for any one, or more than one, or all of those purposes, or any combination of those purposes, and to provide for the security and payment of those securities and for the rights of the holders of them, except that the amount of any such borrowing, the special debt service requirements for which are secured by the state debt service commitment, exclusive of the amount of borrowing to refund securities, or to fund issuance costs or necessary reserves, may not exceed the aggregate principal amount of (A) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1996, to June 30, 2005, inclusive, one billion thirty million dollars, (B) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2006, to June 30, [2024] 2027, inclusive, three billion two hundred seventy million nine hundred thousand dollars, and (C) such additional amount or amounts: (i) Required from time to time to fund any special capital reserve fund or other debt service reserve fund in accordance with the financing transaction proceedings, and (ii) to pay or provide for the costs of issuance and capitalized interest, if any; the aggregate amounts of subparagraphs (A), (B) and (C) of this subdivision are established as the authorized funding amount, and no borrowing within the
authorized funding amount for a project or projects may be effected unless the project or projects are included in accordance with subsection (a) of section 10a-109e;

Sec. 393. Subsection (a) of section 10a-109e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) The university may administer, manage, schedule, finance, further design and construct UConn 2000, to operate and maintain the components thereof in a prudent and economical manner and to reserve for and make renewals and replacements thereof when appropriate, it being hereby determined and found to be in the best interest of the state and the university to provide this independent authority to the university along with providing assured revenues therefor as the efficient and cost effective course to achieve the objective of avoiding further decline in the physical infrastructure of the university and to renew, modernize, enhance and maintain such infrastructure, the particular project or projects, each being hereby approved as a project of UConn 2000, and the presently estimated cost thereof being as follows:

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(with Environmental Research Institute) 36,700,000

Equine Center 1,000,000

Equipment, Library Collections & Telecommunications 60,500,000 470,000,000

Equipment, Library Collections & Telecommunications Completion 182,118,146

Family Studies (DRM) Renovation 6,500,000

Farm Buildings Repairs/ Replacement 6,000,000

Fine Arts Phase II 20,000,000

Floriculture Greenhouse 3,000,000

Gant Building Renovations 34,000,000

Gant Plaza Deck 0

Gentry Completion 10,000,000

Gentry Renovation 9,299,000
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Grad Dorm Renovations 7,548,000

Gulley Hall Renovation 1,416,000

Hartford Relocation

Acquisition/Renovation 56,762,020 70,000,000

Hartford Relocation Design 1,500,000

Hartford Relocation

Feasibility Study 500,000

Heating Plant Upgrade 10,000,000

Hilltop Dormitory New 30,000,000

Hilltop Dormitory

Renovations 3,141,000

Ice Rink Enclosure 2,616,000

Incubator Facilities 10,000,000

International House

Conversion 800,000

Intramural, Recreational

and Intercollegiate

Facilities 31,000,000

Jorgensen Renovation 7,200,000
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Undergraduate Education Center 7,450,000

Underground Steam & Water Upgrade 3,500,000

Underground Steam & Water Upgrade Completion 9,000,000

University Programs Building – Phase I 8,750,000

University Programs Building – Phase II Visitors Center 300,000

Waring Building Conversion 7,888,000

Waterbury Downtown Campus 3,000,000

Waterbury Property Purchase 325,000

West Campus Renovations 14,897,000

West Hartford Campus Renovations/ Improvements 25,000,000
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White Building Renovation 2,430,000

Wilbur Cross Building
Renovation 3,645,000

Young Building
Renovation/Addition 17,000,000

HEALTH CENTER

CLAC Renovation
Biosafety Level 3 Lab 14,000,000

Deferred Maintenance/
Code Compliance/ADA
Compliance/Infrastructure
& Improvements
Renovation Lump Sum
and Utility, Administrative
and Support Facilities
– Health Center 61,000,000

Dental School Renovation 5,000,000

Equipment, Library
Collections and
Telecommunications –
Health Center 75,000,000

Library/Student Computer
Center Renovation 5,000,000
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Sec. 394. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 10a-109g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

*June Sp. Sess., Public Act No. 17-1*
(a) (1) The university is authorized to provide by resolution, at one time or from time to time, for the issuance and sale of securities, in its own name on behalf of the state, pursuant to section 10a-109f. The board of trustees of the university is hereby authorized by such resolution to delegate to its finance committee such matters as it may determine appropriate other than the authorization and maximum amount of the securities to be issued, the nature of the obligation of the securities as established pursuant to subsection (c) of this section and the projects for which the proceeds are to be used. The finance committee may act on such matters unless and until the board of trustees elects to reassume the same. The amount of securities the special debt service requirements of which are secured by the state debt service commitment that the board of trustees is authorized to provide for the issuance and sale in accordance with this subsection shall be capped in each fiscal year in the following amounts, provided, to the extent the board of trustees does not provide for the issuance of all or a portion of such amount in a fiscal year, all or such portion, as the case may be, may be carried forward to any succeeding fiscal year and provided further, the actual amount for funding, paying or providing for the items described in subparagraph (C) of subdivision (10) of subsection (a) of section 10a-109d may be added to the capped amount in each fiscal year:

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Sec. 395. Subsection (a) of section 10a-109n of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) For the period from July 1, 2001, to June 30, [2024] 2027, or until completion of the UConn 2000 infrastructure improvement program, whichever is later, the university shall have charge and supervision of the design, planning, acquisition, remodeling, alteration, repair, enlargement or demolition of any real asset or any other project on its
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campuses.

Sec. 396. Subsection (a) of section 13b-236 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have the power, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate [ten million] seven million five hundred thousand dollars.

Sec. 397. Section 16a-40d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) The State Bond Commission shall have the power, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate five million dollars per year beginning in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, and until the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, except that (1) such principal amounts shall not exceed in the aggregate two million five hundred thousand dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, and (2) such principal amounts shall not exceed in the aggregate one million dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010. Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the proceeds of the sale of said bonds shall be deposited in the Energy Conservation Loan Fund established under section 16a-40a for the purposes of making and guaranteeing loans and deferred loans as provided in section 5 of public act 05-2 of the October 25 special session and section 16a-46e. All provisions of section 3-20, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby which are not inconsistent with the provisions of sections 16a-40 to 16a-40b, inclusive, and this section are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to said sections 16a-40 to 16a-40b, inclusive, and
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this section, and temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. Said bonds issued pursuant to said sections 16a-40 to 16a-40b, inclusive, and this section shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due.

(b) As of July 1, 2010, proceeds of the sale of said bonds which have been authorized as provided in subsection (a) of this section, but have not been allocated by the State Bond Commission, [and the additional amount of five million dollars authorized by this section on July 1, 2010,] shall be deposited in the Green Connecticut Loan Guaranty Fund established pursuant to section 16a-40e, and shall be used by the Connecticut Green Bank for purposes of the Green Connecticut Loan Guaranty Fund program established pursuant to section 16a-40f, provided not more than eighteen million dollars shall be deposited in the Green Connecticut Loan Guaranty Fund. Such additional amounts may be deposited in the Green Connecticut Loan Guaranty Fund as the State Bond Commission may, from time to time, authorize.

Sec. 398. Subsection (a) of section 22a-483 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) For the purposes of sections 22a-475 to 22a-483, inclusive, the
State Bond Commission shall have the power, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts, not exceeding in the aggregate \( \text{one billion six hundred thirty million one hundred twenty-five thousand nine hundred seventy-six} \) \( \text{dollars,} \) provided \( \text{ninety-two million five hundred thousand} \) \( \text{dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, [2016] 2018.} \)

Sec. 399. Subsection (d) of section 22a-483 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(d) Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall preclude the State Bond Commission from authorizing the issuance of revenue bonds, in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate \( \text{three billion three hundred seventy-five million five hundred eighty-four million eighty thousand dollars,} \) provided \( \text{three hundred fifty million three hundred thousand dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, [2016] 2018,} \) that are not general obligations of the state of Connecticut to which the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal and interest. Such revenue bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding thirty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such revenue bonds. The revenue bonds, revenue state bond anticipation notes and revenue state grant anticipation notes authorized to be issued under sections 22a-475 to 22a-483, inclusive, shall be special obligations of the state and shall not be payable from nor charged upon any funds other than the revenues  

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said sections 22a-475 to 22a-483, inclusive, including the repayment of municipal loan obligations; nor shall the state or any political subdivision thereof be subject to any liability thereon except to the extent of such pledged revenues or the receipts, funds or moneys pledged therefor as provided in said sections 22a-475 to 22a-483, inclusive. The issuance of revenue bonds, revenue state bond anticipation notes and revenue state grant anticipation notes under the provisions of said sections 22a-475 to 22a-483, inclusive, shall not directly or indirectly or contingently obligate the state or any political subdivision thereof to levy or to pledge any form of taxation whatever therefor or to make any appropriation for their payment. The revenue bonds, revenue state bond anticipation notes and revenue state grant anticipation notes shall not constitute a charge, lien or encumbrance, legal or equitable, upon any property of the state or of any political subdivision thereof, except the property mortgaged or otherwise encumbered under the provisions and for the purposes of said sections 22a-475 to 22a-483, inclusive. The substance of such limitation shall be plainly stated on the face of each revenue bond, revenue state bond anticipation note and revenue state grant anticipation note issued pursuant to said sections 22a-475 to 22a-483, inclusive, shall not be subject to any statutory limitation on the indebtedness of the state and such revenue bonds, revenue state bond anticipation notes and revenue state grant anticipation notes, when issued, shall not be included in computing the aggregate indebtedness of the state in respect to and to the extent of any such limitation. As part of the contract of the state with the owners of such revenue bonds, revenue state bond anticipation notes and revenue state grant anticipation notes, all amounts necessary for the punctual payment of the debt service requirements with respect to such revenue bonds, revenue state bond anticipation notes and revenue state grant anticipation notes shall be deemed appropriated, but only from the sources pledged pursuant to said sections 22a-475 to 22a-483, inclusive. The proceeds of such revenue bonds or notes may be deposited in the
Clean Water Fund for use in accordance with the permitted uses of such fund. Any expense incurred in connection with the carrying out of the provisions of this section, including the costs of issuance of revenue bonds, revenue state bond anticipation notes and revenue state grant anticipation notes may be paid from the accrued interest and premiums or from any other proceeds of the sale of such revenue bonds, revenue state bond anticipation notes or revenue state grant anticipation notes and in the same manner as other obligations of the state. All provisions of subsections (g), (k), (l), (s) and (u) of section 3-20 or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby which are not inconsistent with the provisions of said sections 22a-475 to 22a-483, inclusive, are hereby adopted and shall apply to all revenue bonds, state revenue bond anticipation notes and state revenue grant anticipation notes authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to said sections 22a-475 to 22a-483, inclusive. For the purposes of subsection (o) of section 3-20, "bond act" shall be construed to include said sections 22a-475 to 22a-483, inclusive.

Sec. 400. Subsection (a) of section 29-1aa of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have the power, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate two million eight hundred thousand dollars.

Sec. 401. Subsection (d) of section 32-41cc of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(d) The Connecticut Bioscience Innovation Fund shall be used (1) to provide financial assistance to eligible recipients as may be approved.
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by the advisory committee pursuant to subsection (e) of this section, (2) to provide financial assistance to eligible institutions as defined in section 32-41jj and pursuant to the requirements of sections 32-41jj to 32-41mm, inclusive, (3) for the repayment of state bonds in such amounts as may be required by the State Bond Commission, and [(3)] (4) to pay or reimburse the administrator for administrative costs pursuant to subsection (j) of this section. Such financial assistance shall be awarded to further the development of bioscience, biomedical engineering, health information management, medical care, medical devices, medical diagnostics, pharmaceuticals, personalized medicine and other related disciplines that are likely to lead to an improvement in or development of services, therapeutics, diagnostics or devices that are commercializable and designed to advance the coordination, quality or efficiency of health care and lower health care costs, and that promise, directly or indirectly, to lead to job growth in the state in these or related fields.

Sec. 402. Subsection (a) of section 32-41dd of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) The State Bond Commission shall authorize the issuance of bonds of the state, in accordance with the provisions of section 3-20, in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate [two hundred] one hundred ninety-nine million dollars for the Connecticut Bioscience Innovation Fund established pursuant to section 32-41cc. The amount authorized for the issuance and sale of such bonds in each of the following fiscal years shall not exceed the following corresponding amount for each such fiscal year, provided, to the extent the advisory committee does not provide for the use of all or a portion of such amount in any such fiscal year, such amount not provided for shall be carried forward and added to the authorized amount for the next succeeding fiscal year, and provided further, the costs of issuance and
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capitalized interest, if any, may be added to the capped amount in each fiscal year, and each of the authorized amounts shall be effective on July first of the fiscal year indicated as follows:

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Sec. 403. Subsection (c) of section 32-41kk of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(c) Commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, and for each of the thirteen consecutive fiscal years thereafter, until the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, [not less than ten million dollars] funds shall be available from the Regenerative Medicine Research Fund for financial assistance to eligible institutions for the purpose of conducting regenerative medicine research. Any [balance of such amount] funds not used for such financial assistance during a fiscal
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year shall be carried forward for the fiscal year next succeeding for such financial assistance.

Sec. 404. Subsection (a) of section 32-41nn of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have the power from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate [forty] ten million dollars, [, provided (1) ten million dollars shall be effective July 1, 2016, (2) ten million dollars shall be effective July 1, 2017, and (3) ten million dollars shall be effective July 1, 2018.]

Sec. 405. Section 12 of public act 99-242, as amended by section 59 of special act 02-1 of the May 9 special session, section 69 of public act 10-44 and section 18 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of sections 12 to 19, inclusive, of public act 99-242, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding [$75,396,747] $81,896,747.

Sec. 406. Section 31 of public act 99-242, as amended by section 50 of public act 00-167, section 87 of special act 04-2 of the May special session and section 78 of public act 10-44, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of sections 31 to 38, inclusive, of public act 99-242, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding
Sec. 407. Section 1 of special act 01-2 of the June special session, as amended by section 5 of special act 01-1 of the November 15 special session, section 74 of special act 02-1 of the May 9 special session, section 94 of special act 04-2 of the May special session, section 123 of public act 07-7 of the June special session, section 83 of public act 10-44, section 83 of public act 11-57, section 73 of public act 15-1 of the June special session, and section 21 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of sections 1 to 7, inclusive, of special act 01-2 of the June special session, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding [$473,189,654] $478,189,654.

Sec. 408. Subdivision (2) of subsection (h) of section 2 of special act 01-2 of the June special session, as amended by section 74 of public act 15-1 of the June special session and section 22 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

(2) For the American School for the Deaf: Alterations, renovations and improvements to buildings and grounds, including new construction, not exceeding [$4,405,709] $9,405,709.

Sec. 409. Section 16 of special act 01-2 of the June special session, as amended by section 91 of special act 02-1 of the May 9 special session, section 103 of special act 04-2 of the May special session, section 126 of public act 07-7 of the June special session, section 92 of public act 10-44, section 60 of public act 14-98, and section 75 of public act 15-1 of the June special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):
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The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of sections 16 to 22, inclusive, of special act 01-2 of the June special session, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding $152,056,705.

Sec. 410. Subdivision (2) of subsection (d) of section 17 of special act 01-2 of the June special session, as amended by section 76 of public act 15-1 of the June special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

(2) Alterations, renovations, additions and improvements, including new construction in accordance with the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services master campus plan, not exceeding $886,593.

Sec. 411. Section 12 of special act 05-1 of the June special session, as amended by section 169 of public act 07-7 of the June special session, section 131 of public act 10-44, section 106 of public act 13-239, section 90 of public act 15-1 of the June special session, and section 29 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of sections 12 to 19, inclusive, of special act 05-1 of the June special session, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding $80,855,426.

Sec. 412. Subdivision (19) of subsection (d) of section 13 of special act 05-1 of the June special session is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

(19) Grant-in-aid to the town of East Lyme, for the purchase of Oswegatchie Hills for open space, not exceeding $2,000,000.

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Sec. 413. Subdivision (3) of subsection (e) of section 13 of special act 05-1 of the June special session, as amended by section 175 of public act 07-7 of the June special session, is repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 414. Section 31 of special act 05-1 of the June special session, as amended by section 202 of public act 07-7 of the June special session, section 168 of public act 10-44, section 111 of public act 13-239, section 105 of public act 15-1 of the June special session, and section 47 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of sections 31 to 38, inclusive, of special act 05-1 of the June special session, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding $126,202,015.

Sec. 415. Subdivision (19) of subsection (d) of section 32 of special act 05-1 of the June special session, as amended by section 179 of public act 10-44, is repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 416. Subdivision (9) of subsection (j) of section 32 of special act 05-1 of the June special session, as amended by section 211 of public act 07-7 of the June special session, section 62 of public act 09-2 of the September special session, section 34 of public act 09-6 of the September special session and section 197 of public act 10-44, is repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 417. Section 12 of public act 07-7 of the June special session, as amended by section 233 of public act 10-44, section 143 of public act 10-179, section 98 of public act 13-3, section 119 of public act 13-239, section 139 of public act 15-1 of the June special session, and section 62 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):
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The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of sections 12 to 19, inclusive, of public act 07-7 of the June special session, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding [114,920,005] 112,420,005.

Sec. 418. Subdivision (33) of subsection (d) of section 13 of public act 07-7 of the June special session, as amended by section 70 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 419. Subdivision (34) of subsection (d) of section 13 of public act 07-7 of the June special session, as amended by section 71 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

(34) Grant-in-aid to the town of Fairfield for the Rooster River flood control project, not exceeding [2,030,000] 30,000;

Sec. 420. Section 20 of public act 07-7 of the June special session, as amended by section 314 of public act 10-44, section 21 of public act 12-189, section 127 of public act 13-239, section 177 of public act 15-1 of the June special session, and section 92 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of sections 20 to 26, inclusive, of public act 07-7 of the June special session, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding [220,188,336] 217,988,336.

Sec. 421. Subdivision (1) of subsection (f) of section 21 of public act 07-7 of the June special session is repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 422. Section 1 of public act 10-44, as amended by section 121 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as
The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of sections 1 to 8, inclusive, of public act 10-44, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding \([\$7,900,000] \$6,950,000\).
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(a) Grants-in-aid for infrastructure projects and programs in the city of Hartford not exceeding $10,600,000, including, but not limited to, grants for (1) parking projects that will add to downtown parking capacity; (2) the revitalization of Pope Park; (3) a public safety complex and regional emergency management center; (4) improvements to the flood control system; and (5) a bridge over the Park River;

Sec. 426. Subsection (b) of section 10 of public act 10-44, as amended by section 124 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

(b) Grants-in-aid for infrastructure projects and programs in the city of Bridgeport not exceeding $12,700,000, including, but not limited to, grants (1) for design and construction of a flood control project in the northeast corner of the city; (2) for the design and construction of the Congress Street Bridge; (3) for day care, a community room and a playground at West End School; (4) for purchase and installation of a public safety video surveillance system; (5) to the Fairfield County Housing Partnership for land acquisition, design, development and construction of an independent living facility; (6) for purchase of a water taxi, construction of docks and construction of the Pleasure Beach retractable pedestrian bridge; (7) to the Bridgeport Port Authority for improvements to the Derecktor Shipyard, including remediation, dredging, bulkheading and construction of Phase 2 of the Derecktor Shipyard Economic Development Plan; (8) for repair and improvements on State Road 59 between the North Avenue and Capitol Avenue intersections, including median and sidewalk renovations; (9) for the remediation of the waterfront, including any predevelopment costs; (10) for the Island Brook flood control project; (11) for improvements to the bus and transportation center; and (12) for restoration, new construction or property acquisition for expansion and improvement for Greater
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Bridgeport Transit;

Sec. 427. Subsection (a) of section 32 of public act 11-1 of the October special session, as amended by section 89 of public act 13-239, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

(a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have the power, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate [seventeen million eight hundred thousand] sixteen million eight hundred twenty-nine thousand five hundred dollars, provided eight million nine hundred thousand dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, 2012.

Sec. 428. Section 1 of public act 11-57, as amended by section 92 of public act 13-239, section 68 of public act 14-98, section 202 of public act 15-1 of the June special session and section 128 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of sections 1 to 7, inclusive, of public act 11-57, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding [$235,306,923] $235,083,106.

Sec. 429. Subdivision (1) of subsection (o) of section 2 of public act 11-57 is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

(1) Alterations, renovations and improvements to buildings and grounds at state-owned and maintained facilities, not exceeding [$5,000,000] $4,776,183;

Sec. 430. Section 12 of public act 11-57, as amended by section 133 of public act 13-239 and section 136 of public act 16-4 of the May special
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session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of sections 12 to 19, inclusive, of public act 11-57, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding $60,615,072.

Sec. 431. Subsection (c) of section 13 of public act 11-57 is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

(c) For the Department of Public Health: Grants-in-aid to community health centers, primary care organizations and municipalities for the purchase of equipment, renovations, improvements and expansion of facilities, not exceeding $250,000.

Sec. 432. Subsection (e) of section 13 of public act 11-57 is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

(e) For the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services: Grants-in-aid to private, non-profit organizations that are exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to time, for community-based residential and outpatient facilities for purchases, repairs, alterations, and improvements, not exceeding $3,956,164.

Sec. 433. Subsection (i) of section 13 of public act 11-57 is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

(i) For the Department of Children and Families: Grants-in-aid for construction, alteration, repairs and improvements to residential facilities, group homes, shelters and permanent family residences, not exceeding $2,160,158.
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Sec. 434. Section 20 of public act 11-57, as amended by section 24 of public act 12-189, section 69 of public act 14-98, section 207 of public act 15-1 of the June special session and section 139 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of sections 20 to 26, inclusive, of public act 11-57, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding \[\$363,148,338\] \(\$362,720,338\).

Sec. 435. Subsection (i) of section 21 of public act 11-57 is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

(i) For the Department of Developmental Services: Fire, safety and environmental improvements to regional facilities for client and staff needs, including improvements in compliance with current codes, including intermediate care facilities and site improvements, handicapped access improvements, utilities, repair or replacement of roofs, air conditioning and other interior and exterior building renovations and additions at all state-owned facilities, not exceeding \[\$5,000,000\] \(\$4,572,000\).

Sec. 436. Section 1 of public act 12-189, as amended by section 152 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of sections 1 to 7, inclusive, of public act 12-189, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding \[\$94,776,000\] \(\$90,776,000\).

Sec. 437. Subdivision (2) of subsection (c) of section 2 of public act...
12-189, as amended by section 100 of public act 13-239, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

(2) Design and construction of a firearms training facility and vehicle operations training center, including land acquisition, not exceeding [$6,576,000] $3,576,000.

Sec. 438. Subsection (d) of section 2 of public act 12-189 is repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 439. Section 8 of public act 12-189, as amended by section 211 of public act 15-1 of the June special session and section 154 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of sections 8 to 15, inclusive, of public act 12-189, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding [$166,902,828] $160,108,078.

Sec. 440. Subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of section 9 of public act 12-189, as amended by section 103 of public act 13-239 and section 159 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

(2) Grants-in-aid for alterations, repairs, improvements, technology, equipment and capital start-up costs, including acquisition costs, to expand the availability of high-quality school models, and assist in the implementation of common CORE state standards and assessments, in accordance with procedures established by the Commissioner of Education, not exceeding [$24,888,946] $18,554,746;

Sec. 441. Subsection (f) of section 9 of public act 12-189 is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

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(f) For the Department of Children and Families: Grants-in-aid to private, nonprofit mental health clinics for children, for fire, safety and environmental improvements, including expansion, not exceeding [$1,000,000] $539,450.

Sec. 442. Section 84 of public act 13-3, as amended by section 15 of public act 13-122, section 191 of public act 13-247, section 73 of public act 14-98, section 1 of public act 15-5 and section 1 of public act 16-171, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) [For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2013, to June 30, 2017, inclusive, the] The Departments of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Administrative Services and Education shall jointly administer a school security infrastructure competitive grant program to reimburse a town, regional educational service center, the governing authority for a state charter school, the Department of Education on behalf of the technical high school system, an incorporated or endowed high school or academy approved by the State Board of Education pursuant to section 10-34 of the general statutes and the supervisory agent for a nonpublic school for certain expenses for schools incurred on or after January 1, 2013, for: (1) The development or improvement of the security infrastructure of schools, based on the results of school building security assessments pursuant to subsection (d) of this section, including, but not limited to, the installation of surveillance cameras, penetration resistant vestibules, ballistic glass, solid core doors, double door access, computer-controlled electronic locks, entry door buzzer systems, scan card systems, panic alarms, real time interoperable communications and multimedia sharing infrastructure or other systems; and (2) (A) the training of school personnel in the operation and maintenance of the security infrastructure of school buildings, or (B) the purchase of portable entrance security devices, including, but not limited to, metal detector...
(b) (1) On and after April 4, 2013, each local and regional board of education may, on behalf of its town or its member towns, apply, at such time and in such manner as the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection prescribes, to the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection for a grant for certain expenses for schools under the jurisdiction of such board of education incurred on or after January 1, 2013, for the purposes described in subsection (a) of this section. Prior to the date that the School Safety Infrastructure Council makes its initial submission of the school safety infrastructure standards, pursuant to subsection (c) of section 10-292r of the general statutes, the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection, in consultation with the Commissioners of Administrative Services and Education, shall determine which expenses are eligible for reimbursement under the program. On and after the date that the School Safety Infrastructure Council submits the school safety infrastructure standards, the decision to approve or deny an application and the determination of which expenses are eligible for reimbursement under the program shall be in accordance with the most recent submission of the school safety infrastructure standards, pursuant to subsection (c) of section 10-292r of the general statutes.

(2) [For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2015, June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, a] A regional educational service center may apply, at such time and in such manner as the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection prescribes, to the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection for a grant for certain expenses for schools under the jurisdiction of such regional educational service center incurred on or after January 1, 2013, for the purposes described in subsection (a) of this section. The department shall decide whether to approve or deny an application and which expenses are eligible for reimbursement under the program. Such decisions shall be in
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accordance with the school safety infrastructure standards developed pursuant to subsection (c) of section 10-292r of the general statutes.

(3) [For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2015, June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, the] The governing authority for a state charter school may apply, at such time and in such manner as the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection prescribes, to the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection for a grant for certain expenses for schools under the jurisdiction of such governing authority incurred on or after January 1, 2013, for the purposes described in subsection (a) of this section. The department shall decide whether to approve or deny an application and which expenses are eligible for reimbursement under the program. Such decisions shall be in accordance with the school safety infrastructure standards developed pursuant to subsection (c) of section 10-292r of the general statutes.

(4) [For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2015, June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, the] The superintendent of the technical high school system may apply, at such time and in such manner as the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection prescribes, to the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection for a grant for certain expenses for schools in the technical high school system incurred on or after January 1, 2013, for the purposes described in subsection (a) of this section. The department shall decide whether to approve or deny an application and which expenses are eligible for reimbursement under the program. Such decisions shall be in accordance with the school safety infrastructure standards developed pursuant to subsection (c) of section 10-292r of the general statutes.

(5) [For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2015, June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, an] An incorporated or endowed high school or academy may apply, at such time and in such manner as the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection prescribes, to the
Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection for a grant for certain expenses incurred on or after January 1, 2013, for the purposes described in subsection (a) of this section. The department shall decide whether to approve or deny an application and which expenses are eligible for reimbursement under the program. Such decisions shall be in accordance with the school safety infrastructure standards developed pursuant to subsection (c) of section 10-292r of the general statutes.

(6) (A) [For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2015, June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, the] The supervisory agent for a nonpublic school may apply, at such time and in such manner as the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection prescribes, to the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection for a grant for certain expenses for schools under the jurisdiction of such supervisory agent incurred on or after January 1, 2013, for the purposes described in subsection (a) of this section. The department shall decide whether to approve or deny an application and which expenses are eligible for reimbursement under the program. Such decisions shall be in accordance with the school safety infrastructure standards developed pursuant to subsection (c) of section 10-292r of the general statutes.

(B) [For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2015, June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, ten] Ten per cent of the funds available under the program shall be awarded to the supervisory agents of nonpublic schools, in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (6) of subsection (c) of this section.

(c) (1) A town may receive a grant equal to a percentage of its eligible expenses. The percentage shall be determined as follows: (A) Each town shall be ranked in descending order from one to one hundred sixty-nine according to town wealth, as defined in subdivision (26) of section 10-262f of the general statutes, (B) based
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upon such ranking, a percentage of not less than twenty or more than eighty shall be assigned to each town on a continuous scale, and (C) the town ranked first shall be assigned a percentage of twenty and the town ranked last shall be assigned a percentage of eighty.

(2) A regional educational service center may receive a grant equal to a percentage of its eligible expenses. The percentage shall be determined by its ranking. Such ranking shall be determined by (A) multiplying the population of each member town in the regional educational service center by such town's ranking, as determined in subsection (a) of section 10-285a of the general statutes; (B) adding together the figures for each town determined under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision; and (C) dividing the total computed under subparagraph (B) of this subdivision by the total population of all member towns in the regional educational service center. The ranking of each regional educational service center shall be rounded to the next higher whole number and each such center shall receive the same reimbursement percentage as would a town with the same rank.

(3) The governing authority for a state charter school may receive a grant equal to a percentage of its eligible expenses that is the same as the town in which such state charter school is located, as calculated pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection.

(4) The Department of Education, on behalf of the technical high school system, may receive a grant equal to one hundred per cent of its eligible expenses.

(5) An incorporated or endowed high school or academy may receive a grant equal to a percentage of its eligible expenses. The percentage shall be determined by its ranking. Such ranking shall be determined by (A) multiplying the total population, as defined in section 10-261 of the general statutes, of each town which at the time of application for such school security infrastructure competitive grant
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has designated such school as the high school for such town for a period of not less than five years from the date of such application, by such town's percentile ranking, as determined in subsection (a) of section 10-285a of the general statutes, (B) adding together the figures for each town determined under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, and (C) dividing the total computed under subparagraph (B) of this subdivision by the total population of all towns which designate the school as their high school under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision. The ranking determined pursuant to this subsection shall be rounded to the next higher whole number. Such incorporated or endowed high school or academy shall receive the reimbursement percentage of a town with the same rank.

(6) The supervisory agent for a nonpublic school may receive a grant equal to fifty per cent of its eligible expenses.

(d) (1) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, if there are not sufficient funds to provide grants to all towns, based on the percentage determined pursuant to subsection (c) of this section, the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection, in consultation with the Commissioners of Administrative Services and Education, shall give priority to applicants on behalf of schools with the greatest need for security infrastructure, as determined by said commissioners based on school building security assessments of the schools under the jurisdiction of the town's school district conducted pursuant to this subdivision. Of the applicants on behalf of such schools with the greatest need for security infrastructure, said commissioners shall give first priority to applicants on behalf of schools that have no security infrastructure at the time of such school building security assessment and succeeding priority to applicants on behalf of schools located in priority school districts pursuant to section 10-266p of the general statutes. To be eligible for reimbursement pursuant to this section, an applicant board of education shall (A)
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demonstrate that it has developed and periodically practices an emergency plan at the schools under its jurisdiction and that such plan has been developed in concert with applicable state or local first-responders, and (B) provide for a uniform assessment of the schools under its jurisdiction, including any security infrastructure, using the National Clearinghouse for Educational Facilities' Safe Schools Facilities Checklist. The assessment shall be conducted under the supervision of the local law enforcement agency.

(2) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2015, June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, if there are not sufficient funds to provide grants to all applicants that are towns, regional educational service centers, governing authorities for state charter schools, the Department of Education, on behalf of the technical high school system, and incorporated or endowed high schools or academies based on the percentage determined pursuant to subsection (c) of this section, the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection, in consultation with the Commissioners of Administrative Services and Education, shall give priority to applicants on behalf of schools with the greatest need for security infrastructure, as determined by said commissioners based on school building security assessments of the schools under the jurisdiction of the applicant conducted pursuant to this subdivision. Of the applicants on behalf of such schools with the greatest need for security infrastructure, said commissioners shall give first priority to applicants on behalf of schools that have no security infrastructure at the time of such school building security assessment and succeeding priority to applicants on behalf of schools located in priority school districts pursuant to section 10-266p of the general statutes. To be eligible for reimbursement pursuant to this section, an applicant shall (A) demonstrate that it has developed and periodically practices an emergency plan at the schools under its jurisdiction and that such plan has been developed in concert with applicable state or local first-responders, and (B) provide for a uniform assessment of the
schools under its jurisdiction, including any security infrastructure, using the National Clearinghouse for Educational Facilities' Safe Schools Facilities Checklist. The assessment shall be conducted under the supervision of the local law enforcement agency.

(3) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2015, June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, if there are not sufficient funds to provide grants to all applicant supervisory agents for nonpublic schools, based on the percentages described in subsection (c) of this section, the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection, in consultation with the Commissioners of Administrative Services and Education, shall give priority to applicants on behalf of schools with the greatest need for security infrastructure, as determined by said commissioners. Of the applicants on behalf of such schools with the greatest need for security infrastructure, said commissioners shall give first priority to applicants on behalf of schools that have no security infrastructure at the time of application. To be eligible for reimbursement pursuant to this section, an applicant supervisory agent for a nonpublic school shall (A) demonstrate that it has developed and periodically practices an emergency plan at the school under its jurisdiction and that such plan has been developed in concert with applicable state or local first-responders, and (B) provide for a uniform assessment of the schools under its jurisdiction, including any security infrastructure, using the National Clearinghouse for Educational Facilities' Safe Schools Facilities Checklist. The assessment shall be conducted under the supervision of the local law enforcement agency.

Sec. 443. Section 1 of public act 13-239, as amended by section 214 of public act 15-1 of the June special session and section 161 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with
the provisions of this section and sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of public act 13-239, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding $300,456,261 $298,085,986.

Sec. 444. Subparagraph (A) of subdivision (2) of subsection (l) of section 2 of public act 13-239 is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

(A) Parking and site improvements, not exceeding $2,189,622 $1,964,347;

Sec. 445. Subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of subsection (l) of section 2 of public act 13-239 is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

(B) Heating, ventilating and air conditioning system improvements, not exceeding $1,750,000 $1,605,000.

Sec. 446. Subdivision (2) of subsection (o) of section 2 of public act 13-239 is repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 447. Section 12 of public act 13-239, as amended by section 166 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of this section and sections 13 to 19, inclusive, of public act 13-239, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding $211,551,428 $195,409,596.

Sec. 448. Subsection (b) of section 13 of public act 13-239 is repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 449. Subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of section 13 of public act
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13-239 is repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 450. Subdivision (2) of subsection (h) of section 13 of public act 13-239, as amended by section 75 of public act 14-98, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

(2) For the Office of Early Childhood: Grants-in-aid to sponsors of school readiness programs and state-funded day care centers, for facility improvements and minor capital repairs to that portion of facilities that house school readiness programs and state-funded day care centers, not exceeding [[$11,500,000]] $5,858,168;

Sec. 451. Section 20 of public act 13-239, as amended by section 77 of public act 14-98 and section 173 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of this section and sections 21 to 26, inclusive, of public act 13-239, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding [[$339,638,805]] $275,933,776.

Sec. 452. Subdivision (4) of subsection (g) of section 21 of public act 13-239, as amended by section 81 of public act 14-98, is repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 453. Subsection (h) of section 21 of public act 13-239 is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

(h) For the Capital Region Development Authority: Alterations, renovations and improvements at the Connecticut Convention Center and Rentschler Field, not exceeding [[$3,727,500]] $3,709,000.

Sec. 454. Subsection (i) of section 21 of public act 13-239 is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

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(i) For the Department of Developmental Services: Fire, safety and environmental improvements to regional facilities and intermediate care facilities for client and staff needs, including improvements in compliance with current codes, site improvements, handicapped access improvements, utilities, repair or replacement of roofs, air conditioning and other interior and exterior building renovations and additions at all state-owned facilities, not exceeding [$5,000,000] $4,746,752.

Sec. 455. Subsection (k) of section 21 of public act 13-239 is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

(k) For the Department of Education: For the technical high school system: Alterations, renovations and improvements to buildings and grounds, including new and replacement equipment, tools and supplies necessary to update curricula, vehicles and technology at all technical high schools, not exceeding [$15,500,000] $4,500,000.

Sec. 456. Subparagraph (A) of subdivision (2) of subsection (l) of section 21 of public act 13-239 is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

(A) Parking garage improvements, not exceeding [$3,907,258] $3,673,977;

Sec. 457. Subdivision (3) of subsection (l) of section 21 of public act 13-239, as amended by section 176 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 458. Subdivision (2) of subsection (o) of section 21 of public act 13-239, as amended by section 178 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 459. Section 31 of public act 13-239, as amended by section 86 of public act 14-98, section 218 of public act 15-1 of the June special
The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of this section and sections 32 to 38, inclusive, of public act 13-239, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding [[$183,500,000] $188,000,000].

Sec. 460. Subsection (b) of section 32 of public act 13-239 is repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 461. Subdivision (2) of subsection (g) of section 32 of public act 13-239, as amended by section 91 of public act 14-98 and section 185 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 462. Section 32 of public act 13-239, as amended by sections 87, 88, 89, 90 and 91 of public act 14-98, section 105 of public act 14-217, sections 219 and 220 of public act 15-1 of the June special session and sections 180, 181, 182, 183, 184 and 185 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended by adding subsection (i) as follows (Effective from passage):

(i) For Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated: For the Regenerative Medicine Research Fund established by section 19a-32e of the general statutes, not exceeding $10,000,000.

Sec. 463. Section 1 of public act 14-98, as amended by section 186 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of this section and sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of public act 14-98, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state
in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding [$132,409,322] $129,679,322.

Sec. 464. Subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 2 of public act 14-98 is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

(2) Production and studio equipment for the Connecticut Network, not exceeding [$3,230,000] $1,000,000.

Sec. 465. Subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of section 2 of public act 14-98 is repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 466. Section 8 of public act 14-98, as amended by section 189 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of this section and sections 9 to 15, inclusive, of public act 14-98, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding [$176,400,000] $169,100,000.

Sec. 467. Subsection (a) of section 9 of public act 14-98, as amended by section 190 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 468. Subsection (i) of section 9 of public act 14-98, as amended by section 229 of public act 15-1 of the June special session, is repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 469. Section 82 of public act 14-98, as amended by section 195 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

(a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have the power from time to time to
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authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate eight million five hundred thousand dollars.

(b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the Department of Education for:

(1) The technical high school system, to establish a pilot program to provide expanded educational opportunities by extending hours at technical high schools in Hamden, Hartford, New Britain and Waterbury for purposes of academic enrichment and training in trades for secondary and adult students, not exceeding [three million five hundred thousand] four hundred thirty-four thousand dollars;

(2) Grants-in-aid to technical high schools to provide evening training programs in skilled trades, including, but not limited to, manufacturing, masonry, electrical, plumbing and carpentry trades, provided the purpose of any such program shall be to prepare participants for earning a credential or degree recognized by employers or trade associations, as applicable, not exceeding five million dollars.

(c) All provisions of section 3-20 of the general statutes, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby, which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds shall be
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authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request for such authorization which is signed by or on behalf of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and states such terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due.

Sec. 470. Section 1 of public act 15-1 of the June special session, as amended by section 196 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of this section and sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of public act 15-1 of the June special session, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate not exceeding $350,813,300.

Sec. 471. Subdivision (4) of subsection (f) of section 2 of public act 15-1 of the June special session, as amended by section 198 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

(4) Removal or encapsulation of asbestos and hazardous materials in state-owned buildings, not exceeding $10,000,000;

Sec. 472. Subdivision (2) of subsection (g) of section 2 of public act 15-1 of the June special session is repealed. (Effective from passage)
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Sec. 473. Subdivision (5) of subsection (n) of section 2 of public act 15-1 of the June special session is repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 474. Section 12 of public act 15-1 of the June special session, as amended by section 201 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of this section and sections 13 to 19, inclusive, of public act 15-1 of the June special session, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding [$376,600,000] $343,092,050.

Sec. 475. Subdivision (1) of subsection (d) of section 13 of public act 15-1 of the June special session, as amended by section 203 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 476. Subdivision (2) of subsection (d) of section 13 of public act 15-1 of the June special session, as amended by section 204 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 477. Subdivision (3) of subsection (e) of section 13 of public act 15-1 of the June special session, as amended by section 205 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

(3) For the Brownfield Remediation and Revitalization program, not exceeding [$16,000,000] $20,000,000;

Sec. 478. Subsection (f) of section 13 of public act 15-1 of the June special session is repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 479. Subdivision (1) of subsection (i) of section 13 of public act 15-1 of the June special session is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):
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(1) Grants-in-aid for the purpose of capital start-up costs related to the development of new interdistrict magnet school programs to assist the state in meeting the goals of the current stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., for the purpose of purchasing a building or portable classrooms, subject to the reversion provisions in subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of section 10-264h of the general statutes, leasing space and purchasing equipment, including, but not limited to, computers and classroom furniture, not exceeding $20,000,000; $15,000,000:

Sec. 480. Subdivision (3) of subsection (i) of section 13 of public act 15-1 of the June special session is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

(3) Grants-in-aid to the American School for the Deaf for alterations, renovations and improvements to the buildings and grounds, not exceeding $5,000,000; $2,492,050.

Sec. 481. Section 20 of public act 15-1 of the June special session, as amended by section 207 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of this section and sections 21 to 26, inclusive, of public act 15-1 of the June special session, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding $275,872,176; $275,372,176.

Sec. 482. Subsection (b) of section 21 of public act 15-1 of the June special session is repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 483. Section 27 of public act 15-1 of the June special session is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with
the provisions of this section and sections 28 to 30, inclusive, of [this act] public act 15-1 of the June special session, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding [$135,000,000] $120,000,000.

Sec. 484. Section 31 of public act 15-1 of the June special session, as amended by section 219 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of this section and sections 32 to 38, inclusive, of public act 15-1 of the June special session, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding [$298,250,000] $282,750,000.

Sec. 485. Subsection (g) of section 32 of public act 15-1 of the June special session, as amended by section 225 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 486. Subdivision (1) of subsection (k) of section 32 of public act 15-1 of the June special session is repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 487. Subsection (m) of section 32 of public act 15-1 of the June special session, as amended by section 230 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

(m) For the Connecticut Port Authority: Grants-in-aid for improvements to ports, harbors and marinas, including dredging and navigational improvements, not exceeding [$13,500,000] $6,750,000, provided not less than $5,000,000 shall be made available to the ports, harbors and marinas in the state other than the deep water ports in the cities of Bridgeport, New Haven and New London.
Sec. 488. Section 224 of public act 15-1 of the June special session, as amended by section 235 of public act 16-4 of the May special session, is repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 489. Section 1 of public act 16-4 of the May special session is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of this section and sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of [this act] public act 16-4 of the May special session, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding $250,200,000.

Sec. 490. Subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 2 of public act 16-4 of the May special session is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

(2) For improvements to the Trout Brook Canal area in the town of West Hartford, not exceeding $1,200,000.

Sec. 491. Section 8 of public act 16-4 of the May special session is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of this section and sections 9 to 15, inclusive, of [this act] public act 16-4 of the May special session, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding $47,500,000.

Sec. 492. Subsection (a) of section 9 of public act 16-4 of the May special session is repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 493. Section 14 of public act 16-4 of the May special session is
amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

In accordance with section 9 of [this act] public act 16-4 of the May special session, the state, through the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, Department of Economic and Community Development and the Department of Housing may provide grants-in-aid and other financings to or for the agencies for the purposes and projects as described in said section 9. All financing shall be made in accordance with the terms of a contract at such time or times as shall be determined within authorization of funds by the State Bond Commission.

Sec. 494. Section 227 of public act 16-4 of the May special session is amended to read as follows (Effective from passage):

Subsection (i) of section 32 of [special] public act 15-1 of the June special session is repealed.

Sec. 495. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) of section 7-536 of the general statutes, the Secretary shall allocate zero dollars on February first of 2017 and fifty-five million dollars on February first of 2018 to each municipality in the state in accordance with the provisions of subsection (c) of section 7-536 of the general statutes.

Sec. 496. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) As used in this section, unless the context clearly indicates a different meaning or intent:

(1) "Debt service requirements" has the same meaning as provided in section 13b-75 of the general statutes;

(2) "Federal transportation bonds" means one or more special tax obligation bonds authorized to be issued pursuant to subsection (c) of this section;
(3) "Pledged revenues" has the same meaning as provided in section 13b-75 of the general statutes;

(4) "RRIF" means the Railroad Rehabilitation and Improvement Financing program established by the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century, P.L. 105-178, as amended from time to time;

(5) "RRIF loan agreement" means a loan agreement or other credit agreement by and between the state as the borrower and the United States Department of Transportation as the lender, pursuant to which a loan or other form of financial assistance is made by said department to the state in accordance with RRIF;

(6) "Special Transportation Fund" means the Special Transportation Fund established pursuant to section 13b-68 of the general statutes;

(7) "State officials" means the Treasurer, the Commissioner of Transportation and the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management;

(8) "TIFIA" means the Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act, P.L. 105-178, as amended from time to time; and

(9) "TIFIA loan agreement" means a loan agreement or other credit agreement by and between the state as the borrower and the United States Department of Transportation as the lender, pursuant to which a loan or other form of financial assistance is made by said department to the state in accordance with TIFIA.

(b) The state, acting through the state officials, may enter into loan agreements or other credit agreements, including, but not limited to, RRIF loan agreements and TIFIA loan agreements, with the United States Department of Transportation. The state officials (1) may execute and deliver any documents, certificates and instruments related to such agreements and the obligations issued thereunder, (2)
shall determine the terms, conditions, covenants and other provisions of such agreements in the best interest of the state, and (3) may take all other actions, including, but not limited to, the preparation, execution and submission of loan applications, necessary to enter into such agreements or receive loans or other financial assistance from said department under any federal program.

(c) Special tax obligation bonds may be issued pursuant to sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, of the general statutes to evidence and secure loans or other forms of financial assistance made by the United States Department of Transportation to the state under one or more federal programs, including, but not limited to, RRIF or programs established under TIFIA. Such bonds may be secured by a trust indenture by and between the state and a corporate trustee in accordance with the provisions of subsection (g) of section 13b-76 of the general statutes.

(d) The debt service requirements and any other obligations with respect to any federal transportation bonds shall be secured by a lien on the pledged revenues as they are received by the state and credited to the Special Transportation Fund. Such lien shall be subordinate and junior in all respects to every lien on pledged revenues securing any special tax obligation bonds issued pursuant to sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, of the general statutes that are not federal transportation bonds.

(e) Whenever the General Assembly authorizes special tax obligation bonds pursuant to any bond act taking effect before, on or after the effective date of this section, such authorization shall be deemed to authorize the issuance of federal transportation bonds. Such federal transportation bonds shall be subject to the requirements, covenants and conditions applicable to special tax obligation bonds as set forth in sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, of the general statutes, except as otherwise provided in this section.
(f) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (o) of section 13b-76 of the general statutes, federal transportation bonds may be issued as taxable bonds, whereby the interest on such bonds may be includable in the gross income of the holders or owners of such bonds under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to time.

Sec. 497. Subsection (a) of section 4-66g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have the power, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate two hundred sixty-one million dollars.

Sec. 498. (Effective from passage) The Commissioner of Administrative Services, having reviewed applications for state grants for public school building projects in accordance with section 10-283 of the general statutes on the basis of priorities for such projects and standards for school construction established by the State Board of Education, and having prepared a listing of all such eligible projects ranked in order of priority, including a separate schedule of previously authorized projects which have changed substantially in scope or cost, as determined by said commissioner together with the amount of the estimated grant with respect to each eligible project, and having submitted such listing of eligible projects, prior to December 15, 2016, to a committee of the General Assembly established under section 10-283a of the general statutes for the purpose of reviewing such listing, is hereby authorized to enter into grant commitments on behalf of the state in accordance with said section 10-283 with respect to the following school building projects in such estimated amounts:
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  - (Nonnewaug High School)
  - 214-0096 BE/A/CV
  - Authorized: $1,609,535  
  - Requested: $385,162

**HARTFORD**
- Martin Luther King School
  - 064-0310 MAG/A/RR/CV
  - Authorized: $68,000,000  
  - Requested: $54,400,000

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

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**HARTFORD**
- West Middle School
  - 064-0303 EA/RR
  - Estimated…
  - Total Project Costs: $54,600,000  
  - $54,600,000

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Total Grant $43,680,000 $43,680,000

NEW FAIRFIELD
New Fairfield Middle/High School
091-0041 A/CV

Estimated...
Total Project Costs $378,000 $443,641
Total Grant $132,300 $155,274

Sec. 499. (Effective from passage) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring that the description of a project type for a school building project be made at the time of application for a school building project grant, the town of Groton may change the description of the school building project type as it was submitted at the time of application for the Cutler Elementary School (Carl C. Cutler Middle School) to a diversity school and roof replacement project (Project Number 059-0188 DV/RR), and subsequently qualify for reimbursement as a diversity school, in accordance with the provisions of section 10-286h of the general statutes, provided the Commissioner of Education finds that such diversity school will assist the town of Groton in correcting the existing disparity in the proportion of pupils of racial minorities in the district.

(b) On and after the effective date of this section, the Claude Chester School in Groton shall no longer qualify as a diversity school or be eligible for reimbursement as a diversity school under section 10-286h of the general statutes.

Sec. 500. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services
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pursuant to said section 10-283 requiring that the description of a project type for a school building project be made at the time of application for a school building project grant, the town of Hartford may change the description of the school building project type as it was submitted at the time of application for the Martin Luther King School to an interdistrict magnet facility, alteration, roof replacement and code violation project (Project Number 064-0310 MAG/A/RR/CV), and subsequently qualify for reimbursement as an interdistrict magnet facility, in accordance with the provisions of section 10-264h of the general statutes, provided the Commissioner of Education approves a plan for the operation of the facility as an interdistrict magnet school program.

Sec. 501. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-292 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services requiring that a bid not be let out until plans and specifications have been approved by the Department of Administrative Services, the town of Brookfield may let out for bid on and commence a project for a roof replacement (Project Number 018-0055 RR) at Brookfield High School and shall be eligible to subsequently be considered for a grant commitment from the state, provided plans and specifications have been approved by the Department of Administrative Services.

Sec. 502. Subsection (b) of section 38 of public act 14-90 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-264h of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services concerning the reimbursement rate for the construction of interdistrict magnet schools, the town of New London may use ninety-five per cent as the reimbursement rate for the interdistrict magnet facility project at the New London Magnet School for the Visual and Performing Arts, [...]

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provided the board of education for New London, the board of directors for the Garde Arts Center and the Commissioners of Education and Administrative Services enter into a memorandum of understanding establishing the parameters in which the New London Magnet School for the Visual and Performing Arts shall operate as an interdistrict magnet school.]

Sec. 503. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10-283 of the general statutes or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services requiring a completed grant application be submitted prior to June 30, 2017, or subsection (d) of said section 10-283, or any regulation adopted by the State Board of Education or the Department of Administrative Services requiring local funding authorization for the local share of project costs prior to application, for the school construction priority list to be considered by the General Assembly in the 2018 regular legislative session, the Commissioner of Administrative Services shall give review and approval priority to school building projects for RHAM Middle School and RHAM High School in Region 8, provided (1) a referendum concerning the local funding authorization for the local share of project costs is scheduled and prepared, and the results authorizing such local funding are submitted on or before November 15, 2017, to the Department of Administrative Services, and (2) a complete grant application with funding authorization for the local share of the project costs is filed on or before September 30, 2017.

Sec. 504. (Effective from passage) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, in addition to any school building project grant previously authorized under chapter 173 of the general statutes for the renovation project at Kelly Middle School (Project Number 014-0112 RNV), the Department of Administrative Services shall provide an additional school building grant to the town of Norwich in an amount of one
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million thirty-two thousand dollars for said renovation project at Kelly Middle School.

Sec. 505. Section 10-292q of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) There is established a School Building Projects Advisory Council. The council shall consist of: (1) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the secretary's designee, (2) the Commissioner of Administrative Services, or the commissioner's designee, (3) the Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's designee, and (4) five members appointed by the Governor, one of whom shall be a person with experience in school building project matters, one of whom shall be a person with experience in architecture, one of whom shall be a person with experience in engineering, one of whom shall be a person with experience in school safety, and one of whom shall be a person with experience with the administration of the State Building Code. The chairperson of the council shall be the Commissioner of Administrative Services, or the commissioner's designee. A person employed by the Department of Administrative Services who is responsible for school building projects shall serve as the administrative staff of the council. The council shall meet at least quarterly to discuss matters relating to school building projects.

(b) The School Building Projects Advisory Council shall (1) develop [model] blueprints for three different prototype school designs for new school building projects that are in accordance with industry standards for school buildings and the school safety infrastructure criteria, developed pursuant to section 10-292r, (2) conduct studies, research and analyses, and (3) make recommendations for improvements to the school building projects processes to the Governor and the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, education and finance, revenue and bonding.
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(c) Not later than April 1, 2018, the School Building Projects Advisory Council shall submit a report containing the blueprints for the three prototype school designs, as described in subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of this section, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, education and finance, revenue and bonding, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a.

Sec. 506. Subsection (a) of section 10-285a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) The percentage of school building project grant money a local board of education may be eligible to receive, under the provisions of section 10-286, shall be assigned by the Commissioner of Administrative Services in accordance with the percentage calculated by the Commissioner of Education as follows: (1) For grants approved pursuant to subsection (b) of section 10-283 for which application is made on and after July 1, 1991, and before July 1, 2011, (A) each town shall be ranked in descending order from one to one hundred sixty-nine according to such town's adjusted equalized net grand list per capita, as defined in section 10-261; and (B) based upon such ranking, a percentage of not less than twenty nor more than eighty shall be determined for each town on a continuous scale; [and] (2) for grants approved pursuant to subsection (b) of section 10-283 for which application is made on and after July 1, 2011, and before July 1, 2018, (A) each town shall be ranked in descending order from one to one hundred sixty-nine according to such town's adjusted equalized net grand list per capita, as defined in section 10-261, and (B) based upon such ranking, (i) a percentage of not less than ten nor more than seventy shall be determined for new construction or replacement of a school building for each town on a continuous scale, and (ii) a
percentage of not less than twenty nor more than eighty shall be determined for renovations, extensions, code violations, roof replacements and major alterations of an existing school building and the new construction or replacement of a school building when a town or regional school district can demonstrate that a new construction or replacement is less expensive than a renovation, extension or major alteration of an existing school building for each town on a continuous scale; and (3) for grants approved pursuant to subsection (b) of section 10-283 for which application is made on and after July 1, 2018, (A) each town shall be ranked in descending order from one to one hundred sixty-nine according to the adjusted equalized net grand list per capita, as defined in section 10-261, of the town two, three and four years prior to the fiscal year in which application is made, and (B) based upon such ranking, (i) a percentage of not less than ten nor more than seventy shall be determined for new construction or replacement of a school building that uses one of the blueprints for the prototype school designs, as described in subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 10-292q, for each town on a continuous scale, (ii) a percentage of zero nor more than sixty shall be determined for new construction or replacement of a school building that does not use one of the blueprints for the prototype school designs, as described in subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 10-292q, for each town on a continuous scale, and (iii) a percentage of not less than twenty nor more than eighty shall be determined for renovations, extensions, code violations, roof replacements and major alterations of an existing school building and the new construction or replacement of a school building that uses one of the blueprints for the prototype school designs, as described in subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 10-292q, when a town or regional school district can demonstrate that a new construction or replacement is less expensive than a renovation, extension or major alteration of an existing school building for each town on a continuous scale.
Sec. 507. (NEW) (Effective from passage) For any school building project grant for a new construction project approved pursuant to subsection (b) of section 10-283 of the general statutes and for which application is made on or after July 1, 2018, only those architectural and engineering costs resulting from the use of one of the blueprints for the prototype school designs, as described in subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 10-292q of the general statutes, shall be determined to be an eligible cost by the Commissioner of Administrative Services and eligible for reimbursement under chapter 173 of the general statutes.

Sec. 508. Subdivisions (1) and (2) of subsection (a) of section 10-283 of the general statutes, as amended by section 82 of public act 17-237, are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) (1) Each town or regional school district shall be eligible to apply for and accept grants for a school building project as provided in this chapter. Any town desiring a grant for a public school building project may, by vote of its legislative body, authorize the board of education of such town to apply to the Commissioner of Administrative Services and to accept or reject such grant for the town. Any regional school board may vote to authorize the supervising agent of the regional school district to apply to the Commissioner of Administrative Services for and to accept or reject such grant for the district. Applications for such grants under this chapter shall be made by the superintendent of schools of such town or regional school district on the form provided and in the manner prescribed by the Commissioner of Administrative Services. The application form shall require the superintendent of schools to affirm that the school district considered: [the] (A) [The maximization of natural light [L] and the use and feasibility of wireless connectivity technology, [and,] (B) on and after July 1, 2014, the school safety infrastructure criteria, developed by the
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School Safety Infrastructure Council, pursuant to section 10-292r, in projects for new construction and alteration or renovation of a school building, and (C) on and after July 1, 2018, the blueprints for the three prototype school designs, as described in subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 10-292q, for projects for new construction. The Commissioner of Administrative Services shall review each grant application for a school building project for compliance with educational requirements and on the basis of categories for building projects established by the Commissioner of Administrative Services in accordance with this section. The Commissioner of Education shall evaluate, if appropriate, whether the project will assist the state in meeting the goals of the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O’Neill, et al., as extended, or the goals of the 2013 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O’Neill, et al., as extended. The Commissioner of Administrative Services shall consult with the Commissioner of Education in reviewing grant applications submitted for purposes of subsection (a) of section 10-65 or section 10-76e on the basis of the educational needs of the applicant. The Commissioner of Administrative Services shall review each grant application for a school building project for compliance with standards for school building projects pursuant to regulations, adopted in accordance with section 10-287c, and, on and after July 1, 2014, the school safety infrastructure criteria, developed by the School Safety Infrastructure Council pursuant to section 10-292r. Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter, the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on behalf of Quinebaug Valley Community College and Three Rivers Community College and the following entities that will operate an interdistrict magnet school that will assist the state in meeting the goals of the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O’Neill, et al., as extended, or the goals of the 2013 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O’Neill, et al., as extended, as determined by the Commissioner of Education, may apply for and shall be eligible to
receive grants for school building projects pursuant to section 10-264h for such a school: [(A)] (i) The Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on behalf of a regional community-technical college, [(B)] (ii) the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System on behalf of a state university, [(C)] (iii) the Board of Trustees for The University of Connecticut on behalf of the university, [(D)] (iv) the board of governors for an independent institution of higher education, as defined in subsection (a) of section 10a-173, or the equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the independent institution of higher education, [(E)] (v) cooperative arrangements pursuant to section 10-158a, and [(F)] (vi) any other third-party not-for-profit corporation approved by the Commissioner of Education.

(2) The Commissioner of Education shall assign each school building project to a category on the basis of whether such project is primarily required to: (A) Create new facilities or alter existing facilities to provide for mandatory instructional programs pursuant to this chapter, for physical education facilities in compliance with Title IX of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1972 where such programs or such compliance cannot be provided within existing facilities or for the correction of code violations which cannot be reasonably addressed within existing program space; (B) create new facilities or alter existing facilities to enhance mandatory instructional programs pursuant to this chapter or provide comparable facilities among schools to all students at the same grade level or levels within the school district unless such project is otherwise explicitly included in another category pursuant to this section; and (C) create new facilities or alter existing facilities to provide supportive services, provided in no event shall such supportive services include swimming pools, auditoriums, outdoor athletic facilities, tennis courts, elementary school playgrounds, site improvement or garages or storage, parking or general recreation areas. All applications submitted prior to July first shall be reviewed promptly by the Commissioner of

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Administrative Services. The Commissioner of Administrative Services shall estimate the amount of the grant for which such project is eligible, in accordance with the provisions of section 10-285a, provided an application for a school building project determined by the Commissioner of Education to be a project that will assist the state in meeting the goals of the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O’Neill, et al., as extended, or the goals of the 2013 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O’Neill, et al., as extended, shall have until September first to submit an application for such a project and may have until December first of the same year to secure and report all local and state approvals required to complete the grant application. The Commissioner of Administrative Services shall annually prepare a listing of all such eligible school building projects listed by category together with the amount of the estimated grants for such projects and shall submit the same to the Governor, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the General Assembly on or before the fifteenth day of December, except as provided in section 10-283a, with a request for authorization to enter into grant commitments. On or before December thirty-first annually, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall submit comments and recommendations regarding each eligible project on such listing of eligible school building projects to the school construction committee, established pursuant to section 10-283a. [Each such listing submitted after December 15, 2005, until December 15, 2010, inclusive, shall include a separate schedule of authorized projects which have changed in scope or cost to a degree determined by the Commissioner of Education once, and a separate schedule of authorized projects which have changed in scope or cost to a degree determined by said commissioner twice. Any such listing submitted after December 15, 2010, until December 15, 2011, inclusive, shall include a separate schedule of authorized projects which have changed in scope or cost to a degree determined by the Commissioner of Administrative Services once, and a separate schedule of authorized
projects which have changed in scope or cost to a degree determined by said commissioner twice. For the period beginning July 1, 2011, and ending December 31, 2013, each such listing shall include a report on the review conducted by the Commissioner of Education of the enrollment projections for each such eligible project. On and after January 1, 2014, each such listing shall include a report on the review conducted by the Commissioner of Administrative Services of the enrollment projections for each such eligible project. Each such listing shall include a report on the following factors for each eligible project: (i) An enrollment projection and the capacity of the school, (ii) a substantiation of the estimated total project costs, (iii) the readiness of such eligible project to begin construction, (iv) efforts made by the local or regional board of education to redistrict, reconfigure, merge or close schools under the jurisdiction of such board prior to submitting an application under this section, (v) enrollment and capacity information for all of the schools under the jurisdiction of such board for the five years prior to application for a school building project grant, (vi) enrollment projections and capacity information for all of the schools under the jurisdiction of such board for the eight years following the date such application is submitted, and (vii) the state's education priorities relating to reducing racial and economic isolation for the school district. For the period beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2012, no project, other than a project for a technical education and career school, may appear on the separate schedule of authorized projects which have changed in cost more than twice. On and after July 1, 2012, no project, other than a project for a technical education and career school, may appear on the separate schedule of authorized projects which have changed in cost more than once, except the Commissioner of Administrative Services may allow a project to appear on such separate schedule of authorized projects a second time if the town or regional school district for such project can demonstrate that exigent circumstances require such project to appear a second time on such separate schedule of authorized projects. Notwithstanding any
provision of this chapter, no projects which have changed in scope or cost to the degree determined by the Commissioner of Administrative Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Education, shall be eligible for reimbursement under this chapter unless it appears on such list. The percentage determined pursuant to section 10-285a at the time a school building project on such schedule was originally authorized shall be used for purposes of the grant for such project. On and after July 1, 2006, a project that was not previously authorized as an interdistrict magnet school shall not receive a higher percentage for reimbursement than that determined pursuant to section 10-285a at the time a school building project on such schedule was originally authorized. The General Assembly shall annually authorize the Commissioner of Administrative Services to enter into grant commitments on behalf of the state in accordance with the commissioner's categorized listing for such projects as the General Assembly shall determine. The Commissioner of Administrative Services may not enter into any such grant commitments except pursuant to such legislative authorization. Any regional school district which assumes the responsibility for completion of a public school building project shall be eligible for a grant pursuant to subdivision (5) or (6), as the case may be, of subsection (a) of section 10-286 when such project is completed and accepted by such regional school district.

Sec. 509. Subsection (b) of section 10-283 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(b) (1) Notwithstanding the application date requirements of this section, at any time within the limit of available grant authorization and within the limit of appropriated funds, the Commissioner of Administrative Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Education, may approve applications for grants [to] and make payments for such grants, for any of the following reasons: (A) To
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assist school building projects to remedy damage from fire and catastrophe, (B) to correct safety, health and other code violations, (C) to replace roofs, including the replacement or installation of skylights as part of the roof replacement project, (D) to remedy a certified school indoor air quality emergency, (E) to install insulation for exterior walls and attics, or (F) to purchase and install a limited use and limited access elevator, windows, photovoltaic panels, wind generation systems, building management systems, a public school administrative or service facility or portable classroom buildings, [at any time within the limit of available grant authorization and make payments thereon within the limit of appropriated funds,] provided portable classroom building projects shall not create a new facility or cause an existing facility to be modified so that the portable buildings comprise a substantial percentage of the total facility area, as determined by the commissioner.

(2) Not later than seven calendar days following the discovery of a reason described in subparagraphs (A) to (F), inclusive, of subdivision (1) of this subsection, the superintendent of schools of a town or regional school district shall notify the Commissioner of Administrative Services in writing of such reason in order to be eligible for a grant under this subsection. Such superintendent shall submit an application to the commissioner not later than six months following such notification in order to receive a grant under this subsection.

Sec. 510. Subsection (a) of section 10-220 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) Each local or regional board of education shall maintain good public elementary and secondary schools, implement the educational interests of the state, as defined in section 10-4a, and provide such other educational activities as in its judgment will best serve the
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interests of the school district; provided any board of education may secure such opportunities in another school district in accordance with provisions of the general statutes and shall give all the children of the school district, including children receiving alternative education, as defined in section 10-74j, as nearly equal advantages as may be practicable; shall provide an appropriate learning environment for all its students which includes (1) adequate instructional books, supplies, materials, equipment, staffing, facilities and technology, (2) equitable allocation of resources among its schools, (3) proper maintenance of facilities, and (4) a safe school setting; shall, in accordance with the provisions of subsection (f) of this section, maintain records of allegations, investigations and reports that a child has been abused or neglected by a school employee, as defined in section 53a-65, employed by the local or regional board of education; shall have charge of the schools of its respective school district; shall make a continuing study of the need for school facilities and of a long-term school building program and from time to time make recommendations based on such study to the town; shall adopt and implement an indoor air quality program that provides for ongoing maintenance and facility reviews necessary for the maintenance and improvement of the indoor air quality of its facilities; shall adopt and implement a green cleaning program, pursuant to section 10-231g, that provides for the procurement and use of environmentally preferable cleaning products in school buildings and facilities; on and after July 1, 2021, and triennially every five years thereafter, shall report to the Commissioner of Administrative Services on the condition of its facilities and the action taken to implement its long-term school building program, indoor air quality program and green cleaning program, which report the Commissioner of Administrative Services shall use to prepare a triennial report every five years that said commissioner shall submit in accordance with section 11-4a to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education; shall advise the Commissioner of
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Administrative Services of the relationship between any individual school building project pursuant to chapter 173 and such long-term school building program; shall have the care, maintenance and operation of buildings, lands, apparatus and other property used for school purposes and at all times shall insure all such buildings and all capital equipment contained therein against loss in an amount not less than eighty per cent of replacement cost; shall determine the number, age and qualifications of the pupils to be admitted into each school; shall develop and implement a written plan for minority staff recruitment for purposes of subdivision (3) of section 10-4a; shall employ and dismiss the teachers of the schools of such district subject to the provisions of sections 10-151 and 10-158a; shall designate the schools which shall be attended by the various children within the school district; shall make such provisions as will enable each child of school age residing in the district to attend some public day school for the period required by law and provide for the transportation of children wherever transportation is reasonable and desirable, and for such purpose may make contracts covering periods of not more than five years; may provide alternative education, in accordance with the provisions of section 10-74j, or place in another suitable educational program a pupil enrolling in school who is nineteen years of age or older and cannot acquire a sufficient number of credits for graduation by age twenty-one; may arrange with the board of education of an adjacent town for the instruction therein of such children as can attend school in such adjacent town more conveniently; shall cause each child five years of age and over and under eighteen years of age who is not a high school graduate and is living in the school district to attend school in accordance with the provisions of section 10-184, and shall perform all acts required of it by the town or necessary to carry into effect the powers and duties imposed by law.

Sec. 511. Subsection (c) of section 10-287 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from

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(c) If the [commissioner] Commissioner of Administrative Services determines that a building project has not met the approved conditions of the original application, the [State Board of Education] Department of Administrative Services may withhold subsequent state grant payments for said project until appropriate action, as determined by the commissioner, is taken to cause the building project to be in compliance with the approved conditions or may require repayment of all state grant payments for said project when such appropriate action is not undertaken within a reasonable time.

Sec. 512. Section 10-287i of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

A grant under this chapter for any school building project authorized by the General Assembly on or after July 1, 1996, or for any project for which application is made pursuant to subsection (b) of section 10-283, on or after July 1, 1997, shall be paid as follows: Applicants shall request progress payments for the state share of eligible project costs calculated pursuant to sections 10-65, 10-76e and 10-286, at such time and in such manner as the Commissioner of Administrative Services shall prescribe provided no payments shall commence until the applicant has filed a notice of authorization of funding for the local share of project costs, and provided further no payments other than those for architectural planning and site acquisition shall be made prior to approval of the final architectural plans pursuant to section 10-292. The Department of Administrative Services shall withhold [five] eleven per cent of a grant pending completion of an audit pursuant to section 10-287 provided, if the department is unable to complete the required audit within six months of the date a request for final payment is filed, the applicant may have an independent audit performed and include the cost of such audit in the eligible project costs.
Sec. 513. Section 10-63f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

Such withdrawal or dissolution shall not impair the obligation of the withdrawing town or the district to the holders of any bonds or other outstanding indebtedness issued prior to withdrawal or dissolution under authority of this part, including any responsibilities or financial obligations related to a school building project pursuant to chapter 173. The regional board of education and the board of education of the town or towns involved may make agreements for the payment of money to or from the district and said towns in accordance with the final plan of withdrawal, except any such agreement or final plan of withdrawal shall not relieve a withdrawing town from its responsibilities or financial obligations related to a school building project pursuant to chapter 173.

Sec. 514. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 10-285b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) (1) Any incorporated or endowed high school or academy approved by the State Board of Education, pursuant to section 10-34, may apply and be eligible to subsequently be considered for a school building project grant commitment from the state, pursuant to provided the school building project complies with the provisions of this chapter.

Sec. 515. Subsection (d) of section 3-20 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(d) (1) (A) All bonds of the state, authorized by the State Bond Commission acting prior to July 1, 1972, pursuant to any bond act taking effect prior to such date, shall be issued in accordance with such
(B) All bonds of the state authorized to be issued by the State Bond Commission acting on or after July 1, 1972, pursuant to any bond act taking effect before, on or after such date shall be authorized and shall be issued in accordance with this section.

(2) For the calendar year commencing January 1, 2017, and for each calendar year thereafter, the State Bond Commission may not authorize bond issuances of more than two billion dollars in the aggregate in any calendar year. Commencing January 1, 2018, and each calendar year thereafter, the aggregate limit shall be adjusted in accordance with any change in the consumer price index for all urban consumers for the preceding calendar year, less food and energy, as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. The State Bond Commission shall, within such limit, authorize bonds each calendar year for transportation projects up to the amounts specified under section 519 of this act.

Sec. 516. Subdivision (1) of subsection (g) of section 3-20 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(g) (1) (A) With the exception of refunding bonds, whenever a bond act empowers the State Bond Commission to authorize bonds for any project or purpose or projects or purposes, and whenever the State Bond Commission finds that the authorization of such bonds will be in the best interests of the state, it shall authorize such bonds by resolution adopted by the approving vote of at least a majority of said commission. No such resolution shall be so adopted by the State Bond Commission unless it finds that:

(i) There has been filed with it [(A)] (I) any human services facility colocation statement to be filed with the Secretary of the Office of
Policy and Management, if so requested by the secretary, pursuant to section 4b-23; [(B)] (II) a statement from the Commissioner of Agriculture pursuant to section 22-6, for projects which would convert twenty-five or more acres of prime farmland to a nonagricultural use; [(C)] (III) prior to the meeting at which such resolution is to be considered, any capital development impact statement required to be filed with the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management; [(D)] (IV) a statement as to the full cost of the project or purpose when completed and the estimated operating cost for any structure, equipment or facility to be constructed or acquired; and [(E)] (V) such requests and such other documents as it or [said] such bond act requires, provided no resolution with respect to any school building project financed pursuant to section 10-287d or any interest subsidy financed pursuant to section 10-292k shall require the filing of any statements pursuant to [subparagraph (A), (B), (C), (D) or (E) of this subdivision] this clause and provided further any resolution requiring a capital impact statement shall be deemed not properly before the State Bond Commission until such capital development impact statement is filed; and

(ii) Such authorization does not exceed the limit specified under subdivision (2) of subsection (d) of this section.

(B) Any such resolution so adopted by the State Bond Commission shall recite the bond act under which said commission is empowered to authorize such bonds and the filing of all requests and other documents, if any, required by it or such bond act, and shall state the principal amount of the bonds authorized and a description of the purpose or project for which such bonds are authorized. Such description shall be sufficient if made merely by reference to a numbered subsection, subdivision or other applicable section of such bond act.

Sec. 517. Section 3-21 of the general statutes is repealed and the
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following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) No bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness for borrowed money payable from General Fund tax receipts of the state shall be authorized by the General Assembly or issued except such as shall not cause the aggregate amount of the total amount of bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness payable from General Fund tax receipts authorized by the General Assembly but which have not been issued and the total amount of such indebtedness which has been issued and remains outstanding to exceed one and six-tenths times the total General Fund tax receipts of the state for the fiscal year in which any such authorization will become effective or in which such indebtedness is issued, as estimated for such fiscal year by the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of finance, revenue and bonding in accordance with section 2-35. In computing such aggregate amount of indebtedness at any time, there shall be excluded or deducted, as the case may be, (1) the principal amount of all such obligations as may be certified by the Treasurer (A) as issued in anticipation of revenues to be received by the state during the period of twelve calendar months next following their issuance and to be paid by application of such revenue, or (B) as having been refunded or replaced by other indebtedness the proceeds and projected earnings on which or other funds are held in escrow to pay and are sufficient to pay the principal, interest and any redemption premium until maturity or earlier planned redemption of such indebtedness, or (C) as issued and outstanding in anticipation of particular bonds then unissued but fully authorized to be issued in the manner provided by law for such authorization, provided, as long as any of such obligations are outstanding, the entire principal amount of such particular bonds thus authorized shall be deemed to be outstanding and be included in such aggregate amount of indebtedness, or (D) as payable solely from revenues of particular public improvements, (2) the amount which may be certified by the

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Treasurer as the aggregate value of cash and securities in debt retirement funds of the state to be used to meet principal of outstanding obligations included in such aggregate amount of indebtedness, (3) every such amount as may be certified by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management as the estimated payments on account of the costs of any public work or improvement thereafter to be received by the state from the United States or agencies thereof and to be used, in conformity with applicable federal law, to meet principal of obligations included in such aggregate amount of indebtedness, (4) all authorized and issued indebtedness to fund any budget deficits of the state for any fiscal year ending on or before June 30, 1991, (5) all authorized indebtedness to fund the program created pursuant to section 32-285, (6) all authorized and issued indebtedness to fund any budget deficits of the state for any fiscal year ending on or before June 30, 2002, (7) all indebtedness authorized and issued pursuant to section 1 of public act 03-1 of the September 8 special session, (8) all authorized indebtedness issued pursuant to section 3-62h, (9) any indebtedness represented by any agreement entered into pursuant to subsection (b) or (c) of section 3-20a as certified by the Treasurer, provided the indebtedness in connection with which such agreements were entered into shall be included in such aggregate amount of indebtedness, and (10) all indebtedness authorized and issued pursuant to section 3-20g. In computing the amount of outstanding indebtedness, only the accreted value of any capital appreciation obligation or any zero coupon obligation which has accreted and been added to the stated initial value of such obligation as of the date of any computation shall be included.

(b) The foregoing limitation on the aggregate amount of indebtedness of the state shall not prevent the issuance of (1) obligations to refund or replace any such indebtedness existing at any time in an amount not exceeding such existing indebtedness, or (2) obligations in anticipation of revenues to be received by the state
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during the period of twelve calendar months next following their issuance, or (3) obligations payable solely from revenues of particular public improvements.

(c) For the purposes of this section, but subject to the exclusions or deductions herein provided for, the state shall be deemed to be indebted upon, and to issue, all bonds and notes issued or guaranteed by it and payable from General Fund tax receipts. To the extent necessary because of the debt limitation herein provided, priorities with respect to the issuance or guaranteeing of bonds or notes by the state shall be determined by the State Bond Commission.

(d) The General Assembly shall not approve any bill which authorizes the issuance of any bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness unless such bill has attached to it a certification by the Treasurer that the amount of authorizations within the bill will not cause the total amount of indebtedness calculated in accordance with this section to exceed the limit for indebtedness set forth in this section. The president pro tempore of the Senate or the speaker of the House of Representatives, or their designees, shall notify the Treasurer prior to consideration of such bill in the first chamber.

(e) The State Bond Commission shall not adopt any resolution which authorizes the issuance of any bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness unless such resolution has attached to it a certification by the Treasurer that the amount of such authorization will not cause the total amount of indebtedness calculated in accordance with this section to exceed the limit for indebtedness set forth in this section.

(f) (1) On and after July 1, 2018, the Treasurer may not issue general obligation bonds or notes pursuant to section 3-20 that exceed in the aggregate two billion dollars in any fiscal year. Commencing July 1, 2019, and each fiscal year thereafter, the aggregate limit shall be adjusted in accordance with any change in the consumer price index.
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for all urban consumers for the preceding calendar year, less food and energy, as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

(2) Any calculation made pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection, shall not include any general obligation bonds issued as part of CSCU 2020 or UConn 2000 or any general obligation bond allocated for transportation purposes.

[(f)] (g) The provisions of this section shall not apply to any bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness for borrowed money which are issued for the purpose of: (1) Meeting cash flow needs; or (2) covering emergency needs in times of natural disaster.

Sec. 518. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) Not later than January 1, 2018, and January first annually thereafter, the Treasurer shall provide the Governor with a list of allocated but unissued bonds.

(b) Not later than April 1, 2018, and April first annually thereafter, the Governor shall provide the Treasurer with a list of general obligation bond expenditures that can be made July first commencing the next fiscal year totaling no more than two million dollars.

Sec. 519. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) For the calendar years commencing January 1, 2017, to January 1, 2026, inclusive, the State Bond Commission shall authorize general obligation bonds for transportation projects, capped at the following amounts:

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(b) For the calendar years commencing January 1, 2027, to January 1, 2046, inclusive, the State Bond Commission shall authorize up to seven hundred twenty-eight million five hundred thousand dollars in general obligation bonds in each such calendar year for transportation projects.

Sec. 520. Section 17b-256f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective January 1, 2018):

The Commissioner of Social Services shall [increase income disregards used to determine eligibility by the Department of Social Services] establish eligibility for the federal Qualified Medicare Beneficiary, the Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary and the Qualifying Individual programs, administered in accordance with the provisions of 42 USC 1396d(p), by such amounts that shall result in persons with income that is (1) less than [two hundred eleven] one hundred per cent of the federal poverty level qualifying for the Qualified Medicare Beneficiary program, (2) at or above [two hundred eleven] one hundred per cent of the federal poverty level but less than [two hundred thirty-one] one hundred twenty per cent of the federal poverty level qualifying for the Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary program, and (3) at or above [two hundred thirty-one] one hundred twenty per cent of the federal poverty level but less than [two hundred forty-six] one hundred thirty-five per cent of the federal poverty level qualifying for the Qualifying Individual program. The commissioner shall not apply an asset test for eligibility under the...
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Medicare Savings Program. The commissioner shall not consider as income Aid and Attendance pension benefits granted to a veteran, as defined in section 27-103, or the surviving spouse of such veteran. The Commissioner of Social Services, pursuant to section 17b-10, may implement policies and procedures to administer the provisions of this section while in the process of adopting such policies and procedures in regulation form, provided the commissioner prints notice of the intent to adopt the regulations [in the Connecticut Law Journal] on the department's Internet web site and the eRegulations System not later than twenty days after the date of implementation. Such policies and procedures shall be valid until the time final regulations are adopted, as provided in section 519 of this act.

Sec. 521. Section 4-5 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

As used in sections 4-6, 4-7 and 4-8, the term "department head" means Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, Commissioner of Administrative Services, [Commissioner on Aging,] Commissioner of Revenue Services, Banking Commissioner, Commissioner of Children and Families, Commissioner of Consumer Protection, Commissioner of Correction, Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, State Board of Education, Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection, Commissioner of Agriculture, Commissioner of Public Health, Insurance Commissioner, Labor Commissioner, Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Commissioner of Social Services, Commissioner of Developmental Services, Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, Commissioner of Transportation, Commissioner of Veterans Affairs, [Commissioner of Housing,] Commissioner of Rehabilitation Services [the Commissioner of Early Childhood] and the executive director of the Office of Military Affairs. As used in
sections 4-6 and 4-7, "department head" also means the Commissioner of Education.

Sec. 522. Section 4-5 of the general statutes, as amended by section 6 of public act 17-237, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 1, 2019):

As used in sections 4-6, 4-7 and 4-8, the term "department head" means Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, Commissioner of Administrative Services, [Commissioner on Aging,] Commissioner of Revenue Services, Banking Commissioner, Commissioner of Children and Families, Commissioner of Consumer Protection, Commissioner of Correction, Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, State Board of Education, Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection, Commissioner of Agriculture, Commissioner of Public Health, Insurance Commissioner, Labor Commissioner, Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Commissioner of Social Services, Commissioner of Developmental Services, Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, Commissioner of Transportation, Commissioner of Veterans Affairs, [Commissioner of Housing,] Commissioner of Rehabilitation Services, [the Commissioner of Early Childhood,] the executive director of the Office of Military Affairs and the Executive Director of the Technical Education and Career System. As used in sections 4-6 and 4-7, "department head" also means the Commissioner of Education.

Sec. 523. Section 4-66h of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "Main Street Investment Fund account" which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the General Fund. The account shall contain any
moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for the purposes of providing grants not to exceed five hundred thousand dollars to municipalities with populations of not more than thirty thousand or municipalities eligible for the small town economic assistance program pursuant to section 4-66g for eligible projects as defined in subsection (d) of this section. Municipalities shall apply for such grants in a manner to be determined by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development. Said commissioner may contract with a nonprofit entity to administer the provisions of this section.

(b) In awarding such grants, the commissioner shall determine that an eligible project advances the municipality's approved plan pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection (d) of this section. Such advancements may include, but need not be limited to, facade or awning improvements; sidewalk improvements or construction; street lighting; building renovations, including mixed use of residential and commercial; landscaping and development of recreational areas and greenspace; bicycle paths; and other improvements or renovations deemed by the commissioner to contribute to the economic success of the municipality.

(c) A grant received pursuant to this section shall be used for improvements to property owned by the municipality, except the municipality may use a portion of the proceeds of such grant to provide a one-time reimbursement to owners of commercial private property for eligible expenditures that directly support and enhance an eligible project. The maximum allowable reimbursement for such eligible expenditures to any such owner shall be fifty thousand dollars, to be provided at the following rates: (1) Expenditures equal to or less than fifty thousand dollars shall be reimbursed at a rate of fifty per cent, and (2) any additional expenditures greater than fifty thousand...
dollars but less than or equal to one hundred fifty thousand dollars shall be reimbursed at a rate of twenty-five per cent.

(d) For the purposes of this section:

(1) "Eligible expenditures" include expenses for cosmetic and structural exterior building improvements, signage, lighting and landscaping that is visible from the street, including, but not limited to, exterior painting or surface treatment, decorative awnings, window and door replacements or modifications, storefront enhancements, irrigation, streetscape, outdoor patios and decks, exterior wall lighting, decorative post lighting and architectural features, but do not include (A) any renovations that are solely the result of ordinary repair and maintenance, (B) improvements that are required to remedy a health, housing or safety code violation, or (C) nonpermanent structures, furnishings, movable equipment or other nonpermanent amenities. Eligible expenditures also include reasonable administrative expenses incurred by a nonprofit entity contracted with by the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development to implement the provisions of this section.

(2) "Eligible projects" means projects that are part of a plan previously approved by the governing body of the municipality to develop or improve town commercial centers to attract small businesses, promote commercial viability, and improve aesthetics and pedestrian access.

Sec. 524. Section 4-66aa of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There is established, within the General Fund, a separate, nonlapsing account to be known as the "community investment account". The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. The funds in the account shall be distributed
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every three months as follows: (1) Ten dollars of each fee credited to said account shall be deposited into the agriculture sustainability account established pursuant to section 4-66cc and, then, of the remaining funds, (2) twenty-five per cent to the Department of Economic and Community Development to use as follows: (A) Three hundred eighty thousand dollars, annually, to supplement the technical assistance and preservation activities of the Connecticut Trust for Historic Preservation, established pursuant to special act 75-93, and (B) the remainder to supplement historic preservation activities as provided in sections 10-409 to 10-415, inclusive; (3) twenty-five per cent to the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development to supplement new or existing affordable housing programs; (4) twenty-five per cent to the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection for municipal open space grants; and (5) twenty-five per cent to the Department of Agriculture to use as follows: (A) Five hundred thousand dollars annually for the agricultural viability grant program established pursuant to section 22-26j; (B) five hundred thousand dollars annually for the farm transition program established pursuant to section 22-26k; (C) one hundred thousand dollars annually to encourage the sale of Connecticut-grown food to schools, restaurants, retailers and other institutions and businesses in the state; (D) seventy-five thousand dollars annually for the Connecticut farm link program established pursuant to section 22-26l; (E) forty-seven thousand five hundred dollars annually for the Seafood Advisory Council established pursuant to section 22-455; (F) forty-seven thousand five hundred dollars annually for the Connecticut Farm Wine Development Council established pursuant to section 22-26c; (G) twenty-five thousand dollars annually to the Connecticut Food Policy Council established pursuant to section 22-456; and (H) the remainder for farmland preservation programs pursuant to chapter 422. Each agency receiving funds under this section may use not more than ten per cent of such funds for administration of the programs for which the funds were provided.
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(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, fifty per cent of the moneys deposited in the community investment account from January 1, 2016, until June 30, 2017, shall be credited every three months to the resources of the General Fund, provided the funds remaining in the account shall be distributed as provided in subsection (a) of this section.

Sec. 525. Subsection (a) of section 4-67x of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There shall be a Child Poverty and Prevention Council consisting of the following members or their designees: The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, the president pro tempore of the Senate, the speaker of the House of Representatives, the minority leader of the Senate and the minority leader of the House of Representatives, the Commissioners of Children and Families, Social Services, Correction, Developmental Services, Mental Health and Addiction Services, Transportation, Public Health, Education, Agriculture and Economic and Community Development, the Labor Commissioner, the Chief Court Administrator, the chairperson of the Board of Regents for Higher Education, the Child Advocate and the executive director of the Office of Early Childhood and the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities, and the executive director of the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors or a designee. The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the secretary's designee, shall be the chairperson of the council. The council shall (1) develop and promote the implementation of a ten-year plan, to begin June 8, 2004, to reduce the number of children living in poverty in the state by fifty per cent, and (2) within available appropriations, establish prevention goals and recommendations and measure prevention service outcomes in accordance with this section in order to promote the health and...
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well-being of children and families.

Sec. 526. Subdivision (5) of subsection (b) of section 4a-60g of the
general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(5) Eligibility of nonprofit corporations under the provisions of this
section shall be limited to predevelopment contracts awarded by the
Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development
for housing projects.

Sec. 527. Subsections (c) to (h), inclusive, of section 4b-21 of the
general statutes, as amended by section 2 of public act 17-243, are
repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
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(c) Not later than thirty days after receipt of such notification from
the secretary, the following agencies shall determine and notify the
secretary in writing if the land, improvement or interest serves the
following needs: (1) The Commissioner of Economic and Community
Development, whether (A) it can be used or adapted for economic
development or exchanged for property that can be used for economic
development; or (B) it can be used as an emergency shelter or
transitional living facility for homeless persons, or used for the
construction, rehabilitation or renovation of housing for persons or
families of low and moderate income; (2) the Commissioner of
Transportation, whether it can be used for transportation purposes; (3)
the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection, whether it
can be used for open space purposes or to otherwise support the
department's mission; (4) the Commissioner of Agriculture, whether it
can be used for farming or agricultural purposes; (5) the Commissioner
of Veterans Affairs, whether it can be used for veterans' housing; (6)
the Commissioner of Children and Families, whether it can be used to
support the department's mission; (7) the Commissioner of
Developmental Services, whether it can be used to support the department's mission; and (8) the Commissioner of Administrative Services, whether it can be used to house state agencies or can be leased. [; and (9) the Commissioner of Housing, whether it can be used as an emergency shelter or transitional living facility for homeless persons, or used for the construction, rehabilitation or renovation of housing for persons and families of low and moderate income.] Not later than thirty days after receipt of such notification from the secretary, any state agency, department or institution that is interested in utilizing the land, improvement or interest shall submit a plan to the secretary that sets forth the proposed use for the land, improvement or interest and a budget and timetable for such use. If one or more agencies, departments or institutions submit a plan for such land, improvement or interest to the secretary within such thirty-day period, the secretary shall analyze such agency, department or institution plan or plans and determine whether custody and control of the land, improvement or interest shall be transferred to one of such agencies, departments or institutions, in which case the agency, department or institution having custody of the land, improvement or interest shall make such transfer.

(d) If the secretary determines that such land, improvement or interest or part thereof was purchased or improved with proceeds of tax exempt obligations issued or to be issued by the state, the secretary shall notify the Treasurer. If the secretary determines that such land, improvement, interest or part thereof may properly be treated as surplus, the secretary shall, upon the request of the municipality where the land, improvement or interest is located, hold an informational public meeting in such municipality to inform the public about the process for the disposition of surplus property, to provide a description of the land, improvement or interest at issue, to inform the public of its right to submit written comments under section 4b-47 and to allow members of the public the opportunity to comment at the
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meeting. After holding such meeting, the secretary shall notify the Commissioner of Administrative Services of the secretary's determination regarding whether such land, improvement or interest may be treated as surplus.

(e) After receiving notification from the secretary that such land, improvement or interest may be treated as surplus, the Commissioner of Administrative Services shall offer to convey such land, improvement or interest to the municipality in which the land, improvement or interest is located, including, but not limited to, by selling, leasing, exchanging or entering into agreements concerning such land, improvement or interest, provided (1) prior to such conveyance, the municipality by vote of its legislative body accepts such conveyance, and (2) a resolution of such municipal action, verified by the clerk of the municipality, is delivered to the Commissioner of Administrative Services not more than one hundred twenty days after receiving notice from the commissioner regarding the proposed conveyance. If the municipality fails to deliver such resolution to the commissioner within such one-hundred-twenty-day period, the municipality shall be deemed to have declined the proposed conveyance, provided the commissioner may extend the one-hundred-twenty-day period deadline by not more than an additional sixty days. The municipality shall waive all rights to purchase the land, improvement, interest or part thereof if the municipality declines or is deemed to have declined the conveyance of such land, improvement, interest or part thereof.

(f) If the municipality declines or is deemed to have declined the conveyance of the property, the Commissioner of Administrative Services may sell, exchange or lease, or enter into agreements concerning, such land, improvement, interest or part thereof, after complying with the requirements set forth in subsections (g) to (i), inclusive, of this section and using the method of conveyance.
determined by the Commissioner of Administrative Services to serve the best interests of the state. In making such determination, the commissioner shall consider offering the property to abutting landowners before offering the property for general sale.

(g) Prior to selling, exchanging or leasing, or otherwise entering into agreements concerning such property, the commissioner shall notify (1) the municipality or municipalities in which such land, improvement or interest is located, (2) the members of the General Assembly representing such municipality or municipalities, (3) the regional planning organization of the region where the land, improvement or interest is located, (4) the Connecticut Economic Resource Center, and (5) any potential developer of an incentive housing development, as defined in section 8-13m, who has registered with the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development to be notified of any such state surplus land. In the case of a proposed lease of land, an improvement to land or an interest in land, or any part thereof, with a person, firm or corporation in the private sector, for a term of six months or more, the Commissioner of Administrative Services shall comply with such notice requirement by notifying in writing the chief executive officer of the municipality or municipalities in which the land, improvement or interest is located and the members of the General Assembly representing any such municipality, not less than two weeks before seeking the approvals required under subsection (h) of this section concerning the proposed lease and the manner in which the lessee proposes to use the land, improvement or interest. If a proposed agreement for such a conveyance has not been submitted to the State Properties Review Board pursuant to subsection (h) of this section within one year after the Commissioner of Administrative Services provides the notice to any such municipality and such members of the General Assembly, or if the board does not approve the proposed agreement within two years after such notice, the Commissioner of Administrative Services
may not convey such land, improvement or interest without again so notifying any such municipality and such members of the General Assembly.

(h) The Commissioner of Administrative Services shall obtain the approval of the proposed agreement for a conveyance of land, improvement, interest or part thereof under this section from (1) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, (2) the State Properties Review Board, (3) the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to (A) state revenue, and (B) the purchase and sale of state property and facilities, and (4) if such land, improvement, interest or part thereof was purchased or improved with proceeds of tax-exempt obligations issued or to be issued by the state, the Treasurer. The Treasurer may disapprove such a conveyance only if the conveyance would affect the tax-exempt status of such obligations and could not be modified to maintain such tax-exempt status. The Treasurer shall execute and deliver any deed or instrument necessary to convey the title to any property the sale or exchange of which or a contract for the sale or exchange of which is authorized by this section.

Sec. 528. Subsection (d) of section 7-392 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(d) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall provide for the auditing of the financial statements of each local housing authority at least once biennially. Such audit may be conducted by an independent auditor or by employees of the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, as the commissioner may determine. The commissioner may charge any housing authority for the cost of any such audit of its accounts. Upon completion of any such audit, the commissioner shall file certified copies of the audit report with the chairman and the executive director.
of the housing authority, with the chief executive officer and the clerk of the municipality in which such housing authority is located and with the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management.

Sec. 529. Subdivision (16) of section 8-13m of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(16) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development or the designee of the commissioner.

Sec. 530. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 7-510 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(1) "Federal housing units" means public housing units assisted by the United States under the United States Housing Act, as amended, that are owned by a local housing authority and listed in the 1994 Catalogue of Public Assisted Housing prepared by the [Connecticut] Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development;

Sec. 531. Subdivision (3) of subsection (b) of section 8-13n of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(3) The minimum allowable density for incentive housing development, per acre of developable land, shall be: (A) Six units per acre for single-family detached housing; (B) ten units per acre for duplex or townhouse housing; and (C) twenty units per acre for multifamily housing, provided that a municipality whose population as determined by the most recent federal decennial census is less than five thousand, when applying to the commissioner for a letter of eligibility under section 8-13q, may request approval of minimum as of right densities of not less than four units per acre for single-family
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detached housing, not less than six units per acre for duplex or townhouse housing, and not less than ten units per acre for multifamily housing. In making such request, the municipality shall provide the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development with evidence of sewage disposal, water supply, traffic safety or other existing, substantial infrastructure limitations that prevent adoption of the minimum densities set forth in this subdivision. If the proposed incentive housing zone otherwise satisfies the requirements of this section, the commissioner may issue the requested letter of eligibility. A municipality may request a waiver of the density requirements of this subdivision and the commissioner may grant a waiver if the municipality demonstrates in the application that the land to be zoned for incentive housing development is owned or controlled by the municipality itself, an agency thereof, or a land trust, housing trust fund or a nonprofit housing agency or corporation. The proposed incentive housing zone regulation shall require, in an enforceable manner, that one hundred per cent of the proposed residential units will be subject to an incentive housing restriction, and the proposed incentive housing zone will otherwise satisfy the requirements of this section.

Sec. 532. Subsection (b) of section 8-13o of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) A design standard shall not be adopted if such standard will unreasonably impair the economic or physical feasibility of constructing housing at the minimum densities and with the required incentive housing restriction set forth in sections 8-13m to 8-13x, inclusive. The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall not approve a request for a letter of preliminary or final eligibility under section 8-13q if a proposed design standard will violate the provisions of this subsection.
Sec. 533. Section 8-13p of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

On or before June 30, 2017, a municipality may file with the former Commissioner of Housing an application for preliminary determination of eligibility for a zone adoption payment pursuant to subsection (a) of section 8-13s. Not later than October 1, 2017, the commissioner shall transfer any such applications to the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development. Such application shall:

(1) Identify and describe the boundaries of the proposed incentive housing zone or zones;

(2) Identify, describe and calculate the developable land within the proposed incentive housing zone or zones;

(3) Identify and describe existing and potential residential development and the potential for reuse of existing or underutilized buildings within the zone or zones;

(4) Calculate the number of residential units that may be constructed in the zone or zones if the proposed regulations are approved based on developable land and the minimum as-of-right densities set forth in subdivision (3) of subsection (b) of section 8-13n;

(5) Include a housing plan that describes the anticipated build-out of the zone or zones, including information on available and proposed infrastructure, compatibility of proposed incentive housing development with existing and proposed buildings and uses, and efforts that the municipality is making or intends to make to support and promote the residential construction permitted by the proposed regulations;

(6) Include the text of the proposed incentive housing zone
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regulations and design standards and, if applicable, the text of the subdivision regulations; and

(7) Include the text of the proposed incentive housing restriction and a plan for administering and enforcing its requirements and limitations.

Sec. 534. Subsection (a) of section 8-13q of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) Upon application by a municipality under section 8-13p, the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall, not later than sixty days after receipt, issue, in writing, a preliminary determination of the eligibility of the municipality for the financial incentive payments set forth in section 8-13s. At least thirty days before making such preliminary determination, the commissioner shall electronically give notice of the application to all persons who have provided the commissioner with a current electronic mail address and a written request to receive such notices. If the commissioner determines that the application is incomplete or the proposed incentive housing zone is not eligible or does not comply with the provisions of sections 8-13m to 8-13x, inclusive, the commissioner shall, within the sixty-day response period, notify the municipality, in writing, of the reasons for such determination. A municipality may thereafter reapply for approval after addressing the reasons for ineligibility. Nonissuance of a written response within sixty days of receipt shall be deemed to be disapproval, after which the municipality may reapply.

Sec. 535. Subsection (a) of section 8-13r of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) Each municipality whose zoning commission has received a final
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determination of eligibility and has adopted an approved incentive housing zone shall annually, in accordance with procedures established by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, apply to the commissioner for an incentive housing zone certificate of compliance. To receive a certificate, the municipality shall verify within the time specified by the commissioner that:

(1) The zoning commission of the municipality has not amended or repealed any portion of the regulations or design standards in the incentive housing zone without approval of the commissioner as required by sections 8-13o and 8-13q;

(2) The approval of the incentive housing zone has not been revoked by the commissioner;

(3) The municipality is making reasonable efforts to assist and promote approval of incentive housing development and construction of housing within the approved zone or zones; and

(4) The zoning commission has not unreasonably denied any application for site plan or subdivision approval, or other necessary coordinating permits or approvals, and has only denied applications in a manner consistent with the provisions of section 8-13t.

Sec. 536. Subsection (a) of section 8-13s of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) Upon the determination that (1) the housing incentive zone has been adopted; (2) the time for appeal of the final adoption of the regulations has expired or a final and unappealable judgment upholding such regulations has been issued in any civil action challenging or delaying such regulations; and (3) the municipality has otherwise complied with the requirements of sections 8-13m to 8-13x,
inclusive, the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall, subject to the availability of funds, make a zone adoption payment to the municipality of up to fifty thousand dollars. If a municipality has received a zone adoption payment, such municipality shall not be eligible to receive a subsequent zone adoption payment until construction has started in the housing incentive zone for which the municipality has received the previous zone adoption payment.

Sec. 537. Subsection (a) of section 8-13u of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall be responsible for the administration, review and reporting on the incentive housing zone program as provided in sections 8-13m to 8-13x, inclusive.

Sec. 538. Subsection (a) of section 8-13v of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may require the municipality to repay to the state all or part of the payments or reimbursements made to a municipality under sections 8-13m to 8-13x, inclusive, upon determination by the commissioner that the municipality has (1) amended or repealed the designation of an incentive housing zone without the approval of the commissioner; or (2) acted to discourage incentive housing development or to impose arbitrary or unreasonable standards, requirements, delays or barriers to the construction of housing following approval of an incentive housing zone.

Sec. 539. Section 8-13w of the general statutes is repealed and the
Within available resources, the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may make grants to municipalities for the purpose of providing technical assistance and predevelopment funds in the planning of incentive housing zones, the adoption of incentive housing zone regulations and design standards, the review and revision as needed of applicable subdivision regulations and applications to the commissioner for preliminary or final approval as set forth in sections 8-13m to 8-13x, inclusive. The commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to implement the provisions of this section.

Sec. 540. Section 8-13x of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Within available appropriations, the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may make grants to nonprofit housing assistance or nonprofit housing development organizations in order to support technical assistance planning, predevelopment, development, construction and management of housing developments. The commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to implement the provisions of this section.

Sec. 541. Subdivision (8) of subsection (a) of section 8-30g of the general statutes, as amended by section 1 of public act 17-170, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(8) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development.

Sec. 542. Section 8-37r of the general statutes, as amended by section 419 of public act 15-5 of the June special session, is repealed and the
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following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

[(a) There shall be a Department of Housing, which shall be within the Department of Economic and Community Development for administrative purposes only, which shall be the lead agency for all matters relating to housing. The department head shall be the Commissioner of Housing, who shall be appointed by the Governor in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-5 to 4-8, inclusive, with the powers and duties therein prescribed. Said commissioner shall be responsible at the state level for all aspects of policy, development, redevelopment, preservation, maintenance and improvement of housing and neighborhoods. Said commissioner shall be responsible for developing strategies to encourage the provision of housing in the state, including housing for very low, low and moderate income families.

(b) The Department of Housing shall constitute a successor to the functions, powers and duties of the Department of Economic Development relating to housing, community development, redevelopment and urban renewal as set forth in chapters 128, 129, 130, 135 and 136 in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-38d, 4-38e and 4-39.]

[(a) The Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development is designated a public housing agency for the purpose of administering the Section 8 existing certificate program and the housing voucher program pursuant to the Housing Act of 1937.

[(c)] (b) The commissioner shall, in consultation with the interagency council on affordable housing established pursuant to section 8-37nnn, review the organization and delivery of state housing programs and submit a report with recommendations, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, not later than January 15, [2013] 2018, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having
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...cognizance of matters relating to housing and appropriations.

[(d)] (c) Any order or regulation of the Department of Housing or Department of Economic and Community Development that is in force on [January 1, 2013] October 1, 2017, shall continue in force and effect as an order or regulation until amended, repealed or superseded pursuant to law.

[(e) On and after January 1, 2017, the Department of Housing shall constitute a successor department, in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-38d, 4-38e and 4-39, to the Department of Children and Families with respect to the homeless youth program as set forth in section 17a-62a.]

Sec. 543. Section 8-37s of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall monitor the progress of the public and private sector toward meeting housing needs and shall collect and annually publish data on housing production in the state. In order to ensure a steady flow of information for the purposes of this section, all municipalities shall submit to the commissioner a copy of the monthly federal Bureau of the Census report on building permits issued and public construction filed at the same time as such report is filed with the federal Bureau of the Census.

Sec. 544. Section 8-37t of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, in consultation with the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, shall prepare the state's consolidated plan for housing and community development in accordance with 24 CFR Part 91, as amended from time to time.
Sec. 545. Section 8-37u of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall work with regional councils of governments, municipalities and municipal agencies, housing authorities and other appropriate agencies for the purpose of coordinating housing policy and housing activities, provided such coordination shall not be construed to restrict or diminish any power, right or authority granted to any municipality, agency, instrumentality, commission or any administrative or executive head thereof in accordance with the other provisions of the general statutes to proceed with any programs, projects or activities.

(b) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall coordinate on an ongoing basis the activities and programs of state agencies or quasi-state authorities which have a major impact on the cost, production or availability of housing, provided, such coordination shall not be construed to restrict or diminish any power, right or authority granted to any such agency or authority, or of any administrative or executive head thereof in accordance with the other provisions of the general statutes, to proceed with any programs, projects or activities, except as specifically provided in this section.

(c) In order to facilitate such coordination, the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority shall submit annually to the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development a projected twelve-month operating plan. Said plan shall be prepared in a manner so as to be consistent with the state's consolidated plan for housing and community development prepared pursuant to section 8-37t as such plan is then in effect. Said plan shall include such matters as the authority determines are necessary and shall include, but not be limited to, production targets under each multifamily program of the.

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authority, including targets for rental housing production for both elderly and nonelderly families in a proportion consistent with housing needs estimated pursuant to the state's consolidated plan for housing and community development; proposed new and expanded programs; proposed outreach activities to help serve areas of the state or segments of the population whose housing needs have been particularly underserved, and estimated level of subsidy needed to support the proposed level of production. [The first such] Such plan shall be submitted to the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development prior to January 1, [1981, and subsequent plans on each twelve-month anniversary thereof] 2018.

(d) In the event the commissioner determines that the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority has not complied with the requirements of subsection (c) of this section, the commissioner shall file a report with the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management setting forth the items of the plan which are inconsistent with the consolidated plan for housing and community development and setting forth those recommendations which in the commissioner's opinion would result in such plan being consistent with such plan. [In the event that] If the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management concurs with the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, said secretary shall convene a panel of the Commissioner of [Housing] _____, the chairman of the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority and the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, which panel shall resolve the inconsistencies. Nothing contained in this section shall limit the right or obligation of the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority to comply with the provisions of or covenants contained in any contract with or for the benefit of the holders of any bonds, notes or other obligations evidencing indebtedness of such authority.

(e) The Connecticut Housing Finance Authority shall, to the maximum extent practical, conduct its business according to the plan.
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approved by the commissioner.

(f) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall consult with the Commissioner of Agriculture with regard to the policies, activities, plans and programs specified in this section and the impact on and degree of protection provided to agricultural land by such policies, activities, plans and programs.

Sec. 546. Section 8-37v of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development is authorized to undertake and carry out research activities, including, but not limited to, examination of housing needs and means of meeting those needs; investigation of techniques and opportunities for reducing housing costs, preserving neighborhoods and reducing energy consumption; testing of innovative housing technologies; the use of mobile and modular housing; and such other activities as he deems necessary to aid the state, its municipalities and the housing industry in meeting housing and community development needs.

Sec. 547. Section 8-37w of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall develop and publish a model ordinance and model procedures which may be adopted by municipalities in regulating the development of land, which ordinance and procedures shall provide for: (1) The utilization of a single consolidated application form for use by all municipal agencies having jurisdiction to review and approve such development; (2) coordination of staff review and communications between staff and the applicant; (3) the elimination of separate public hearings by review agencies whenever practicable and
if requested by the applicant; and (4) the concurrent running of all applicable time limits for decisions by approval agencies.

(b) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall submit any model ordinances or procedures developed pursuant to subsection (a) of this section to the General Assembly for its approval prior to publishing or promulgating any such ordinances or procedures.

Sec. 548. Section 8-37x of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) As used in this section, "authority" or "housing authority" means any of the public corporations created by section 8-40 and the Connecticut Housing Authority when exercising the rights, powers, duties or privileges of, or subject to the immunities or limitations of, housing authorities pursuant to section 8-121, and "housing project" means a project developed or administered pursuant to chapter 128.

(b) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may: (1) Collect and correlate information regarding housing projects of authorities in the state and upon request to furnish the authorities, in matters of common interest, information, advice and the services of expert personnel; (2) study state-wide needs for the elimination of substandard housing to stimulate state and city planning involving housing, and otherwise to study housing needs, both rural and urban, and to formulate proposals for meeting these needs; (3) study methods of encouraging investment of private capital in low rent housing; (4) study the necessity, feasibility and advantage of the use of state credit by way of loan or subsidy to assist the financing of housing projects for persons of low income; and (5) accept grants-in-aid of any of said commissioner's powers made pursuant to the provisions of any state or federal law and, for the purpose of complying with the requirements or recommendations of any such
law, to prepare such plans and specifications and to make such studies, surveys, reports or recommendations concerning existing or contemplated housing conditions or projects in the state as may be necessary or appropriate.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of the general statutes, the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may, after conducting a public bidding process as provided in section 8-44, enter into a master contract or contracts with local, regional or state-wide suppliers of labor, supplies, materials, services or personal property on behalf of one or more housing authorities operating state-financed housing programs or projects. The commissioner may, in said commissioner's discretion, with respect to partially completed state-financed programs or projects or in the event of emergencies affecting human health, safety, welfare and life or endangering property, waive the bidding requirement and threshold of said section 8-44.

(d) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may designate as said commissioner's agent any deputy commissioner or any employee to exercise such authority of the commissioner as said commissioner delegates for the administration of any applicable statute or regulation.

(e) As used in this subsection, "troubled loan" means a loan in which payments of interest or principal, or both interest and principal, (1) are delinquent under the terms of a loan agreement, or (2) may become delinquent under conditions which exist which would reasonably lead the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development to believe that a borrower would be unable to repay the loan. Said commissioner may authorize the deferred payments of interest or principal, or both interest and principal, or a portion thereof, in the case of a troubled loan made by the commissioner under any provision of the general statutes or special acts if said commissioner determines the deferral to be in the best interests of the
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state. Such determination shall be in writing and shall include a statement of the reasons why the deferral is in the best interests of the state. Any deferral made under the provisions of this section shall be subject to the approval of the State Bond Commission.

(f) Upon an action by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development to preserve the state's interest in any contract for financial assistance that results in the state acquiring title to any housing property, the commissioner shall be deemed to be an eligible developer, as defined in section 8-39, for the purposes of operating the property and receiving state or federal financial assistance on behalf of the property or the operation of the property.

(g) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, in consultation with the executive director of the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, upon the lawful dissolution of any eligible developer of property financed with a loan, grant or any combination thereof from the state, may (1) accept ownership of property owned by such a developer in the name of the state and dispose of such property to an eligible developer for a price and upon terms that the commissioner deems proper, provided such action shall preserve the property as housing for very low, low or moderate income persons; or (2) after approval by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, allow such property to participate in any programs that the commissioner operates, in order to preserve the property as housing for very low, low or moderate income persons. For purposes of this subsection, "housing" includes facilities and amenities incidental and pertinent to the provision of affordable housing and intended primarily to serve the residents of the affordable housing development, including, but not limited to, a community room, a laundry room, day care space, a computer center, a management center or playground.

(h) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (g) of this section,
the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall allow the continued use of: (1) The Saint Joseph's Residence for Mothers and Children, located in Bridgeport, which is utilized as a day care center; (2) the House of Bread, located in Hartford, which is utilized as a community day care center and corporate offices; and (3) the Rainbow Court Cooperative, located in Middletown, which is utilized as rental units for lower income persons.

(i) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to carry out the purposes of the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development as established by statute.

Sec. 549. Section 8-37y of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may, with the approval of the Commissioner of Administrative Services, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the State Properties Review Board, sell, exchange, lease or enter into agreements concerning any real property, as defined in section 8-39, belonging to the state and transferred to the custody and control of the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development under the provisions of subsections (b) and (c) of section 4b-21. The commissioner shall require, as a condition of any sale, exchange, lease or agreement entered into pursuant to this section, that such real property be used only for an emergency shelter or transitional living facility for homeless persons or for the provision of low and moderate income housing, including, but not limited to, the construction, rehabilitation or renovation of housing for persons and families of low and moderate income, except that such condition, in the discretion of the commissioner, may be subordinated in the case of
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a subsequent first mortgage or a requirement of a governmental program relating to such real property, and except that in the case of an exchange of real property, the commissioner (1) shall require that the parcel received by the commissioner, as a condition of such exchange, shall be suitable for an emergency shelter or transitional living facility for homeless persons or for the construction, rehabilitation or renovation of housing for persons and families of low and moderate income, and (2) shall release any restrictions required to be imposed by this subsection on the parcel transferred by the commissioner. Prior to any such sale, exchange, lease or agreement, the commissioner shall notify the chief executive officer or officers of the municipality or municipalities in which such real property is located. No such real property may be sold, exchanged or leased by the commissioner under this subsection without the approval of the municipality or municipalities in which the real property is located.

(b) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, with the approval of the Commissioner of Administrative Services, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the State Properties Review Board, may: (1) Enter into a contract to purchase, lease or hold any surplus real property made available by the federal government, including excess real property acquired by the federal government for highway construction, if the commissioner determines that such real property can be utilized for the construction, rehabilitation or renovation of housing for persons and families of low and moderate income; and (2) sell, exchange, lease or enter into agreements concerning any real property acquired by the commissioner under subdivision (1) of this subsection. The commissioner shall require, as a condition of any sale, exchange, lease or agreement entered into pursuant to subdivision (2) of this subsection, that such real property be used only for the construction, rehabilitation or renovation of housing for persons and families of low and moderate income. Prior to any such sale, exchange,
lease or agreement, the commissioner shall notify the chief executive officer or officers of the municipality or municipalities in which such real property is located. No such real property may be sold, exchanged or leased by the commissioner under subdivision (2) of this subsection without the approval of the municipality or municipalities in which the real property is located.

(c) The use of any real property under this section shall be subject to the planning, zoning, sanitary and building laws, ordinances and regulations applicable to the locality in which the real property is located.

(d) As used in this section, "exchange" means the mutual transfer of interests in real property, simultaneously and each in consideration of the other.

Sec. 550. Section 8-37z of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall ensure that the involuntary displacement of persons and families residing in any single-family or multifamily dwelling, which displacement occurs in connection with any housing, community or economic development project receiving state financial assistance under any program administered by the commissioner under the general statutes, is reduced to the minimum level consistent with achieving the objectives of such program.
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of such program.] The [commissioners] commissioner shall require, as a condition of any contract for state financial assistance under the provisions of any such program, that the project for which such financial assistance is provided (1) will not cause the temporary or permanent displacement of persons and families residing in any single-family or multifamily dwelling or (2) will cause only the minimum level of such displacement which cannot be avoided due to the nature of the project. The [commissioners] commissioner shall ensure that all steps necessary to provide any relocation assistance available under chapter 135 to persons and families unavoidably displaced as a result of any state-assisted housing or community development project or economic development project have been taken before granting final approval of any financial assistance for such project.

(b) The Commissioner of [Housing, in consultation with the Commissioner of] Economic and Community Development [.] may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to carry out the purposes of this section.

Sec. 551. Section 8-37aa of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

As used in sections 8-37bb to 8-37dd, inclusive, "housing agency" means the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority and the Connecticut Housing Authority, and "income group" means one of the following household groups, adjusted for family size and based on the appropriate area median income established by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development: (1) Households with incomes twenty-five per cent or less than the area median income; (2) households with incomes more than twenty-five per cent but not more than fifty per cent of the area median income; (3) households with incomes more than fifty per cent but not more than eighty per cent of
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the area median income; (4) households with incomes more than eighty per cent but not more than one hundred per cent of the area median income; and (5) households with incomes more than one hundred per cent of the area median income.

Sec. 552. Subsection (a) of section 8-37bb of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) On or before December 31, 2013, and thereafter, each housing agency, except the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, shall submit to the General Assembly a report, for the year ending the preceding September thirtieth, which analyzes by income group, households served by its housing construction, substantial rehabilitation, purchase and rental assistance programs. Each report shall analyze the households served under each program by race. The analysis shall provide information by housing development, if applicable, and by program. Each analysis shall include data for all households (1) entering an agency program during the year ending the preceding September thirtieth, and (2) in occupancy or receiving the benefits of an agency rental program the preceding September thirtieth. The report of the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority shall also identify, by census tract, the number of households served in each program and the total amount of financial assistance provided to such households. The provisions of this section shall not be construed to preclude a housing agency from reporting additional information on programs it administers. Each report submitted under this section shall also analyze the efforts, and the results of such efforts, of each agency in promoting fair housing choice and racial and economic integration. The provisions of this section shall not be construed to require an occupant or applicant to disclose his race on an application or survey form.

Sec. 553. Section 8-37ff of the general statutes is repealed and the
following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Department of Housing Economic and Community Development shall develop and maintain a comprehensive inventory of all assisted housing, as defined in section 8-30g, in the state. The inventory shall identify all existing assisted rental units by type and funding source, and include, but not be limited to, information on tenant eligibility, rents charged, available subsidies, occupancy and vacancy rates, waiting lists and accessibility features. In order to assist the department in the completion of the inventory, all owners of such housing units, both public and private, shall report accessible housing units to the database established and maintained under section 8-119x.

Sec. 554. Section 8-37gg of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

An aggrieved person authorized by law to request a fair hearing on a decision of the Commissioner of Housing Economic and Community Development, or the conservator of any such aggrieved person on his or her behalf, may make application for such hearing in writing over his or her signature to the commissioner and shall state in such application in simple language the reasons why he or she claims to be aggrieved. Such application shall be mailed to the commissioner within sixty days after the rendition of such decision. The commissioner shall thereupon hold a fair hearing within thirty days from receipt thereof and shall, at least ten days prior to the date of such hearing, mail a notice, giving the time and place thereof to such aggrieved person. A reasonable period of continuance may be granted for good cause. The aggrieved person shall appear personally at the hearing, unless such person's physical or mental condition precludes appearing in person, and may be represented by an attorney or other authorized representative. A stenographic or mechanical record shall be made of each hearing, but need not be transcribed except (1) in the event of an appeal from the decision of the hearing officer, or (2) if a
copy is requested by the aggrieved person, in either of which cases it shall be furnished by the commissioner without charge. The commissioner, and any person authorized by him or her to conduct any hearing under the provisions of this section, [shall have power to] may administer oaths and take testimony under oath relative to the matter of the hearing and may subpoena witnesses and require the production of records, papers and documents pertinent to such hearing. No witness under subpoena authorized to be issued by the provisions of this section shall be excused from testifying or from producing records, papers or documents on the ground that such testimony or the production of such records or other documentary evidence would tend to incriminate him or her, but such evidence or the records or papers so produced shall not be used in any criminal proceeding against him or her. If any person disobeys such process or, having appeared in obedience thereto, refuses to answer any pertinent question requested by the commissioner or the commissioner's authorized agent or to produce any records and papers pursuant thereto, the commissioner or the commissioner's agent may apply to the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford or for the judicial district wherein the person resides, or to any judge of said court if the same is not in session, setting forth such disobedience to process or refusal to answer, and said court or such judge shall cite such person to appear before said court or such judge to answer such question or to produce such records and papers and, upon his refusal to do so, shall commit such person to a community correctional center until he testifies, but not for a longer period than sixty days. Notwithstanding the serving of the term of such commitment by any person, the commissioner or the commissioner's agent may proceed with such inquiry and examination as if the witness had not previously been called upon to testify. Officers who serve subpoenas issued by the commissioner or under the commissioner's authority and witnesses attending hearings conducted by such commissioner hereunder shall receive like fees and compensation as officers and witnesses in the
courts of this state to be paid on vouchers of the commissioner on order of the Comptroller.

Sec. 555. Subsection (a) of section 8-37hh of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) Not later than sixty days after such hearing, the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, or the commissioner's designated hearing officer, shall render a final decision based upon all the evidence introduced before him or her and applying all pertinent provisions of law, regulations and departmental policy, and such final decision shall supersede the decision made without a hearing, provided final definitive administrative action shall be taken by the commissioner or the commissioner's designee within ninety days after the request of such hearing pursuant to section 8-37gg. Notice of such final decision shall be given to the aggrieved person by mailing him or her a copy thereof within one business day of its rendition. Such decision after hearing shall be final except as provided in subsections (b) and (c) of this section.

Sec. 556. Section 8-37jj of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may not approve electric resistance as the primary heat source in new, subsidized housing except where justified by a lifecycle cost analysis whose methodology has been approved by the division of the Office of Policy and Management responsible for energy matters.

(b) If the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development or the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority uses electric resistance space heating as the primary heating source in any
new construction, it shall construct the unit in such a way as to be eligible for any available energy conservation incentives provided by the electric distribution company, as defined in section 16-1, or the municipal utility furnishing electric service to such unit.

Sec. 557. Section 8-37kk of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Department of Economic and Community Development [, the Department of Housing] and the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority shall give preference to loans for energy efficient projects in all grant and loan programs.

Sec. 558. Section 8-37ll of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) No state financial assistance shall be provided by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for any housing, [or] community or economic development project [or by the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development for any economic development project] under any program administered by [such commissioners] said commissioner unless the commissioner [responsible for administering the program] has first approved a residential antidisplacement and relocation assistance plan submitted under subsection (b) of this section by the applicant seeking such financial assistance. The [Commissioner of Housing and the] Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall ensure that any such plan is properly implemented for each project for which a plan is submitted.

(b) Any applicant seeking state financial assistance for any housing, [or] community or economic development project under any program administered by the [Commissioner of Housing or economic development project under any program administered by the]
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Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall submit a residential antidisplacement and relocation assistance plan to the commissioner [responsible for administering the program] as part of the application for such financial assistance. The plan shall demonstrate that the project for which financial assistance is applied for will not cause the temporary or permanent displacement of persons and families residing in any single-family or multifamily residential dwelling or, if such displacement will result, that such project will cause no more displacement than is necessary to accomplish the project. If occupiable dwelling units are destroyed as a result of the project or displacement of low and moderate income households will result from the project, the plan shall further demonstrate that: (1) The applicant shall provide comparable replacement dwellings within the same municipality for the same number of occupants as could have been housed in the occupied and vacant occupiable residential dwellings that will be demolished or converted to a use other than housing for low and moderate income persons and families as a result of the project; (2) such replacement dwellings shall be designed to remain affordable to low and moderate income persons and families for ten years; (3) relocation assistance benefits shall be provided pursuant to chapter 135 for all persons displaced as a result of the project; and (4) displaced persons, to the extent practicable, who wish to remain in the same neighborhood shall be relocated within such neighborhood. As used in this subsection, "low and moderate income persons and families" means persons, families or households whose annual income is less than or equal to eighty per cent of the area median income for the area of the state in which they live, as determined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. An applicant shall be deemed to have met the replacement requirements of this section by rehabilitation of vacant, unoccupiable units.

(c) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development
[or the Commissioner of Housing] may exempt an applicant from the provisions of this section upon determination that:

(1) Based on objective data, there is available in the area an adequate supply of habitable affordable housing for the full range of low and moderate income persons, or

(2) The project will dedicate at least as much total floor space to housing for low and moderate income persons and families as was contained in all the dwelling units being replaced, whether occupied or vacant, and either (A) the project will not permanently displace any person or family or (B) all of the following: (i) The sizes and purposes of the dwelling units in the project are at least as needed as the sizes and purposes of the dwelling units to be replaced; (ii) the number of very low income persons to be served in the project is not less than the number of very low income persons served by the structure to be replaced; and (iii) the persons and families to be displaced by the project will be relocated to permanent housing and will receive relocation assistance pursuant to chapter 135. As used in this subsection, "very low income persons" means persons whose annual income is less than or equal to fifty per cent of the area median income for the area of the state in which they live, as determined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

(d) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development [and the Commissioner of Housing] may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to carry out the purposes of this section. Such regulations shall define the objective data used under subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of this section to determine whether there is an adequate supply of habitable affordable housing for the full range of low and moderate income persons and families residing in the area.

Sec. 559. Subsections (b) and (c) of section 8-37mm of the general

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statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for the purposes of a homelessness prevention and response fund to provide forgivable loans or grants to (1) landlords to renovate multifamily homes, including performing building code compliance work and other major improvements, in exchange for the landlord's participation in a rapid rehousing program. A landlord's participation in such program [would include] includes, but is not [be] limited to, waiving security deposits and abatement of rent for a designated period; and (2) landlords to renovate multifamily homes, including performing building code compliance work and other major improvements, fund ongoing maintenance and repair, or capitalize operating and replacement reserves in exchange for the abatement of rent by a landlord for scattered site supportive housing units.

(c) The Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may use not more than five per cent of the total allocation for administrative purposes.

Sec. 560. Subdivisions (2) and (3) of subsection (a) of section 8-37pp of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(2) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development;

(3) "Department" means the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development;

Sec. 561. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 8-37qq of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
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thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(1) "Bond-financed state housing program" means any program administered by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development which provides financial assistance for housing acquisition, development, rehabilitation or support services, and which may be financed in whole or in part from the proceeds of the state's general obligation bonds, including: Acquisition of surplus land pursuant to section 8-37y, affordable housing projects pursuant to section 8-37pp, housing authority programs for social and supplementary services, project rehabilitation and improvement and energy conservation pursuant to section 8-44a, moderate rental housing pursuant to section 8-70, moderate cost housing pursuant to section 8-82, housing for elderly persons pursuant to section 8-114a, congregate housing for the elderly pursuant to section 8-119h, housing for low-income persons pursuant to section 8-119dd, financial assistance for redevelopment or urban renewal projects pursuant to section 8-154a, housing and community development pursuant to sections 8-169l and 8-216b, urban homesteading pursuant to subsection (a) of section 8-169w, community housing land bank and land trust program pursuant to section 8-214d, financial assistance for development of limited equity cooperatives and mutual housing pursuant to section 8-214f, community housing development corporations pursuant to sections 8-218 and 8-218a, financial assistance to elderly homeowners for emergency repairs or rehabilitation pursuant to section 8-219b, financial assistance for removal of lead-based paint and asbestos pursuant to section 8-219e, home ownership loans pursuant to subsection (a) of section 8-286, housing programs for homeless persons pursuant to sections 8-356 and 8-357, grants to municipalities for financing low and moderate income rental housing pursuant to section 8-365, housing infrastructure grants and loans pursuant to section 8-387, private rental investment mortgage and equity program pursuant to sections 8-401 and 8-403, assistance for
housing predevelopment costs pursuant to sections 8-410 and 8-411, residential subsurface sewage disposal system repair program pursuant to section 8-420, energy conservation loans pursuant to section 16a-40b, rent receivership pursuant to section 47a-56j, and any other such program now, heretofore or hereafter existing, and any additions or amendments to such programs.

Sec. 562. Subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of section 8-37qq of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(2) (A) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes or any public or special act, except sections 8-76 and 8-80, the following shall be paid to the State Treasurer for deposit in the Housing Repayment and Revolving Loan Fund: (i) All payments to the state of principal or interest on loans that the ultimate recipient is obligated to repay to the state, with or without interest, made pursuant to section 8-114a with respect to loans for housing for elderly persons, section 8-119h with respect to loans for congregate housing for the elderly, subsection (a) of section 8-169w with respect to urban homesteading loans, sections 8-218 and 8-218a with respect to community housing development corporation loans, section 8-337 with respect to security deposit revolving loans, section 8-410 with respect to housing predevelopment cost loans, section 8-420 with respect to subsurface sewage disposal system repair loans, and section 8-37pp with respect to loans for affordable housing; (ii) all payments of principal with respect to energy conservation loans pursuant to section 16a-40b; (iii) all payments made to the state constituting the liquidation of an equity interest pursuant to section 8-404 with respect to the private rental investment mortgage and equity program; (iv) all payments made to the state constituting the liquidation of any other security interest or lien taken or granted pursuant to a bond-financed state housing program or assistance or related agreement, except
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liquidations constituting principal or interest on loans not mentioned in subparagraph (A)(i) or (A)(ii) of this subdivision and the liquidation of security interests or liens with respect to rent receivership pursuant to subsection (c) of section 47a-56i; (v) all other return or recapture of state financial assistance made pursuant to the provisions of any bond-financed state housing program or assistance or related agreement, except principal or interest on loans not mentioned in subparagraph (A)(i) or (A)(ii) of this subdivision and payments received with respect to rent receivership pursuant to subsection (c) of section 47a-56i; (vi) all payments of state service fees and administrative oversight charges rendered in accordance with the provisions of any bond-financed state housing program other than state service fees financed from the proceeds of the state's general obligation bonds; and (vii) all other compensation or reimbursement paid to the Department of Economic and Community Development with respect to bond-financed state housing programs other than from the federal government.

(B) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes or any public or special act, except as provided in this subsection, loans for any bond-financed state housing program which the ultimate recipient is obligated to repay to the state, with or without interest, may be paid out of moneys deposited in the Housing Repayment and Revolving Loan Fund without the prior approval of the State Bond Commission, subject to the approval of the Governor of an allotment.

(C) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes or any public or special act, payment of any administrative expense may be made out of the Housing Repayment and Revolving Loan Fund subject to the approval of the Governor of an allotment for such purpose.

Sec. 563. Subdivision (4) of section 8-37rr of the general statutes is
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repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(4) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development.

Sec. 564. Subsection (a) of section 8-37tt of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) As used in this section, "administrative oversight charge" means any fee payable to the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development from sources other than (1) the proceeds from the sale of the state's general obligation bonds, or (2) the housing repayment and revolving loan program established pursuant to subsection (e) of section 8-37qq, that is imposed to pay all or a portion of the costs and expenses of the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development in monitoring facilities developed with financial assistance pursuant to any bond-financed state housing program as defined in subsection (a) of section 8-37qq, and ensuring compliance with requirements and restrictions applicable to such facilities.

Sec. 565. Subsections (b) and (c) of section 8-37vv of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) There is established a revolving loan fund to be known as the "Rental Housing Revolving Loan Fund". The fund may be funded from moneys allocated to the program established by section 8-37pp or from any moneys available to the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development or the fund from other sources. Investment earnings credited to the fund shall become part of the assets of the fund. Any balance remaining in the fund at the end of any fiscal year
shall be carried forward in the fund for the next fiscal year. Payments of principal or interest on a low interest loan made pursuant to this section shall be paid to the State Treasurer for deposit in the Rental Housing Revolving Loan Fund. The fund shall be used to make low interest loans pursuant to subsection (c) of this section and to pay reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in administering loans under this section. The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development may enter into contracts with nonprofit corporations to provide for the administration of the Rental Housing Revolving Loan Fund by such nonprofit corporations, provided no low interest loan shall be made from the fund without the authorization of the commissioner as provided in subsection (c) of this section.

(c) (1) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, may enter into contracts to provide financial assistance in the form of low interest loans to owners of eligible buildings for eligible costs. The commissioner may require owners of eligible buildings who apply for a low interest loan pursuant to this section to submit a copy of the report filed by the building inspector listing code violations, and an estimate of the cost of repairs to correct such violations. The commissioner may establish priorities for the low cost loans provided pursuant to this program, including, but not limited to, types of repairs financed, the location of the eligible building, ability of owners to repay such loans, and the extent to which any repairs will extend the useful life of the eligible building.

(2) The commissioner shall establish a priority for low interest loans pursuant to this section for owner-occupants of buildings containing at least two but not more than four residential units, including the unit occupied by the owner. Low interest loans made within such priority category may, at the discretion of such commissioner, include interest-free loans, deferred payment loans payable at the time that the
building is sold or otherwise transferred, and forgivable loans for which the principal balance is reduced based upon the length of time that the owner continues to occupy the building.

Sec. 566. Subsection (a) of section 8-37yy of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Department of Economic and Community Development shall, in consultation with the State-Assisted Housing Sustainability Advisory Committee, established pursuant to section 8-37zz, establish and maintain the State-Assisted Housing Sustainability Fund for the purpose of the preservation of eligible housing. The moneys of the fund shall be available to the department to provide financial assistance to the owners of eligible housing for the maintenance, repair, rehabilitation, and modernization of eligible housing and for other activities consistent with preservation of eligible housing, including, but not limited to, (1) emergency repairs to abate actual or imminent emergency conditions that would result in the loss of habitable housing units, (2) major system repairs or upgrades, including, but not limited to, repairs or upgrades to roofs, windows, mechanical systems and security, (3) reduction of vacant units, (4) remediation or abatement of hazardous materials, including lead, (5) increases in development mobility and sensory impaired accessibility in units, common areas and accessible routes, (6) relocation costs and alternative housing for not more than sixty days, necessary because of the failure of a major building system, and (7) a comprehensive physical needs assessment. Financial assistance shall be awarded to applicants consistent with standards and criteria adopted in consultation with the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to housing.

Sec. 567. Subsection (b) of section 8-37zz of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
(b) The committee shall meet at least quarterly and shall advise the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development and the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority on the administration, management, procedures and objectives of the financial assistance provided pursuant to section 8-37yy, including, but not limited to, the adoption of regulations pursuant to section 8-37yy.

Sec. 568. Section 8-37aaa of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall design and administer a program of grants to owners of eligible housing to pay the cost of a comprehensive physical needs assessment for each eligible housing development. The final design of this program shall be subject to review by the State-Assisted Housing Sustainability Advisory Committee established pursuant to section 8-37zz. Such assessment may be a twenty-year life cycle analysis covering all physical elements, adjusted for observed conditions, and shall include, at a minimum, an evaluation of (1) dwelling units; building interiors and building envelopes; community buildings and amenities; site circulation and parking; site amenities such as lots; mechanical systems, including an analysis of technological options to reduce energy consumption and pay-back periods on new systems that produce heat and domestic hot water; and site conditions, (2) compliance with physical accessibility guidelines under Title II of the federal Americans with Disabilities Act, and (3) hazardous materials abatement, including lead paint abatement. The costs of such needs assessments shall be paid from the fund.

(b) A copy of each completed comprehensive physical needs assessment shall be submitted to the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development in a format prescribed by the
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department. The format shall be designed by the department so that a baseline of existing and standardized conditions of eligible housing can be prepared and annually updated to reflect changes in the consumer price index and annual construction costs.

Sec. 569. Section 8-37Ⅲ of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall review applications for tax credits submitted to the Department of Economic and Community Development pursuant to subsection (e) of section 10-416b or subsection (d) of section 10-416c. Upon determination that an application contains affordable housing, the commissioner shall issue a certificate to that effect. The commissioner shall monitor projects certified under this section to ensure that the affordable housing units are maintained as affordable for a minimum of ten years and may require deed restrictions or other fiscal mechanisms designed to ensure compliance with project requirements. In addition to the fee imposed by the Department of Economic and Community Development pursuant to subsection (h) of section 10-416c, the commissioner may impose a fee in an amount not exceeding two thousand dollars to cover the cost of reviewing applications and monitoring projects that qualify for affordable housing tax credits pursuant to subsections (a) to (j), inclusive, of section 10-416b or subsections (b) to (i), inclusive, of section 10-416c.

(b) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development may adopt regulations, pursuant to chapter 54, for monitoring of projects that qualify for affordable housing tax credits pursuant to subsections (a) to (j), inclusive, of section 10-416b or subsections (b) to (i), inclusive, of section 10-416c by the Department of Economic and Community Development, or by local housing authorities, municipalities, other public agencies or quasi-
public agencies, as defined in section 1-120, designated by the department. [Such] Any such regulations shall include provisions for ensuring that affordable units developed under subdivision (3) of subsection (e) of section 10-416b or subdivision (3) of subsection (d) of section 10-416c are maintained as affordable for a minimum of ten years and may require deed restrictions or other fiscal mechanisms designed to ensure compliance with project requirements.

Sec. 570. Subsections (b) and (c) of section 8-37mmm of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) The Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, in consultation with the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, may establish a program to encourage the development of visitable housing in the state. The program shall (1) provide a single point of contact for any person seeking financial or technical assistance from the state to construct visitable housing, (2) identify financial incentives for developers who construct visitable housing, and (3) include public education about such housing. [The department shall submit a report on the status of the program, in accordance with section 11-4a, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to housing not later than October 1, 2012.]

(c) The Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall establish, within available appropriations, an informational web page in a conspicuous place on [such] said department's Internet web site with a list of links to available visitable housing resources.

Sec. 571. Section 8-37nnn of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):
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(a) There is established an interagency council on affordable housing to advise and assist the commissioner of the Department of Economic and Community Development.

(b) The council shall consist of the following members: (1) The Commissioners of Social Services, Mental Health and Addiction Services, Children and Families, Correction, Economic and Community Development, Education, [Aging] and Developmental Services, or their designees; (2) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or his or her designee; (3) the executive director of the Partnership for Strong Communities, or his or her designee; (4) the executive director of the Connecticut Housing Coalition, or his or her designee; (5) the executive director of the Connecticut Coalition to End Homelessness, or his or her designee; (6) the executive director of the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, or his or her designee; (7) the president of the Connecticut chapter of the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials, or his or her designee; (8) two members, appointed by the members specified in subdivisions (1) to (6), inclusive, of this subsection, who shall be tenants receiving state housing assistance; and (9) one member, appointed by the members specified in subdivisions (1) to (6), inclusive, of this subsection, who shall be a state resident eligible to receive state housing assistance. The Governor shall designate a member of the council to serve as chairperson.

(c) The council shall convene on or before July 15, [2012] 2018, to develop strategies and recommendations for the implementation of the Department of Economic and Community Development. The council shall: (1) Assess the housing needs of low income individuals and families; (2) review and analyze the effectiveness of existing state programs in meeting those needs; (3) identify barriers to effective housing delivery systems; and (4) develop
strategies and recommendations to enhance the availability of safe and affordable housing in communities across the state through the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development.

(d) On or before January 15, [2013] 2019, the council shall submit, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, a report to the Governor and the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, housing and human services on the implementation of the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development. The report shall address recommendations concerning: (A) Programs to be transferred to the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development and a timeline for implementation; (B) effective changes to the state's housing delivery systems; (C) prioritization of housing resources; and (D) enhanced coordination among and across housing systems. Not later than fifteen days after receipt of the report submitted pursuant to this subsection, the committees shall hold a public hearing on [said] such report.

Sec. 572. Section 8-37qqq of the general statutes, as amended by section 5 of public act 17-202, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) Annually, on or before March thirty-first, the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall submit a report to the Governor and the General Assembly, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a. Not later than thirty days after submission of the report to the Governor and the General Assembly, said commissioner shall post the report on the Department of [Housing's] Economic and Community Development's Internet website. Such report shall include, but not be limited to, the following information with regard to the activities of the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development during the preceding state fiscal year:
(1) An analysis of the community development portfolio of the department, including:

(A) A list of the names, addresses and locations of all recipients of the department's assistance;

(B) The following information concerning each recipient of such assistance: (i) Amount of state investment, (ii) a summary of the terms and conditions for the department's assistance, including the type and amount of state financial assistance, and (iii) the amount of investments from private and other nonstate resources that have been leveraged by such assistance; and

(C) An investment analysis, including (i) total active portfolio value, (ii) total investments made in the preceding state fiscal year, (iii) total portfolio by municipality, (iv) total investments made in the preceding state fiscal year categorized by municipality, (v) total portfolio leverage ratio, and (vi) leverage ratio of the total investments made in the preceding state fiscal year.

(2) With regard to the department's housing-development-related functions and activities:

(A) A brief description and assessment of the state's housing market during the preceding state fiscal year, utilizing the most recent and reasonably available data, including, but not limited to, (i) a brief description of the significant characteristics of such market, including supply, demand and condition and cost of housing, and (ii) any other information that the commissioner deems appropriate;

(B) A comprehensive assessment of current and future needs for rental assistance under section 8-119kk for housing projects for persons who are elderly and persons with disabilities, in consultation with the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority;
(C) An analysis of the progress of the public and private sectors toward meeting housing needs in the state, using building permit data from the United States Census Bureau and demolition data from Connecticut municipalities;

(D) A list of municipalities that meet the affordable housing criteria set forth in subsection (k) of section 8-30g and in regulations adopted by the commissioner pursuant to said section. For the purpose of determining the percentage required by subsection (k) of said section, the commissioner shall use as the denominator the number of dwelling units in the municipality, as reported in the most recent United States decennial census; and

(E) A statement of the department's housing development objectives, measures of program success and standards for granting financial and nonfinancial assistance under programs administered by said commissioner.

(3) A presentation of the state-funded housing development portfolio of the department, including:

(A) A list of the names, addresses and locations of all recipients of such assistance; and

(B) For each such recipient, (i) a summary of the terms and conditions for the assistance, including the type and amount of state financial assistance, (ii) the amount of investments from private and other nonstate sources that have been leveraged by the assistance, (iii) the number of new units to be created and the number of units to be preserved at the time of the application, and (iv) the number of actual new units created and number of units preserved.

(4) An analysis of the state-funded housing development portfolio of the department, including:
(A) An investment analysis, including the (i) total active portfolio value, (ii) total investment made in the preceding state fiscal year, (iii) portfolio dollar per new unit created, (iv) estimated dollars per new unit created for projects receiving an assistance award in the preceding state fiscal year, (v) portfolio dollars per unit preserved, (vi) estimated dollar per unit preserved for projects receiving an assistance award in the preceding state fiscal year, (vii) portfolio leverage ratio, and (viii) leverage ratio for housing development investments made in the preceding state fiscal year; and

(B) A production and preservation analysis, including (i) the total number of units created, itemized by municipality, for the total portfolio and projects receiving an assistance award in the preceding state fiscal year, (ii) the total number of elderly units created for the total portfolio and for projects receiving an assistance award in the preceding state fiscal year, (iii) the total number of family units created for the total portfolio and for projects receiving an assistance award in the preceding state fiscal year, (iv) the total number of units preserved, itemized by municipality, for the total portfolio and projects receiving an assistance award in the preceding state fiscal year, (v) the total number of elderly units preserved for the total portfolio and for projects receiving an assistance award in the preceding state fiscal year, (vi) the total number of family units preserved for the total portfolio and for projects receiving an assistance award in the preceding state fiscal year, (vii) an analysis by income group of households served by the department's housing construction, substantial rehabilitation, purchase and rental assistance programs, for each housing development, if applicable, and for each program, including number of households served under each program by race and data for all households, and (viii) a summary of the department's efforts in promoting fair housing choice and racial and economic integration, including data on the racial composition of the occupants and persons on the waiting list of each housing project that is assisted.
under any housing program established by the general statutes or a special act or that is supervised by the department, provided no information shall be required to be disclosed by any occupant or person on a waiting list for the preparation of such summary. As used in this subparagraph, "elderly units" means dwelling units for which occupancy is restricted by age, and "family units" means dwelling units for which occupancy is not restricted by age.

(5) An economic impact analysis of the department's housing development efforts and activities, including, but not limited to:

(A) The contribution of such efforts and activities to the gross state product;

(B) The direct and indirect employment created by the investments for the total housing development portfolio and for any investment activity for such portfolio occurring in the preceding state fiscal year; and

(C) Personal income in the state.

(6) With regard to the Housing Trust Fund and Housing Trust Fund program, as those terms are defined in section 8-336m:

(A) Activities for the prior fiscal year of the Housing Trust Fund and the Housing Trust Fund program; and

(B) The efforts of the department to obtain private support for the Housing Trust Fund and the Housing Trust Fund program.

(7) With regard to the department's energy conservation loan program:

(A) The number of loans or deferred loans made during the preceding fiscal year under each component of such program and the total amount of the loans or deferred loans made during such fiscal
year under each such component;

(B) A description of each step of the loan or deferred loan application and review process;

(C) The location of each loan or deferred loan application intake site for such program;

(D) The average time period for the processing of loan or deferred loan applications during such fiscal year; and

(E) The total administrative expenses of such program for such fiscal year.

(8) A summary of the total social and economic impact of the department's efforts and activities in the areas of community and housing development, and an assessment of the department's performance in terms of meeting its stated goals and objectives.

(b) Any annual report that is required from the department by any provision of the general statutes shall be incorporated into the annual report provided pursuant to subsection (a) of this section.

Sec. 573. Section 8-37rrr of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Not later than January 1, 2014, and annually thereafter, the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, in consultation with the Commissioners of Social Services, Children and Families, Mental Health and Addiction Services and Developmental Services, shall submit a report, in accordance with the requirements of section 11-4a, on the number of departmental clients and the number who have been recipients of rental assistance certificates to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations, housing,
human services and public health. Such report shall detail the utilization of the rental assistance vouchers issued pursuant to sections 8-345 to 8-346a, inclusive, and establish targets to ensure that rental assistance program resources are allocated in accordance with legislative intent.

Sec. 574. Subsection (f) of section 8-39 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(f) "Families of low and moderate income" means families who lack the amount of income which is necessary, as determined by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, to enable them to rent or purchase moderate cost housing without financial assistance as provided by this part and parts II and III of this chapter.

Sec. 575. Subsection (w) of section 8-39 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(w) "Nonprofit corporation" means a nonprofit corporation incorporated pursuant to chapter 602 or any predecessor statutes thereto, having as one of its purposes the construction, rehabilitation, ownership or operation of housing and having articles of incorporation approved by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development in accordance with regulations adopted pursuant to section 8-79a or 8-84.

Sec. 576. Section 8-44a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) Any housing authority may prepare and submit to the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for approval a program of social and supplementary services and
project rehabilitation and improvement for any or all housing projects within the jurisdiction of such housing authority. Such program shall include the estimated costs of the services, rehabilitation and improvement and the method and staff required to carry out such program. After approval of such program by the commissioner, the state, acting by and in the discretion of the commissioner, may enter into a contract with the housing authority conditioned upon the housing authority performing the program approved. Such contract shall provide for state financial assistance in the form of a grant-in-aid, loan, deferred loan or combination thereof equal to the cost of such program, including administrative or other cost or expense to be incurred by the state in connection with such program as approved by the commissioner, provided such contract shall provide financial assistance in the form of a loan, or deferred loan rather than a grant only in a case where, and to the extent that, repayment ability exists because of an adequate rental structure or funds are made available by an agency of the United States government in such amounts and for such periods of time as are required to repay such loan, together with interest. The contract shall further provide that in the event such funds provided by an agency of the United States government shall terminate prior to complete repayment of a loan or deferred loan made pursuant to this subsection, the remaining balance of such loan shall be deemed to be a grant-in-aid. In the case of a deferred loan, the contract shall require that payments on interest are due immediately but that payments on principal may be made at a later time.

(b) Said commissioner shall establish a program of rehabilitation and major repair, including any repair, replacement or installation as may be necessary for energy conservation, of (1) existing rental housing projects developed with state financial assistance, pursuant to this chapter or chapter 129, to restore such projects to a sound, habitable and energy-efficient condition, (2) housing developed with state financial assistance pursuant to chapter 138b, (3) projects
developed with state financial assistance pursuant to section 8-214f, and (4) projects developed with state financial assistance pursuant to section 8-218. Each housing authority, nonprofit corporation, community housing development corporation, municipal developer or other eligible developer, shall prepare and submit to said commissioner a request for any necessary construction, rehabilitation and major repair with respect to each such housing project within the jurisdiction of such authority, nonprofit corporation, community housing development corporation, municipal developer or other eligible developer, including the construction or rehabilitation of facilities adjacent to such project which are functionally related to and serve the needs of such project. Each such request shall include a detailed description and the estimated cost of such construction, rehabilitation or major repair. After approval by said commissioner of such construction, rehabilitation or major repair as requested, or any part thereof, the state, acting by and in the discretion of said commissioner, may enter into a contract with such authority, nonprofit corporation, community housing development corporation, municipal developer or other eligible developer, providing for state financial assistance in the form of a grant-in-aid, loan, deferred loan or combination thereof equal to the cost of such approved construction, rehabilitation or major repair, including, in the case of grants-in-aid or loans or deferred loans financed from the proceeds of the state's general obligation bonds issued pursuant to any authorization, allocation or approval of the State Bond Commission made prior to July 1, 1990, administrative or other cost or expense to be incurred by the state in connection with such program as approved by the commissioner, provided such contract shall provide financial assistance in the form of a loan or deferred loan rather than a grant only in a case where, and to the extent that, repayment ability exists because of an adequate rental structure or funds are made available by an agency of the United States government in such amounts and for such periods of time as are required to repay such loan or deferred
loan, together with interest. The contract shall further provide that in
the event such funds provided by an agency of the United States
government shall terminate prior to complete repayment of a loan or
deferred loan made pursuant to this subsection, the remaining balance
of such loan or deferred loan shall be deemed to be a grant-in-aid.
Such grants-in-aid, loans or deferred loans shall be provided from the
proceeds of state bonds authorized and issued in accordance with the
provisions of subsection (c) of this section.

(c) For the purposes of subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond
Commission shall have power, from time to time to authorize issuance
of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts
not exceeding in the aggregate forty-two million dollars. All provisions
of section 3-20, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby
which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section are
hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State
Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in
anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such
bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section 3-
20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such
time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as
may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the
State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds
shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond
Commission that there has been filed with it a request for such
authorization, which is signed by or on behalf of the Commissioner of
[Housing] Economic and Community Development and states such
terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may
require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be general
obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of
Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and
interest on said bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as
part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds,
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appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due.

(d) The proceeds from the sale of the bonds and notes authorized by subsection (c) of this section, except refunding bonds and notes, shall be deposited in a fund designated the "Rental Rehabilitation Fund", which fund shall be used to make the grants, loans and deferred loans authorized by subsection (b) of this section. Payments from the fund to authorities shall be made by the State Treasurer on certification of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development in accordance with the contract for financial assistance between the state and such authority. All payments by an authority of state service charges, as authorized by subsection (f) of this section, financed from the proceeds of the state's general obligation bonds authorized pursuant to any authorization, allocation or approval of the State Bond Commission made prior to July 1, 1990, shall be paid to the State Treasurer for deposit in said fund. All payments of service charges not financed from the proceeds of the state's general obligation bonds shall be paid to the State Treasurer for deposit in the Housing Repayment and Revolving Loan Fund.

(e) The State Treasurer is authorized to invest such moneys in the Rental Rehabilitation Fund as he or she deems to be available for such purpose in obligations of or guaranteed by the state or the United States of America or agencies or instrumentalities thereof and, without limitation on the foregoing, in such other obligations, including time deposits or certificates of deposit, as may be permitted investments by the Treasurer for the General Fund of the state and secured in such manner as the Treasurer may require.

(f) Grants, loans and deferred loans or combinations thereof made under the authority of this section and financed from the proceeds of the state's general obligation bonds authorized pursuant to any
authorization, allocation or approval of the State Bond Commission made prior to July 1, 1990, shall include, as part of the project cost, a state service charge, as approved by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development.

(g) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall approve an operation or management plan of each housing project, which shall provide an income adequate for debt service, administration, including a state service charge, other operating costs and establishment of reasonable reserves for repairs, maintenance and replacements, vacancy and collection losses.

(h) Subject to the approval of the Governor, any administrative or other cost or expense incurred by the state in connection with the carrying out of the provisions of this section, including the hiring of necessary employees and the entering upon necessary contracts, may be paid from the Rental Rehabilitation Fund.

(i) Any principal and interest payments received pursuant to this section from eligible developers shall be paid to the State Treasurer for deposit in the General Fund.

Sec. 577. Section 8-45 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Each housing authority shall manage and operate its housing projects in an efficient manner so as to enable it to fix the rentals for dwelling accommodations at the lowest possible rates consistent with providing decent, safe and sanitary dwelling accommodations, and no housing authority shall construct or operate any such project for profit or as a source of revenue to the municipality. To this end an authority shall fix the rentals for dwelling in its projects at no higher rates than it finds to be necessary in order to produce revenues which, together with all other available money, revenues, income and receipts of the
authority from whatever sources derived, will be sufficient [(a)] (1) to
pay, as the same become due, the principal and interest on the bonds
of the authority; [(b)] (2) to meet the cost of, and to provide for,
maintaining and operating the projects, including the cost of any
insurance, and the administrative expenses of the authority; and [(c)]
(3) to create, during not less than six years immediately succeeding its
issuance of any bonds, a reserve sufficient to meet the largest principal
and interest payments which will be due on such bonds in any one
year thereafter and to maintain such reserve. In the operation or
management of housing projects an authority shall, at all times, rent or
lease the dwelling accommodations therein at rentals within the
financial reach of families of low income. The authority, subject to
approval by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and
Community Development, shall fix maximum income limits for the
admission and for the continued occupancy of families in such
housing, provided such maximum income limits and all revisions
thereof for housing projects operated pursuant to any contract with
any agency of the federal government shall be subject to the prior
approval of such federal agency. The Commissioner of [Housing]
Economic and Community Development shall define the income of a
family to provide the basis for determining eligibility for the admission
and for the continued occupancy of families under the maximum
income limits fixed and approved. The definition of family income, by
the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community
Development, may provide for the exclusion of all or part of the
income of family members which, in the judgment of said
commissioner, is not generally available to meet the cost of basic living
needs of the family. No housing authority shall refuse to rent any
dwelling accommodation to an otherwise qualified applicant on the
ground that one or more of the proposed occupants are children born
out of wedlock. Each housing authority shall provide a receipt to each
applicant for admission to its housing projects stating the time and
date of application and shall maintain a list of such applications which
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shall be a public record as defined in section 1-200. The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall, by regulation, provide for the manner in which such list shall be created, maintained and revised. No provision of this chapter shall be construed as limiting the right of the authority to vest in an obligee the right, in the event of a default by such authority, to take possession of a housing project or cause the appointment of a receiver thereof or acquire title thereto through foreclosure proceedings, free from all the restrictions imposed by this chapter with respect to rental rates and tenant selection.

Sec. 578. Section 8-47 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

In fixing maximum income limits under section 8-45, the authority and the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall take into consideration (1) the latest average wage as computed by the Labor Commissioner for the city or town served by the authority, (2) the number of vacancies in the projects under the authority's control, and (3) the number of applications for admission to tenancy which are refused because of income disqualification.

Sec. 579. Section 8-48 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

In the cases of any tenants who are the recipients of one hundred per cent social services aid from the Department of Social Services of the state or any municipality and who have no income from any other source, rentals shall be fixed by each housing authority for the ensuing rental year established by the authority based on one-half of the costs and expenses set forth in [subsection (a)] subdivision (1) of section 8-45, plus the full amount of costs and expenses set forth in [subsections (b) and (c)] subdivisions (1) and (2) of said section as set forth in the operating statements of the authority for the preceding fiscal year,
which total amount shall be divided by the total number of rooms contained in all low-rent housing projects operated by such housing authority to establish the rental cost per room per annum for such tenants, from which figure shall be computed the rent per month per room. Said rentals shall govern for said rental year.

Sec. 580. Section 8-49 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Any authority or authorities may join or cooperate with one another or with the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development in the exercise, either jointly or otherwise, of any of their powers for the purpose of financing, including the issuance of bonds, notes or other obligations and the giving of security therefor, planning, undertaking, owning, constructing, operating or contracting with respect to a housing project or projects located within the area within which one or more of such authorities are authorized to exercise their powers. For such purpose any cooperating authority may, by resolution, prescribe and authorize said commissioner or any authority so joining and cooperating with it to act in its behalf in the exercise of any of such powers or the cooperating authorities may, by resolution, appoint from among the commissioners of such authorities an executive committee with full powers to act on behalf of such authorities with respect to any of their powers as prescribed by resolution of such authority.

Sec. 581. Section 8-57 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

In addition to the powers conferred by law upon any housing authority or the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, any such authority or said commissioner, in any contract with the federal government for annual contributions or other financial assistance, may obligate itself or the state, as the case
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may be, which obligation shall be specifically enforceable and shall not constitute a mortgage, notwithstanding any other laws, to convey to the federal government the housing project to which such contract relates, upon the occurrence of a substantial default with respect to the covenants or conditions to which such authority or the state is subject. Such contract may further provide that, in case of such conveyance, the federal government may complete, operate, manage, lease, convey or otherwise deal with the housing project in accordance with the terms of such contract, provided the contract shall require that, as soon as practicable after the federal government is satisfied that all defaults by reason of which it acquired the housing project have been cured and that the housing project will thereafter be operated in accordance with the terms of the contract, the federal government shall reconvey to such authority or the state the housing project as then constituted.

Sec. 582. Section 8-64a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

No housing authority that receives or has received any state financial assistance may sell, lease, transfer or destroy, or contract to sell, lease, transfer or destroy, any housing project or portion thereof in any case where such project or portion thereof would no longer be available for the purpose of low or moderate income rental housing as a result of such sale, lease, transfer or destruction, except the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may grant written approval for the sale, lease, transfer or destruction of a housing project if the commissioner finds, after a public hearing, that (1) the sale, lease, transfer or destruction is in the best interest of the state and the municipality in which the project is located, (2) an adequate supply of low or moderate income rental housing exists in the municipality in which the project is located, (3) the housing authority has developed a plan for the sale, lease, transfer or destruction of such project in consultation with the residents of such
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project and representatives of the municipality in which such project is situated and has made adequate provision for said residents' and representatives' participation in such plan, and (4) any person who is displaced as a result of the sale, lease, transfer or destruction will be relocated to a comparable dwelling unit of public or subsidized housing in the same municipality or will receive a tenant-based rental subsidy and will receive relocation assistance under chapter 135. The commissioner shall consider the extent to which the housing units that are to be sold, leased, transferred or destroyed will be replaced with housing that is affordable to households with incomes below twenty-five per cent of the area median income and to households with incomes below fifty per cent of the area median income, in ways that may include, but need not be limited to, newly constructed housing, rehabilitation of housing that is abandoned or has been vacant for at least one year, or new federal, state or local tenant-based or project-based rental subsidies. The commissioner shall give the residents of the housing project or portion thereof that is to be sold, leased, transferred or destroyed written notice of said public hearing by first class mail not less than ninety days before the date of the hearing. Said written approval shall contain a statement of facts supporting the findings of the commissioner. This section shall not apply to the sale, lease, transfer or destruction of a housing project pursuant to the terms of any contract entered into before June 3, 1988. The commissioner shall not impose a one-for-one replacement requirement on King Court in East Hartford. This section shall not apply to phase I of Father Panik Village in Bridgeport, Elm Haven in New Haven, Pequonnock Gardens Project in Bridgeport, Evergreen Apartments in Bridgeport, Quinnipiac Terrace/Riverview in New Haven, Dutch Point in Hartford, William V. Begg Apartments in Waterbury, Southfield Village in Stamford, Marina Village in Bridgeport and, upon approval by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development of a HOPE VI revitalization application and a revitalization plan that includes at least the one-for-one replacement of low and moderate
income units, Fairfield Court in Stamford.

Sec. 583. Subsection (d) of section 8-64c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(d) No authority shall be eligible to apply for financial assistance for the major physical transformation of any real property or portion thereof from the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development or the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority unless such authority has adopted and implemented a resident participation plan in accordance with this section. In awarding financial assistance for the major physical transformation of any real property or portion thereof, the department and authority shall, in a manner consistent with their procedures, give full consideration for preference to any application made by any authority that has entered into a signed agreement in accordance with this section.

Sec. 584. Section 8-68 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

In addition to its other powers, any housing authority, within its area of operation, or the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may undertake and carry out studies and analyses of the housing needs and of the meeting of such needs, including data with respect to population and family groups and the distribution thereof according to income groups, the amount and quality of available housing and its distribution according to rentals and sale prices, employment, wages and other factors affecting the local housing needs and the meeting thereof; may make the results of such studies and analyses available to the public and the building, housing and supply industries, and may engage in research and disseminate information on the subject of housing.
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Sec. 585. Section 8-68a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The state, acting by and through the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with the housing authority of any municipality maintaining a housing project, for which state assistance has been provided, for a state grant equivalent to fifty per cent of the cost of establishing a community center in such municipality, subject to a finding by said commissioner that such municipality will establish a continuing program for such center. In anticipation of final payment of such grant, the state, acting by and through said commissioner and in accordance with such contract, may make advances to the authority for preliminary planning expense or other development cost of such center.

Sec. 586. Section 8-68b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

For the purposes of section 8-68a the State Treasurer is authorized and directed, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of section 3-20, to issue bonds of the state, from time to time, in an amount which shall not in the aggregate exceed .... dollars. Such bonds shall be issued in accordance with the provisions of said section 3-20 and the full faith and credit of the state is pledged for the payment of the interest on said bonds as the same become due and the payment of the principal thereof at maturity. Such bonds shall be sold at not less than par and accrued interest and shall bear such date or dates, mature at such time or times not exceeding thirty years from their respective dates and be subject to such redemption privileges with or without premium as may be fixed and determined by the State Bond Commission. Such portion of the proceeds from the sale of such bonds and of any notes issued in anticipation thereof as may be required for such purpose shall be applied to the payment of the principal of any such notes then outstanding and unpaid and the remaining proceeds
of any such sale shall be used for the payment of grants and advances under the provisions of section 8-68a. Such payments shall be made by the State Treasurer on certification of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development in accordance with the contract between the state and the authority. The Treasurer may invest in direct obligations of the United States of America such of the proceeds of such sale as he or she deems available for such purpose.

Sec. 587. Subsection (b) of section 8-68c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) Any owner of multifamily rental housing for persons and families of low and moderate income, that is assisted pursuant to a contract, mortgage, or mortgage insured under any covered program shall, not later than one year prior to the expiration or planned or proposed termination of any subsidy for the development, sale, transfer of title, lease of the development, prepayment of any such contract or mortgage, or maturity of such mortgage, if any such action will result in the cessation or reduction of the financial assistance or regulatory requirements designed to make the assisted units affordable to low and moderate income households, provide written notice of such action to the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, the chief executive officer of the municipality in which such housing is located and to all tenants residing in such housing. Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the contractual rights or the ability of such owner to prepay any such mortgage or to interfere with any existing contract. Not later than ten business days after receipt of any notice, the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall cause such notice to be posted on the web site of the department. Such notice shall also be made available electronically to those persons who have provided the commissioner with a written request to receive such.
notices along with a current electronic mail address.

Sec. 588. Section 8-68d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Each housing authority shall submit a report to the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development and the chief executive officer of the municipality in which the authority is located not later than March first, annually. The report shall contain (1) an inventory of all existing housing owned or operated by the authority, including the total number, types and sizes of rental units and the total number of occupancies and vacancies in each housing project or development, and a description of the condition of such housing, (2) a description of any new construction projects being undertaken by the authority and the status of such projects, (3) the number and types of any rental housing sold, leased or transferred during the period of the report which is no longer available for the purpose of low or moderate income rental housing, and (4) such other information as the commissioner may require by regulations adopted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54.

Sec. 589. Section 8-68e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with a housing authority for state financial assistance, within available funds, in the form of a grant-in-aid for the rehabilitation of uninhabitable dwelling units, provided the housing authority is receiving financial assistance for such units from the federal government. Such units may be operated and managed under the jurisdiction of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development may adopt regulations, in accordance with...
the provisions of chapter 54, to carry out the purposes of this section.

Sec. 590. Section 8-68f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Each housing authority which receives financial assistance under any state housing program, and the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority or its subsidiary when said authority or subsidiary is the successor owner of housing previously owned by a housing authority under part II or part VI of this chapter, shall, for housing which it owns and operates, (1) provide each of its tenants with a written lease, (2) adopt a procedure for hearing tenant complaints and grievances, (3) adopt procedures for soliciting tenant comment on proposed changes in housing authority policies and procedures, including changes to its lease and to its admission and occupancy policies, and (4) encourage tenant participation in the housing authority's operation of state housing programs, including, where appropriate, the facilitation of tenant participation in the management of housing projects. If such housing authority or the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority or its subsidiary operates both a federal and a state-assisted housing program, it shall use the same procedure for hearing tenant grievances in both programs. The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 to establish uniform minimum standards for the requirements in this section.

Sec. 591. Section 8-68g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may, in accordance with regulations adopted in accordance with chapter 54, permit any eligible developer to charge a developer's fee in connection with the construction, renovation or rehabilitation of low and moderate income housing for which the
eligible developer applies to the commissioner for state financial assistance under any program administered by the commissioner. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section or any regulations adopted thereunder, the developer's fee charged by a community housing development corporation for a project pursuant to subsection (b) of section 8-218 shall be ten per cent of the cost of the project except that the commissioner, in his discretion, may authorize, by regulations, a fee in excess of such amount.

Sec. 592. Subsection (h) of section 8-68h of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(h) On or before November [1, 1992, and] first annually, [thereafter,] the director of each housing authority shall submit a report to the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development on the tenant escrow account program administered by the housing authority.

Sec. 593. Section 8-68j of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development;

(2) "Connecticut Housing Finance Authority" means the authority created and operating pursuant to the provisions of chapter 134;

(3) "Financially distressed development" means a housing development owned by a housing authority and subject to an asset that was transferred from the Department of [Housing] to the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority pursuant to section 8-37u or subdivision (3) of section 32-11; and
(4) "Housing authority" means a local housing authority owning a financially distressed development.

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, a housing authority may, with the approval of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, quit claim or otherwise transfer its interest in a financially distressed development to the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority. The commissioner may grant such approval upon an express finding that: (1) The housing authority is financially unable to maintain the development; (2) there is no reasonable prospect that the housing authority will be able to maintain the property in the future; (3) the housing authority has requested to transfer the development; and (4) the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority is prepared to accept the transfer.

Sec. 594. Section 8-70 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) Upon preliminary approval by the State Bond Commission pursuant to the provisions of section 3-21, the state, acting by and through the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract or contracts with an authority or combination of authorities for state financial assistance for a moderate rental housing project or projects in the form of (1) interim and permanent loans or deferred loans; (2) guarantees by the state of the notes of an authority; (3) grants; or (4) any combination of such forms of aid. In the case of a deferred loan, the contract shall require that payments on all or a portion of the interest are due currently but that payments on principal may be made at a later time.

(b) Upon preliminary approval by the State Bond Commission pursuant to the provisions of section 3-21, the state, acting by and through the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract or contracts with an eligible
developer for state financial assistance for a moderate rental housing project or projects in the form of interim and permanent mortgage loans and, in the case of a housing authority or nonprofit corporation, the commissioner may enter into a contract or contracts to provide state financial assistance in the form of a grant.

(c) Permanent loans or deferred loans made by the state under the authorization of this section (1) shall bear interest payable quarterly on the first days of January, April, July and October for the preceding calendar quarter at a rate to be determined in accordance with subsection (t) of section 3-20; (2) shall be in an amount not in excess of the development cost of the project or projects, including, in the case of loans or deferred loans financed from the proceeds of the state's general obligation bonds issued pursuant to any authorization, allocation or approval of the State Bond Commission made prior to July 1, 1990, a state service charge, as approved by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development; and (3) shall be repayable in such installments as are determined by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development within fifty years from the date of completion of the project or projects, as determined by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development. The term of a permanent loan or deferred loan may be extended upon the recommendation of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development with the approval of the State Bond Commission if the commissioner determines that such an extension is necessary for the continuing financial viability of a project. In anticipation of such permanent loans or deferred loans, the state, acting by and through the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, with the approval of the Governor and the Treasurer, may make temporary loans or deferred loans or advances to the authority or authorities at an interest rate to be determined in accordance with subsection (t) of section 3-20. As a condition of making any loan under this section, the
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commissioner may require the authority or authorities or the eligible developer to develop a management plan designed to ensure adequate maintenance of such project or projects.

(d) Grants made by the state under the authorization of this section shall be in an amount not in excess of the development cost of the projects as approved by the commissioner.

Sec. 595. Section 8-71 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) In lieu of real property taxes, special benefit assessments and sewerage system use charges otherwise payable to such municipality, except in such municipalities as, by special act or charter, on May 20, 1957, had a sewer use charge, an authority shall pay each year to the municipality in which any of its moderate rental housing projects are located a sum to be determined by the municipality, with the approval of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, not in excess of twelve and one-half per cent of the shelter rent per annum for each occupied dwelling unit in any such housing project; except that the amount of such payment shall not be so limited in any case where funds are made available for such payment by an agency or department of the United States government, but no payment shall exceed the amount of taxes which would be paid on the property were the property not exempt from taxation.

(b) For the period commencing on June 2, 2016, and ending June 30, 2018, each municipality that received a grant-in-aid pursuant to section 8-216 in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, shall waive any payment that becomes payable during such period pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, except that no waiver shall be required in any case where funds are made available for such payment by an agency or department of the United States government.
Sec. 596. Section 8-72 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Each developer or housing authority shall manage and operate its housing projects in an efficient manner so as to enable it to fix the rentals for dwelling accommodations at the lowest possible rates consistent with providing decent, safe and sanitary dwelling accommodations, and no housing authority or nonprofit corporation shall construct or operate any such project for profit. To this end an authority or a nonprofit corporation shall fix the rentals for dwelling in its projects at no higher rates than it finds to be necessary in order to produce revenues which, together with all other available money, revenues, income and receipts of the authority or nonprofit corporation from whatever sources derived, will be sufficient [(a)] (1) to pay, as the same become due, the principal and interest on the bonds of the authority or nonprofit corporation; [(b)] and (2) to meet the cost of, and to provide for, maintaining and operating the projects, including the cost of any insurance, and the administrative expenses of the authority or nonprofit corporation; provided nothing in this section shall be construed as prohibiting any authority or nonprofit corporation from providing for variable rentals based on family income. In the operation or management of housing projects an authority or nonprofit corporation shall, at all times, rent or lease the dwelling accommodations therein at rentals within the financial reach of families of low income. The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may establish maximum income limits for admission and continued occupancy of tenants, provided such maximum income limits and all revisions thereof for housing projects operated pursuant to any contract with any agency of the federal government shall be subject to the prior approval of such federal agency. The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall define the income of a family to provide the basis for determining eligibility for the admission, rentals and for the
continued occupancy of families under the maximum income limits fixed and approved. The definition of family income, by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may provide for the exclusion of all or part of the income of family members which, in the judgment of said commissioner, is not generally available to meet the cost of basic living needs of the family. No housing authority or developer shall refuse to rent any dwelling accommodation to an otherwise qualified applicant on the ground that one or more of the proposed occupants are children born out of wedlock. Each housing authority and developer shall provide a receipt to each applicant for admission to its housing projects stating the time and date of application and shall maintain a list of such applications, which shall be a public record, as defined in section 1-200. The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall, by regulation, provide for the manner in which such list shall be created, maintained and revised. No provision of this part shall be construed as limiting the right of the authority to vest in an obligee the right, in the event of a default by such authority, to take possession of a housing project or cause the appointment of a receiver thereof or acquire title thereto through foreclosure proceedings, free from all the restrictions imposed by this chapter with respect to rental rates and tenant selection. The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall approve an operation or management plan of each housing project, which shall provide an income adequate for debt service, if any, administration, including a state service charge, other operating costs and establishment of reasonable reserves for repairs, maintenance and replacements, vacancy and collection losses. Said commissioner shall have the right of inspection of any housing during the period between the date on which construction thereof begins and the date the state loan is fully paid or, in the case of a grant, during the period for which any housing project built pursuant to such grant is used for housing for families of low and moderate income. An authority or developer shall semiannually submit to said
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commissioner a sworn statement setting forth such information with respect to the tenants and rentals for each housing project hereunder and the costs of operating each housing project under its jurisdiction as said commissioner requires. Any person who makes a false statement concerning the income of the family for which application for admission to or continued occupancy of housing projects is made may be fined not more than five hundred dollars or imprisoned not more than six months or both. With regard to a family who, since the last annual recertification, received any public assistance or state-administered general assistance and received earnings from employment, the authority or developer shall not require any interim recertification due to an earnings increase. At the annual recertification, the authority or developer shall base rent levels on such family's average income throughout the preceding twelve months. During the subsequent twelve-month period, the authority or developer shall not require any interim recertifications due to increased earnings from employment. However, if a family's income has decreased, nothing in this section shall preclude an interim recertification or recertification based on the reduced income level.

Sec. 597. Section 8-72a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The maximum income limits under section 8-72 shall be eighty per cent of the area median income adjusted for family size.

(b) Notwithstanding the provision of subsection (a) of this section, each developer or housing authority may propose different maximum income limits. In fixing exceptions to maximum income limits under section 8-72, the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall take into consideration (1) the latest average wage as computed by the Labor Commissioner for the city or town served by the authority, (2) the number of vacancies in the projects under the authority's control, (3) the number of applications

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for admission to tenancy or for continued occupancy which are refused because of income disqualification, and (4) the latest area median income, as determined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Sec. 598. Subsection (b) of section 8-73 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, if the eviction of such tenants would result in or increase the number of vacancies in such project, the housing authority or developer may request approval of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development to permit continued occupancy by tenants having an annual income over the maximum limits established for such project and rental of existing vacant units to tenants having an annual income over such maximum limits. If the commissioner finds that the vacancy rate which would result from refusal to grant such approval may result in an inability of the project to provide an income adequate for debt service, if any, administration, including the state service charge, other operating costs and reserves for repairs, maintenance, replacements and collection costs, the commissioner may approve such occupancy for a period of one year, subject to renewal for additional one-year periods. The amount fixed as rent for units so occupied pursuant to this subsection shall be determined as provided in subsection (a) of this section but in no event shall such rent be in excess of one hundred thirty-three per cent of the going rental as established pursuant to section 8-72.

Sec. 599. Section 8-74 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

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[Housing] Economic and Community Development has provided notice to the general public of the project by publication, in ten-point boldface type, of a description of the project in a newspaper of general circulation in the municipality in which the proposed project is to be located; (2) the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development has approved the site, not less than thirty days after publication of the notice required under this section and after having given due consideration to any comments received from the public, the plans and layout and the estimated cost of development; and (3) the commissioner has approved the proposed methods of financing, the proposed rents and income limits for admission and continued occupancy and a detailed estimate of the expenses and revenues thereof. During the period of any grant or loan contract entered into under part I or III of this chapter or this part, the developer shall submit to the commissioner for his approval its rent schedules and its standards of tenant eligibility and continued occupancy, and any changes therein and its proposed budget for each fiscal year, together with such reports and financial and operating statements as the commissioner finds necessary. The commissioner may recommend the use of modern materials and methods of construction and factory-built houses in such projects, provided the use thereof would not be detrimental to the public health and safety, and may, in his discretion, withhold approval of the plans therefor if he believes that failure to use such methods or materials or factory-built houses would result in unnecessarily high costs. The commissioner is authorized to make and enforce reasonable orders and regulations and to determine the allocation of dwelling units to be constructed by an authority. The provisions of section 31-53 shall apply to housing projects constructed by an eligible developer under this part.

Sec. 600. Section 8-76 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):
Upon the determination by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development of the termination of the acute shortage of moderate rental housing in the locality or upon the determination by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development and the developer owning a moderate rental housing project that it is in the best interest of the state and such developer, such project or any part thereof may be sold by the developer upon terms and conditions approved by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development.

(a) Such project or any part of such project sufficiently separable from other property retained by the developer, unless the developer deems it advisable to sell such project as individual one-family or two-family dwelling units, shall be sold, in accordance with regulations adopted by said commissioner which shall establish the order of priorities among the following eligible purchasers: A cooperative or condominium association, membership in which is open to any tenants of the project or part of the project to be sold, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development or a private sponsor, provided any such purchaser shall agree to use such project for purposes of housing for persons or families of moderate income for as long as a need for such housing continues to exist, as determined by said commissioner, and provided further no tenant occupying a dwelling unit of the project at the time of sale shall be evicted except for cause.

(b) In the sale of a one-family or two-family dwelling unit in a project, or of shares in a cooperative or condominium association purchasing a project or part of a project, preference shall be given to buyers in accordance with the following schedule: (1) First preference shall go to persons who are tenants of the project at the time of sale and whose incomes are below the levels for continued occupancy in the project; (2) second preference shall go to persons who are tenants
of the project at the time of sale other than those tenants specified in subdivision (1) of this subsection; (3) third preference shall go to applicants who are residents of the community on the waiting list for admission to moderate rental housing projects in the community and whose incomes are below the maximum limits for admission to such moderate rental housing projects; (4) fourth preference shall go to veterans who are residents of the community and whose incomes are below the maximum limits for admission to occupancy of such moderate rental housing projects in the community; (5) fifth preference shall be given to other residents of the municipality, including occupants of publicly-assisted housing projects whose incomes are below the levels for continued occupancy in moderate rental housing projects in the community. No sale or lease of one-family or two-family dwelling units, or of a share in a cooperative or condominium association owning a housing project, originally purchased from the authority according to this section, shall be made to any person who does not meet the qualifications of one or more of the above categories without the approval of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development and any deed conveying such dwelling units or housing project shall state this restriction, which shall run with the land until released by written instrument in recordable form executed by said commissioner, and which may be enforced by said commissioner.

(c) The purchase price of a project or any part thereof may be payable by a purchase money note only when the cost of the project was financed with a loan or deferred loan by the state. Each purchase money note shall provide for its complete amortization by periodic payments within a period not exceeding forty-one years from its date, shall bear interest at a rate to be determined by the State Bond Commission and shall be secured by a first mortgage on the dwelling unit purchased, provided when the sale is to a tenant of the project or to a cooperative or condominium association, membership in which is
open to any tenants of the project or part of the project to be sold, the commissioner may set an interest rate on such purchase money note commensurate with the amount by which the income of any such individual tenant purchaser or of any tenant member of a cooperative or condominium association exceeds the maximum limits permitted for continued occupancy of such project, but in no case shall such interest rate be set below the minimum determined by the State Bond Commission.

(d) In the event that the original purchaser of a one-family or two-family dwelling unit sells, assigns, transfers or otherwise conveys any interest in such unit, the entire unpaid principal balance of the note, with interest thereon, shall become due and payable. In the event that the original purchaser of a one-family or two-family dwelling unit ceases to occupy said unit, the entire unpaid principal balance of any loan, made pursuant to this section on and after April 9, 1976, with interest thereon, may become due and payable at the discretion of the commissioner. If such sale, assignment, transfer or conveyance takes place within seven years of the original purchase, the state, acting by and in the discretion of the commissioner, may recapture a portion of the assistance it provided to finance the purchase of the unit, to be determined as follows: The original purchaser shall pay to the state an amount equal to the sum of (1) additional interest representing the difference between the actual interest paid by the original purchaser on the permanent mortgage loan and the interest that the original purchaser would have paid had the terms of the mortgage loan required interest at a rate of eight per cent per annum, from the date of execution of the mortgage loan to the date of prepayment of the mortgage loan; and (2) fifty per cent of the net appreciation if the unit is resold in the first, second or third year, thirty per cent of the net appreciation if the unit is resold in the fourth or fifth year and twenty per cent of the net appreciation if the unit is resold in the sixth or seventh year following the original purchase. Notwithstanding the
provisions contained in this subsection, the total amount of such recapture shall not exceed the net gain realized upon the resale of the unit. Permanent mortgage documents provided to original purchasers on and after July 1, 1987, shall contain provisions necessary to fulfill the requirements of this subsection.

(e) The proceeds of any sale of any project, or of any part thereof, the cost of which was financed with a loan or deferred loan by the state to a housing authority, after payment of all necessary expenses incident to such sale, shall be applied to liquidate the outstanding balance of such loan or deferred loan. To this end, the authority shall endorse each purchase money note received by the authority in payment of the purchase price to the order of the state without recourse and shall deliver such note, together with a duly executed assignment of the mortgage securing the same, to the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, and the State Treasurer shall credit the face amount of such note as having been paid upon such loan. If the proceeds of the sale of such project or of any part thereof, including as such proceeds the face amount of any purchase money note received by an authority and endorsed and delivered by it to the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, as aforesaid, are more than sufficient to liquidate the outstanding balance of such loan, such proceeds shall be applied toward the outstanding balance, if any, on any loan or deferred loan made pursuant to this part on any other project owned and operated by such authority. If any balance remains after all such loans or deferred loans have been liquidated, an amount equal to one-half of any balance remaining shall be retained by or paid over to the state and an amount equal to the remaining one-half of such balance shall be retained by or paid over to the authority for payment by it to the municipality in which the project is located. The proceeds of the sale of any project the cost of which was financed by notes or bonds issued by the authority and guaranteed by the state, or of any part
thereof, after payment of all necessary expenses incident to such sale, shall be applied so far as practicable to the redemption of all such outstanding notes or bonds. If such proceeds are more than sufficient to redeem all such outstanding notes and bonds, one-half of any balance remaining shall be paid over to the state and the remaining one-half of such balance shall be paid over to the authority for payment by it to the municipality in which the project is located. If such proceeds are insufficient for complete redemption of such notes and bonds, any balance remaining after redemption of the largest possible amount thereof shall be paid over to the state. No such sales shall affect the obligation of the authority upon such notes or bonds or the obligation of the state on its guarantee thereof. The proceeds of the sale of any project, or any part thereof, the cost of which was financed, wholly or partially, by a grant, after payment of all necessary expenses incident to such sale, shall first be used for the repayment of such grant to the state.

(f) The proceeds of any sale of any project, or of any part thereof, the cost of which was financed with a loan or deferred loan by the state to a nonprofit corporation, after payment of all necessary expenses incident to such sale, shall be applied to liquidate the outstanding balance of such loan or deferred loan. To this end, the nonprofit corporation shall endorse each purchase money note received by the nonprofit corporation in payment of the purchase price to the order of the state without recourse and shall deliver such note, together with a duly executed assignment of the mortgage securing the same, to the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, and the State Treasurer shall credit the face amount of such note as having been paid upon such loan or deferred loan. If any balance remains after the loan or deferred loan has been liquidated, such balance shall be paid over to the state for deposit to the credit of the General Fund. The proceeds of the sale of any project, or any part thereof, the cost of which was financed, wholly or partially, by a grant,
after payment of all necessary expenses incident to such sale, shall first be used for the repayment of such grant to the state. If any balance remains after the grant has been repaid, such balance shall be paid over to the state for deposit to the credit of the General Fund.

Sec. 601. Section 8-76a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development is authorized and directed on behalf of the state [(a)] (1) to do any and all acts or things necessary or appropriate to service purchase money notes and mortgages originated pursuant to the provisions of section 8-76, including entering into agreements with banks, mortgage service agencies and other institutions to service such notes and mortgages for service fees payable from collections of principal and interest on such notes, [(b)] (2) upon default in the repayment of any such purchase money note to acquire title to the premises mortgaged to secure the same in the name of the state by foreclosure or otherwise, and [(c)] (3) upon acquisition by the state of title to any premises mortgaged to secure any such purchase money note, to dispose of the same for such price and upon such terms as he deems proper.

Sec. 602. Section 8-77 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

In reviewing the needs of municipalities of the state for moderate rental housing projects as the basis for allocating amounts of state financial assistance for such projects, the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall take into account the respective needs of such municipalities resulting from (1) the construction of a public project or (2) a civil preparedness emergency, as defined in section 28-1.
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Sec. 603. Section 8-78 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The aggregate amount of all bonds and notes issued by the state pursuant to subsection (a) of section 8-80 to meet its obligations under assistance agreements for moderate rental housing projects entered into by it shall not exceed the sum of (1) one hundred sixty-nine million one hundred thirty-two thousand four hundred thirty-five dollars, exclusive of any notes or bonds, the avails of which shall be used for the purpose of refunding outstanding notes or bonds issued for said purposes, and (2) twenty-eight million dollars, provided the proceeds of such bonds and notes issued pursuant to the authorization in subdivision (2) of this section shall be made available for use only with respect to moderate rental housing projects. In considering housing projects for use of the bond proceeds, the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall attempt to capture all federal Section 8 subsidies, for family, elderly, and congregate housing units available to the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, Connecticut Housing Finance Authority or from other sources; encourage the construction or rehabilitation of multifamily rental projects which meet the Mortgage and Revenue Bond Tax Act of 1980 criteria for moderate income; and utilize any other federal subsidy programs for low and moderate income housing which may become available now or in the future, provided the state bonds can be adequately secured and the intent of this section can be assured. The Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may also enter into joint loan participations with other financing sources in order to maximize the number of housing units produced for the amount allocated.

Sec. 604. Section 8-79 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Funds borrowed by a developer to pay for options on sites,
engineering and architectural services and other preliminary expense incident to the construction of a moderate rental housing project under the provisions of this part may, subject to the approval of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, be included as part of the cost of such project to be financed by the issuance of notes and bonds guaranteed by the state pursuant to the provisions of section 949 of the 1949 revision of the general statutes and section 8-70.

Sec. 605. Section 8-79a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall make and enforce regulations to carry out the purposes of this part, to determine the allocation of the loans, deferred loans or mortgage loans to be granted, the terms and conditions of such loans, the conditions for approval of the articles of organization of a developer applying for assistance under this part and the credit requirements of mortgage borrowers.

Sec. 606. Subsection (e) of section 8-80 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(e) The proceeds from the sale of such bonds and notes, except refunding bonds and notes, shall be deposited in a fund designated the "Rental Housing Fund", which fund shall be used to provide the state financial assistance authorized by section 8-70. Payments from the fund to eligible developers shall be made by the State Treasurer on certification of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development in accordance with the contract for financial assistance between the state and such developer. All payments by a developer of interest and principal on loans by the state and of state service charges, as authorized by section 8-70, shall be paid to the State
Treasurer for deposit in said fund. State service charges, as authorized by section 8-72, shall be paid to the State Treasurer for deposit in the Housing Repayment and Revolving Loan Fund. The principal of, and interest on, bonds and notes referred to in subsection (a) of this section, not paid from refunding bonds and notes, shall be paid first out of the moneys in the Rental Housing Fund, and if in any year said fund is not sufficient, then such deficit shall be paid from the General Fund of the state; and if in any year said fund is more than sufficient to meet the principal of the bonds and notes maturing in such year and the interest thereon, the excess shall be applied to the payment of, and principal on, the bonds and notes maturing in any succeeding year or years. Notwithstanding the next preceding sentence, whenever the State Bond Commission authorizes the issuance of a series of bonds which consist of or include term bonds, it shall determine whether or not the annual sinking fund requirement for such term bonds shall be paid out of the moneys in the Rental Housing Fund or out of moneys in the General Fund of the state; if the State Bond Commission determines not to use such moneys in said Rental Housing Fund therefor, such moneys shall be used and expended to pay interest and redemption premium, if any, on any rental housing bonds or notes, or the principal of any rental housing notes or serial bonds, or the principal upon redemption of such term bonds, or to purchase and retire any rental housing bond at a price not to exceed the principal amount thereof and, notwithstanding the foregoing provisions may be used in whole or in part in any year to assist housing projects in the state upon the prior approval of the State Bond Commission of a request by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development which request shall briefly identify the projects and state the amount of such moneys to be used and expended therefor. Amounts paid from the General Fund to cover any deficits in the Rental Housing Fund, including any such amounts paid prior to July 1, 1994, shall be deemed appropriated for such purpose.
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Sec. 607. Section 8-82 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

In order to encourage and facilitate the construction or rehabilitation of housing to be purchased by families of low and moderate income and the rehabilitation by or purchase of existing housing by such families, the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, notwithstanding the provisions of sections 8-120 and 8-121, is authorized [(a) (1)] to enter into an agreement with any eligible developer desirous of erecting or rehabilitating moderate cost housing in a suitable location based upon plans, specifications and layout approved by the commissioner under the terms of which agreement the state may [(1)] (A) on completion of each housing unit, take title to the same in the name of the state, but only if no eligible purchaser is immediately available, and pay to the developer the agreed price therefor and [(2)] (B) sell and convey any such housing unit to an eligible purchaser; [(b) (2)] upon such terms as the commissioner prescribes, to insure, in the name of the state, banks, trust companies, savings banks, mortgage companies, savings and loan associations and other financial institutions which the commissioner finds to be qualified by experience and facilities and approves as eligible for credit insurance, against losses which they may sustain as a result of first mortgage loans on moderate cost housing approved by the commissioner; [(c) (3)] to make in the name of the state first mortgage loans at rates of interest to be determined in accordance with subsection (t) of section 3-20, but in no event in excess of five per cent per annum; [(d) (4)] to make, purchase and hold in the name of the state first or second mortgage loans on housing owned by families of low and moderate income at rates of interest to be determined by the commissioner as provided in [subsection (c)] subdivision (3) of this section, but in no event in excess of five per cent per annum; [(e) (5)] to purchase land or to take the same by right of eminent domain in the manner provided by section 48-12; [(f) (6)] in the event of default on

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any mortgage obligation created under this section, to foreclose or otherwise take title to and possession of the mortgaged property; [(g)] (7) to sell at private or public sale any such acquired property, giving first preference to eligible purchasers as determined by regulations issued under section 8-84, and in connection with such sale to give, grant, convey, execute and deliver in the name of the state, by good and sufficient deed, title thereof. Such sale may be made for all cash, or for part cash and part purchase-money mortgage to be taken and held in the name of the state and to bear interest at the rate of five per cent per annum on the unpaid balance, with interest and principal payments to be made monthly, and with the principal to be amortized over a period not to exceed thirty years; [(h)] (8) to enter into agreements with banks, trust companies, savings banks, mortgage brokers, savings and loan associations, service agencies and other institutions which the commissioner finds to be qualified to service mortgages. Under the terms of such agreement, not more than one-half of one per cent of the average principal balance each year shall be retained in payment for their services as mortgage brokers.

Sec. 608. Section 8-83 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

In granting any mortgage loan or construction mortgage loan or in insuring any construction mortgage loan provided for in section 8-82, preference shall be given in the following order: [(a)] (1) To families of low and moderate income, and among such families preference shall be given to veterans of World War II; [(b)] (2) to citizens dwelling in the community where the housing is located; [(c)] (3) to all other persons in accordance with their needs. Applications for such mortgages shall be filed with the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, who shall, in accordance with the provisions of this section, establish the order of priority of such applications.
Sec. 609. Section 8-84 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall make and enforce reasonable regulations to carry out the purposes of this part, to determine the allocation of the mortgages to be granted, the terms and conditions of such mortgages, the order of priority to be observed in carrying out the provisions of section 8-82, the conditions for approval of the articles of incorporation or basic documents of organization of a developer applying for assistance under this part and the credit requirements of mortgage borrowers.

Sec. 610. Section 8-85 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

If the mortgagee, under a construction mortgage insured under the provisions of section 8-82, has foreclosed and taken title to and possession of the mortgaged property, or, with the consent of the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, has otherwise obtained title to and possession of the same after default, the mortgagee shall be entitled to receive the benefit of the insurance as hereinafter provided upon (1) the prompt conveyance to the state of title to the property and (2) the assignment to the state of all claims of the mortgagee against the mortgagor or others arising out of the mortgage transaction or foreclosure proceedings, except such claims as have been released with the consent of the commissioner. Upon such conveyance and assignment, the commissioner shall direct the Treasurer to pay to the mortgagee a sum equal to the value of the mortgage as hereinafter provided. For the purposes of this section, the value of the mortgage shall be determined by adding to the amount of the original principal obligation of the mortgage which was unpaid on the date of the institution of the foreclosure proceedings or on the date of the acquisition of the property after default other than by
foreclosure, the amount of all payments made by the mortgagee for taxes and liens prior to the mortgage, and for insurance, and by deducting from such total amount any amount received on account of the mortgage after either of such dates, and any amount received as rent or other income from the property, less reasonable expenses incurred in handling the property after either of such dates.

Sec. 611. Section 8-87 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The proceeds from the sale of such bonds and notes, except refunding bonds and notes, shall be deposited in a fund designated "the Housing Mortgage Fund", which fund shall be used to make the loans authorized by this part. Payments from the fund shall be made by the State Treasurer on certification of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development. All repayments of interest and principal on loans by the state, as authorized by this part, shall be paid to the State Treasurer for deposit in said fund. The principal of, and interest on, such bonds and notes, not paid from refunding bonds and notes, shall be paid first out of the moneys in said fund and, if in any year said fund is not sufficient, then such deficit shall be paid from the General Fund of the state; and, if in any year said fund is more than sufficient to meet the principal of such bonds and notes maturing in such year and the interest thereon, the excess shall be used to reimburse the state for any such deficit and the balance thereof shall be applied to the payment of, and principal on, the bonds and notes maturing in any succeeding year or years.

Sec. 612. Section 8-89 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development is designated as the state agency empowered to hold or originate in the name of the state first and second mortgages on real
Sec. 613. Section 8-92 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall have the right of inspection of any housing during the period between the date on which construction thereof begins and the date the state loan is fully paid.

Sec. 614. Subsection (m) of section 8-113a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(m) "Elderly persons" means persons sixty-two years of age and over who lack the amount of income which is necessary, as determined by the authority or nonprofit corporation, subject to approval by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, to enable them to live in decent, safe and sanitary dwellings without financial assistance as provided under this part, or persons who have been certified by the Social Security Board as being totally disabled under the federal Social Security Act or certified by any other federal board or agency as being totally disabled.

Sec. 615. Section 8-114a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) Upon preliminary approval by the State Bond Commission pursuant to the provisions of section 3-21, the state, acting by and through the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract or contracts (1) with an authority, municipal developer or nonprofit corporation for state financial assistance for a rental housing project or projects or continuum of housing or mobile manufactured home parks subject to the provisions of section 8-114b, for elderly persons in the form of...
capital grants, interim loans, permanent loans, deferred loans or any combination thereof for application to the development cost of such project or projects, or (2) with a housing partnership for state financial assistance for a rental housing project or projects or continuum of housing, for elderly persons, in the form of interim loans, permanent loans, deferred loans or any combination thereof, for application to the development cost of such project or projects. A contract with an authority may provide that in the case of any loan made in conjunction with any housing assistance funds provided by an agency of the United States government, if such housing assistance funds terminate prior to complete repayment of a loan made pursuant to this section, the remaining balance of such loan may be converted to a capital grant or decreased loan. Any such state assistance contract with an authority for a capital grant or loan entered into prior to the time housing assistance funds became available from an agency of the United States government, may, upon the mutual consent of the commissioner and the authority, be renegotiated to provide for a loan or increased loan in the place of a capital grant or loan or a part thereof, consistent with the above conditions. In the case of a deferred loan, the contract shall require that payments on all or a portion of the interest are due currently but that payments on principal may be made at a later time.

(b) Permanent loans made by the state under this section: (1) Shall bear interest payable quarterly on the first days of January, April, July and October for the preceding calendar quarter; (2) shall be in an amount not in excess of the development cost of the project or projects, including, in the case of loans financed from the proceeds of the state's general obligation bonds issued pursuant to any authorization, allocation or approval of the State Bond Commission made prior to July 1, 1990, administrative cost or other expense to be incurred by the state in connection therewith, as approved by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development; and (3) shall be repayable in such installments as are determined by the Commissioner.
of [Housing] Economic and Community Development within fifty years from the date of completion of the project or projects, as determined by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development. In anticipation of final payment of such capital grants or loans, the state, acting by and through said commissioner and in accordance with such contract, may make temporary advances to the authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or housing partnership for preliminary planning expense or other development cost of such project or projects. Any loan provided pursuant to this section shall bear interest at a rate to be determined in accordance with subsection (t) of section 3-20. As a condition of making any loan under this section, the commissioner may require such authority, developer, corporation or partnership to develop a management plan designed to ensure adequate maintenance of such project or projects, continuum of housing or mobile home parks.

Sec. 616. Section 8-114d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall award grants-in-aid to housing authorities, municipal developers, nonprofit corporations and housing partnerships operating elderly housing projects pursuant to this part to hire resident services coordinators to (1) facilitate conflict resolution between residents, including between seniors and younger residents, (2) establish and maintain relationships with community service providers and link residents to appropriate community services, (3) act as a liaison to assist in problem solving, (4) assist residents of such housing to maintain an independent living status, (5) assess the individual needs of residents of such housing for the purpose of establishing and maintaining support services, (6) provide orientation services to new residents and maintain regular contact with residents
of such housing, (7) monitor the delivery of support services to residents of such housing, (8) organize resident activities and meetings that promote socialization among all residents, and (9) advocate changes in services sought or required by residents of such housing. The commissioner shall award grants-in-aid based on demonstration of need and availability of matching funds. A joint application made by more than one housing authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or housing partnership shall have the same preference as an application made by one housing authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or housing partnership.

(b) The employment of resident services coordinators by a housing authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or housing partnership operating elderly housing projects pursuant to this part shall be considered an allowable expense.

(c) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may convene monthly meetings of the resident services coordinators for in-service training and information sharing. Training topics shall include, but not be limited to, the health care needs of seniors and persons with disabilities, mediation and conflict resolution, and local and regional service resources.

Sec. 617. Subsection (a) of section 8-115a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) No housing project or projects for elderly persons shall be developed until the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development has approved the site, the plans and specifications, the estimated development cost, including administrative or other cost or expense to be incurred by the state in connection therewith as determined by said commissioner, and an operation or management plan for such project or projects which shall
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provide an income, including contributions expected from any source, which shall be adequate for debt service on any notes or bonds issued by an authority to finance such development cost, administration, including a state service charge as established by the commissioner, other operating costs and establishment of reasonable reserves for repairs, maintenance and replacements, vacancy and collection losses. During the period of operation of such project or projects, the authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or housing partnership shall submit to [the] said commissioner for [said] the commissioner's approval its rent schedules and its standards of tenant eligibility and any changes therein, and its proposed budget for each fiscal year, together with such reports and financial and operating statements as the commissioner finds necessary. Such authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or housing partnership shall also annually submit verification that the significant facilities and services required to be provided to the residents of such project pursuant to Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended by the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 (42 USC 3600 et seq.) are being provided. On and after July 1, 1997, the maximum income limits for admission to such project shall be eighty per cent of the area median income adjusted for family size.

Sec. 618. Section 8-116a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The following provisions shall be applicable to housing for elderly persons: (1) There shall be no requirement that the occupants of such housing constitute families and housing may be provided in separate dwelling units for elderly persons living alone; (2) housing for elderly persons shall conform to standards established by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development and shall be designed so as to alleviate the infirmities characteristic of the elderly; (3) the authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or
housing partnership, subject to approval by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, shall fix maximum standard income and asset limits for admission to such housing; (4) each housing authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or housing partnership shall provide a receipt to each applicant for admission to its housing projects stating the time and date of application and shall maintain a list of such applications, which shall be a public record as defined in section 1-200 and which shall be created, maintained and revised in a manner which the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall, by regulation, provide; and (5) any person who makes a false statement concerning the income of the elderly person for whom application for admission to a project under this part is made may be fined not more than five hundred dollars or imprisoned not more than six months, or both.

Sec. 619. Section 8-117b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) Upon the determination by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development of the termination of the acute shortage of dwelling accommodations for elderly persons in the locality or upon the determination by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development and the authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or housing partnership owning a housing project for elderly persons that it is to the best interest of the state and such authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or housing partnership, said project or any part thereof may, subject to the provisions of any contract or agreement of the authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or housing partnership with respect thereto, be disposed of by the authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or housing partnership upon terms and conditions approved by the commissioner. The proceeds of any such
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sale, together with all assets owned by the authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or housing partnership in connection with such project or part thereof, after payment of all necessary expenses incident to such sale, shall be applied to the redemption of any outstanding notes or bonds issued by the local authority to finance the cost of such project or part thereof. If the proceeds, together with all assets owned by the authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or housing partnership in connection with such project or part thereof, are more than sufficient to redeem the outstanding balance of such notes and bonds, any balance remaining shall be paid over to the state for deposit to the credit of the housing repayment and revolving loan fund. This subsection shall not affect the obligation of the authority upon such notes or bonds or any obligation to the federal government.

(b) Upon the determination of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development that it is in the best interest of the locality in which a housing project for elderly persons is located or upon the determination of the commissioner and the authority, municipal developer or nonprofit corporation owning such a housing project that it is in the best interest of the state and such authority, municipal developer or nonprofit corporation, said project or any part thereof may, subject to the provisions of any contract or agreement entered into with the authority, municipal developer or nonprofit corporation, be converted to a congregate housing project, as defined in section 8-119e. Any such converted housing project shall be subject to the provisions of sections 8-119d to 8-119l, inclusive.

Sec. 620. Section 8-118a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

In lieu of real property taxes, special benefit assessments and sewerage system use charges otherwise payable to a municipality, a local authority shall pay each year, to the municipality in which any of
its housing projects for elderly persons is located, a sum to be
determined by the municipality with the approval of the
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not in excess of ten per cent of the shelter rent per annum for each
occupied dwelling unit in any such housing project; except that the
amount of such payment shall not be so limited in any case where
funds are made available for such payment by an agency or
department of the United States government, but no payment shall
exceed the amount of taxes which would be paid on the property were
the property not exempt from taxation.

Sec. 621. Section 8-118b of the general statutes is repealed and the
following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

In addition to the powers conferred by law upon any housing
authority, any such authority in any contract with the state for
financial assistance with regard to any housing project may obligate
itself, which obligations shall be specifically enforceable and shall not
constitute a mortgage, notwithstanding any other laws to convey to
the state such housing project upon the occurrence of a substantial
default with respect to the covenants or conditions to which such
authority is subject. Such contract may further provide that, in case of
such conveyance, the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and
Community Development may complete, operate, manage, lease,
convey or otherwise deal with the housing project in accordance with
the terms of such contract, provided the contract shall require that, as
soon as practicable after the commissioner is satisfied that all defaults
by reason of which the commissioner acquired the housing project
have been cured and that the housing project will thereafter be
operated in accordance with law and the terms of the contract, the
commissioner shall reconvey to such authority the housing project if
then owned by the state and as then constituted.

Sec. 622. Subsection (b) of section 8-118c of the general statutes is
repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used for the purpose of grants by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for additional development costs related to elderly housing projects.

Sec. 623. Section 8-119a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) For the purposes of this part, the State Treasurer is authorized and directed, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of section 3-20, to issue bonds of the state, from time to time, in an amount which, together with the principal amount of any bonds theretofore issued by the state pursuant to this part, shall not in the aggregate exceed one hundred forty-five million six hundred thousand dollars. Such bonds shall bear such date or dates and mature at such time or times not exceeding thirty years from their respective dates and be subject to such redemption privileges with or without premium as may be fixed and determined by the State Bond Commission. They shall be sold at not less than par and accrued interest and the full faith and credit of the state are pledged for the payment of the interest thereon as the same becomes due and the payment of the principal thereof at maturity.

(b) Such portion of the proceeds from the sale of such bonds and of any notes issued in anticipation thereof as may be required for such purpose shall be applied to the payment of the principal of any such notes then outstanding and unpaid, and the remaining proceeds of any such sale shall be deposited in a fund designated the "Rental Housing Fund for the Elderly", which fund shall be used to make or provide for the capital grants, loans, deferred loans or advances authorized by
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section 8-114a and the payments authorized by section 8-119b. Payments from the Rental Housing Fund for the Elderly to authorities, municipal developers, nonprofit corporations or housing partnerships shall be made by the State Treasurer on certification of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development in accordance with the contract for financial assistance between the state and such authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or housing partnership. All payments of fees by a housing authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or housing partnership on a loan or deferred loan provided pursuant to section 8-114a financed from the proceeds of the state's general obligation bonds issued pursuant to any authorization, allocation or approval of the State Bond Commission made prior to July 1, 1990, shall be paid to the State Treasurer for deposit in said fund. All payments of principal or interest by a housing authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or housing partnership on a loan or deferred loan provided pursuant to section 8-114a and all fees and state service charges not financed from the proceeds of the state's general obligation bonds shall be paid to the State Treasurer for deposit in the Housing Repayment and Revolving Loan Fund.

Sec. 624. Section 8-119c of the general statutes, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Upon preliminary approval by the State Bond Commission pursuant to the provisions of section 3-21, the state, acting by or through the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract or contracts with an authority amending the provisions of any contract or contracts for financial assistance with regard to any housing project entered into before June 13, 1961, pursuant to the provisions of this part to conform the provisions of any such contract so entered into to the provisions of the contracts authorized by law in effect on and after said date.
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Sec. 625. Section 8-119f of the general statutes, as amended by section 6 of public act 17-202, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall design, implement, operate and monitor a program of congregate housing. For the purpose of this program, the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall consult with the Commissioner [on Aging] of Social Services for the provision of services for persons with physical disabilities in order to comply with the requirements of section 29-271.

Sec. 626. Section 8-119h of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Upon preliminary approval by the State Bond Commission pursuant to the provisions of section 3-20, the state, acting by and through the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract or contracts with an authority, a municipal developer, a nonprofit corporation or a housing partnership for state financial assistance for a congregate housing project, in the form of capital grants, interim loans, permanent loans, deferred loans or any combination thereof for application to the development cost of such project or projects. A contract with an authority, a municipal developer, a nonprofit corporation or a housing partnership may provide that in the case of any loan made in conjunction with any housing assistance funds provided by an agency of the United States government, if such housing assistance funds terminate prior to complete repayment of a loan made pursuant to this section, the remaining balance of such loan may be converted to a capital grant or decreased loan. Any such state assistance contract with an authority, a municipal developer, a nonprofit corporation or a housing partnership for a capital grant or loan entered into prior to the time housing assistance funds became available from an agency of the
United States government, may, upon the mutual consent of the commissioner and the authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or housing partnership, be renegotiated to provide for a loan or increased loan in the place of a capital grant or loan or a part thereof, consistent with the above conditions. Such capital grants or loans shall be in an amount not in excess of the development cost of the project or projects, including, in the case of grants or loans financed from the proceeds of the state's general obligation bonds issued pursuant to any authorization, allocation or approval of the State Bond Commission made prior to July 1, 1990, administrative or other cost or expense to be incurred by the state in connection therewith, as approved by said commissioner. In anticipation of final payment of such capital grants or loans, the state, acting by and through said commissioner and in accordance with such contract, may make temporary advances to the authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or housing partnership for preliminary planning expense or other development cost of such project or projects. Any loan provided pursuant to this section shall bear interest at a rate to be determined in accordance with subsection (t) of section 3-20. Any such authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or housing partnership may, subject to the approval of the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, contract with any other person approved by the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development for the operation of a project undertaken pursuant to this part. As used in this section, "housing partnership" has the same meaning as provided in subsection (n) of section 8-113a.

Sec. 627. Subsection (b) of section 8-119i of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) Such portion of the proceeds from the sale of such bonds and of
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any notes issued in anticipation thereof as may be required for such purpose shall be applied to the payment of the principal of any such notes then outstanding and unpaid, and the remaining proceeds of any such sale shall be deposited in a fund designated the "Congregate Housing Fund for the Elderly", which fund shall be used to make or provide for the capital grants, loans or advances authorized by section 8-119h. Payments from the "Congregate Housing Fund for the Elderly" to authorities, municipal developers or nonprofit corporations shall be made by the State Treasurer on certification of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development in accordance with the contract for financial assistance between the state and such authority, municipal developer or nonprofit corporation. All payments of fees by a housing authority, municipal developer or nonprofit corporation pursuant to section 8-119h financed from the proceeds of the state's general obligation bonds issued pursuant to any authorization, allocation or approval of the State Bond Commission made prior to July 1, 1990, shall be paid to the State Treasurer for deposit in said fund. All payments of principal or interest by a housing authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or housing partnership on a loan provided pursuant to section 8-114a and all fees and state service charges not financed from the proceeds of the state's general obligation bonds shall be paid to the State Treasurer for deposit in the Housing Repayment and Revolving Loan Fund.

Sec. 628. Section 8-119j of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

In the event that sufficient appropriations for the operation of this program are no longer available, a congregate housing program assisted pursuant to section 8-119h may, at the discretion of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, be converted to a "housing project" as defined in section 8-113a subject to all of the provisions of part VI of this chapter.
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Sec. 629. Section 8-119k of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

In lieu of real property taxes, special benefit assessments and sewerage system use charges otherwise payable to a municipality, an eligible developer approved by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for state financial assistance for a congregate housing project, shall pay each year, to the municipality in which any of its congregate housing projects for the elderly or congregate housing portions of housing developments receiving financial assistance pursuant to subsection (a) or (e) of section 8-37qq, section 8-71, 8-118a, 8-119h, 8-119k, 8-119l, or 8-119gg, subsection (e) of section 8-214f, subsection (b) of section 8-216, subsection (f) of section 8-218, or section 8-218a or 8-356, is located, a sum to be determined by the municipality with the approval of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development not in excess of ten per cent of the shelter rent per annum for each occupied dwelling unit in any such housing project; except that the amount of such payment shall not be so limited in any case where funds are made available for such payment by an agency or department of the United States government, but no payment shall exceed the amount of taxes which would be paid on the property were the property not exempt from taxation.

Sec. 630. Section 8-119l of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The state, acting by and through the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract or contracts with an authority, a municipal developer, a nonprofit corporation or a housing partnership for state financial assistance in the form of a grant-in-aid for an operating cost subsidy for state-financed congregate housing projects developed pursuant to this part. In calculating the amount of the grant-in-aid, the commissioner shall
use adjusted gross income of tenants. As used in this section, "adjusted
gross income" means annual aggregate income from all sources minus
fifty per cent of all unreimbursable medical expenses. As used in this
section, "housing partnership" has the same meaning as provided in
subsection (n) of section 8-113a.

Sec. 631. Section 8-119m of the general statutes is repealed and the
following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community
Development and the Commissioner of Social Services shall establish a
joint pilot program to provide for the development and operation of
congregate housing and congregate housing projects, as defined in
section 8-119e, in which, at a minimum, (1) residents pay no more than
sixty per cent of their income to live and receive meals in such
housing, (2) residents receive three meals per day, and (3) such
housing contains a single kitchen facility and a central dining area. The
commissioners may provide technical assistance and the
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may provide financial assistance in the form of grants-in-aid or loans
for such development and operation under the program. Any grant-in-
aid or loan shall be awarded in accordance with such terms and
conditions as the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and
Community Development may prescribe. The pilot program shall
provide such assistance for no more than two congregate housing
projects located in different municipalities.

(b) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community
Development, in consultation with the Commissioner of Social
Services, shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of
chapter 54, to carry out the purposes of this section. The regulations
shall establish the criteria for awarding grants-in-aid and loans
authorized under this section, and the terms and conditions of such
grants and loans.

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Sec. 632. Section 8-119n of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall maintain a pilot program in the congregate housing facility existing in the town of Norwich to provide assisted living services for the frail elderly. Such assisted living services shall include, but not be limited to, routine nursing services and assistance with activities of daily living. Such congregate housing facility shall contract with an assisted living services agency, as defined in section 19a-490. The commissioner may provide technical assistance and shall provide financial assistance in the form of grants-in-aid for such pilot program. For purposes of this section, "frail elderly" means elderly persons who have temporary or periodic difficulties with one or more essential activities of daily living, as determined by the commissioner.

(b) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to carry out the purposes of this section.

Sec. 633. Section 8-119t of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall encourage the development of independent living opportunities for low and moderate income handicapped and developmentally disabled persons by making grants-in-aid, within available appropriations, to state-wide, private, nonprofit housing development corporations which are organized and operating for the purpose of expanding independent living opportunities for such persons. Such grants-in-aid shall be used to facilitate the development of small, noninstitutionalized living units for such persons, through programs including, but not limited to, preproject development, receipt of federal funds, site acquisition and architectural review. For
the purposes of this part, "handicapped and developmentally disabled persons" means any persons who are physically or mentally handicapped, including, but not limited to, persons with autism, persons with intellectual disability or persons who are physically disabled or sensory impaired.

(b) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, to carry out the purposes of this section.

Sec. 634. Section 8-119x of the general statutes, as amended by section 2 of public act 17-96, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall, in consultation with the Department of Social Services, the State Building Inspector, the Department of Administrative Services and the Office of Policy and Management, establish a state-wide electronic database of information on the availability of dwelling units in the state which are accessible to or adaptable for persons with disabilities. To the extent practicable, such database shall include such information as: (1) The location of, the monthly rent for and the number of bedrooms in each such dwelling unit, (2) the type of housing and neighborhood in which each such dwelling unit is located, (3) the vacancy status of each such dwelling unit, (4) if a unit is unavailable, the date such unit is expected to become available or the date when a waiting list is expected to open, and (5) any feature of each such unit that makes it accessible to or adaptable for persons with disabilities.

Sec. 635. Section 8-119dd of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) Upon preliminary approval by the State Bond Commission
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pursuant to the provisions of section 3-21, the state, acting by and through the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract or contracts with a housing authority, municipal developer or nonprofit corporation, or a partnership which includes a housing authority, municipal developer or nonprofit corporation, for state financial assistance for a rental housing project or projects for low income families in the form of grants or deferred loans.

(b) Grants or deferred loans made by the state under the authorization of this section shall be in an amount not in excess of the development cost of the projects as approved by the commissioner.

Sec. 636. Section 8-119ee of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The proceeds from the sale of any bonds issued pursuant to any authorization, allocation or approval of the State Bond Commission made prior to July 1, 1990, for the purposes of sections 8-119bb to 8-119jj, inclusive, and of any notes issued in anticipation thereof as may be required for such purposes shall be applied to the payment of the principal of any such notes then outstanding and unpaid, and the remaining proceeds of any such sale shall be deposited in a fund designated as the "Low Income Rental Housing Fund", which fund shall be used to make or provide for the grants or deferred loans authorized by section 8-119dd. Payments from the Low Income Rental Housing Fund to authorities, municipal developers or nonprofit corporations, or to partnerships which include a housing authority, municipal developer or nonprofit corporation, shall be made by the State Treasurer on certification of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development in accordance with the contract for financial assistance between the state and such authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or partnership. All payments of state service charges for low income housing projects as
authorized by the commissioner financed with the proceeds of bonds issued pursuant to any authorization, allocation or approval of the State Bond Commission made prior to July 1, 1990, shall be paid to the State Treasurer for deposit in the Low Income Rental Housing Fund. All payments of state service charges for low income housing projects as authorized by the commissioner not financed from the proceeds of the state's general obligation bonds shall be paid to the State Treasurer for deposit in the Housing Repayment and Revolving Loan Fund.

Sec. 637. Section 8-119ff of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Funds borrowed by an authority, municipal developer or nonprofit corporation, or a partnership which includes a housing authority, municipal developer or nonprofit corporation, to pay for options on sites, engineering and architectural services and other preliminary expenses incident to the construction of a low income rental housing project under the provisions of sections 8-119bb to 8-119jj, inclusive, may, subject to the approval of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, be included as part of the cost of such project to be financed by the issuance of notes and bonds guaranteed by the state pursuant to the provisions of sections 8-119dd and 8-119ee. As used in this section, [preliminary expenses] "preliminary expenses" include the complete cost of purchase of land.

Sec. 638. Section 8-119gg of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

In lieu of real property taxes, special benefit assessments and sewerage system use charges otherwise payable to a municipality, a housing authority approved by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for state financial assistance for a low income housing project shall pay each year, to the municipality in which any of its housing projects for low income
families are located, a sum to be determined by the municipality with the approval of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development not in excess of ten per cent of the shelter rent per annum for each occupied dwelling unit in any such housing project; except that the amount of such payment shall not be so limited in any case where funds are made available for such payment by an agency or department of the United States government, but no payment shall exceed the amount of taxes which would be paid on the property were the property not exempt from taxation.

Sec. 639. Section 8-119hh of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Upon the determination by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development of the termination of the acute shortage of dwelling accommodations for low income persons in the locality or upon the determination by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development and the authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or partnership which includes a housing authority, municipal developer or nonprofit corporation owning a housing project for low income persons that it is in the best interest of the state and such authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or partnership, such project or any part thereof may, subject to the provisions of any contract or agreement of the authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or partnership with respect thereto, be disposed of by the authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or partnership upon terms and conditions approved by the commissioner. The proceeds of any such sale, after payment of all necessary expenses incident to such sale, shall first be used for the repayment to the state of the grant or grants, or any deferred loan made by the state to such authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or partnership under section 8-119dd for the project. If the proceeds, together with all
assets owned by the authority, municipal developer, nonprofit corporation or partnership in connection with such project or any part thereof, are more than sufficient to redeem the outstanding balance of any notes and bonds issued for such project, any balance remaining shall be paid over to the state for deposit to the credit of the Housing Repayment and Revolving Loan Fund.

Sec. 640. Section 8-119jj of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 to: (1) Provide for the development, operation and management of such project or projects by housing authorities, municipal developers, nonprofit corporations and partnerships which include a housing authority, municipal developer or nonprofit corporation, (2) establish standard maximum income limits for the admission to and continued occupancy of tenants in such housing, and (3) determine the allocation of funds to meet the development costs of such project or projects, including, in the case of grants or loans financed from the proceeds of the state's general obligation bond issued pursuant to any authorization, allocation or approval of the State Bond Commission made prior to July 1, 1990, administrative or other costs or expenses to be incurred by the state, and the terms and conditions of such grants or deferred loans.

(b) The commissioner shall adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 that establish maximum income limits for admission to and continued occupancy in projects that reflect area median incomes.

Sec. 641. Section 8-119kk of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):
(a) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall implement and administer a program of rental assistance for elderly persons who reside in state-assisted rental housing for the elderly.

(b) Housing eligible for use in the program shall comply with applicable state and local health, housing, building and safety codes.

(c) In addition to rental assistance certificates made available to qualified tenants, to be used in eligible housing which such tenants are able to locate, the program may include housing support in which rental assistance for tenants is linked to participation by the property owner in other municipal, state or federal housing repair, rehabilitation or financing programs. The commissioner shall use rental assistance under this section to encourage the preservation of existing housing and the revitalization of neighborhoods or the creation of additional rental housing.

(d) The commissioner shall administer the program under this section to promote housing choice for certificate holders and encourage diversity of residents. The commissioner shall establish maximum rent levels for each municipality in a manner that promotes the use of the program in all municipalities. Any certificate issued pursuant to this section may be used for housing in any municipality in the state. The commissioner shall inform certificate holders that a certificate may be used in any municipality and, to the extent practicable, the commissioner shall assist certificate holders in finding housing in the municipality of their choice.

(e) Nothing in this section shall give any person a right to continued receipt of rental assistance at any time that the program is not funded.

(f) Whenever an individual who qualifies for rental assistance pursuant to this section moves into congregate housing, as defined in
section 8-119e, the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall calculate the rental assistance for such individual to include the entire period of his occupancy in the congregate housing facility, regardless of the rental-assistance status of any former congregate housing occupant.

(g) The commissioner shall adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 to carry out the purposes of this section. The regulations shall establish maximum income eligibility guidelines for such rental assistance and criteria for determining the amount of rental assistance which shall be provided to elderly persons, provided the amount of assistance for elderly persons who are certificate holders shall be the difference between thirty per cent of their adjusted gross income, less a utility allowance, and the base rent.

Sec. 642. Section 8-119ll of the general statutes, as amended by section 7 of public act 17-202, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Annually, the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development in consultation with the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority shall conduct a comprehensive assessment of current and future needs for rental assistance under section 8-119kk for housing projects for elderly persons and persons with disabilities in this state. Such analyses shall be incorporated into the report required pursuant to section 8-37qqq, as amended by [this act] public act 17-202.

Sec. 643. Subsection (a) of section 8-119zz of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There is established the Connecticut Housing Authority, which shall be a body politic and corporate and shall constitute a public instrumentality and political subdivision of the state created for the
performance of an essential public and governmental function. The powers of the Connecticut Housing Authority shall be vested in and exercised by a board of directors, which shall consist of the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development or his or her designee, the State Treasurer or his or her designee, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management or his or her designee and four members having training or experience in the fields of public housing, public finance or public administration, who shall be appointed by the Governor. Any vacancy shall be filled in the manner prescribed under section 4-7. The chairperson of the board shall be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of both houses of the General Assembly. Action may only be taken by the authority by a majority vote of the members of the board of directors. The Connecticut Housing Authority shall not be construed to be a department, institution or agency of the state. The authority shall continue as long as it shall have bonds or other obligations outstanding and until its existence is terminated by law. Upon the termination of the existence of the authority, all rights and properties of the authority shall pass to and be vested in the state of Connecticut.

Sec. 644. Subsection (b) of section 8-126 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) The legislative body of any municipality may dissolve an agency authorized under subsection (a) of this section upon determination that such action would facilitate receipt and processing of federal funds and promote the purposes of this chapter. In the event a redevelopment agency to be dissolved has undertaken a project to which the state has contributed financial or other assistance, the legislative body of such municipality shall forward a request for approval to dissolve such agency to the Department of Economic and Community Development. Upon receipt of such
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request, the department shall report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to commerce (1) the nature and amounts of such financial assistance, (2) the department's preliminary decision to approve or disapprove such municipality's request, and (3) any other conditions on which such an approval would be based. Within thirty days of receipt of such report, the committee shall advise the department whether said committee agrees or disagrees with the department's preliminary decision and the reasons therefor. If the committee does not provide such advice within thirty days, the department shall proceed to issue its final decision to the legislative body of the municipality. If the department approves such dissolution, the legislative body may designate or create a new redevelopment agency in accordance with the procedure set forth in said subsection (a).

Sec. 645. Section 8-154a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(1) The state, acting by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with a municipality, acting by its redevelopment agency, for state financial assistance for a redevelopment or urban renewal project under this chapter, in any redevelopment area or urban renewal area in such municipality, as defined in this chapter; provided such project shall have been approved by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for an advance for surveys and plans, a loan or grant contract or a neighborhood development program under Title I of the federal Housing Act of 1949, as amended, and provided a contract between the municipality and the federal government for a federal capital grant-in-aid shall not have been entered into prior to May 9, 1958. Such contract may provide for financial assistance by the state in the form of a grant equal to one-half of the excess of the net
cost of the project as determined by the commissioner over the federal
grant-in-aid thereof; provided, in determining such net cost for
purposes of providing state financial assistance from any funds
becoming available after July 1, 1963, by legislative enactment, the
commissioner shall neither recognize nor credit as municipal noncash
contributions any expenditures by the state of Connecticut, other than
state grants for urban renewal or redevelopment or schools, which
relate in any way to any urban renewal or redevelopment project, and
provided, with respect to state financial assistance from any funds
becoming available after July 1, 1963, by legislative enactment, in any
instances in which noncash contributions provided by any private,
nongovernmental source exceed one-half of such excess of the net cost
of the project as determined by the commissioner, the state grant or
advance-in-aid for urban renewal or redevelopment shall be reduced
by an equal amount. In determining the net cost of a project, nothing
shall prevent the commissioner from including costs in excess of the
original projected costs of such project, provided such excess cost has
been approved by the United States Department of Housing and
Urban Development. Contracts for state financial assistance for urban
renewal or redevelopment projects executed under the provisions of
this chapter prior to July 1, 1967, or contracts executed subsequent
there to for which reservations of state funds were approved by the
Connecticut Development Commission prior to July 1, 1967, may be
amended or executed under the provisions of this chapter and
administrative procedures established hereunder, provided, if such
amendment is for the purpose of providing additional state financial
assistance due to an increase in the net cost of the project, as
determined by the commissioner, such additional state financial
assistance shall be made available from funds previously authorized
for redevelopment or urban renewal programs or authorized for the
purposes of this chapter and chapter 133.

(2) Any municipality which acquires or retains title to all or part of
the land contained in any urban renewal or redevelopment area as defined in section 8-125 or 8-141, for not less than the use value of such property in accordance with section 8-137, may sell, lease, dedicate, donate or otherwise dispose of such land for less than said use value, provided there is constructed thereon housing solely for persons or families of low or moderate income, as defined in section 8-202; provided nothing [herein] in this section shall be construed to limit the power of any municipality to retain any redevelopment project land for any use for which such municipality is authorized for other purposes.

Sec. 646. Section 8-154c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development is authorized to make and enforce reasonable regulations to effectuate the purposes of this part and to determine the allocation of state financial assistance herein provided for among the municipalities of the state on the basis of their respective needs.

Sec. 647. Section 8-154e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

All local redevelopment agencies or commissions administering urban renewal or redevelopment projects receiving grants for urban renewal or redevelopment from the state shall certify to the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development on September first of each year a list of all persons employed or retained by the redevelopment agency or commission during the preceding fiscal year and the amount of remuneration that each of such persons received; and a list of all other persons or firms that performed work by contract or otherwise, with a description of the work performed, and the contract amounts paid to such persons or firms during the preceding fiscal year. The filing of such certification
shall be a prerequisite for the receipt of state financial assistance and
the state will not reserve any funds, execute any assistance agreements
or make any further payments under existing contracts to any
redevelopment agency or commission which has not complied with
this filing requirement, except that the commissioner may determine
that such redevelopment agency or commission has made a good faith
effort to provide such certification.

Sec. 648. Section 8-161 of the general statutes is repealed and the
following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community
Development is authorized to make available technical assistance to
any municipality for the purpose of preparing a capital improvement
program for such municipality. The commissioner shall adopt rules of
procedures and methods of providing such technical assistance. Such
assistance shall be rendered upon contractual agreement between the
commissioner and the contracting agency of the municipality. Within
the limitations of the amounts appropriated, the commissioner may
provide up to three thousand dollars for the state's share of any such
contractual agreement to any one municipality but in no case shall the
commissioner provide more than fifty per cent of the total cost of
preparation of such capital improvement program.

Sec. 649. Section 8-162 of the general statutes is repealed and the
following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Any municipality may receive technical assistance from the
Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development
for the preparation of a capital improvement program. The legislative
body of the municipality by resolution shall designate an appropriate
agency of the municipality to prepare the capital improvement
program, appropriate the necessary matching funds and authorize
such agency to contract with the commissioner for technical assistance
therefor as herein provided. If such municipality has a planning commission operating under the general statutes or special act, such planning commission shall be designated to be the contracting agency for such purposes.

Sec. 650. Subsection (a) of section 8-169b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development.

Sec. 651. Section 8-169w of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) A fund to be known as the "Urban Homesteading Fund" is hereby created. Said fund shall be used (1) on a revolving basis to aid any urban homesteading agency in accordance with section 8-169q, in providing financial assistance to urban homesteaders in the form of loans or deferred loans for the purchase and rehabilitation of, or construction on, urban homestead program property and (2) to aid any urban homesteading agency in accordance with section 8-169q, in providing financial assistance to the community housing development corporation chartered under section 8-218f in the form of grants for the purchase and rehabilitation of, or construction on, urban homestead program property. The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may authorize loans or deferred loans under subdivision (1) of this subsection from said fund as requested and approved by the urban homesteading agency in such municipality, subject to the applicable provisions of section 8-169u. In the case of a deferred loan, the contract shall require that payments on interest are due immediately but that payments on principal may be made at a later time. Such fund shall also be used on a revolving basis to aid any nonprofit corporation incorporated pursuant to chapter 602.
or any predecessor statutes thereto, having as one of its purposes the
construction, rehabilitation, ownership or operation of housing and
having articles of incorporation approved by the Commissioner of
[Housing] Economic and Community Development, which is an urban
homesteader as defined in section 8-169p. A nonprofit corporation
shall notify the chief elected official of the municipality in which it is
located at the time a loan or deferred loan application is submitted to
the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development
in accordance with this section. The commissioner may charge the
fund for any necessary costs of administering such loan or deferred
loan programs.

(b) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community
Development shall charge and collect interest on each loan or deferred
loan extended under this section at a rate to be determined in
accordance with subsection (t) of section 3-20. Payments of principal
and interest on such loans or deferred loans shall be paid to the
Treasurer for deposit to the credit of the Housing Repayment and
Revolving Loan Fund.

(c) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community
Development shall adopt regulations in accordance with chapter 54 to
carry out the provisions of sections 8-169o to 8-169v, inclusive, and this
section. Such regulations shall (1) establish loan procedures,
repayment terms, security requirements, default and remedy
provisions and such other terms and conditions for said loans as said
commissioner shall deem appropriate and (2) establish procedures for
the making of grants under section 8-169u and subdivision (2) of
subsection (a) of this section.

(d) For the purposes of subsections (a) to (c), inclusive, of this
section, the State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance
with the provisions of this section, from time to time to authorize the
issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal
amounts not exceeding in the aggregate one million five hundred thousand dollars, the proceeds of the sale of which shall be used by the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for the provision of financial assistance under section 8-169u and this section.

(e) All provisions of section 3-20 or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to this section and temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. Such bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of such bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made and the Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due.

Sec. 652. Section 8-206a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) In accordance with the provisions of section 4-38d, all powers and duties delegated to the Public Works Commissioner under the provisions of chapters 128, 129 and 130 shall be transferred to the Commissioner of Community Affairs, and where the words "Public Works Commissioner" are used in said chapters, the words "Commissioner of Community Affairs" shall be substituted in lieu
(b) In accordance with the provisions of said section 4-38d, all powers and duties delegated to the Connecticut Development Commission under the provisions of sections 8-124 to 8-154e, inclusive, and 8-160 to 8-162, inclusive, shall be transferred to the Commissioner of Community Affairs, and where the words "Connecticut Development Commission" are used in said sections, the words "Commissioner of Community Affairs" shall be substituted in lieu thereof.

(c) In accordance with the provisions of section 4-38d, all powers and duties heretofore delegated to the State Office of Economic Opportunity shall be transferred to the Commissioner of Community Affairs, and wherever the term "director of the State Office of Economic Opportunity" is used it shall mean the commissioner.

(d) Unless specifically otherwise provided in this chapter, whenever, pursuant to law in effect prior to July 1, 1967, reports, certifications, applications or requests were required or permitted to be made to the department, department head, board, division, commission, office or officer, whose powers and duties are assigned or transferred by this chapter, such reports and certifications shall be filed with, and such applications or requests shall be made to, the department, department head, officer or agency to which such assignment or transfer has been made hereunder.

(e) Whenever the term "Connecticut Development Commission" occurs or any reference is made thereto in any regulation, contract or document concerning housing, redevelopment, urban renewal or urban planning grants at the municipal level of government, it shall be deemed to mean or refer to the Commissioner of Community Affairs.

(f) Whenever the term "Public Works Commissioner" occurs or any
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reference is made thereto in any regulation, contract or document concerning housing adopted or entered into under chapters 128, 129 and 130, it shall be deemed to mean or refer to the Commissioner of Community Affairs.

[(g) In accordance with the provisions of section 4-38d, all powers and duties transferred to the Commissioner of Community Affairs by this section are transferred to the Commissioner of Housing.]

Sec. 653. Section 8-206e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall, within available appropriations, establish a demonstration housing assistance and counseling program to offer advice on matters concerning landlord and tenant relations and the financing of owner-occupied and rental housing purchases, improvements and renovations. The program shall provide: (1) Educational services designed to inform landlords and tenants of their respective rights and responsibilities; (2) dispute mediation services for landlords and tenants; (3) information on securing housing-related financing, including mortgage loans, home improvement loans, energy assistance and weatherization assistance; and (4) such other housing-related counseling and assistance as the commissioner shall provide by regulations.

(b) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may, within available appropriations, enter into a contract or contracts to provide financial assistance in the form of grants-in-aid to nonprofit corporations, as defined in section 8-39, to carry out the purposes of subsection (a) of this section.

(c) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall adopt regulations in accordance with the
provisions of chapter 54 to carry out the purposes of subsections (a) and (b) of this section.

(d) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall establish a demonstration program in up to four United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, Section 202 or Section 236 elderly housing developments to provide assisted living services.

(e) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall establish criteria for making disbursements under the provisions of subsection (d) of this section which shall include, but are not limited to: (1) Size of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, Section 202 and Section 236 elderly housing developments; (2) geographic locations in which the developments are located; (3) anticipated social and health value to the resident population; (4) each Section 202 and Section 236 housing development's designation as a managed residential community, as defined in section 19a-693; and (5) the potential community development benefit to the relevant municipality. Such criteria may specify who may apply for grants, the geographic locations determined to be eligible for grants, and the eligible costs for which a grant may be made. For the purposes of the demonstration program, multiple properties with overlapping board membership or ownership may be considered a single applicant.

(f) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to implement the provisions of subsections (d) and (e) of this section.

Sec. 654. Section 8-206f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

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Notwithstanding the provisions of section 8-206e, the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, in consultation with the Commissioner of Social Services and the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, may designate as a demonstration program one or more established United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Section 202 or Section 236 elderly housing development that is licensed to provide assisted living services, for the purpose of qualifying otherwise eligible residents for payment for such services as authorized under a 1915c Medicaid waiver or the state-funded portion of the Connecticut Home Care Program for the Elderly established pursuant to section 17b-342.

Sec. 655. Section 8-208 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with a municipality for state financial assistance to initiate, expand or improve housing code enforcement programs to promote the preservation or rehabilitation of housing, in the form of a state grant-in-aid equal to two-thirds of the cost of the program, as approved by the commissioner, for two years after execution of the state assistance agreement, one-half of such cost for an additional period not to exceed three years and thereafter one-third the cost of the program. To facilitate the effective enforcement of housing codes throughout the state, the commissioner may prepare a model State Housing Code. Any municipality may adopt such code by ordinance.

Sec. 656. Section 8-208b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) A Neighborhood Housing Services Program Fund is hereby created. There shall be deposited in said fund all moneys received by or appropriated to the Department of [Housing] Economic and
Community Development from time to time therefor. Amounts in said fund shall be used for the purpose of making grants-in-aid to any duly organized neighborhood housing services corporation in the state, pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.

(b) In order to stimulate development of partnerships of the public and private sectors of the urban community committed to stemming neighborhood decline, the state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with any duly organized neighborhood housing services corporation in the state. Such contract shall provide for state financial assistance in the form of a state grant-in-aid equal to twice the amount of the federal grant-in-aid received by such corporation but not to exceed one hundred thousand dollars.

(c) "Neighborhood housing services program" means a program developed by the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation of the United States government to stimulate reinvestment in the urban neighborhood. "Neighborhood housing services corporation" means a private, nonprofit, community based corporation organized pursuant to the establishment of a neighborhood housing services program. The significant features of a neighborhood housing services corporation include: (1) Government by a local board of directors composed of neighborhood residents and financial industry representatives; (2) use of a revolving loan fund to make loans to residents of the neighborhood who cannot meet normal commercial credit requirements for the purpose of bringing homes in the neighborhood up to code standards; (3) contributions to the loan fund by, among others, foundations, local business and industry, local government and the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation; and (4) operation of a systematic housing inspection and code compliance program for homeowners which includes rehabilitation counseling, construction monitoring and financial counseling.
Sec. 657. Section 8-208c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall, within existing resources of the department, establish an urban revitalization pilot program to foster the revitalization and stabilization of urban neighborhoods by facilitating the acquisition and renovation of one-to-four family homes and prioritizing owner-occupancy of such homes. Such program shall be implemented in one or more distressed municipalities, as defined in section 32-9p. The commissioner may contract with one or more state-wide nonprofit organizations to administer the program.

(b) The goal of the program shall be to increase homeownership in targeted neighborhoods containing high proportions of one-to-four family homes, giving priority to promoting owner-occupancy in buildings that are for sale, vacant, deteriorated, in foreclosure, bank-owned or investor-owned. The program administrator shall target neighborhoods in which concentrated resources can have a substantial impact on revitalizing and stabilizing the surrounding community. The program administrator shall recruit community stakeholders to provide active support for the program, including local banks, local boards of realtors, neighborhood revitalization zone committees, community-based organizations, community development financial institutions and similar entities. The program administrator shall, as necessary to accomplish program goals:

(1) Draw on diverse public and private funding sources and programs, including foundations, local loan funds and programs administered by departments or agencies other than the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, including the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, and use public funds to leverage private resources;
(2) Provide financing or investment to support property purchase, rehabilitation, construction, demolition, energy efficiency and aesthetic improvements, including provision of financial products that promote homeownership, such as down payment assistance, and identify other financial resources to support such activities;

(3) Offer incentives to investors to develop tenants into owners, apply income restrictions to housing units in order to ensure affordability, and conduct energy efficiency improvements in order to meet weatherization goals;

(4) Identify and coordinate access for program participants to rental assistance and foreclosure prevention resources and to other resources that will increase homeownership, stabilize or decrease occupancy costs and stabilize neighborhoods;

(5) Provide assistance to individuals who are or who will become homeowners and to nonprofit and for-profit entities that will purchase and rehabilitate properties to sell to individuals who will become homeowners;

(6) Provide support services for program participants who are or who will become homeowners so as to maximize the likelihood of their success in maintaining homeownership on a long-term basis, including training in skills necessary to be an effective landlord and assistance in resolving problems that may arise after closing on a home;

(7) Identify and structure incentives to encourage participation in the program by lenders, investors and developers with a goal of promoting homeownership; and

(8) Assist program participants in locating purchase financing and counseling before and after any purchase and direct such participants to programs that provide deferred, low or no interest or forgivable loans, including the Rental Housing Revolving Loan Fund established
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pursuant to section 8-37vv.

(c) Any person who receives assistance through the program established by this section to purchase a home shall agree (1) to occupy such home or a unit in such home as such person's primary residence for not less than five years, or (2) to transfer such home to a person who will agree to occupy such home or a unit in such home as such person's primary residence for not less than five years. Priority for participation in the program may be given to persons who will become first-time homebuyers and to persons who are living in a neighborhood targeted by the program.

(d) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall establish the parameters of the program, [not later than October 1, 2012, and shall designate one or more municipalities to participate in the program not later than January 1, 2013. The commissioner, in accordance with section 11-4a, shall submit the following to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to housing: (1) A status report on the program not later than February 1, 2013; (2) an interim report on the program not later than January 1, 2014; and (3) a final report on the program not later than January 1, 2015.]

Sec. 658. Section 8-209 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with a municipality for state financial assistance for the demolition of unsafe structures which under state or local law have been determined to be structurally unsound or unfit for human habitation and which such municipality has authority to demolish. Such contract shall provide state financial assistance in the form of a state grant-in-aid equal to (1) two-thirds of the net cost of the...
demolition as approved by the commissioner, or (2) where the demolition is financed under the federal Housing Act of 1949, as amended, one-half of the amount by which the net cost of the demolition, as approved by the commissioner, exceeds the federal grant-in-aid thereof.

(b) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with a municipality for state financial assistance for programs of urban beautification; provided such program shall have been approved by the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development under the federal Housing and Urban Development Act of 1965, as amended. Such contract shall provide for state financial assistance in the form of a state grant-in-aid equal to one-half of the amount by which the net cost of the program as approved by the commissioner exceeds the federal grant-in-aid thereof.

Sec. 659. Section 8-214a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have the power, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate three million dollars.

(b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for the purpose of housing site development in accordance with section 8-213a and section 8-216b.

(c) All provisions of section 3-20, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby which are not inconsistent with the provisions
of this section are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request for such authorization, which is signed by or on behalf of the Commissioner of Housing Economic and Community Development and states such terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due.

Sec. 660. Section 8-214d of the general statutes, as amended by section 4 of public act 17-240, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of Housing Economic and Community Development, may contract with a nonprofit corporation for state financial assistance in the form of a state grant-in-aid, loan or deferred loan to such corporation on such terms and conditions as the commissioner may prescribe. Such grant-in-aid, loan or deferred loan shall be used by such corporation to acquire, hold, manage and convey title to or transfer interests in, real

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property for the purpose of providing for existing and future housing needs of very low, low and moderate income families. In the case of a deferred loan, the contract shall require that payments on interest are due currently but that payments on principal may be made at a later time. The commissioner may prescribe the terms and conditions (1) by which real property acquired under this section shall be either held for the existing and future housing needs of very low, low and moderate income families or placed in a community land trust, or (2) by which title to such real property shall be conveyed or interests in such property shall be transferred, for the purpose of providing for existing and future housing needs of very low, low and moderate income families, which purpose may include the development of (A) multifamily dwellings in which a portion of the units are not subject to income or rent restrictions, or (B) single-family dwellings that are not subject to income or rent restrictions. Such terms and conditions, in the discretion of the commissioner and with the approval of the State Bond Commission, may be subordinated in the case of a subsequent first mortgage or a requirement of a governmental program relating to such real property. Ancillary housing-related services may be located on such real property. The commissioner shall give notice of an application for financial assistance under this section which would complete a partially constructed housing development to the chief executive official of the municipality in which the real property is located. A nonprofit corporation holding title to such real property, with or without structures, may lease such real property to very low, low and moderate income families, limited equity cooperatives or other corporations, provided the terms of any such lease shall require that such real property be developed and used solely for the purpose of housing for very low, low and moderate income families. The lessee may hold title to any building or improvement situated on real property acquired with financial assistance made under this section, provided the nonprofit corporation holding title to such real property shall have first option to purchase any building or improvement that

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the lessee may place on such real property at a below-market price set forth in such lease. The legitimate heirs of any such lessee shall have the right under such lease to assume the lease upon the death of such lessee if the lessee is a natural person and if such heirs agree to make the leased premises their principal residence.

(b) A nonprofit corporation holding title to real property acquired with state financial assistance made under this section may convey title to or transfer interests in such real property to very low, low and moderate income families, limited equity cooperatives or other corporations, provided (1) the terms and conditions of any instrument conveying such title requires that any structures and improvements situated upon such real property be developed and used solely for the purpose of housing for very low, low or moderate income families, which may include the development of multifamily dwellings in which a portion of the units are not subject to income or rent restrictions. Such terms and conditions, in the discretion of the commissioner and with the approval of the State Bond Commission, may be subordinated in the case of a subsequent first mortgage or a requirement of a governmental program relating to such real property, (2) such title is conveyed or such interest is transferred in accordance with written policies of the nonprofit corporation governing conveyances of title and transfers of interest in real property, and (3) the nonprofit corporation shall have first option to purchase any structures and improvements transferred at a below-market price agreed to at the time of such transfer. A nonprofit corporation holding title to real property acquired with state financial assistance made under this section for which a declaration of condominium has been filed may transfer the units in such condominium to (A) another eligible nonprofit corporation as determined by the commissioner, or (B) very low, low or moderate income families in accordance with chapter 828, subject to deed restrictions, acceptable to the commissioner, requiring that the units be used solely for the purpose
of housing for very low, low and moderate income families, provided in the case of a transfer under subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, the original nonprofit corporation shall have first option to purchase the unit at a below-market price agreed to at the time of acquisition of the unit by the family.

(c) (1) A nonprofit corporation existing on or after October 1, 1991, and holding title to real property acquired with state financial assistance made under this section may convey title to such real property, with the approval of the commissioner, to a community land trust corporation. (2) A nonprofit corporation holding title to real property which has been acquired with state financial assistance under this section for the existing and future needs of very low, low or moderate income families, may, with the approval of the commissioner and in accordance with its written policies governing conveyances of title, convey title to such real property to another nonprofit corporation or other entity. Any proceeds from the conveyance of title to such real property to such other entity shall be deposited in the Community Housing Land Bank and Land Trust Fund established under section 8-214c.

(d) A nonprofit corporation existing on or after October 1, 1991, and holding title to real property acquired with state financial assistance made under this section, may lease such real property, with the approval of the commissioner, to a partnership, as defined in section 34-301, or a limited partnership, as defined in section 34-9, provided the nonprofit corporation has a material role in such partnership or limited partnership. The terms of any such lease shall require that such real property be developed and used solely for the purpose of housing for very low, low and moderate income families. The lessee may hold title to any building or improvement situated on real property acquired with financial assistance made under this section, provided the nonprofit corporation holding title to such real property shall have
first option to purchase any building or improvement that the lessee may place on such real property at a below-market price set forth in the lease.

(e) If a nonprofit corporation fails to develop the project in accordance with the development plan for the project and title to the land or interests in land acquired with state financial assistance under this section vests in the state pursuant to a default, foreclosure action, deed-in-lieu of foreclosure, voluntary transfer, or other similar voluntary or compulsory action, the commissioner may, upon approval of the State Bond Commission, convey such land or interests in land to the municipality in which the land or interests in land is located. The municipality shall use the land or interests in land, or shall cause the land or interests in land to be used for, or in conjunction with, activities related to, or similar to, any program administered by the commissioner pursuant to state or federal law.

(f) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, to carry out the purposes of sections 8-214b to 8-214e, inclusive. Such regulations shall include, without limitation, provisions concerning the terms and conditions of such grants-in-aid, loans or deferred loans and the conditions for approval of the articles of incorporation or basic documents of organization of a nonprofit corporation applying for assistance under said sections.

(g) As used in this section, [housing-related services and facilities] "housing-related services and facilities" includes, but is not limited to, administrative, community, health, recreational, educational and child-care facilities relevant to an affordable housing development, as defined by the commissioner in regulations adopted in accordance with chapter 54.

[(h) (1) On and after June 2, 2016, until January 1, 2017, the]
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Commissioner of Housing may make a determination, based upon a full examination of the circumstances, that a nonprofit corporation is unable to develop or manage the land or interests in land acquired with state financial assistance under this section. Upon such a determination, the commissioner may cause title to the land or interests in land acquired with state financial assistance under this section to vest in the state by foreclosure, voluntary transfer or other similar voluntary or compulsory action, and the commissioner may take any action that is in the best interests of the state to convey, upon approval of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, such land or interests in land, including, but not limited to, (A) transferring, or authorizing the transfer of, the land or interests in land to the low and moderate income families that reside on such land, (B) determining whether any restrictions in the deed or deeds for the land or interests in land shall be modified or removed prior to conveying such land or interests in land and authorizing such modifications or removals, or (C) establishing such terms and conditions for such conveyance as the commissioner deems appropriate under each particular transaction.

(2) The commissioner shall authorize the conveyance of land or interests in land under subdivision (1) of this subsection in no more than one location.]

Sec. 661. Section 8-214e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) For the purposes described in sections 8-214b to 8-214d, inclusive, the State Bond Commission shall have the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate one million dollars. The proceeds of the sale of such bonds shall be deposited in the fund designated the "Community Housing Land Bank and Land Trust Fund" and used by the Department of [Housing]
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Economic and Community Development to make the grants-in-aid, loans or deferred loans pursuant to subsection (a) of section 8-214d.

(b) All provisions of section 3-20, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby, which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section, are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request for such authorization, which is signed by or on behalf of the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development and states such terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due.

Sec. 662. Section 8-214f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) As used in this section and sections 8-214g and 8-214h, "limited equity cooperative" has the same meaning as provided in section 47-242.
(b) As used in this section and sections 8-214g and 8-214h, "mutual housing association" means a nonprofit corporation, incorporated pursuant to chapter 602 or any predecessor statutes thereto, and having articles of incorporation approved by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development in accordance with regulations adopted pursuant to section 8-79a or 8-84, having as one of its purposes the prevention and elimination of neighborhood deterioration and the preservation of neighborhood stability by affording community and resident involvement in the provision of high quality, long-term housing for low and moderate income families in which residents (1) participate in the ongoing operation and management of such housing, (2) have the right to continue residing in such housing for as long as they comply with the terms of their occupancy agreement, and (3) have an ownership interest in such occupancy agreement conditional upon compliance with its terms but do not possess an equity interest in such housing.

(c) The state, acting by and through the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with a nonprofit corporation, as defined in section 8-39, to provide financial assistance for the development of limited equity cooperatives for low and moderate income families. State financial assistance provided under this subsection may be in the form of grants, loans, deferred loans or any combination thereof and may be used for the acquisition or development of housing sites and for the costs incurred in the development of limited equity cooperatives. In the case of a deferred loan, the contract shall require that payments on interest are due immediately but that payments on principal may be made at a later time. Any nonprofit corporation which receives such assistance shall require that members who participate in the cooperative project for which assistance was requested under this section contribute their labor during the development or operation of the cooperative, or make a cash contribution to become a member of the cooperative, or both.
(d) The state, acting by and through the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with a mutual housing association to provide financial assistance for the development of housing for low and moderate income families. State financial assistance provided under this subsection may be in the form of grants, loans, deferred loans or any combination thereof and may be used for the acquisition or development of housing sites and for the costs incurred in the development of such housing. Contracts for state financial assistance provided under this subsection shall provide that the mutual housing association: (1) Require resident members to pay a membership fee as a condition of eligibility for occupancy of a dwelling unit, provided such membership fee shall be refundable to the resident member, with nominal interest, when the resident member vacates such unit; (2) may allow, in fixing the rentals for dwelling units, for a reasonable return on equity capital contributed to the development of such housing through mutual housing association membership fees or grants obtained from sources other than the state, provided such return on equity capital shall be utilized by the association to develop additional dwelling units; and (3) shall permit continued occupancy by resident members whose incomes rise above low and moderate income limits, provided the rent to be paid for such continued occupancy shall be fixed at a level not less than twenty-five per cent of the resident members' adjusted household income, and provided any increased rent collected for continued occupancy shall be used by the association to develop additional dwelling units for low and moderate income families or shall be credited against the rent owed by another low or moderate income resident member of the association.

(e) If the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development determines, based on a full examination of the circumstances, that a nonprofit corporation is unable to manage the land, interests in land or buildings acquired or constructed with state
financial assistance under this section, the commissioner may release such land, interests in land or buildings from the obligations of the limited equity cooperative program and shall impose any new restrictions in the deed or deeds for the land, interests in land or buildings as the commissioner deems appropriate to ensure the continued use of such land, interests and buildings for the benefit of low or moderate income families. In such case, the equity of each resident in such property shall either (1) be used first for payment of any debt incurred by the resident from membership in the cooperative and then for payment to the resident of any remaining equity, or (2) transferred with the property so that the resident does not lose such equity.

Sec. 663. Section 8-214g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The proceeds from the sale of bonds issued for the purposes of sections 8-214f to 8-214h, inclusive, authorized pursuant to any authorization, allocation or approval of the State Bond Commission made prior to July 1, 1990, and of any notes issued in anticipation thereof as may be required for such purposes shall be deposited in a fund to be known as the "Limited Equity Cooperative and Mutual Housing Fund", which fund shall be used to provide the financial assistance authorized by subsections (c) and (d) of section 8-214f. Payments from the Limited Equity Cooperative and Mutual Housing Fund to nonprofit corporations pursuant to said subsections shall be made by the State Treasurer on certification of the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development in accordance with the contract for financial assistance between the state and such nonprofit corporation.

(b) Subject to the approval of the Governor, any administrative or other costs or expenses incurred by the state in carrying out the provisions of sections 8-214f to 8-214h, inclusive, including but not
limited to hiring employees and entering into contracts, may be paid
from the Limited Equity Cooperative and Mutual Housing Fund.

Sec. 664. Section 8-214h of the general statutes is repealed and the
following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community
Development shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the
provisions of chapter 54, to carry out the purposes of sections 8-214f
and 8-214g.

Sec. 665. Section 8-215 of the general statutes is repealed and the
following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Any municipality may by ordinance provide for the abatement in
part or in whole of real property taxes on any housing solely for low or
moderate-income persons or families and may by ordinance classify
the property on which such housing is situated as property used for
housing solely for low or moderate-income persons or families. Such
tax abatement shall be used for one or more of the following purposes:
(1) To reduce rents below the levels which would be achieved in the
absence of such abatement and to improve the quality and design of
such housing; (2) to effect occupancy of such housing by persons and
families of varying income levels within limits determined by the
Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development
by regulation; or (3) to provide necessary related facilities or services in
such housing. Such abatement shall be made pursuant to a contract
between the municipality and the owner of any such housing, which
contract shall provide the terms of such abatement, that moneys equal
to the amount of such abatement shall be used for any one or more of
the purposes herein stated, and that such abatement shall terminate at
any time when such housing is not solely for low or moderate-income
persons or families.
Sec. 666. Section 8-216 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with a municipality for state financial assistance for housing, or any part thereof, solely for low or moderate-income persons or families, or for housing or any part thereof, on property classified by the municipality pursuant to section 8-215, for use for housing solely for low or moderate-income persons or families, in the form of reimbursement for tax abatements under said section, provided the construction or rehabilitation of such housing shall have been commenced after July 1, 1967, or, in the case of apartment buildings containing three or more stories, under construction on July 1, 1967. Such contract shall provide for state financial assistance in the form of a state grant-in-aid to the municipality not to exceed the amount of taxes abated by the municipality pursuant to section 8-215, provided no payment shall be made to any municipality under any contract entered into on or after October 1, 1973, unless the assessment on such housing or part thereof is determined as provided in section 8-216a except when such contract is a modification, amendment, or replacement of a contract already in existence on or before October 1, 1973. In such contract, the commissioner may require assurances that the amount of tax abatement will be used for the purposes stated in section 8-215, and that the commissioner shall have the right of inspection to determine that such purposes are being achieved. With respect to housing for which tax abatement has been provided pursuant to said section 8-215, such grant-in-aid shall be paid to the municipality each year, in an amount not to exceed the tax abatement for such year, as long as the housing continues to fulfill the purposes stated in said section.

(b) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of
Housing Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with a municipality and the housing authority of the municipality or with the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority or any subsidiary created by the authority pursuant to section 8-242a or 8-244 or with a successor owner to make payments in lieu of taxes to the municipality on land and improvements owned or leased by the housing authority or the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority or successor owner under the provisions of part II of chapter 128. On and after July 1, 1997, the time period of the contract may include the remaining years of operation of the project. Such payments shall be made annually in an amount equal to the taxes that would be paid on such property were the property not exempt from taxation, and shall be calculated by multiplying the assessed value of such property, which shall be determined by the tax assessor of such municipality in the manner used by such assessor for assessing the value of other real property, by the applicable tax rate of the municipality. Such contract shall provide that, in consideration of such grant-in-aid, the municipality shall waive during the period of such contract any payments by the housing authority or the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority or successor owner to the municipality under the provisions of section 8-71, and shall further provide that the amount of the payments so waived shall be used by the housing authority or the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority or successor owner for a program of social and supplementary services to the occupants or shall be applied to the operating costs or reserves of the property, or shall be used to maintain or improve the physical quality of the property. As used in this subsection, a "successor owner" means an entity that owns a housing project developed pursuant to part II of chapter 128 after the revitalization of such project pursuant to a plan approved by the commissioner.

(c) The state, after it has entered into a contract with a municipality for financial assistance under this section, shall have the right to appeal
or make application for relief from any assessment of any real property with respect to which reimbursement for tax abatement or a payment in lieu of taxes is made, in the manner provided by sections 12-111 to 12-119, inclusive, and no increase in assessed valuation of such property after such contract has been entered into shall be binding upon the commissioner unless notice of such increase has been given to the commissioner in the manner provided for giving notice of such an increase to the owners of real property. In any such proceeding the state shall have the same procedural rights as the owner of such property and shall act in accordance with the procedures and rules of law applicable to such owner.

(d) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with a municipality to make payments in lieu of taxes to the municipality on land and improvements owned or leased by said commissioner pursuant to chapter 129. Such payments shall be made annually in an amount equal to the taxes that would be paid on such property were the property not exempt from taxation, and shall be calculated by multiplying the assessed value of such property, which shall be determined by the tax assessor of such municipality in the manner used by such assessor for assessing the value of other real property, by the applicable tax rate of the municipality. Such contract shall provide that, in consideration of such grant-in-aid the municipality shall waive any payments by the state to the municipality under the provisions of a cooperation agreement between the municipality and said commissioner.

(e) The financial assistance authorized by subsection (a) of this section shall not be extended to assist housing sponsored by a profit-motivated sponsor, unless the commissioner, upon advice by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development or the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority shall determine that the
mortgage loan financing such housing would not be insurable or feasible in the absence of such assistance.

(f) The Commissioner of Housing Economic and Community Development may amend any contracts entered into prior to October 1, 1969, under subsection (a) of this section, by increasing, up to a maximum of forty consecutive fiscal years of the municipality, the term of reimbursement for tax abatements provided for therein.

Sec. 667. Section 8-216b of the general statutes, as amended by section 10 of public act 17-202, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) As used in this section, "housing site development agency" means any economic development agency, human resource development agency, redevelopment agency, community development agency, housing authority or municipal developer designated by the legislative body of a municipality to carry out a housing and community development project within the municipality.

(b) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of Housing Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with a housing site development agency to provide financial assistance in the form of a grant-in-aid to the agency for the purpose of carrying out the activities set forth in subsection (c) of this section in connection with a housing and community development project which supports the development of housing which will be sold or rented at prices affordable to persons and families of low and moderate income. The commissioner shall require that the housing site development agency carry out any such project in accordance with a housing and community development plan approved by the commissioner, which plan shall include: (1) A description of the project area and the condition, type and use of the structures located therein; (2) a description of any relocation required as a result of the project and a
plan for such relocation; (3) a summary of any zoning regulations covering the project area and any amendments to such regulations which may be necessary; (4) a description of all real property to be acquired and all buildings and structures to be demolished or rehabilitated; (5) a description of all infrastructure improvements to be made, including an analysis of how such improvements will benefit low and moderate income persons and families; (6) the relationship of the project to local objectives concerning land use, housing needs and the development of public, community and recreational facilities; (7) the sources, types and amounts of project financing; and (8) a statement as to whether the project will displace site occupants from their dwelling units and, if so, a description of the steps which will be taken to minimize such displacement, to mitigate the adverse affects of such displacement on low and moderate income persons and to provide for the relocation assistance required by chapter 135. No grant-in-aid awarded by the commissioner under this section may exceed two-thirds of the net cost of the activities set forth in subsection (c) of this section which are carried out in connection with the project.

(c) Any grant-in-aid awarded to a housing site development agency for a housing and community development project under this section shall be used for one or more of the following activities: (1) Acquisition of real property for housing or community facilities; (2) rehabilitation of buildings for use as housing or community facilities; (3) improvements supporting the development of low and moderate housing, including site assemblage and preparation, site and public improvements and preconstruction costs; (4) construction, rehabilitation or renovation of community facilities or infrastructure supporting community facilities, including neighborhood centers, centers for persons with disabilities, senior centers, historic properties, public utilities, streets, street lighting, parking facilities, sewer and drainage facilities, parks, playgrounds, and recreation facilities; (5) removal of architectural barriers which restrict the mobility and
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accessibility of persons who are elderly and persons with disabilities; (6) relocation payments and assistance to individuals and families; (7) building, health and housing code enforcement activities; and (8) reasonable administrative costs incurred by the grantee in connection with the project. A redevelopment agency acting as a housing site development agency shall have the power to condemn real property, in accordance with the procedures set forth in sections 8-129 to 8-133, inclusive, for the purpose of a housing and community development project.

(d) Any real property acquired with the use of any grant-in-aid awarded under this section by a housing site development agency in connection with a housing and community development project for use as housing predominantly for persons and families of low and moderate income, including any such property acquired for use as commercial and community facilities designed to serve such housing, may be transferred for consideration which is less than cost or fair market value to (1) a housing authority, or (2) a person, firm or corporation who the commissioner determines is subject to the regulation or supervision of operations, rents, charges, income, or sales price with respect to such real property under a regulatory agreement or other instrument which restricts occupancy of such housing predominantly to persons and families whose income does not exceed one hundred per cent of the area median income, as determined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

(e) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with a nonprofit corporation for state financial assistance for a housing and community development project under this section. Such financial assistance shall be in the form of a grant-in-aid in an amount not to exceed two-thirds of the net cost of the activities set forth in subsection (c) of this section which are carried out in connection with

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the project and shall be made only to a nonprofit corporation which has secured a commitment for mortgage financing from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development or the Farmers' Home Administration. Such project shall conform to the requirements of this section and such other requirements as the commissioner may prescribe.

(f) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to carry out the purposes of this section.

Sec. 668. Section 8-216c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) As used in this section, "nonprofit corporation" means a nonprofit corporation incorporated pursuant to chapter 602 or any predecessor statutes thereto, having as one of its purposes the construction, rehabilitation, ownership or operation of housing.

(b) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall establish a pilot program of financial assistance in the form of loans, deferred loans and grants-in-aid to nonprofit corporations for not more than five developments of rental, mutual or limited equity cooperative housing for low and moderate income persons and families. Financial assistance provided under this section shall be on such terms and conditions as prescribed by the commissioner and shall be in an amount equal to one hundred per cent of the cost incurred for the acquisition of land and buildings, construction and any other costs determined by the commissioner to be reasonable and necessary. Financial assistance shall be for permanent financing only and shall not be used for construction financing. Any development receiving financial assistance under this section shall not be eligible for construction financing under any program operated by the Department of [Housing] Economic and
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Community Development or the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority. Financial assistance shall be released upon (1) completion of a development in accordance with plans and specifications approved by the commissioner and final inspection by the commissioner, (2) issuance of a certificate of occupancy by the building official of the municipality in which the housing is located, and (3) the signing of leases for eighty per cent of the units in the development. The commissioner may enter into an agreement with a nonprofit corporation for financial assistance under this section upon approval of the development by the State Bond Commission. Applicants receiving financial assistance under this section may retain not more than ten per cent of such assistance as a developer's administrative fee. The commissioner, upon request of the developer of an approved development, may advance financial assistance to reimburse such developer for costs incurred prior to a construction loan closing, provided such costs were included in the development budget approved by the commissioner. Any loan or deferred loans made under this program shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding three per cent per annum and shall be for a term of not less than twenty-five but not more than forty years.

(c) To be eligible for financial assistance under this section a development shall: (1) Consist of not more than thirty units per development and may have from one to four bedrooms per unit, with priority being given to units with three or four bedrooms; (2) be in conformance with all local zoning and other applicable land use requirements; (3) be within total development cost limits based on annual high cost limits for housing established by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development under the Section 221d(3) program as described in 12 USC 1715l; (4) be occupied not more than eighteen months after the date of approval by the State Bond Commission; (5) be marketed pursuant to an affirmative fair housing marketing plan; and (6) be consistent with the criteria of the
state comprehensive housing affordability strategy adopted under the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act (42 USC 12705).

(d) The commissioner shall select developments for funding by a competitive process based on consideration of the following: (1) The record of the applicant in providing housing for low and moderate income persons and families; (2) total development costs based on unit size relative to such costs in other applications; and (3) the number of three or four bedroom units in the proposed development.

(e) Applicants shall provide the commissioner with the following: (1) Evidence of zoning compliance and of site control; (2) a letter of interest from a construction financing source; (3) a statement showing sources of funding and that development costs are within costs limits established for financial assistance under this section; (4) an operating statement showing rents or carrying costs and operating costs, including taxes and debt service; (5) a letter of interest from a general contractor that includes a construction price; (6) a construction cost budget; (7) architectural plans and outline specifications; (8) evidence of the marketability of the units in the developments at the proposed rent; (9) a projected time frame for the completion of the development until occupancy; and (10) any other reasonable documentation requested by the commissioner to verify the feasibility of the development.

(f) Notwithstanding the provisions of the general statutes, any requirement that state-assisted rental housing be limited to families whose total housing cost is less than a specific per cent of their adjusted gross income shall not apply to projects receiving financial assistance under this section unless the occupant is receiving federal or state rental assistance or the project was constructed under a federal program requiring such limitations.

(g) The commissioner may monitor each project receiving financial
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assistance under this section after completion and occupancy. The commissioner may require the applicant to submit periodic reports on the development concerning operation and financial status, including a description of rents.

(h) Notwithstanding the provisions of the general statutes, an applicant receiving financial assistance under this section shall not be required to comply with the provisions of the general statutes or regulations adopted thereunder concerning (1) competitive bidding; (2) procedures for the selection of a contractor, architect, engineer, appraiser or lawyer; and (3) design review standards. The selection of any professional services shall be at the discretion of the applicant and subject to the approval of the construction financing source.

[(i) On or before January 1, 1995, the commissioner shall submit a report to the select committee of the General Assembly on housing on the program established under this section.]

Sec. 669. Section 8-218 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with a community housing development corporation or an eligible developer, as defined in section 8-39, for state financial assistance in the form of (1) a state grant-in-aid, loan, deferred loan, advance or any combination thereof equal to the cost to the community housing development corporation or eligible developer, as approved by the commissioner, of developing or rehabilitating low and moderate income housing under section 8-217, but limited to the following expenses: Appraisals, title searches, legal fees, option agreements, architectural, engineering and consultants' fees, financing fees, closing costs and such other expenses as may be financed by a mortgage loan under any federal or state housing statute and incurred
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by a community housing development corporation or eligible developer prior to the disbursement of mortgage loan funds on account of such property; provided, to the extent such expenses are recovered by the community housing development corporation or the eligible developer from the mortgage loan or from the proceeds of a sale of such property, such expenses shall be repaid to the state or to a fund established pursuant to subsection (b) of this section; and (2) an additional grant-in-aid, loan, deferred loan or advance to such corporation or such developer for the development of housing which in the determination of the commissioner contains a substantial number of dwelling units of three or more bedrooms provided (A) that the mortgage loan for such housing shall be eligible for insurance by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development or for financing by the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority or the Farmers' Home Administration, and (B) that the commissioner, after consultation with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority or the Farmers' Home Administration, as the case may be, shall have determined that the mortgage loan on such housing would not be insurable in the absence of such additional financial assistance; such grant-in-aid, loan, deferred loan or advance shall be in lieu of any assistance to [said] such housing under section 8-216 and shall be equal to the additional cost of construction caused by the inclusion of such dwelling units of three or more bedrooms in such housing, but in no event shall such grant-in-aid, loan, deferred loan or advance be greater than ten per cent of the cost of construction of such housing, as determined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority or the Farmers' Home Administration. The commissioner may require that any assistance in the form of a loan or deferred loan be secured by a mortgage on such housing. In the case of a deferred loan, the contract shall require that payments on all or a portion of the interest are due currently but that payments on principal may be made at a later time.
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(b) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the commissioner, may enter into a contract with a community housing development corporation or an eligible developer for state financial assistance in the form of a loan or deferred loan, which loan or deferred loan shall be used to establish and administer a revolving loan fund for the construction, rehabilitation and renovation of existing or planned low and moderate income housing, as approved by the commissioner. Such fund may also consist of any state financial assistance received from a contract between said commissioner and such community housing development corporation or eligible developer entered into pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, any proceeds recovered by such corporation or developer from any mortgage loan or from any loan or on account of such project or from the sale of such project and funds from any other source. Such fund shall be used by such corporation or developer, as approved by the commissioner, for the expenses of acquisition, development, project selection, construction, rehabilitation, renovation and oversight of existing or planned low and moderate income housing or to make loans for construction, rehabilitation and renovation of such housing on such terms and conditions as the commissioner may determine. Recipients of loans under this subsection for housing located in a distressed municipality, as defined in section 32-9p, may assign or prepay such loans with the approval of the community housing development corporation. In the case of housing developed or rehabilitated by a community housing development corporation in distressed municipalities, as defined in section 32-9p, the policies of the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development adopted under section 8-37dd, and the regulations of the department adopted under this section shall apply only to that portion of the assisted property which corresponds to the proportion of the state assistance to the property's value. The number of income-limited housing units shall be determined by multiplying the amount of the housing assistance by the total number of housing units in the assisted housing and dividing the product by the fair
market value of the property. The result shall be rounded to the lower whole number. Notwithstanding the provisions of any statute to the contrary or any regulation adopted under this section or section 8-37dd, or any other statute or regulation, limiting the income of occupants of housing assisted under this section and not located in a distressed municipality, the income of occupants of units assisted under this section and located in distressed municipalities may be two hundred fifty per cent or less of the area median income, adjusted for family size, as determined from time to time by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

(c) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the commissioner, may enter into a contract with a community housing development corporation for state financial assistance within available appropriations in the form of a grant-in-aid which shall be used by such community housing development corporation to provide grants, or to establish a revolving loan fund to provide loans or deferred loans for the purpose of making structural or interior or exterior modifications to any dwelling which may be necessary to make such dwelling accessible to and usable by persons having physical or mental disabilities. Such corporation may provide such grants, loans or deferred loans to (1) any owner of a single-family or multifamily dwelling, or (2) any tenant who furnishes satisfactory evidence that the owner of the dwelling in which the tenant resides has approved the intended structural or interior or exterior modifications. Any such loan or deferred loan may be prepaid at any time, without penalty, and the commissioner shall release the lien on the property. In the case of housing developed or rehabilitated by a community housing development corporation in distressed municipalities as defined in section 32-9p, the policies of the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development adopted under section 8-37dd, and any regulation of the department adopted under this section, shall apply only to that portion of the assisted property which corresponds to the
proportion of the state assistance to the property's value. The number of income-limited housing units shall be determined by multiplying the amount of the housing assistance by the total number of housing units in the assisted housing and dividing the product by the fair market value of the property. The result shall be rounded to the lower whole number. Notwithstanding the provisions of any statute to the contrary or any regulation adopted under this section limiting the income of occupants of housing assisted under this section and not located in a distressed municipality, the income of occupants of units assisted under this section and located in distressed municipalities may be two hundred fifty per cent or less of the area median income, adjusted for family size, as determined from time to time by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

(d) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall enter into a contract with a community housing development corporation for state financial assistance in the form of a grant-in-aid which shall be used by such community housing development corporation to provide grants for the purpose of conversion of adaptable living units into units accessible to persons with disabilities and for reconversion of such units to adaptable living units. Eligible applicants shall include any tenant or owner of a unit in a complex or building subject to the provisions of section 29-273.

(e) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall enter into a contract with a community housing development corporation for state financial assistance in the form of a grant-in-aid which shall be used by such community housing development corporation to provide grants, loans, deferred loans, loan guarantees, lines of credit, or any combination thereof, to eligible developers for activities that build, expand and enhance capacity, including, but not limited to, development of marketing or neighborhood strategic plans, professional staff training, technical
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assistance, predevelopment expenses as provided in subsection (a) of this section and other activities pursuant to section 8-217.

(f) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, to administer the programs established under subsections (c) and (d) of this section. Such regulations shall establish maximum income levels for tenants and homeowners and provide for adjustment of income for family size and medical expenses and may set maximum loan amounts for loans made under subsection (c) of this section that are not secured and for grants made under subsection (d) of this section.

Sec. 670. Section 8-218a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall establish and administer a program of grants, loans and deferred loans to housing development corporations which have qualified for state assistance under section 8-217, or to eligible developers, as defined in section 8-39, for the purpose of making loans, loan guarantees and interest subsidies in connection with the construction or rehabilitation of dwelling units for low and moderate income persons. Such grants, loans or deferred loans shall be made only to housing development corporations or eligible developers which have resources from the private sector equal to or greater than the amount of the proposed grant, loan or deferred loan. No loan, deferred loan, loan guarantee or interest subsidy shall derive more than fifty per cent of its funds from any state grant, loan or deferred loan. In the case of a deferred loan, the contract shall require that payments on all or a portion of the interest are due currently but that payments on principal may be made at a later time.

Sec. 671. Subsections (b) and (c) of section 8-218b of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
(Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) All provisions of section 3-20, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby, which are not inconsistent with the provisions of sections 8-218 to 8-218c, inclusive, are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to sections 8-218 to 8-218c, inclusive, and temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request for such authorization, which is signed by or on behalf of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development and states such terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may require. Said bonds issued pursuant to sections 8-218 to 8-218c, inclusive, shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due.

(c) Such portion of the proceeds from the sale of such bonds and of any notes issued in anticipation thereof as may be required for such purpose shall be applied to the principal of any such notes then outstanding and unpaid, and the remaining proceeds of any such sale shall be deposited in a fund to be known as the "Housing
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Development Corporation Fund", which fund shall be used to make or provide for the grants, loans or deferred loans authorized by sections 8-218 to 8-218c, inclusive. Payments from the "Housing Development Corporation Fund" to housing development corporations or eligible developers shall be made by the State Treasurer on certification of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development in accordance with the contract for financial assistance between the state and such corporation or developer. All payments of fees by a corporation or developer on a grant, loan or deferred loan provided pursuant to sections 8-218 to 8-218c, inclusive, financed from the proceeds of the state's general obligation bonds issued pursuant to any authorization, allocation or approval of the State Bond Commission made prior to July 1, 1990, shall be paid to the State Treasurer for deposit in said fund. All payments of principal or interest by a corporation or developer on a loan provided pursuant to sections 8-218 to 8-218c, inclusive, and all fees and payments by a corporation or developer of state service charges not financed from the proceeds of the state's general obligation bonds shall be paid to the State Treasurer for deposit in the Housing Repayment and Revolving Loan Fund.

Sec. 672. Section 8-218c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall adopt regulations in accordance with chapter 54 to carry out the purposes of sections 8-218, 8-218a and 8-218b.

Sec. 673. Section 8-218e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with the community housing development corporation, as defined in section 8-217, which has been specially chartered by the
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General Assembly pursuant to section 8-218f, for state financial assistance in the form of a state grant-in-aid to enable such corporation to provide technical assistance and management training in the financing, acquisition, construction and rehabilitation of housing, as defined in said section 8-217, to families (1) whose incomes do not exceed eighty per cent of the median household income for the area in which the families reside and (2) who wish to establish limited equity cooperatives, as defined in section 47-242, or housing cooperatives in which persons participate in the construction or rehabilitation of their own dwellings. Any such grant shall only be made to said community housing development corporation if it has resources from other sources in an amount equal to or greater than one hundred per cent of the proposed grant. Such other sources may include, but shall not be limited to, other governmental agencies, the private sector, private foundations and charitable organizations.

Sec. 674. Subsection (a) of section 8-218h of the general statutes, as amended by section 3 of public act 17-96, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There is established a task force consisting of the cochairmen and ranking members of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public safety; the State Building Inspector or his or her designee; four representatives of the Home Builders Association, one of whom shall be appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one by the minority leader of the Senate, one by the speaker of the House of Representatives and one by the minority leader of the House of Representatives; and four members of the public having physical disabilities, two of whom shall be appointed by the Governor, one by the majority leader of the Senate and one by the majority leader of the House of Representatives. On and after July 1, 1990, the task force shall also consist of the Commissioner of Social Services, or his or her designee; an additional
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representative of the Home Builders Association, who shall be appointed jointly by the ranking members of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public safety; and an additional member of the public having a physical disability, who shall be appointed jointly by the cochairpersons of said joint standing committee. On and after June 26, 1991, the task force shall also consist of the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, or his or her designee, and a representative of each community housing development corporation administering the program established under subsection (d) of section 8-218, appointed by the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development. [On and after July 1, 2013, the task force shall also consist of the Commissioner of Housing, or his or her designee.]

Sec. 675. Section 8-219a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

There is established a "Senior Citizen Emergency Home Repair and Rehabilitation Fund". The fund shall be used to make low interest loans or deferred loans authorized by sections 8-219b and 8-219c, and for expenses incurred by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development in the implementation of the program established by this section and sections 8-219b and 8-219c. In the case of a deferred loan, the contract shall require that payments on interest are due immediately but that payments on principal may be made at a later time.

Sec. 676. Subsection (a) of section 8-219b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, acting on behalf of the state, may, in his discretion, enter into a contract with any person who is sixty-two years of age or older.
and whose income does not exceed the maximum qualifying income for eligibility for benefits under the program of tax relief for certain elderly homeowners under section 12-170aa, to provide, based on the financial needs of such person, a grant-in-aid, loan or deferred loan to enable such person to finance emergency repairs to or rehabilitation of a dwelling containing up to two residential units, provided such person shall be the owner of such dwelling and shall reside in at least one of such units. In the case of a deferred loan, the contract shall require that payments on interest are due immediately but that payments on principal may be made at a later time.

Sec. 677. Section 8-219c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, providing for financial qualifications of grant and loan recipients, requirements to ensure that grants-in-aid, loans or deferred loans awarded under sections 8-219a and 8-219b are used only for repairs or rehabilitation necessary to permit continued use of the dwelling for residential purposes, requirements and limitations as to adjustments of terms and conditions of repayment of loans, funding priorities and such additional requirements as the commissioner deems necessary to carry out the purposes of [said] sections 8-219a and 8-219b.

Sec. 678. Section 8-219d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract to provide financial assistance in the form of grants-in-aid, loans or deferred loans to nonprofit corporations, as defined in section 8-39, to assist such corporations with the costs of administrative
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expenses and technical assistance associated with the development of housing for low and moderate income families and the elderly. In the case of a deferred loan, the contract shall require that payments on interest are due immediately but that payments on principal may be made at a later time.

(b) Any such grant-in-aid, loan or deferred loan shall be made only to a nonprofit corporation which has resources for the costs listed under subsection (a) of this section available from other sources in an amount equal to or greater than one hundred per cent of the proposed grants, unless a nonprofit corporation has been incorporated for less than two years, in which case the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may waive the requirements contained in this subsection.

(c) In determining the amount of a grant-in-aid, loan or deferred loan under this section, the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall consider the number of dwelling units for low and moderate income and elderly persons which are being developed or rehabilitated in the project or projects for which financial assistance is being requested, provided no such grant-in-aid, loan or deferred loan shall be for an amount greater than one hundred thousand dollars.

(d) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to carry out the purposes of this section. Such regulations shall include provisions to establish eligibility requirements for nonprofit corporations to receive financial assistance provided under this section, criteria which the commissioner shall use for awarding such financial assistance, the purposes for which such financial assistance may be used and the terms and conditions which the commissioner shall establish for nonprofit corporations which receive such assistance. Such regulations shall also include provisions

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requiring periodic reports to be submitted by such nonprofit corporations to the commissioner and requiring that a performance audit of such nonprofit corporations be conducted by an independent accounting or management consulting firm on an annual basis.

Sec. 679. Section 8-219e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with an eligible developer, as defined in section 8-39, a community housing development corporation, as defined in section 8-217, or any other person approved by the commissioner for state financial assistance in the form of a grant-in-aid, loan or deferred loan for technical assistance and the abatement of lead-based paint, asbestos and asbestos-containing material from a residential dwelling unit. In the case of a deferred loan, the contract shall require that payments on interest are due and payable but that payments on principal may be deferred to a time certain. Such grant-in-aid, loan or deferred loan, or combination thereof, shall not exceed the cost of such abatement, including expenses incurred in obtaining technical assistance for such abatement, and shall be awarded upon such terms and conditions as the commissioner may prescribe by regulations adopted pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.

(b) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to carry out the purposes of this section. Such regulations shall provide the terms and conditions of grants-in-aid, loans or deferred loans made pursuant to subsection (a) of this section and the eligibility and application requirements for such financial assistance. In determining such eligibility requirements, the commissioner shall consider establishing priorities for low and moderate income families and households having a child suffering
from lead-paint poisoning.

Sec. 680. Section 8-220 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, may enter into a contract with a municipality with a population of fifty thousand or less as shown in the most recent federal decennial census, for state financial assistance in the form of a state grant-in-aid equal to two-thirds of the cost of developing or updating municipal plans of development. The secretary shall assure that any planning performed by any municipality with state financial assistance under this section shall be adequate to meet the standards and criteria of the federal Urban Planning Assistance Program administered by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development and such other federal planning criteria for such other federal programs as may be appropriate. No state financial assistance shall be made under this section unless federal funds for the purposes described herein are not available, as determined by the secretary, at the time of application for such state financial assistance; provided, if federal funds subsequently become available for the same purpose for which state financial assistance had been granted, the municipality shall repay the secretary from such federal funds an amount equal to such state financial assistance, if, under federal law, such federal funds may be so used, or the secretary may apply to the United States for and accept such funds as reimbursement for such state financial assistance.

(b) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may in his or her discretion make advances of funds to any municipality, housing authority or human resource development agency as defined in section 17b-852 for up to seventy-five per cent of the costs, as approved by the commissioner, of surveys and planning in preparation of any project, program or activity for which state
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financial assistance is provided under this chapter and sections 8-44a, 8-154a and 47a-56j and the contracts for such advances of funds shall require that such advances shall be credited against any subsequent grants-in-aid of such project, program or activity, or shall be repaid to the state if funds for the purposes of this subsection are received from a source other than the state.

(c) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with a housing authority or two or more housing authorities acting jointly for technical assistance and financial assistance in the form of a state grant-in-aid not to exceed two-thirds of the cost of conducting housing surveys and research as approved by the commissioner and as authorized in chapter 128.

Sec. 681. Section 8-220a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) In addition to and without limiting any other powers granted under any law, any municipality or any two or more municipalities acting jointly may request, contract for, receive and expend state financial assistance as authorized for a municipality by sections 8-44a, 8-154a, 8-208, 8-209, 8-216, 8-218, 8-220 and 47a-56j for any of the purposes specified therein and may initiate and carry out any of the programs, projects, functions or activities for which state financial assistance is authorized for a municipality therein and do all things necessary to secure such state financial assistance and carry out such programs, projects, functions or activities.

(b) The chief executive officer of any municipality with the approval of the governing body thereof may designate any agency, department, board or commission thereof, or housing authority to administer any of the programs, projects, functions or activities for which state financial assistance is authorized by sections 8-44a, 8-154a, 8-208, 8-209,
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8-216, 8-218, 8-220 and 47a-56j where such authority and responsibility for such administration is not otherwise provided for. In addition to and without limiting any other powers granted under any law, such agency, department, board or commission or housing authority may administer and carry out any such programs, projects, functions or activities and do all things necessary or desirable in connection therewith, including contracting with the state and the United States, private organizations or professional consultants, or with any one or more of them, for the purposes of this chapter and said sections.

(c) Any action authorized by sections 8-44a, 8-154a, 8-208, 8-209, 8-216, 8-218, 8-220 and 47a-56j to be taken by a municipality, or any agency, department, board or commission thereof, or any housing authority may be taken jointly by, and the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may enter into any contract authorized by this chapter and said sections with any two or more such municipalities or agencies, departments, boards or commissions thereof, or housing authorities.

(d) Any municipality, or any agency, department, board or commission thereof, or any housing authority may request, and the commissioner may provide or require, that contracts for two or more programs, projects or activities under this chapter and said sections may be combined in one contract.

(e) In each fiscal year no municipality may receive more than fifteen per cent of the amount authorized for the purposes of sections 8-44a, 8-114a, 8-154a, 8-208, 8-209, 8-216, 8-218, 8-220 and 47a-56j provided, if any portion of such authorized amount is not committed at the end of the first six months of the fiscal year, by virtue of an executed assistance agreement or a reservation of state funds approved by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, the commissioner may allocate such portion without regard to such limitation.

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(f) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may make and enforce regulations to effectuate the purposes of sections 8-44a, 8-154a, 8-208, 8-209, 8-216, 8-218, 8-220 and 47a-56j and to determine the allocation of the state financial assistance authorized in said sections among the municipalities of the state on the basis of their respective needs.

Sec. 682. Subsection (z) of section 8-243 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(z) "Department" means the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development.

Sec. 683. Subsection (a) of section 8-244 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There is created a body politic and corporate to be known as the "Connecticut Housing Finance Authority". Said authority is constituted a public instrumentality and political subdivision of this state and the exercise by the authority of the powers conferred by this chapter shall be deemed and held to be the performance of an essential public and governmental function. The Connecticut Housing Finance Authority shall not be construed to be a department, institution or agency of the state. The board of directors of the authority shall consist of [sixteen] fifteen members as follows: (1) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, [the Commissioner of Housing,] the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, the Banking Commissioner and the State Treasurer, ex officio, or their designees, with the right to vote, (2) seven members to be appointed by the Governor, and (3) four members appointed as follows: One by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one by the speaker of the House of Representatives, one by the minority leader of the Senate and one by
the minority leader of the House of Representatives. The member initially appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives shall serve a term of five years; the member initially appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate shall serve a term of four years. The members initially appointed by the Senate minority leader shall serve a term of three years. The member initially appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives shall serve a term of two years. Thereafter, each member appointed by a member of the General Assembly shall serve a term of five years. The members appointed by the Governor and the members of the General Assembly shall be appointed in accordance with section 4-9b and among them be experienced in all aspects of housing, including housing design, development, finance, management and state and municipal finance, and at least one of whom shall be selected from among the officers or employees of the state. At least one shall have experience in the provision of housing to very low, low and moderate income families. On or before July first, annually, the Governor shall appoint a member for a term of five years from said July first to succeed the member whose term expires and until such member's successor has been appointed, except that in 1974 and 1995 and quinquennially thereafter, the Governor shall appoint two members. The chairperson of the board shall be appointed by the Governor. The board shall annually elect one of its appointed members as vice-chairperson of the board. Members shall receive no compensation for the performance of their duties hereunder but shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred in the performance thereof. The Governor or appointing member of the General Assembly, as the case may be, shall fill any vacancy for the unexpired term. A member of the board shall be eligible for reappointment. Any member of the board may be removed by the Governor or appointing member of the General Assembly, as the case may be, for misfeasance, malfeasance or wilful neglect of duty. Each member of the board before entering upon such member's duties shall take and subscribe the oath of affirmation required by article XI,

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section 1, of the State Constitution. A record of each such oath shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of the State. Each ex-officio member may designate such member's deputy or any member of such member's staff to represent such member at meetings of the board with full power to act and vote on such member's behalf.

Sec. 684. Subdivisions (1) and (2) of subsection (a) of section 8-244e of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(1) "Department" means the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development;

(2) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development;

Sec. 685. Section 8-265p of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The authority shall establish, within the resources allocated by the State Bond Commission to the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for the purposes of sections 8-265o to 8-265v, inclusive, a residential mortgage guarantee program. The purpose of the program shall be to enable residential mortgagors to obtain mortgage credit, otherwise unavailable, for the refinancing of existing mortgages. The authority shall implement the program in a manner designed to facilitate the qualifications of the loans guaranteed under the program for sale to one or more secondary mortgage markets for such loans. The authority shall compute the amount of guarantees authorized for the purposes of sections 8-265o to 8-265v, inclusive, on the basis of not more than ten times the resources allocated by the State Bond Commission to the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for such purposes, including fees received pursuant to section 8-265t.
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Sec. 686. Subsection (b) of section 8-265w of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for the purpose of (1) a grant to the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority for the purposes of sections 8-265o to 8-265v, inclusive, and (2) for loans or deferred loans by the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development pursuant to sections 8-283 to 8-289, inclusive. Any proceeds authorized or allocated by the commission for loans or deferred loans pursuant to sections 8-283 to 8-289, inclusive, shall not be deemed to be authorized, allocated or available for the purposes of sections 8-265o to 8-265v, inclusive.

Sec. 687. Subsection (c) of section 8-265oo of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(c) The authority shall implement the program established by this section within the resources allocated by the State Bond Commission to the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for the purposes of a grant to the authority for the purposes of this section, in a manner designed to facilitate the qualifications of mortgage guarantees under such program for sale to one or more secondary mortgage markets for such loans. The authority shall explore options that maximize the funds made available, including, but not limited to, the opportunity to minimize the state's exposure through insurance alternatives.

Sec. 688. Subsection (b) of section 8-271 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

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(b) Each relocation advisory assistance program required by subsection (a) of this section shall include such measures, facilities, or services as may be necessary or appropriate in order (1) to determine the needs, if any, of displaced persons for relocation assistance; (2) to provide current and continuing information on the availability, prices and rentals, of comparable decent, safe and sanitary sales and rental housing, and of comparable commercial properties and locations for displaced businesses; (3) to assure that, within a reasonable period of time, prior to displacement there will be available in areas not generally less desirable in regard to public utilities and public and commercial facilities and at rents or prices within the financial means of the families and individuals displaced, decent, safe and sanitary dwellings, as defined by the Commissioner of Transportation for transportation projects and by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for all other state agency programs and projects, equal in number to the number of and available to such displaced persons who require such dwellings and reasonably accessible to their places of employment, except that the Commissioner of Transportation for transportation projects and the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for all other state agency programs and projects may prescribe by regulation situations when such assurances may be waived; (4) to assist a displaced person displaced from the person's business or farm operation in obtaining and becoming established in a suitable replacement location; (5) to supply information concerning federal and state housing programs, disaster loan programs and other federal and state programs offering assistance to displaced persons; (6) to provide other advisory assistance services to displaced persons in order to minimize hardship to such persons in adjusting to relocation.

Sec. 689. Section 8-272 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):
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(a) If a project or program cannot proceed to actual construction because comparable replacement sale or rental housing is not available, and the Commissioner of Transportation for transportation projects or the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for any other state agency program or project determines that such housing cannot otherwise be made available after consultation with the chief executive officer of the municipality within which such project or program occurs, he may take such action as is necessary or appropriate to provide such housing by use of funds authorized for such project or program, the provisions of any other state statute to the contrary notwithstanding.

(b) No person shall be required to move from his dwelling on or after July 6, 1971, on account of any state agency project or program unless the Commissioner of Transportation for transportation projects or the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for any other state agency program or project is satisfied that replacement housing, in accordance with subdivision (3) of subsection (b) of section 8-271 is available to such person.

Sec. 690. Section 8-273 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) In order to promote uniform and effective administration of relocation assistance and land acquisition of state agencies, the Commissioner of Transportation and Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall consult together on the establishment of regulations and procedures for the implementation of such projects and programs.

(b) The Commissioner of Transportation is authorized to establish for transportation projects and the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for all other state agency programs and projects such regulations and procedures as each may
determine to be necessary to assure (1) that the payments and assistance authorized by this chapter shall be administered in a manner which is fair and reasonable, and as uniform as practicable; (2) that a displaced person who makes proper application for a payment authorized for such person by this chapter shall be paid promptly after a move or, in hardship cases, be paid in advance; and (3) that any person aggrieved by a determination as to eligibility for a payment authorized by this chapter, or the amount of a payment, may have his application reviewed by the Commissioner of Transportation for transportation projects and by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for any other state agency program or project.

(c) The Commissioner of Transportation is authorized to establish for transportation projects and the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for all other state agency programs and projects such other regulations and procedures, consistent with the provisions of this chapter, as each deems necessary or appropriate to carry out this chapter.

Sec. 691. Section 8-274 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

In order to prevent unnecessary expenses and duplications of functions, and to promote uniform and effective administration of relocation assistance programs for displaced persons authorized under this chapter, the Commissioner of Transportation may, for transportation projects, and the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may, for all other state agency programs or projects, enter into contracts or agreements with any individual, firm, association, or corporation for services in connection with such projects or programs, or may carry out its functions under this chapter through any federal, state or local governmental agency or instrumentality having an established organization for conducting

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relocation assistance programs. A state agency shall, in carrying out
the relocation assistance activities described in section 8-272, whenever
practicable, utilize the services of state or local housing agencies, or
other agencies having experience in the administration or conduct of
similar housing assistance activities.

Sec. 692. Section 8-278 of the general statutes is repealed and the
following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Any person or business concern aggrieved by any agency action,
concerning their eligibility for relocation payments authorized by this
chapter may appeal such determination to the Commissioner of
Transportation in the case of relocation made necessary by a
transportation project or to the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic
and Community Development in the case of relocation made necessary
by any other state agency program or project. The Commissioner of
Transportation and the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and
Community Development shall have the power to certify official
documents and to issue subpoenas to compel the attendance of
witnesses or the production of books, papers, correspondence,
memoranda or other records deemed necessary as evidence in
connection with an appeal pursuant to this section. If any person to
whom such subpoena is issued fails to appear, or having appeared
refuses to give testimony or fails to produce the evidence required, the
Superior Court, upon application of the Attorney General representing
the appropriate commissioner, shall have jurisdiction to order such
person to appear or to give testimony or produce the evidence required, as the case may be. The Commissioner of Transportation, or
a hearing officer duly appointed by said commissioner, or the
Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development,
or a hearing officer duly appointed by said commissioner, shall have
the power to administer oaths and affirmations in connection with an
appeal pursuant to this section.

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Sec. 693. Subsection (e) of section 8-279 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(e) All state agencies charged with preparing relocation plans or carrying out such plans pursuant to the provisions of this chapter shall file such plans with the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development who shall maintain a file of such plans which may be inspected at reasonable times by any person, owner or lessee of any affected business or farm, or governmental agency.

Sec. 694. Section 8-280 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract or agreement with a state agency to provide state financial assistance to such state agency in the form of a grant-in-aid equal to two-thirds of the net cost of carrying out a program of relocation assistance pursuant to a relocation plan as provided under section 8-281 and approved by the commissioner. Such grant-in-aid shall: (1) Provide actual administration costs not to exceed one hundred dollars for each dwelling unit and two hundred fifty dollars for each farm or business relocated in accordance with the provisions of this chapter; (2) provide advance grants for relocation assistance paid pursuant to the provisions of said section to persons, families, businesses and farm operations and nonprofit organizations not otherwise entitled to relocation assistance from any program of any other state agency or any program of the federal government and who have not been reimbursed for moving costs in a condemnation proceeding; (3) include the cost of the preparation of the relocation plan.

(b) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall not provide a grant-in-aid pursuant to subsection
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(a) of this section to any town, city or borough for the cost of carrying out a program of relocation assistance for persons displaced as the direct result of code enforcement activities undertaken by a town, city or borough, unless such town, city or borough (1) places, pursuant to section 8-270, a lien on all real property in such town, city or borough, which is owned by the landlord of the persons who are displaced by such code enforcement activities, and (2) assigns to the state the claim of the town, city or borough against such landlord for the costs of carrying out such program of relocation assistance. The Attorney General shall be responsible for collecting such claim and may carry out such responsibility by (A) enforcing any such lien assigned to the state by the town, city or borough, (B) placing and enforcing a lien on any other real property owned by the landlord in the state, or (C) instituting civil proceedings in the Superior Court against such landlord. Two-thirds of all funds collected by the Attorney General from a landlord pursuant to this subsection shall be deposited in the General Fund and the remaining one-third of such funds shall be remitted to the town, city or borough which brought code enforcement activities against such landlord.

Sec. 695. Section 8-281 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

To be eligible to receive financial assistance under section 8-280, a state agency shall cause to be prepared and file with the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for the approval of the commissioner a relocation plan based upon a plan or program of governmental action within the area of operation of the state agency which will cause the displacement of persons, families, businesses, farm operations and nonprofit organizations. Such relocation plan shall conform to the provisions of this chapter and shall include but not be limited to the following: (a) The number of persons, families, businesses and farms to be displaced by the proposed governmental
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action; (b) a statement concerning availability of sufficient, suitable accommodations as shall meet the requirements for occupancy of those persons, families, businesses and farms displaced and the dates when such accommodations will be available; (c) a plan for carrying out the relocation of such displaced persons, families, businesses and farms; (d) a description and identification of the area to be affected.

Sec. 696. Section 8-284 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

As used in this chapter:

(a) "Eligible family or person" means a family or person who lacks the amount of income necessary, to purchase safe and adequate housing without special financial assistance;

(b) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development;

(c) "Authority" means the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority;

(d) "Department" means the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development.

Sec. 697. Subsection (a) of section 8-286 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The authority shall administer, within the resources allocated by the State Bond Commission to the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for the purposes of sections 8-283 to 8-289, inclusive, the homeownership loan program established by said sections 8-283 to 8-289. The purpose of the program shall be to provide, through a contract, an eligible family or person based on the financial
needs of such family or person, a loan or deferred loan to assist in the purchase of a dwelling or the purchase and rehabilitation of a dwelling containing up to four residential units, provided such family or person shall reside in at least one of such units. In the case of a deferred loan, the contract shall require that payments on interest are due currently but that payments on principal may be made at a later time.

Sec. 698. Section 8-336f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall establish and administer a Connecticut housing partnership program for the purpose of encouraging the formation of local housing partnerships which will work with the community, the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, and other state agencies to solve housing problems faced by the community and develop ways to increase the supply and availability of affordable housing in the community.

(b) Any municipality may, by ordinance, or by resolution of the board of selectmen in any town in which the legislative body is a town meeting, authorize the formation of a local housing partnership. Any local housing partnership shall include, but shall not be limited to, the chief elected official of the municipality and the following members to be appointed by the chief elected official: (1) Representatives of the planning commission, zoning commission, inland wetlands commission, housing authority and any local community development agency, (2) representatives of the local business community, such as local bankers, realtors and developers, (3) representatives of public interest groups, such as housing advocates, members of the clergy, members of local civic groups and representatives of local nonprofit corporations, and (4) local urban planning, land use and housing professionals.
(c) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may provide a local housing partnership with an initial designation under the Connecticut housing partnership program upon receipt of evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that the local housing partnership has been formed in accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) of this section and that sufficient local resources have been committed to the local housing partnership. Upon such initial designation, the commissioner shall provide technical assistance to the local housing partnership which assistance shall include, but shall not be limited to, the following: (1) The assignment of a primary contact person in the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development to work directly with the local housing partnership, (2) obtaining assistance from other state agencies, regional councils of governments and regional housing councils on behalf of the local housing partnership when necessary, (3) assisting the local housing partnership in developing a comprehensive local housing strategy, (4) assisting the local housing partnership in identifying available local resources, (5) discussing possible ways to create affordable housing through the use of conventional and alternative financing and through public and private land use controls, (6) explaining the requirements of and the types of assistance available under state housing programs, and (7) providing information and advice concerning available federal and private financial assistance for all aspects of housing development.

(d) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may provide a local housing partnership which has received an initial designation under subsection (c) of this section with a development designation under the Connecticut housing partnership program upon receipt of evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that the local housing partnership has: (1) Examined and identified housing needs and opportunities in the community, (2) explored the availability of any state, municipal or other land that is suitable for the
development of affordable housing, (3) reviewed applicable zoning regulations to determine whether such regulations restrict the development of affordable housing in the community and to identify any necessary changes to such regulations, (4) established priorities and developed a long-range plan to meet identified housing needs in the community consistent with regional housing needs, (5) established procedures for the development of a written proposal to achieve such priorities in accordance with said plan, and (6) started an activity, development or project designed to create additional affordable housing in the community. Upon such development designation: (A) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall give priority to any activity, project or development initiated or sponsored by the local housing partnership in providing any financial assistance pursuant to any program administered by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development under the general statutes; (B) the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall consider formation of a local housing partnership in a municipality as a primary factor in awarding any grant-in-aid for open space land under sections 7-131d to 7-131k, inclusive; (C) the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall consider formation of a local housing partnership in a municipality as a primary factor in making any grants and loans for water quality projects under sections 22a-475 to 22a-483, inclusive. If the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development determines that a municipality has developed and is maintaining a balanced inventory of affordable housing, the municipality shall receive the same priority as a local housing partnership which has received a development designation under this subsection or the municipality in which such local housing partnership is formed.

(e) Upon the completion of the first activity, development or project initiated or sponsored by a local housing partnership under this
section, the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, upon receipt of satisfactory evidence of such completion, shall provide a town-aid grant to the municipality in which the local housing partnership is formed in an amount equal to twenty-five per cent of the amount of the distribution to the municipality calculated under the provisions of part IIa of chapter 240 for the fiscal year in which the activity, development or project is completed. Such town-aid grant shall be paid to the municipality from the General Fund (1) in the fiscal year following the fiscal year in which the activity, development or project is completed, and (2) in each of the three fiscal years following the fiscal year in which such initial town-aid grant is paid, provided the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development determines in each of such years that the local housing partnership and the municipality in which the local housing partnership is formed are actively engaged in the development of affordable housing within the municipality. Such town-aid grant shall not be included in the estimates compiled by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management pursuant to sections 4-71a and 4-71b.

(f) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to carry out the purposes of subsections (a) to (d), inclusive, of this section.

Sec. 699. Subdivisions (2) and (3) of section 8-336m of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(2) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development.

(3) "Department" means the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development.
Sec. 700. Section 8-336p of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There is established the Housing Trust Fund program which shall be developed and administered by the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development. The purpose of the program is to: (1) Encourage the creation of housing for homeownership at a cost that will enable low and moderate income families to afford quality housing while paying no more than thirty per cent of gross household income on housing, (2) promote the rehabilitation, preservation and production of quality, well-designed rental and homeownership housing affordable to low and moderate income families or persons, (3) maximize the leveraging of state and federal funds by encouraging private sector investment in housing developments receiving assistance, (4) encourage housing that maximizes housing choices of residents, (5) enhance economic opportunity for low and moderate income individuals and their families, (6) promote the application of efficient land use that utilizes existing infrastructure and the conservation of open spaces, and (7) encourage the development of housing which aids the revitalization of communities.

(b) Financial assistance shall be provided under subsection (a) of this section to eligible applicants, as defined in section 8-336m, for development of quality rental housing and homeownership for low and moderate income families or persons. The financial assistance made under the Housing Trust Fund program shall be paid from the Housing Trust Fund established under section 8-336o, and may be in the form of no interest and low interest loans, loan guarantees, revolving loans, grants and appraisal gap financings and other similar financings necessary to make rents or home prices affordable. Financial assistance provided under this section shall supplement (1) existing loan and tax credits programs available under state and
federal law, and (2) grants, loans or financial assistance from any nonprofit or for-profit entity.

(c) The resources of the program shall be made available, at least semiannually, on a competitive basis in accordance with the written program guidelines and criteria adopted pursuant to subsection (a) of section 8-336q.

(d) (1) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may, with the approval of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, solicit and accept contributions from private entities, nonprofit and for-profit corporations, philanthropic organizations and financial institutions, to support and expand the resources available through the Housing Trust Fund. All such funds shall be deposited in the Housing Trust Fund.

(2) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may deposit any local, state or federal funds received by said commissioner into the Housing Trust Fund, provided such funds are received for purposes that do not conflict with the purposes of the Housing Trust Fund program.

(e) (1) Any contribution to the Housing Trust Fund made pursuant to subsection (d) of this section shall be distributed as designated by its contributor, except that not more than fifty per cent of the contribution may be designated. If no designation is specified, such funds shall be used by the commissioner to further the purposes of sections 8-336m to 8-336q, inclusive.

(2) In each fiscal year that the Housing Trust Fund has funds available for distribution, the commissioner shall allocate from said fund three hundred thousand dollars for funding matching grants to be dedicated to funding purchases of primary residences pursuant to the provisions of sections 31-51ww to 31-51eee, inclusive.
(3) Any unexpended or unallocated amounts in the Housing Trust Fund for any fiscal year may be carried over to the succeeding fiscal year and adjustments may be made for short fiscal periods.

(f) (1) The commissioner may select a third-party contract administrator to establish or maintain a revolving loan fund or to carry out some of the duties of the department under the Housing Trust Fund program. For any contract having a cost of more than fifty thousand dollars, the third-party administrator shall be selected through a competitive process and may be paid from the moneys in the Housing Trust Fund. Such administrator may not spend more than fifteen per cent of the contract cost on administrative expenses.

(2) Any contract with a third-party contract administrator selected for the purpose of establishing or maintaining a revolving loan fund shall provide that all outstanding loans are assigned to the department when the third-party administrator is (A) no longer establishing or maintaining the revolving loan fund; (B) in default of its obligations to the department; or (C) no longer functioning as an entity.

(g) The commissioner shall include in the report required pursuant to section 8-37qqq an annual report concerning the activities for the prior fiscal year of the Housing Trust Fund and the Housing Trust Fund program and the efforts of the department to obtain private support for the Housing Trust Fund and the Housing Trust Fund program.

Sec. 701. Section 8-339 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall establish, within available appropriations, and administer a security deposit guarantee program for persons who (1) (A) are recipients of temporary family assistance, aid under the state
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supplement program, or state-administered general assistance, or (B) have a documented showing of financial need, and (2) (A) are residing in emergency shelters or other emergency housing, cannot remain in permanent housing due to any reason specified in subsection (a) of section 17b-808, or are served a writ, summons and complaint in a summary process action instituted pursuant to chapter 832, or (B) have a certificate or voucher from a rental assistance program or federal Section 8 program. Under the security deposit guarantee program, the Commissioner of Housing Economic and Community Development may provide security deposit guarantees for use by such persons in lieu of a security deposit on a rental dwelling unit. Eligible persons may receive a security deposit guarantee in an amount not to exceed the equivalent of two months' rent on such rental unit. No person may apply for and receive a security deposit guarantee more than once in any eighteen-month period without the express authorization of the Commissioner of Housing Economic and Community Development, except as provided in subsection (b) of this section. The Commissioner of Housing Economic and Community Development may deny eligibility for the security deposit guarantee program to an applicant for whom the commissioner has paid two claims by landlords. The Commissioner of Housing Economic and Community Development shall prioritize provision of security deposit guarantees to eligible veterans and may establish priorities for providing security deposit guarantees to other eligible persons described in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of subdivision (2) of this subsection in order to administer the program within available appropriations.

(b) In the case of any person who qualifies for a guarantee, the Commissioner of Housing Economic and Community Development, or any local or regional nonprofit corporation or social service organization under contract with the Department of Housing Economic and Community Development to assist in the administration of the security deposit guarantee program established pursuant to
subsection (a) of this section, may execute a written agreement to pay
the landlord for any damages suffered by the landlord due to the
tenant's failure to comply with such tenant's obligations as defined in
section 47a-21, provided the amount of any such payment shall not
exceed the amount of the requested security deposit. Notwithstanding
the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, if a person who has
previously received a grant for a security deposit or a security deposit
guarantee becomes eligible for a subsequent security deposit guarantee
within eighteen months after a claim has been paid on a prior security
deposit guarantee, such person may receive a security deposit
guarantee. The amount of the subsequent security deposit guarantee
for which such person would otherwise have been eligible shall be
reduced by (1) any amount of a previous grant which has not been
returned to the department pursuant to section 47a-21, or (2) the
amount of any payment made to the landlord for damages pursuant to
this subsection.

(c) Any payment made pursuant to this section to any person
receiving temporary family assistance, aid under the state supplement
program or state-administered general assistance shall not be deducted
from the amount of assistance to which the recipient would otherwise
be entitled.

(d) On and after July 1, 2000, no special need or special benefit
payments shall be made by the commissioner for security deposits
from the temporary family assistance, state supplement, or state-
administered general assistance programs.

(e) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community
Development may, within available appropriations, on a case-by-case
basis, provide a security deposit grant to a person eligible for the
security deposit guarantee program established under subsection (a) of
this section, in an amount not to exceed the equivalent of one month's
rent on such rental unit, provided the commissioner determines that
emergency circumstances exist which threaten the health, safety or welfare of a child who resides with such person. Such person shall not be eligible for more than one such grant without the authorization of said commissioner. Nothing in this section shall preclude the approval of such one-month security deposit grant in conjunction with a one-month security deposit guarantee.

(f) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may provide a security deposit grant to a person receiving such grant through any local or regional nonprofit corporation or social service organization under an existing contract with the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development to assist in the administration of the security deposit program, but in no event shall a payment be authorized after October 1, 2000. Nothing in this section shall preclude the commissioner from entering into a contract with one or more local or regional nonprofit corporations or social service organizations for the purpose of issuing security deposit guarantees.

(g) A landlord may submit a claim for damages not later than forty-five days after the date of termination of the tenancy. Payment shall be made only for a claim that includes receipts for repairs made. No claim shall be paid for an apartment from which a tenant vacated because substandard conditions made the apartment uninhabitable, as determined by a local, state or federal regulatory agency.

(h) Any person with income exceeding one hundred fifty per cent of the federal poverty level, who is found eligible to receive a security deposit guarantee under this section and for whom the commissioner has paid a claim by a landlord, shall contribute five per cent of one month’s rent to the payment of the security deposit. The commissioner may waive such payment for good cause.

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Development shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to administer the program established pursuant to this section and to set eligibility criteria for the program, but may implement the program while in the process of adopting such regulations provided notice of intent to adopt the regulations is published in the Connecticut Law Journal within twenty days after implementation.

Sec. 702. Subsection (a) of section 8-345 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall implement and administer a program of rental assistance for low-income families living in privately-owned rental housing. For the purposes of this section, a low-income family is one whose income does not exceed fifty per cent of the median family income for the area of the state in which such family lives, as determined by the commissioner.

Sec. 703. Section 8-345a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, in consultation with the Commissioner of Social Services, shall provide emergency rental assistance for families eligible for assistance under the temporary family assistance program living in hotels and motels as a component of the program for rental assistance established under section 8-345.

Sec. 704. Section 8-345b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall modify the rental assistance program subsidy for...
eligible recipients with earned income in order to operate the program within available appropriations. The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall have the authority to adopt policies or procedures to implement the provisions of this section pending the adoption of the policy or procedure in regulations, provided notice of intent to adopt regulations is published in the Connecticut Law Journal within twenty days of implementation of the policy or procedure.

Sec. 705. Section 8-345c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

At least two weeks before any entity in the state that administers vouchers under the federal Housing Choice Voucher Program, 42 USC 1437f(o), opens its waiting list for the acceptance of new applications for such vouchers, such entity shall notify, in writing or by electronic mail, the operator of an Internet web site designated by the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, of (1) the date of the opening of such waiting list, (2) the manner in which applicants may apply, and (3) the date, if any, on which the waiting list will be closed. The operator of said web site shall make such information available, by electronic means or otherwise, to Infoline of Connecticut, other organizations and the public.

Sec. 706. Section 8-346 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall establish and implement a five-year pilot program of rental assistance for low-income families living in newly created privately-owned rental housing. For the purposes of this section, a low-income family is one whose income does not exceed sixty per cent of the area median income adjusted for family size in which such family lives, as determined by the commissioner. The commissioner
shall provide such rental assistance in order to encourage the creation of additional rental housing.

(b) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with the owner or developer of new rental housing to provide rental assistance linked to a specific number of units in such housing which shall be set aside for low-income families. Each contract to provide rental assistance for units set aside for occupancy by low-income families under this section shall be for a period not to exceed fifteen years and may provide that the state shall receive an equity interest in such rental housing. The commissioner shall not provide rental assistance for more than five hundred new rental housing units under the pilot program.

(c) The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to carry out the purposes of this section. Such regulations shall establish maximum income eligibility guidelines for such rental assistance and criteria for determining the amount of rental assistance which shall be provided.

Sec. 707. Section 8-346a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall implement and administer, within available appropriations, a program of transitionary rental assistance for private housing for persons who are employed at the time they leave the temporary family assistance program and who: (1) Have income which exceeds the payment standard under said program, or (2) are employed a minimum of twelve hours per week. The commissioner may establish a durational limit for the receipt of such assistance which shall not exceed a period of twelve months. The commissioner may establish priorities for allocating transitionary rental assistance
based on whether a person is eligible pursuant to subdivision (1) or subdivision (2) of this subsection.

(b) The Commissioner of Housing Economic and Community Development shall establish a simplified eligibility determination and application process for transitionary rental assistance. The program shall be designed to allow the provision of such assistance to commence with the first month in which the applicant is no longer receiving benefits under the temporary family assistance program.

(c) The Commissioner of Housing Economic and Community Development shall implement policies and procedures necessary to carry out the provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of this section while in the process of adopting such policies and procedures in regulation form, provided notice of intent to adopt the regulations is published in the Connecticut Law Journal not later than twenty days after implementation. Such policies and procedures shall be valid until the time final regulations are effective.

(d) Any person aggrieved by a decision of the commissioner or the commissioner's agent pursuant to the program under this section shall have a right to a hearing in accordance with the provisions of section 8-37gg.

Sec. 708. Subsection (a) of section 8-347 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of Housing Economic and Community Development shall establish and administer a rent bank program of grants to ensure housing for families whose income does not exceed sixty per cent of the median income in the state, including those receiving temporary family assistance, who are either at risk of becoming homeless or in imminent danger of eviction or foreclosure.
Sec. 709. Section 8-347a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall establish and administer an assessment and mediation program for families at risk of becoming homeless or in imminent danger of eviction or foreclosure whose income does not exceed sixty per cent of the median income in the state.

(b) After evaluation of the causes of the risk of becoming homeless or the imminent danger of eviction or foreclosure and after attempting mediation, the commissioner shall assist eligible participants with application to appropriate resources.

(c) No family shall be eligible for grants under the rent bank program established under section 8-347 without prior referral to the assessment and mediation program.

(d) The commissioner may enter into regional contracts with local or regional nonprofit corporations or social service organizations having expertise in landlord-tenant mediation to implement the program established under this section.

(e) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may adopt regulations in accordance with chapter 54 to carry out the purposes of this section.

Sec. 710. Section 8-348 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall, within existing resources of the department, establish a residence mobility counseling program to assist individuals or families in relocating their residences to higher opportunity areas through education and support services. The commissioner may
contract with one or more nonprofit corporations to provide such residence mobility counseling. Individuals and families eligible for the residence mobility counseling program shall currently have a certificate or voucher from either: (1) The federal Housing and Urban Development Section 8 program, or (2) the state rental assistance program. For purposes of this subsection, "opportunity areas" means those areas designated as such using opportunity mapping analysis that includes census tract level assessment of educational, economic and neighborhood characteristics, including education data and crime rates. The Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall make such opportunity mapping analysis available on the Internet web site of the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development.

(b) Counseling provided pursuant to this section shall include, but need not be limited to, (1) providing information regarding communities, schools, employment opportunities and community services available in various areas, (2) assisting with locating rental housing that meets the individual's or family's needs, (3) facilitating a relocation by negotiating with the current landlord about the transfer of rental assistance certificates or vouchers, and with the new landlord about security deposits, rental payments and acceptance of rental assistance certificates or vouchers, and (4) acting as a liaison between the individual or family and the landlord to encourage a successful transition and housing stability.

(c) Annually, the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall submit a report on the program to the General Assembly, in accordance with section 8-37qqq.

Sec. 711. Subdivision (1) of section 8-355 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):
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(1) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development.

Sec. 712. Section 8-356 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with a community housing development corporation, a municipal developer or a nonprofit corporation providing emergency shelter services for homeless persons for state financial assistance in the form of a state grant-in-aid, loan, deferred loan, loan guarantee or interest subsidy for the cost of acquisition, construction, rehabilitation or renovation of emergency shelters or rooming houses for homeless persons or for the cost of acquisition of mobile manufactured homes for use as transitional housing. In the case of a deferred loan, the contract shall require that payments on interest are due immediately but that payments on principal may be made at a later time.

Sec. 713. Subsection (a) of section 8-357 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with a community housing development corporation, a municipal developer or a nonprofit corporation for state financial assistance in the form of a state grant-in-aid, loan, deferred loan, loan guarantee or interest subsidy for the cost of acquisition, construction, rehabilitation or renovation of multifamily dwellings for persons and families whose adjusted monthly income does not exceed fifty per cent of the median household income, as determined by the commissioner, for the area in which they reside and who have received emergency shelter services or shelter services for victims of domestic violence and
are in need of transitional housing and support services for a period of six to twenty-four months. Such housing and services shall be designed to enable such persons to maintain their current jobs, improve their employment skills, retrain for different occupations or continue their education. Such services may include, without limitation, information and referral; counseling and support groups; aid in finding vocational training, education or employment; health, nutrition, fitness and recreation programs; child care; transportation; legal aid; and financial counseling. In the case of a deferred loan, the contract shall require that payments on interest are due immediately but that payments on principal may be made at a later time.

Sec. 714. Section 8-359 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have the power from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate three million five hundred thousand dollars.

(b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for the purposes of sections 8-355 to 8-359, inclusive.

(c) All provisions of section 3-20, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby which are not inconsistent with the provisions of sections 8-355 to 8-359, inclusive, are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to said sections, and temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding
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twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request for such authorization, which is signed by or on behalf of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development and states such terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may require. Said bonds issued pursuant to sections 8-355 to 8-359, inclusive, shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due.

(d) Each contract for state financial assistance entered into pursuant to section 8-356 or 8-357 shall provide that if the community housing development corporation, municipal developer or nonprofit corporation conveys the property for which financial assistance is provided under sections 8-355 to 8-359, inclusive, or stops using such property for the benefit of low income persons, the corporation or municipal developer shall immediately repay the loan or grant to the state. The state shall have a lien on such property for the purpose of ensuring compliance with the provisions of this subsection, which lien may be subordinated to a subsequent loan relating to such property at the discretion of the commissioner. Such lien may be removed by the commissioner, subject to such terms and conditions as the commissioner may determine, not less than ten years after the date of such contract for financial assistance upon a determination by the commissioner that the need for housing for the homeless in the locality no longer exists or upon a determination by the commissioner that the
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removal of such lien is in the best interest of the state.

(e) Subject to the approval of the Governor, any administrative or other cost or expense incurred by the state in connection with the carrying out of the provisions of sections 8-355 to 8-359, inclusive, including the hiring of necessary employees and the entering upon necessary contracts, shall be paid from the proceeds of the bonds issued pursuant to this section.

Sec. 715. Section 8-359a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may, upon application of any public or private organization or agency, make grants, within available appropriations, to develop and maintain programs for homeless individuals including programs for emergency shelter services, transitional housing services, on-site social services for available permanent housing and for the prevention of homelessness.

(b) Each shelter receiving a grant pursuant to this section (1) shall provide decent, safe and sanitary shelter for residents of the shelter; (2) shall not suspend or expel a resident without good cause; (3) shall, in the case of a resident who is listed on the registry of sexual offenders maintained pursuant to chapter 969, provide verification of such person's residence at the shelter to a law enforcement officer upon the request of such officer; and (4) shall provide a grievance procedure by which residents can obtain review of grievances, including grievances concerning suspension or expulsion from the shelter. No shelter serving homeless families may admit a person who is listed on the registry of sexual offenders maintained pursuant to chapter 969. The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Development shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, establishing (A) minimum standards for shelter grievance procedures.
and rules concerning the suspension and expulsion of shelter residents and (B) standards for the review and approval of the operating policies of shelters receiving a grant under this section. Shelter operating policies shall establish a procedure for the release of information concerning a resident who is listed on the registry of sexual offenders maintained pursuant to chapter 969 to a law enforcement officer in accordance with this subsection.

Sec. 716. Subsection (a) of section 8-359b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, in consultation with appropriate state agencies and within available appropriations, shall (1) allocate existing funding and resources to ensure the availability of homeless shelters that accept intact families or that assist families to find adequate alternative arrangements that allow the family to remain together; and (2) review program eligibility requirements and other policies to ensure that unaccompanied homeless children have access, to the fullest extent practicable, to critical services that such children might otherwise have been prevented from receiving due to age or guardianship requirements.

Sec. 717. Section 8-359c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with a nonprofit corporation, as defined in section 8-39, to provide financial assistance in the form of a state grant-in-aid to such corporation for the purpose of providing housing for homeless persons suffering from acquired immune deficiency syndrome or AIDS-related complex. Such financial assistance may be applied toward the cost of:
(1) Planning for the development of such housing; (2) acquiring property to be used for such housing; and (3) repairing, rehabilitating or constructing such housing.

(b) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, in consultation with the Commissioner of Public Health, shall adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 to carry out the purposes of this section.

(c) For the purposes described in subdivisions (1), (2) and (3) of subsection (a) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate seven million five hundred eleven thousand two hundred eighty dollars.

(d) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the amount stated in subsection (c) of this section shall be used by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for the purposes of subdivisions (1), (2) and (3) of subsection (a) of this section.

(e) All provisions of section 3-20, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section, are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to said sections, and temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it
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a request for such authorization, which is signed by or on behalf of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and states such terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may require. Said bonds shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds, as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due.

Sec. 718. Section 8-359d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, in consultation with the Commissioner of Social Services, shall establish and administer a homefinders program, which includes participation by housing authorities, to assist families including recipients of temporary family assistance who are homeless or in imminent danger of eviction or foreclosure. The commissioner shall administer the program within available appropriations.

(b) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may adopt regulations in accordance with chapter 54 to carry out the purposes of this section.

Sec. 719. Section 8-359e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

[Not later than January 1, 2016, the] The Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, in collaboration with the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services and the State Department of Education, shall make available information on trauma-
informed care and related services for homeless children and youths to homeless shelter providers in the state that receive financial assistance from the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development. Such homeless shelter providers shall, to the extent feasible, (1) refer homeless children or youth to such services as necessary, and (2) make efforts to ensure that such homeless children or youths have access to such services.

Sec. 720. Section 8-365 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall make grants-in-aid to any municipalities which have created programs to provide for the financing of new construction or substantial rehabilitation of dwelling units in projects in which a majority of the tenants shall be low and moderate income families if such municipal programs meet the requirements of subsection (b) of this section.

(b) In order to be eligible for grants made pursuant to this section, a municipal program must: (1) Provide for a separate and distinct fund for any moneys received for or dedicated to such program, which fund shall not lapse at the end of the municipal fiscal year; (2) allow for unrestricted direct contributions from private persons, municipal funds and federal funds to such fund; and (3) include a mechanism to guarantee that a majority of the tenants in any project financed by such program shall be low and moderate income families.

(c) Any grant made by the commissioner shall be in an amount equal to fifty per cent of all such funds deposited in a municipal fund from private persons.

(d) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall adopt regulations in accordance with chapter 54 to
implement the provisions of this section.

Sec. 721. Section 8-367 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have the power from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate one hundred thousand five hundred dollars.

(b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for the purpose of grants-in-aid made pursuant to section 8-365.

(c) All provisions of section 3-20, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request for such authorization, which is signed by or on behalf of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development and states such terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of...
and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due.

Sec. 722. Section 8-367a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall establish a pilot program to provide financial assistance in the form of a grant-in-aid for expenses incurred in the establishment of a tenant management organization in a state-assisted or federally-assisted housing project, including the cost of technical assistance and training designed to teach tenants how to manage and maintain public housing. The pilot program shall provide such assistance in up to three municipalities. Such grants-in-aid shall be awarded in accordance with such terms and conditions as the commissioner may prescribe.

(b) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to carry out the purposes of this section. The regulations shall establish the criteria for awarding the grants-in-aid authorized under this section and the terms and conditions of such grants.

[(c) Not later than January 15, 1989, the Commissioner of Housing shall submit a report containing an evaluation of the operation and effectiveness of the pilot program authorized under this section to the joint standing committee on planning and development.]

Sec. 723. Section 8-376 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):
Any municipality which is a distressed municipality as defined in subsection (b) of section 32-9p, on October 1, 1987, may apply to the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development to designate an area of such municipality as a housing development zone. Any such area shall consist of one or two contiguous United States census tracts or a portion of an individual census tract as determined in accordance with the most recent United States census. At least twenty-five per cent of the designated area shall be zoned or allow for multifamily residential dwellings.

Sec. 724. Section 8-378 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development may approve the designation of up to three areas in the state as housing development zones, provided the commissioner shall not approve the designation of more than one housing development zone in any municipality. Proposals for financial assistance received by the commissioner from eligible developers, as defined in section 8-39, for programs or projects authorized pursuant to chapter 128, 130 or 133 which will be located in a housing development zone shall be accorded a high priority to receive financial assistance from the commissioner. The commissioner may remove the designation of any area which has been approved as a housing development zone if such area no longer meets the criteria for designation as such a zone set forth in sections 8-376 and 8-377 or in regulations adopted pursuant to section 8-381, provided no such designation shall be removed less than ten years from the original date of approval of such zone.

Sec. 725. Section 8-381 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall adopt regulations in accordance with the
provisions of chapter 54 to establish such additional qualifications for designation as a housing development zone and such other requirements as necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter.

Sec. 726. Section 8-384 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There shall continue to be a regional housing council within each planning region of the state, as designated under the provisions of section 16a-4a, which shall consist of not less than seven members of the public representing a fair cross-section of the region. The chairperson of each regional housing council shall be appointed by the Governor and shall serve for a term coterminous with that of the Governor. Upon the resignation of any chairperson, the Governor shall appoint a successor to serve as chairperson. The chairperson shall organize each regional housing council and appoint the members thereof, who shall serve at the pleasure of the chairperson. If any vacancy occurs in the council, the chairperson shall appoint a successor to fill such vacancy. If the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development finds that a regional housing council has not been organized within a planning region, [he] the commissioner may designate the regional council of governments or other entity to serve as the regional housing council for such region.

(b) Each regional housing council shall: (1) Strive for environmentally and economically sound and socially balanced development of affordable, equal opportunity housing in accordance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations and regional development plans; (2) assist state and local decision makers, housing sponsors and other participants in the development of housing in defining suitable approaches to providing for regional housing needs and identifying regional housing resources; (3) develop channels of communication between all levels of government and the producers and consumers of housing in order to assist in expediting existing
processes for housing production, in cooperation with regional
councils of governments; (4) formulate and recommend measures
designed to improve housing policies and propose appropriate
legislative changes; (5) review and evaluate state housing programs
and grants; (6) provide a forum for members of the public concerned
with housing issues; (7) receive, review and comment on the housing
needs assessment transmitted to the council by the regional council of
governments within its planning region as required by section 8-35a,
provided the council shall transmit such comments to the
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not later than thirty days after receiving the housing needs assessment;
and (8) monitor housing-related activities of the regional council of
governments within its region.

Sec. 727. Section 8-386 of the general statutes is repealed and the
following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

[(a)] Upon submission of the initial report of the Blue Ribbon
Commission on Housing pursuant to subsection (a) of section 4 of
public act 87-550, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and
Management, in consultation with the Commissioner of [Housing]
Economic and Community Development, shall establish a pilot
program in two planning regions of the state, as designated under the
provisions of section 16a-4a, for the development, through the process
of a negotiated investment strategy, of a regional fair housing compact
to provide increased housing for low and moderate income families
within the regions. The choice of the regions for such pilot program
shall be based on the findings contained in the initial report of the Blue
Ribbon Commission on Housing. The pilot program shall provide for a
series of negotiations to be conducted by a mediator with the Secretary
of the Office of Policy and Management, or his or her designee, the
Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development,
or his or her designee, and the officers of the regional planning agency
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or agencies within the chosen regions, or their designees and a representative of each municipality within such planning regions, appointed by the chief executive officer of such municipality. Such negotiations shall be conducted for the purpose of formulating and reaching consensus on a fair housing compact containing regional goals for the development of adequate, affordable housing based on the need for such housing in the regions as balanced against environmental, economic, transportation and infrastructure concerns, and the time frames for achieving such goals. The secretary shall contract with an independent consultant to serve as mediator in such negotiations. Upon the successful negotiation of such regional fair housing compact, the terms of the compact shall be submitted to the regional planning agency or agencies for incorporation into the regional plan or plans of development, as provided under section 8-35a, and shall be transmitted to the chief executive officers of the municipalities located within the planning regions for approval by the municipalities. Such compact shall not be included in the regional plan or plans of development until sixty-five per cent of the legislative bodies located within the planning regions have given such approval.

[(b) Not later than September 1, 1988, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall submit a report to the select committee on housing containing an evaluation of the operation and effectiveness of the pilot program authorized under this section.]

Sec. 728. Section 8-387 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There is established a fund to be known as the "Housing Infrastructure Fund". The fund shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited therein and shall be held separate and apart from all other moneys, funds and accounts. Any balance remaining in the fund at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in the fund for the fiscal year next succeeding. The fund may be used to make
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grants-in-aid, loans or deferred loans authorized by subsection (b) of this section.

(b) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, in consultation with the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, may enter into a contract to provide state financial assistance in the form of a grant-in-aid, loan, deferred loan or combination thereof to municipalities located within the planning regions in which the pilot program is established, upon the approval of the regional fair housing compact as provided in section 8-386. In the case of a deferred loan, the contract shall require that payments on interest are due immediately but that payments on principal may be made at a later time. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (d) of section 4-86, funds appropriated to any state agency for payment to local governments for purposes related to or necessary for the development of housing in the regions, including but not limited to the purposes contained in this subsection, other than those for which distribution is governed by statutory formula, may be made available for the pilot program authorized under section 8-386 upon the recommendation of the Governor and approval of the Finance Advisory Committee. The grants-in-aid, loans, deferred loans or combinations thereof authorized under this subsection and any additional funds made available for the pilot program as provided in this subsection shall be used by the municipalities in said regions for the purpose of planning, construction or renovation of housing and for any of the following when necessary to support the development of housing within such municipalities in accordance with the regional fair housing compact: (1) Sanitary sewer lines, including interceptors, laterals and pumping stations; (2) natural gas, electric, telephone and telecommunications pipes, wires, conduits and other facilities and waterlines and water supply facilities, except for any such pipes, wires, conduits, waterlines or facilities which a public service company, as defined in section 16-1, a water company,
as defined in section 25-32a, or a municipal utility is required to install pursuant to any provision of the general statutes, or any special act, a regulation or order of the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority or a certificate of public convenience and necessity; (3) storm drainage facilities, including facilities to control flooding; (4) public roadways and related appurtenances; (5) community septic systems approved by the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, provided administrative costs directly related to such construction or renovation shall not exceed five per cent of the total grant or loan from the department. Such grants-in-aid, loans, deferred loans or combinations thereof shall be awarded in such amounts and upon such conditions as the commissioner, in consultation with the secretary, may prescribe by regulation except that no grant-in-aid, loan, or deferred loan or combination thereof shall be made to any municipality that has not approved a housing compact prepared under section 8-386.

Sec. 729. Section 8-388 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, in consultation with the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to carry out the purpose of section 8-387. Such regulations shall establish terms and conditions for the award of the grants-in-aid and loans authorized under subsection (b) of said section, requirements and limitations as to adjustments of loan terms and conditions of repayment, funding priorities and such additional requirements as the commissioner deems necessary and reasonable.

Sec. 730. Section 8-389 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Upon the incorporation of a successfully negotiated regional fair housing compact into a regional plan of conservation and
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development by a regional planning agency pursuant to section 8-386, the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development and the Connecticut Housing Authority may give priority to any application for financial or technical assistance made by a municipality, housing authority or eligible developer as defined in subsection (u) of section 8-39 in connection with any project located in a municipality which has approved the regional fair housing compact pursuant to section 8-386.

Sec. 731. Subsection (l) of section 8-395 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(l) Vouchers issued or reserved by the Department of Economic and Community Development under the provisions of this section prior to July 1, 1995, shall be valid on and after July 1, 1995, to the same extent as they would be valid under the provisions of this section in effect on June 30, 1995.

Sec. 732. Subdivisions (6) to (11), inclusive, of section 8-400 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(6) "Project cost" means the total of all costs incurred in the development of a housing project and any related facilities, which are approved by the authority and the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development as reasonable and necessary, including, but not limited to (A) costs of land acquisition, including any buildings located thereon; (B) costs of site preparation, demolition and development; (C) architectural, engineering, legal and other fees and charges incurred in connection with the planning, execution and financing of the project; (D) the cost of studies, surveys, plans and permits required in connection with the project; (E) insurance, interest, financing, tax and assessment costs and other operating costs incurred
during construction; (F) the cost of construction or reconstruction, including the cost of fixtures and equipment related to such construction or reconstruction; (G) the cost of land improvements; (H) necessary expenses incurred in connection with the initial occupancy of the project; (I) a reasonable profit or fee to the builder and developer; (J) an allowance established by the authority for working capital, replacement and contingency reserves, and reserves for any anticipated operating deficits during the first two years of occupancy; (K) the cost of such other items, including tenant relocation, as the authority and the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall deem to be reasonable and necessary for the development of the project, less the amount of net rents and other net revenues received from the operation of any real and personal property located on the project site during construction;

(7) "Low income unit" means a unit of housing rented to a tenant whose income is below the aggregate family income standards established in sections 8-400 to 8-405, inclusive;

(8) "Mortgage" means a mortgage deed or other instrument which shall constitute a lien, whether first or second, on real property or on a leasehold under a lease having a remaining term at the time such mortgage is acquired which does not expire for a number of years beyond the maturity date of the obligation secured by such mortgage that is equal to the number of years remaining until the maturity date of such obligation;

(9) "First mortgage" means such classes of first liens as are commonly given to secure loans on, or the unpaid purchase price of, real property under the laws of the state, together with appropriate credit instruments;

(10) "Bonds" means any bonds, notes, interim certificates, debentures or other obligations issued by the state pursuant to sections
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8-400 to 8-405, inclusive;

(11) "Aggregate family income" means the total family income of all members of a family, from whatever source derived, including but not limited to pensions, annuities, retirement benefits and social security benefits, provided the authority and the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may exclude from such income, (A) reasonable allowances for dependents, (B) reasonable allowances for medical expenses, (C) all or any part of the earnings of gainfully employed minors or family members other than the chief wage earner, (D) income not regularly received and (E) such other expenses as the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may allow;

Sec. 733. Section 8-401 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Upon preliminary approval by the State Bond Commission pursuant to the provisions of section 3-20, the state, acting by and through the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with a developer, the authority or mortgagor of the authority for state financial assistance in the form of grants-in-aid or deferred loans to housing projects financed by the authority through the means of a loan secured by a first mortgage. Such grants or deferred loans made to a developer or mortgagor of the authority under this section shall be for construction or rehabilitation of developments containing rental units. The total amount of such grants or deferred loans awarded to a single project shall not exceed an amount equal to one-half of the cost of the project divided by the number of rental units in the project multiplied by the number of low-income units in the project. The total number of low-income units in any project receiving financial assistance under this section shall be not less than twenty per cent and shall not be more than forty per cent of the total number of rental units in the project.
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project receiving financial assistance under this section shall contain less than twenty-five rental units. Any grant or deferred loan awarded under this section shall be used to reduce the cost of the project. Loan repayments shall be paid to the State Treasurer and deposited in the General Fund.

Sec. 734. Section 8-402 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The state, acting by and through the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with the authority, developer, or mortgagor of the authority and the authority may enter into a contract with a developer or mortgagor of the authority to provide state financial assistance in the form of rental subsidy certificates for each low-income unit in the project. Any commitment to provide such subsidy shall be an obligation of the state or the authority, as the case may be, for a period of not less than fifteen years, and the amount of such subsidy shall be equal to the difference between the amount of rent plus an allowance for heat and utilities not included in the rent approved by the commissioner or the authority, as the case may be, and thirty per cent of the annual aggregate family income of the tenant residing in the low-income unit for each such unit on an annual basis. The rent charged for a low-income unit may not be increased without the approval of the commissioner or the authority, as the case may be. The annual aggregate family income of a tenant for the year prior to the occupancy of a low-income unit by the tenant shall not exceed fifty per cent of the area median income, adjusted for family size, as determined by the commissioner or the authority, as the case may be. If such annual aggregate family income after occupancy exceeds seventy per cent of the area median income, adjusted for family size, the unit occupied by the tenant will no longer be considered a low-income unit and the next available unit will be rented to a tenant with an aggregate family income of less than fifty

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per cent of the area median income, adjusted for family size. No tenant residing in a project will receive financial assistance through a rental subsidy certificate under this section if the aggregate family income of the tenant in the prior year exceeds sixty per cent of the area median income, adjusted for family size.

Sec. 735. Section 8-403 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Upon preliminary approval by the State Bond Commission pursuant to the provisions of section 3-20, the state, acting by and through the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with a developer, the authority or a mortgagor of the authority for state financial assistance in the form of a loan secured by a second mortgage for any housing project for which the authority has provided financial assistance in the form of a loan secured by a first mortgage. Such loan shall be made for the purpose of providing additional financing for the project. Any loan made under this section shall bear interest payable quarterly on the first days of January, April, July and October for the preceding calendar quarter, or at such other times as are determined by the commissioner or the authority, as the case may be, at a rate determined by the State Bond Commission under subsection (t) of section 3-20 and shall be repayable in such installments as may be determined by the commissioner or the authority, as the case may be, within fifty years from the date of completion of the project. Loan repayments shall be paid to the State Treasurer and deposited in the General Fund.

Sec. 736. Section 8-404 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Any contract for financial assistance awarded under sections 8-400 to 8-405, inclusive, shall contain the requirement that the state or the authority, as the case may be, shall receive, in exchange for any such
assistance, a financial participation in the project. Such financial participation shall be in a proportion which shall not be less than the proportion that the number of low-income units in the project bears to the total rental units in the project. Any sale of the project, any interest in the project or any of its units shall require the approval of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development or the authority, as the case may be, and shall be made upon such terms and conditions as the commissioner or the authority, as the case may be, may approve.

Sec. 737. Section 8-405 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The proceeds from the sale of any bonds issued for the purposes of sections 8-401 and 8-403, issued pursuant to any authorization, allocation or approval of the State Bond Commission made after July 1, 2012, and of any notes issued in anticipation thereof as may be required for such purposes shall be applied to the payment of the principal of any such notes then outstanding and unpaid, and the remaining proceeds of any such sale shall be deposited in the Housing Repayment and Revolving Loan Fund established pursuant to section 8-37qq. Payments to the developer, the authority or the mortgagor of the authority shall be made from said fund by the State Treasurer on certification of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development in accordance with the contract for financial assistance between the state and the authority, the developer or the mortgagor of the authority. All payments of state service charges for any housing project as authorized by the commissioner financed from the proceeds of the state's general obligation bonds issued pursuant to any authorization, allocation or approval of the State Bond Commission made after July 1, 2012, shall be paid to the State Treasurer for deposit in said fund. Subject to the approval of the Governor, any expense incurred by the state in connection with the
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carrying out of the provisions of this chapter, including the hiring of necessary employees and entering upon necessary contracts, may be paid from the Housing Repayment and Revolving Loan Fund.

Sec. 738. Section 8-410 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There is established a fund to be known as the "Low and Moderate Income Housing Predevelopment Cost Revolving Loan Fund". The fund shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the fund. Any balance remaining in the fund at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in the fund for the fiscal year next succeeding. The fund shall be used to make loans pursuant to subsection (b) of this section and to pay reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in administering loans under this section. The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may enter into a contract with a nonprofit corporation to provide for the administration of the Low and Moderate Income Housing Predevelopment Cost Revolving Loan Fund by such nonprofit corporation, provided no loan shall be made from the fund without the authorization of the commissioner as provided in subsection (b) of this section.

(b) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract to provide financial assistance in the form of interest-free loans or deferred loans to nonprofit corporations, housing authorities or municipal developers, or to partnerships which include a nonprofit corporation, housing authority or municipal developer, for predevelopment costs incurred in connection with the construction, rehabilitation or renovation of housing for low and moderate income persons and families. Such predevelopment costs may include: (1) Feasibility studies, (2) expenses incurred in project planning and design, including architectural expenses, (3) legal and financial
expenses, (4) expenses incurred in obtaining required permits and approvals, (5) options to purchase land, (6) expenses incurred in obtaining required insurance, and (7) other preliminary expenses authorized by the commissioner. Repayment of such loans or deferred loans shall be made upon receipt of permanent financing by the borrower, except the commissioner may forgive any such loan or deferred loan in any case where the borrower has made a good faith effort to obtain permanent financing and has been refused such financing and where the forgiveness of such loan is in the best interest of the state. Payments of principal on such loans or deferred loans shall be paid to the Treasurer for deposit in the Housing Repayment and Revolving Loan Fund. In the case of a deferred loan, the contract shall require that payments on interest are due immediately but that payments on principal may be made at a later time.

Sec. 739. Section 8-411 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with nonprofit corporations, housing authorities or municipal developers, or with partnerships which include a nonprofit corporation, housing authority or municipal developer, to provide financial assistance in the form of grants-in-aid, loans or deferred loans for predevelopment costs incurred in connection with the construction, rehabilitation or renovation of housing for low and moderate income persons and families. Such predevelopment costs may include: (1) Feasibility studies, (2) appraisals, (3) legal fees, (4) financial consulting expenses, and (5) other planning expenses authorized by the commissioner. Any grant-in-aid awarded under this section shall not exceed five thousand dollars. In the case of a deferred loan, the contract shall require that payments on interest are due immediately but that payments on principal may be made at a later time.
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Sec. 740. Section 8-412 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to carry out the purposes of sections 8-410 to 8-412, inclusive. Such regulations shall include provisions to establish eligibility requirements for financial assistance under said sections, criteria which the commissioner shall use for awarding such assistance and the terms and conditions of such assistance.

Sec. 741. Subsection (a) of section 8-420 of the general statutes, as amended by section 11 of public act 17-202, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall develop a program of loans to homeowners for costs incurred in the repair, replacement or enlargement of subsurface sewage disposal systems that have been determined to be a nuisance in accordance with the Public Health Code. As used in this section, "costs" include technical and installation expenses and stabilization of topsoil but does not include landscaping. Any loan provided pursuant to this section shall bear interest at a rate to be determined in accordance with subsection (t) of section 3-20. Repayment of any loan made to a person with physical disability or a person sixty-two years of age or older may be deferred until such person transfers the property.

Sec. 742. Section 8-423 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may make loans or grants to municipalities which shall be used by such municipalities to make grants to homeowners for costs
incurred in the repair or reconstruction of faulty residential subsurface sewage disposal systems which were installed pursuant to improper municipal approvals. As used in this section, "costs" includes technical and installation expenses and stabilization of topsoil but does not include landscaping. As a condition of any such grant, the homeowner shall assign to the municipality any claims the homeowner may have against any party for the improper installation of the subsurface sewage disposal system. The commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, to carry out the provisions of this section.

Sec. 743. Subsection (a) of section 10-16nn of the general statutes, as amended by section 9 of public act 17-173, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There is established an Interagency Council for Ending the Achievement Gap. The council shall consist of: (1) The Lieutenant Governor, or the Lieutenant Governor's designee, (2) the Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's designee, (3) the Commissioner of Children and Families, or the commissioner's designee, (4) the Commissioner of Social Services, or the commissioner's designee, (5) the Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's designee, (6) the president of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities, or the president's designee, (7) the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, or the commissioner's designee, (8) the Commissioner of Administrative Services, or the commissioner's designee, (9) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the secretary's designee, [[(10) the Commissioner of Housing, or the commissioner's designee.] and [((11))]

(10) the chief Court Administrator, or the Chief Court Administrator's designee. The chairperson of the council shall be the Lieutenant Governor, or the Lieutenant Governor's designee. The council shall meet at least quarterly.

Sec. 744. Subsection (e) of section 10-416b of the general statutes is


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repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof *(Effective October 1, 2017)*:

(e) Prior to beginning any rehabilitation work on a certified historic structure, the owner shall submit to the officer (1) (A) a rehabilitation plan for a determination of whether or not such rehabilitation work meets the standards developed under the provisions of subsections (b) to (d), inclusive, of this section, and (B) if such rehabilitation work is planned to be undertaken in phases, a complete description of each such phase, with anticipated schedules for completion, (2) an estimate of the qualified rehabilitation expenditures, and (3) for projects pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection (f) of this section, (A) the number of units of affordable housing, as defined in section 8-39a, to be created, (B) the proposed rents or sale prices of such units, and (C) the median income for the municipality where the project is located. For projects pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection (f) of this section, the owner shall submit a copy of data required under subdivision (3) of this subsection to the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development.

Sec. 745. Subsection (d) of section 10-416c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof *(Effective October 1, 2017)*:

(d) For the purpose of seeking a tax credit pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, prior to beginning any rehabilitation work on a certified historic structure, the owner shall submit to the officer (1) (A) a rehabilitation plan for a determination of whether such rehabilitation work meets the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation, as established in 36 CFR 67, and (B) if such rehabilitation work is planned to be undertaken in phases, a complete description of each such phase, with anticipated schedules for completion; (2) an estimate of the qualified rehabilitation expenditures; and (3) for projects pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of this section, (A) the
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number of units of affordable housing to be created, (B) the proposed rents or sale prices of such units, and (C) the median income for the municipality where the project is located. For projects under subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of this section, the owner shall submit a copy of data required under subdivision (3) of this subsection to the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development.

Sec. 746. Section 12-170e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) (1) A renter qualifying under section 12-170d shall be entitled to a payment from the state equivalent to the lesser of the maximum amount in the following table or thirty-five per cent of the sum of all charges for rents, electricity, gas, water and fuel actually paid during the preceding calendar year less five per cent of the qualifying income received during the preceding calendar year.

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2) The amounts of income at each level of qualifying income, as provided in the table in subdivision (1) of this subsection, shall be adjusted annually in a uniform manner to reflect the annual inflation adjustment in Social Security income. Each such adjustment of qualifying income shall be determined to the nearest one hundred dollars and shall be applicable in determining the amount of grant allowed under this subsection with respect to charges for rents, electricity, gas, water and fuel actually paid during the preceding calendar year. Each such adjustment of qualifying income shall be prepared by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development in relation to the annual inflation adjustment in Social Security, if any, becoming effective at any time during the twelve-month period immediately preceding the first day of October each year and shall be distributed to the assessors in each municipality not later than the thirty-first day of December next following.

(b) A person who qualifies at the close of any calendar year, who ceased to be a renter during such year, or a person who first became a qualified renter during the calendar year shall apportion his qualifying income on the basis of the number of months that he was a renter and the income so apportioned to the months during which he was a renter shall constitute his qualifying income for purposes of calculating the amount of grant under subdivision (a) of this section provided the maximum grant shall be a fraction of the amount shown in such table, the numerator of which shall be the number of months of the year that he was a renter and the denominator the numeral twelve.

Sec. 747. Subsection (i) of section 12-631 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
(i) "Families of low and moderate income" means families meeting the criteria for designation as families of low and moderate income established by the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development pursuant to subsection (f) of section 8-39.

Sec. 748. Section 13b-79s of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall (1) in consultation with the Commissioner of Transportation, the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, the Commissioner of Housing and the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection, ensure the coordination of state and regional transportation planning with other state planning efforts, including, but not limited to, economic development and housing plans; (2) coordinate interagency policy and initiatives concerning transportation; and (3) in consultation with the Commissioner of Transportation, evaluate transportation initiatives and proposed expenditures.

Sec. 749. Section 16a-4 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall employ, subject to the provisions of chapter 67, such staff as is required for the proper discharge of duties of the office as set forth in this chapter and sections 4-5, 4-124l, 8-3b, 8-35a, [and] 8-189, [subsection (b) of section 8-206 and sections] 16a-20, 16a-102, 22a-352 and 22a-353. The secretary may adopt, pursuant to chapter 54, such regulations as are necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

Sec. 750. Section 16a-6 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):
Each department, office, board, commission, council or other agency of the state and each officer or employee shall cooperate with the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection and shall furnish him such information, personnel and assistance as may be necessary or appropriate in the discharge of the responsibilities of said commissioner and the board under this chapter and sections 4-5, 4-124l, 4-124p, 8-3b, 8-35a, [and] 8-189, [subsection (b) of section 8-206 and sections] 16a-20, 16a-102, 22a-352 and 22a-353. The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall require each person applying for a license under section 14-319 to submit in his application the information which persons registering under section 16a-22d are required to submit. The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall furnish the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection with such information.

Sec. 751. Section 16a-14 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

In addition to the duties set forth in any other law, the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection may: (1) Be designated as the state official to implement and execute any federal program, law, order, rule or regulation related to the allocation, rationing, conservation, distribution or consumption of energy resources, (2) investigate any complaint concerning the violation of any federal or state statute, rule, regulation or order pertaining to pricing, allocation, rationing, conservation, distribution or consumption of energy resources and shall transmit any evidence gathered by such investigation to the proper federal or state authorities, (3) coordinate all state and local government programs for the allocation, rationing, conservation, distribution and consumption of energy resources, (4) cooperate with the appropriate authorities of the United States government, or other state or interstate agencies with respect to allocation, rationing, conservation, distribution and
consumption of energy resources, (5) conduct programs of public education regarding energy conservation, (6) carry out a program of studies, hearings, inquiries, surveys and analyses necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter and sections 4-124i, 4-124l, 4-124p, 8-3b, 8-35a, [and 8-189, subsection (b) of section 8-206 and sections] 16a-20, 16a-102, 22a-352 and 22a-353, provided if an individual or business furnishing commercial or financial information concerning such individual or business requests in writing at the time such information is furnished that it be treated as confidential proprietary information, such information, to the extent that it is limited to (A) volume of sales, shipments, receipts and exchanges of energy resources, (B) inventories of energy resources, and (C) local distribution patterns of energy resources, shall be exempt from the provisions of subsection (a) of section 1-210, (7) enter into contracts with any person to do all things necessary or convenient to carry out the functions, powers and duties of the commissioner and the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection under this chapter and sections 4-5, 4-124l, 4-124p, 8-3b, 8-35a, [and 8-189, subsection (b) of section 8-206 and sections] 16a-20, 16a-102, 22a-352 and 22a-353, (8) adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, to establish standards for solar energy systems, including experimental systems, which offer practical alternatives to the use of conventional energy with regard to current technological feasibility and the climate of this state, and (9) undertake such other duties and responsibilities as may be delegated by other state statutes or by the Governor.

Sec. 752. Section 16a-35c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) As used in this section and sections 16a-35d to 16a-35g, inclusive:

(1) "Funding" includes any form of assurance, guarantee, grant payment, credit, tax credit or other assistance, including a loan, loan guarantee, or reduction in the principal obligation of or rate of interest
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payable on a loan or a portion of a loan;

(2) "Growth-related project" means any project that includes (A) the acquisition of real property when the acquisition costs are in excess of two hundred thousand dollars, except the acquisition of open space for the purposes of conservation or preservation; (B) the development or improvement of real property when the development costs are in excess of two hundred thousand dollars; (C) the acquisition of public transportation equipment or facilities when the acquisition costs are in excess of two hundred thousand dollars; or (D) the authorization of each state grant, any application for which is not pending on July 1, 2006, for an amount in excess of two hundred thousand dollars, for the acquisition or development or improvement of real property or for the acquisition of public transportation equipment or facilities, except the following: (i) Projects for maintenance, repair or renovations to existing facilities, acquisition of land for telecommunications towers whose primary purpose is public safety, parks, conservation and open space, and acquisition of agricultural, conservation and historic easements; (ii) funding by the Department of Housing Economic and Community Development for any project financed with federal funds used to purchase or rehabilitate existing single or multifamily housing or projects financed with the proceeds of revenue bonds if the Commissioner of Housing Economic and Community Development determines that application of this section and sections 16a-35d and 16a-35e (I) conflicts with any provision of federal or state law applicable to the issuance or tax-exempt status of the bonds or any provision of any trust agreement between the Department of Housing Economic and Community Development and any trustee, or (II) would otherwise prohibit financing of an existing project or financing provided to cure or prevent any default under existing financing; (iii) projects that the Commissioner of Housing Economic and Community Development determines promote fair housing choice and racial and economic integration as described in section 8-37cc; (iv)
projects at an existing facility needed to comply with state environmental or health laws or regulations adopted thereunder; (v) school construction projects funded by the Department of Education under chapter 173; (vi) libraries; (vii) municipally owned property or public buildings used for government purposes; and (viii) any other project, funding or other state assistance not included under subparagraphs (A) to (D), inclusive, of this subdivision;

(3) "Priority funding area" means the area of the state designated under subsection (b) of this section.

(b) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, in consultation with the Commissioners of Economic and Community Development, [Housing,] Energy and Environmental Protection, Administrative Services, Agriculture and Transportation, the regional councils of governments in the state and any other persons or entities the secretary deems necessary, shall develop recommendations for delineation of the boundaries of priority funding areas in the state and for revisions thereafter. In making such recommendations, the secretary shall consider areas designated as regional centers, growth areas, neighborhood conservation areas and rural community centers on the state plan of conservation and development, redevelopment areas, distressed municipalities, as defined in section 32-9p, targeted investment communities, as defined in section 32-222, public investment communities, as defined in section 7-545, enterprise zones, designated by the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development under section 32-70 and corridor management areas identified in the state plan of conservation and development. The secretary shall submit the recommendations to the Continuing Legislative Committee on State Planning and Development established pursuant to section 4-60d for review when the state plan of conservation and development is submitted to such committee in accordance with section 16a-29. The committee shall report its
recommendations to the General Assembly at the time said state plan is submitted to the General Assembly under section 16a-30. The boundaries shall become effective upon approval of the General Assembly.

Sec. 753. Subsection (c) of section 16a-38 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(c) A life-cycle cost analysis of a major capital project prepared for the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall be reviewed by the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development and the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection to determine if such analysis is in compliance with the life-cycle cost analyses standards established for such project under subsection (b) of this section.

Sec. 754. Subsection (a) of section 16a-40 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development;

Sec. 755. Subsection (c) of section 16a-40j of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(c) All provisions of section 3-20, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section and section 16a-40b are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to this section and section 16a-40b, and temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to
time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request for such authorization, which is signed by or on behalf of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development and states such terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section and section 16a-40b shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due.

Sec. 756. Section 16a-46k of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

On or before July 1, 2014, the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection shall, in consultation with the Energy Conservation Management Board and the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, develop weatherization standards and procedures for properties participating in the rental assistance program, including, but not limited to, a consideration to expedite scheduling of an energy efficiency audit pursuant to this section. When a tenant secures or renews a lease under the rental assistance program on or after the effective date such weatherization standards and procedures are adopted, the landlord shall (1) schedule an energy efficiency audit administered by the Home Energy Solutions program or a program deemed comparable by the Commissioner of
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Energy and Environmental Protection for the property, and (2) complete the installation of free weatherization measures pursuant to a program described in subdivision (1) of this section.

Sec. 757. Section 17a-2 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There shall be a Department of Children and Families which shall be a single budgeted agency consisting of the institutions, facilities and programs existing within the department, any programs and facilities transferred to the department, and such other institutions, facilities and programs as may hereafter be established by or transferred to the department by the General Assembly.

(b) Said department shall constitute a successor department to the Department of Children and Youth Services, for the purposes of sections 4-5, 4-38c, 4-77a, 4-165b, 4a-11b, 4a-12, 4a-16, 5-259, 7-127c, 8-206d, 10-8a, 10-15d, 10-76d, 10-76h, 10-76i, 10-76w, 10-76g, 10-253, 17-86a, 17-294, 17-409, 17-437, 17-572, 17-578, 17-579, 17-585, 17a-1 to 17a-89, inclusive, 17a-90 to 17a-209, inclusive, 17a-218, 17a-277, 17a-450, 17a-458, 17a-474, 17a-560, 17a-511, 17a-634, 17a-646, 17a-659, 17b-59a, 18-69, 18-69a, 18-87, 19a-78, 19a-216, 20-14i, 20-14j, 31-23, 31-306a, 38a-514, 45a-591 to 45a-705, inclusive, 45a-706 to 45a-770, inclusive, 46a-28, 46b-15 to 46b-19, inclusive, 46b-120 to 46b-159, inclusive, 54-56d, 54-142k, 54-199, 54-203 and in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-38d and 4-39.

(c) Whenever the words "Commissioner of Children and Youth Services", "Department of Children and Youth Services", or "Council on Children and Youth Services" are used in sections 4-5, 4-38c, 4-77a, 4-165b, 4a-11b, 4a-12, 4a-16, 5-259, 7-127c, 8-206d, 10-8a, 10-15d, 10-76d, 10-76h, 10-76i, 10-76w, 10-94g, 10-253, 17-294, 17-409, 17-437, 17-572, 17-578, 17-579, 17-585, 17a-1 to 17a-89, inclusive, 17a-90 to 17a-209, inclusive, 17a-218, 17a-277, 17a-450, 17a-458, 17a-474, 17a-546, 17a-511, 17a-559, 17b-59a, 18-69, 18-69a, 18-87, 19a-78, 19a-216, 20-14i, 20-14j, 31-23, 31-306a, 38a-514, 45a-591 to 45a-705, inclusive, 45a-706 to 45a-770, inclusive, 46a-28, 46b-15 to 46b-19, inclusive, 46b-120 to 46b-159, inclusive, 54-56d, 54-142k, 54-199, 54-203 and in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-38d and 4-39.
(d) On and after October 1, 2017, the Department of Children and Families shall constitute a successor department, in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-38d, 4-38e and 4-39, to the Department of Children and Families with respect to the homeless youth program as set forth in section 17a-6a.

Sec. 758. Subsection (a) of section 17a-3 of the general statutes, as amended by section 53 of public act 17-202, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The department shall plan, create, develop, operate or arrange for, administer and evaluate a comprehensive and integrated state-wide program of services, including preventive services, for children and youths whose behavior does not conform to the law or to acceptable community standards, or who are mentally ill, including deaf and hard of hearing children and youths who are mentally ill, emotionally disturbed, substance abusers, delinquent, abused, neglected or uncared for, including all children and youths who are or may be committed to it by any court, and all children and youths voluntarily admitted to, or remaining voluntarily under the supervision of, the commissioner for services of any kind. Services shall not be denied to any such child or youth solely because of other complicating or multiple disabilities. The department shall work in cooperation with other child-serving agencies and organizations to provide or arrange for preventive programs, including, but not limited to, teenage pregnancy and youth suicide prevention, for children and
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youths and their families. The program shall provide services and placements that are clinically indicated and appropriate to the needs of the child or youth, except that such services and placements shall not commence or continue for a delinquent child who has attained the age of twenty. In furtherance of this purpose, the department shall: (1) Maintain the Connecticut Juvenile Training School and other appropriate facilities exclusively for delinquents; (2) develop a comprehensive program for prevention of problems of children and youths and provide a flexible, innovative and effective program for the placement, care and treatment of children and youths committed by any court to the department, transferred to the department by other departments, or voluntarily admitted to the department; (3) provide appropriate services to families of children and youths as needed to achieve the purposes of sections 17a-1 to 17a-26, inclusive, 17a-28 to 17a-49, inclusive, and 17a-51; (4) establish incentive paid work programs for children and youths under the care of the department and the rates to be paid such children and youths for work done in such programs and may provide allowances to children and youths in the custody of the department; (5) be responsible to collect, interpret and publish statistics relating to children and youths within the department; (6) conduct studies of any program, service or facility developed, operated, contracted for or supported by the department in order to evaluate its effectiveness; (7) establish staff development and other training and educational programs designed to improve the quality of departmental services and programs, which shall include, but not be limited to, training in the prevention, identification and effects of family violence, provided no social worker trainee shall be assigned a case load prior to completing training, and may establish educational or training programs for children, youths, parents or other interested persons on any matter related to the promotion of the well-being of children, or the prevention of mental illness, emotional disturbance, delinquency and other disabilities in children and youths; (8) develop and implement aftercare and follow-up services
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appropriate to the needs of any child or youth under the care of the department; (9) establish a case audit unit to monitor each regional office's compliance with regulations and procedures; (10) develop and maintain a database listing available community service programs funded by the department; (11) provide outreach and assistance to persons caring for children whose parents are unable to do so by informing such persons of programs and benefits for which they may be eligible; and (12) collect data sufficient to identify the housing needs of children served by the department and share such data with the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development.

Sec. 759. Section 17a-62a of the general statutes, as amended by section 418 of public act 15-5 of the June special session, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Homeless youth" means a person twenty-three years of age or younger who is without shelter where appropriate care and supervision are available and who lacks a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence, including a youth under the age of eighteen whose parent or legal guardian is unable or unwilling to provide shelter and appropriate care;

(2) "Fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence" means a dwelling at which a person resides on a regular basis that adequately provides safe shelter, but does not include (A) a publicly or privately operated institutional shelter designed to provide temporary living accommodations; (B) transitional housing; (C) a temporary placement with a peer, friend or family member who has not offered a permanent residence, residential lease or temporary lodging for more than thirty days; or (D) a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping place by human beings; and

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(3) "Aftercare services" means continued counseling, guidance or support for not more than six months following the provision of services.

(b) The [Department of Housing, in collaboration with the] Department of Children and Families, within available appropriations, shall establish a program that provides one or more of the following services for homeless youth: Public outreach, respite housing, and transitional living services for homeless youth and youth at risk of homelessness. The Department of [Housing] Children and Families may enter into a contract with nonprofit organizations or municipalities to implement this section. Such program may have the following components:

(1) A public outreach and drop-in component that provides youth drop-in centers with walk-in access to crisis intervention and ongoing supportive services, including one-to-one case management services on a self-referral basis and public outreach that locates, contacts and provides information, referrals and services to homeless youth and youth at risk of homelessness. Such component may include, but need not be limited to, information, referrals and services for (A) family reunification services, conflict resolution or mediation counseling; (B) respite housing, case management aimed at obtaining food, clothing, medical care or mental health counseling, counseling regarding violence, prostitution, substance abuse, sexually transmitted diseases, HIV and pregnancy, and referrals to agencies that provide support services to homeless youth and youth at risk of homelessness; (C) education, employment and independent living skills; (D) aftercare services; and (E) specialized services for highly vulnerable homeless youth, including teen parents, sexually exploited youth and youth with mental illness or developmental disabilities;

(2) A respite housing component that provides homeless youth with referrals and walk-in access to respite care on an emergency basis that
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includes voluntary housing, with private shower facilities, beds and at least one meal each day, and assistance with reunification with family or a legal guardian when required or appropriate. Services provided at respite housing may include, but need not be limited to, (A) family reunification services or referral to safe housing; (B) individual, family and group counseling; (C) assistance in obtaining clothing; (D) access to medical and dental care and mental health counseling; (E) education and employment services; (F) recreational activities; (G) case management, advocacy and referral services; (H) independent living skills training; and (I) aftercare services and transportation; and

(3) A transitional living component that (A) assists homeless youth in finding and maintaining safe housing, and (B) includes rental assistance and related supportive services. Such component may include, but need not be limited to, (i) educational assessment and referral to educational programs; (ii) career planning, employment, job skills training and independent living skills training; (iii) job placement; (iv) budgeting and money management; (v) assistance in securing housing appropriate to needs and income; (vi) counseling regarding violence, prostitution, substance abuse, sexually transmitted diseases and pregnancy, referral for medical services or chemical dependency treatment; and (vii) parenting skills, self-sufficiency support services or life skills training and aftercare services.

(c) On or before February 1, 2018, and annually thereafter, the [Commissioners of Housing and] Commissioner of Children and Families shall submit a report regarding the program established under subsection (b) of this section, in accordance with section 11-4a, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to housing and children. The report shall include recommendations for any changes to the program to ensure that the best available services are being delivered to homeless youth and youth at risk of homelessness. The report shall include key
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outcome indicators and measures and shall set benchmarks for evaluating progress in accomplishing the purposes of subsection (b) of this section.

Sec. 760. Subsection (a) of section 17a-485c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services, in collaboration with the Commissioners of Social Services, Correction, Children and Families, [Housing,] Developmental Services and Veterans Affairs, the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority and the Court Support Services Division of the Judicial Branch, shall establish permanent supportive housing initiatives to provide additional units of affordable housing and support services to eligible persons. Individuals and families with special needs and individuals and families that are homeless or at risk for homelessness shall be eligible for such permanent supportive housing initiatives.

Sec. 761. Subsection (c) of section 17b-1121 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(c) The program shall be overseen by an interagency working group that shall include, but need not be limited to, the Commissioners of Social Services, [Early Childhood,] Education, [Housing,] Transportation, Public Health and Correction, or each commissioner's designee; the Labor Commissioner, or the Labor Commissioner's designee; the Chief Court Administrator, or the Chief Court Administrator's designee; one member of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives; one member of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
matters relating to human services, appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate; one member representing the interests of business or trade organizations, appointed by the majority leader of the Senate; one member with expertise on issues concerning children and families, appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives; one member of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to transportation, appointed by the minority leader of the Senate; one member of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education, appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives; not more than six members of low-income households selected by the agency coordinating services at each pilot site; representatives of nonprofit and philanthropic organizations and scholars who are experts in two-generational programs and policies; and other business and academic professionals as needed to achieve goals for two-generational systems planning, evaluations and outcomes. [The staff of the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors shall serve as the organizing and administrative staff of the working group.]

Sec. 762. Section 17b-347e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of Social Services, in collaboration with the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development and the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, shall maintain a demonstration project to provide subsidized assisted living services, as defined in section 19-13-D105 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies, for persons residing in affordable housing, as defined in section 8-39a. The demonstration project shall be conducted in at least three municipalities to be determined by the Commissioner of Social Services. The demonstration project shall be limited to a maximum of three hundred subsidized dwelling units. An applicant shall be eligible
for such subsidized assisted living services if such applicant is (1) eligible for the Connecticut home care program for the elderly pursuant to section 17b-342, or (2) sixty-five years of age or older and eligible for the home and community-based program established pursuant to section 17b-602a for adults with severe and persistent psychiatric disabilities.

(b) There shall be a memorandum of understanding among the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, the Commissioner of Social Services and the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority. Such memorandum of understanding shall specify that (1) the Department of Social Services apply for a Medicaid waiver to secure federal financial participation to fund assisted living services, establish a process to select nonprofit and for-profit providers and determine the number of dwelling units in the demonstration project, (2) the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development provide rental subsidy certificates pursuant to section 8-402 or rental assistance pursuant to section 8-119kk, and (3) the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority provide second mortgage loans for housing projects for which the authority has provided financial assistance in the form of a loan secured by a first mortgage pursuant to section 8-403 for the demonstration project.

(c) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit a combination of unsubsidized dwelling units and subsidized dwelling units under the demonstration project within the same facility. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 8-402, the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may set the rental subsidy at any percentage of the annual aggregate family income and define aggregate family income and eligibility for subsidies in a manner consistent with such demonstration project.

Sec. 763. Subdivision (3) of subsection (f) of section 21-70 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu

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thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(3) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (5) of this subsection, within one hundred twenty days after the notice provided for in subdivision (2) of this subsection has been mailed, any association representing twenty-five per cent or more of the units in the park, including an association formed after the issuance of the notice, may notify the owner of the park that it is interested in purchasing the mobile manufactured home park. A copy of such notice may be filed on the land records of the town in which the mobile manufactured home park is located. If such notice is given, except as otherwise provided in subdivision (5) of this subsection, the association shall have three hundred sixty-five days after the notice required in subdivision (2) of this subsection has been given to purchase the park through negotiation or the method set forth in subdivision (4) of this subsection. Upon the request of the association, the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall assist the association in developing financing for the purchase of the park.

Sec. 764. Subsection (c) of section 21-70a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(c) The owner of a mobile manufactured home park, who intends to close the park, shall notify, in writing, the Commissioner of Consumer Protection, the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development and the chief elected official in the town in which the park is located at least ninety days prior to refusing to renew any leases because of the impending closing, or on any earlier date the owner gives any notice of the closing of the park as may be required by the general statutes.

Sec. 765. Subsection (a) of section 21-84a of the general statutes is
(a) There is established, within the Department of Consumer Protection, a Mobile Manufactured Home Advisory Council composed of fourteen members as follows: One member of the Connecticut Real Estate Commission, one employee of the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development and one employee of the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority to be appointed by the Governor; an attorney-at-law specializing in mobile manufactured home matters to be appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives; one town planner and one representative of the banking industry to be appointed by the Governor; three mobile manufactured home park owners, one to be appointed by the Governor, one to be appointed by the minority leader of the Senate and one to be appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives; a representative of the mobile manufactured home industry to be appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives; three mobile manufactured home park tenants or representatives of such tenants, each from different geographic areas of the state, one to be appointed by the Governor, one to be appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate and one to be appointed by the majority leader of the Senate and a senior citizen, who is either a resident of a mobile manufactured home park or a representative of other senior citizens who reside in mobile manufactured home parks, to be appointed by the Governor. The mobile manufactured home park owners and the representative of the mobile manufactured home industry shall be appointed from a list submitted to the appointing authorities by the Connecticut Manufactured Housing Association or its successor, if such organization or successor exists. The mobile manufactured home park tenants or tenant representatives and the senior citizen shall be appointed from a list submitted to the appointing authorities by the Connecticut Manufactured Home...
Owners Alliance or its successor, if such organization or successor exists. The Governor shall appoint a chairperson from among the members of the council. Members shall serve for a term coterminous with the term of the Governor or until their successors are appointed, whichever is later. Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority for the position which has become vacant. Members of the council shall not be compensated for their services. Any council member who fails to attend three consecutive meetings or who fails to attend fifty per cent of all meetings held during any calendar year shall be deemed to have resigned from office.

Sec. 766. Subsection (a) of section 22a-1d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) Environmental impact evaluations and a summary thereof, including any negative findings shall be submitted for comment and review to the Council on Environmental Quality, the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, the Office of Policy and Management, the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development in the case of a proposed action that affects existing housing, and other appropriate agencies, and to the town clerk of each municipality affected thereby, and shall be made available to the public for inspection and comment at the same time. The sponsoring agency shall publish forthwith a notice of the availability of its environmental impact evaluation and summary in a newspaper of general circulation in the municipality at least once a week for three consecutive weeks and in the Environmental Monitor. The sponsoring agency preparing an environmental impact evaluation shall hold a public hearing on the evaluation if twenty-five persons or an association having not less than twenty-five persons requests such a hearing within ten days of the publication of the notice in the Environmental Monitor.
Sec. 767. Subsections (g) and (h) of section 25-68d of the general statutes, as amended by section 76 of public act 17-202, are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(g) The provisions of this section shall not apply to any proposal by the Department of Transportation, the Department of Housing or the Department of Economic and Community Development for a project within a drainage basin of less than one square mile.

(h) The provisions of subsections (a) to (d), inclusive, and (f) and (g) of this section shall not apply to the following critical activities above the one-hundred-year flood elevation that involve state funded housing reconstruction, rehabilitation or renovation, provided the state agency that provides funding for such activity certifies that it complies with the provisions of the National Flood Insurance Program and the requirements of this subsection: (1) Projects involving the renovation or rehabilitation of existing housing on the Department of Housing's most recent affordable housing appeals list; (2) construction of minor structures to an existing building for the purpose of providing accessibility to persons with disabilities pursuant to the State Building Code; (3) construction of open decks attached to residential structures, properly anchored in accordance with the State Building Code; (4) the demolition and reconstruction of existing housing for persons and families of low and moderate income, provided there is no increase in the number of dwelling units and (A) such reconstruction is limited to the footprint of the existing foundation of the building or buildings used for such purpose, or which could be used for such purpose subsequent to reconstruction, or (B) such reconstruction is on a parcel of land where the elevation of such land is above the one-hundred-year flood elevation, provided there is no placement of fill within an adopted Federal Emergency Management Agency flood zone.
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Sec. 768. Section 29-271 of the general statutes, as amended by section 29 of public act 17-96, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Any state-assisted rental housing or rental housing project constructed or substantially rehabilitated under a building permit application filed on or after January 1, 1976, and prior to October 1, 2004, that contains ten or more housing units shall have at least ten per cent of the units and all common use areas and facilities designed to promote safe and accessible means of entrance and egress and ease of access and use of facilities for the physically disabled, as defined in subsection (b) of section 1-1f, unless a waiver of such requirement is obtained from the Commissioner of Housing Economic and Community Development as provided in this section. Any state-assisted rental housing or rental housing project constructed or substantially rehabilitated under a building permit application filed on or after October 1, 2004, that contains four or more dwelling units shall have the dwelling units and all common use areas and facilities designed in accordance with the State Building Code to promote the safe and accessible use of facilities for the physically disabled, as defined in subsection (b) of section 1-1f, unless such waiver is obtained. Said commissioner may, with the concurrence of the State Building Inspector, waive the requirement for such units for any state-financed rental housing project awarded state assistance under sections 8-214a and 8-216b, provided all requirements concerning the provision of housing units accessible to the physically disabled promulgated by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development have been met. The State Building Inspector shall electronically publish such waiver on the Internet web site of the Department of Administrative Services. Physically disabled persons and families shall receive priority in placement in no less than ten per cent of the housing units constructed or substantially rehabilitated after January 1, 1976.
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Sec. 769. Section 32-1b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There is established a Department of Economic and Community Development. The department head shall be the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, who shall be appointed by the Governor in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-5 to 4-8, inclusive, with the powers and duties prescribed in said sections 4-5 to 4-8, inclusive.

(b) [Except as provided in section 8-37r, said department] The Department of Economic and Community Development shall constitute a successor department to the Department of Housing in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-38d, 4-38e and 4-39.

(c) Said department shall constitute a successor department to the Department of Economic Development in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-38d, 4-38e and 4-39.

[(d) Whenever the term "Commissioner of Economic Development" is used or referred to in the general statutes, the term "Commissioner of Economic and Community Development" shall be substituted in lieu thereof. Whenever the term "Department of Economic Development" is used or referred to in the general statutes, the term "Department of Economic and Community Development" shall be substituted in lieu thereof.]

(e) If the term "Commissioner of Housing" or "Commissioner of Economic Development" is used or referred to in any public or special act of 1995 or 1996, or in any section of the general statutes which is amended in 1995 or 1996, it shall be deemed to mean or refer to the "Commissioner of Economic and Community Development".

(f) If the term "Department of Housing" or "Department of Economic Development" is used or referred to in any public or special
act of 1995 or 1996, or in any section of the general statutes which is amended in 1995 or 1996, it shall be deemed to mean or refer to the "Department of Economic and Community Development".

(d) Wherever the term "Commissioner of Housing" is used or referred to in any public or special act of 2017, or of the June special session 2017, the term "Commissioner of Economic and Community Development" shall be substituted in lieu thereof. Wherever the term "Department of Housing" is used or referred to in any public or special act of 2017, or of the June special session 2017, the term "Department of Economic and Community Development" shall be substituted in lieu thereof.

(e) The Legislative Commissioners' Office shall, in codifying the provisions of this section, make such technical, grammatical and punctuation changes as are necessary to carry out the purposes of this section.

Sec. 770. Section 32-1c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) In addition to any other powers, duties and responsibilities provided for in this chapter, chapter 131, chapter 579 and section 4-8 and subsection (a) of section 10-409, the commissioner shall have the following powers, duties and responsibilities: (1) To administer and direct the operations of the Department of Economic and Community Development; (2) to report annually to the Governor, as provided in section 4-60; (3) to conduct and administer the research and planning functions necessary to carry out the purposes of said chapters and sections; (4) to encourage and promote the development of industry and business in the state and to investigate, study and undertake ways and means of promoting and encouraging the prosperous development and protection of the legitimate interest and welfare of Connecticut business, industry and commerce, within and outside the

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state; (5) to serve, ex officio as a director on the board of Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated; (6) to serve as a member of the Committee of Concern for Connecticut Jobs; (7) to promote and encourage the location and development of new business in the state as well as the maintenance and expansion of existing business and for that purpose to cooperate with state and local agencies and individuals both within and outside the state; (8) to plan and conduct a program of information and publicity designed to attract tourists, visitors and other interested persons from outside the state to this state and also to encourage and coordinate the efforts of other public and private organizations or groups of citizens to publicize the facilities and attractions of the state for the same purposes; (9) to advise and cooperate with municipalities, persons and local planning agencies within the state for the purpose of promoting coordination between the state and such municipalities as to plans and development; (10) [by reallocating] to reallocate funding from other agency accounts or programs, to assign adequate and available staff to provide technical assistance to businesses in the state in exporting, manufacturing and cluster-based initiatives and to provide guidance and advice on regulatory matters; (11) to aid minority businesses in their development; (12) to appoint such assistants, experts, technicians and clerical staff, subject to the provisions of chapter 67, as are necessary to carry out the purposes of said chapters and sections; (13) to employ other consultants and assistants on a contract or other basis for rendering financial, technical or other assistance and advice; (14) to acquire or lease facilities located outside the state subject to the provisions of section 4b-23; (15) to advise and inform municipal officials concerning economic development and collect and disseminate information pertaining thereto, including information about federal, state and private assistance programs and services pertaining thereto; (16) to inquire into the utilization of state government resources and coordinate federal and state activities for assistance in and solution of problems of economic development and to inform and advise the Governor about
and propose legislation concerning such problems; (17) to conduct, encourage and maintain research and studies relating to industrial and commercial development; (18) to prepare and review model ordinances and charters relating to industrial and commercial development; (19) to maintain an inventory of data and information and act as a clearinghouse and referral agency for information on state and federal programs and services relative to the purpose set forth herein. The inventory shall include information on all federal programs of financial assistance for defense conversion projects and other projects consistent with a defense conversion strategy and shall identify businesses which would be eligible for such assistance and provide notification to such business of such programs; (20) to conduct, encourage and maintain research and studies and advise municipal officials about forms of cooperation between public and private agencies designed to advance economic development; (21) to promote and assist the formation of municipal and other agencies appropriate to the purposes of this chapter; (22) to require notice of the submission of all applications by municipalities and any agency thereof for federal and state financial assistance for economic development programs as relate to the purposes of this chapter; (23) with the approval of the Commissioner of Administrative Services, to reimburse any employee of the department, including the commissioner, for reasonable business expenses, including but not limited to, mileage, travel, lodging, and entertainment of business prospects and other persons to the extent necessary or advisable to carry out the purposes of subdivisions (4), (7), (8) and (11) of this subsection and other provisions of this chapter; (24) to assist in resolving solid waste management issues; (25) (A) to serve as an information clearinghouse for various public and private programs available to assist businesses, (B) to identify specific micro businesses, as defined in section 32-344, whose growth and success could benefit from state or private assistance and contact such small businesses in order to (i) identify their needs, (ii) provide information about public
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and private programs for meeting such needs, including, but not limited to, technical assistance, job training and financial assistance, and (iii) arrange for the provision of such assistance to such businesses; (26) to enhance and promote the digital media and motion picture industries in the state; (27) [by reallocating] to reallocate funding from other agency accounts or programs, to develop a marketing campaign that promotes Connecticut as a place of innovation; [and] (28) [by reallocating] to reallocate funding from other agency accounts or programs, to execute the steps necessary to implement the knowledge corridor agreement with Massachusetts to promote the biomedical device industry; (29) to be responsible at the state level for all aspects of policy, development, redevelopment, preservation, maintenance and improvement of housing and neighborhoods; (30) to encourage the provision of housing in the state, including housing for very low, low and moderate income families; (31) to advise and inform municipal officials, local housing authorities, the Connecticut Housing Authority, public development agencies and other agencies and groups about housing, redevelopment, urban renewal and community development; (32) to collect and disseminate information pertaining to housing, redevelopment, urban renewal and community development, including information about federal, state and private assistance programs and services; (33) to coordinate federal and state activities for assistance in and solution of problems of housing, redevelopment, urban renewal and community development and to inform and advise the Governor about and propose legislation concerning such problems; (34) to conduct, encourage and maintain research and studies relating to housing, redevelopment, urban renewal and community development problems; (35) to prepare and review model ordinances and charters relating to housing, redevelopment, urban renewal and community development; (36) to maintain an inventory of data and information and act as a clearing house and referral agency for information on state and federal programs and services relative to housing and community development; (37) to conduct, encourage and

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maintain research and studies and advise municipal officials concerning forms of intergovernmental cooperation and cooperation between public and private agencies designed to advance programs of housing, redevelopment, urban renewal and community development; (38) to promote and assist the formation of local housing authorities and other agencies or organizations appropriate to the purposes of chapter 133; and (39) to inform the public regarding the rights and obligations of landlords and tenants as provided in chapters 830 to 832, inclusive, and respond to any inquiries from the public on such matters.

(b) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development may make available technical and financial assistance and advisory services to (1) any appropriate agency, authority, commission or council for planning and other functions pertinent to economic development, or (2) any municipality, municipal agency, housing authority, human resource development agency, regional council of governments, housing sponsor, prospective housing sponsor or other appropriate agency, or the Connecticut Housing Authority, for any activity pertinent to the development, preservation, repair or rehabilitation of housing or for urban renewal, redevelopment or community development activities, as defined in chapter 130, provided any financial assistance to a regional council of governments shall have the prior approval of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management or his or her designee. Financial assistance shall be rendered upon such contractual arrangements as may be agreed upon by the commissioner and any such agency, authority, commission, [or] council or sponsor in accordance with their respective needs, and the commissioner may determine the qualifications of personnel or consultants to be engaged for such assistance.

(c) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall do all things necessary to apply for, qualify for and accept any
federal funds made available or allotted under any federal act for planning or any other projects, programs or activities which may be established by federal law, for any of the purposes, or activities related thereto, of the Department of Economic and Community Development and said Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall administer any such funds allotted to the department in accordance with federal law. The commissioner may enter into contracts with the federal government concerning the use and repayment of such funds under any such federal act, the prosecution of the work under any such contract and the establishment of any disbursement from a separate account in which federal and state funds estimated to be required for plan preparation or other eligible activities under such federal act shall be kept. Said account shall not be a part of the General Fund of the state or any subdivision of the state. The commissioner shall report on activities to apply for, qualify for and accept funds under this subsection in its annual report submitted pursuant to section 32-1m. Unless otherwise required by federal law or regulation, any federal housing assistance funding made available at the state level shall be allocated in accordance with the state's consolidated plan for housing and community development prepared pursuant to the provision of section 8-37t. Such allocation shall, to the maximum extent possible, reflect the types and distribution of housing needs in all parts of the state and the resources required by the department, the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority or other appropriate agencies to meet those needs.

(d) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development may designate any deputy commissioner or employee of the department to exercise the authority of the commissioner for the purpose of administering any statutory or regulatory responsibility.

(e) The powers and duties enumerated in this section shall be in addition to and shall not limit any other powers or duties of the
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Commissioner of Economic and Community Development contained in any other law.

Sec. 771. Section 32-39r of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioners of Economic and Community Development, [Housing,] Energy and Environmental Protection and Transportation, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the executive director of the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority may give priority for available financial assistance to entities located within a designated innovation place, as defined in section 32-39j, provided such commissioner, secretary or executive director determines that such priority would facilitate the purposes of the innovation place program set forth in section 32-39k.

Sec. 772. Subsection (b) of section 32-601 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) The Capital Region Development Authority shall be governed by a board of directors consisting of fourteen members. The members of the board shall be appointed as follows: (1) [Four] Five appointed by the Governor, (2) two appointed by the mayor of the city of Hartford, one of whom shall be a resident of the city of Hartford, and one of whom shall be an employee of the city of Hartford who is not an elected official, (3) one appointed jointly by the speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro tempore of the Senate, and (4) one appointed jointly by the minority leaders of the House of Representatives and Senate. The mayor of Hartford and the mayor of East Hartford shall be members of the board. The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the Commissioners of Transportation [Housing] and Economic and Community Development, or their designees, shall serve as ex-officio members of
the board. The chairperson shall be designated by the Governor. All initial appointments shall be made not later than fifteen days after June 15, 2012. The terms of the initial board members appointed shall be as follows: The [four] five members appointed by the Governor shall serve four-year terms from said appointment date; the two members appointed by the mayor of the town and city of Hartford shall serve three-year terms from said appointment date; the member appointed jointly by the speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro tempore of the Senate shall serve a two-year term from said appointment date and the member appointed jointly by the minority leaders of the House of Representatives and the Senate shall serve a two-year term from said appointment date. Thereafter all members shall be appointed for four-year terms. A member of the board shall be eligible for reappointment. Any member of the board may be removed by the appointing authority for misfeasance, malfeasance or wilful neglect of duty. Each member of the board, before commencing such member’s duties, shall take and subscribe the oath or affirmation required by article XI, section 1, of the State Constitution. A record of each such oath shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of the State. The board of directors shall maintain a record of its proceedings in such form as it determines, provided such record indicates attendance and all votes cast by each member. Any member who fails to attend three consecutive meetings or who fails to attend fifty per cent of all meetings held during any calendar year shall be deemed to have resigned from the board. A majority vote of the members of the board shall constitute a quorum and the affirmative vote of a majority of the members present at a meeting of the board shall be sufficient for any action taken by the board. No vacancy in the membership of the board shall impair the right of a quorum to exercise all the rights and perform all the duties of the board. Any action taken by the board may be authorized by resolution at any regular or special meeting and shall take effect immediately unless otherwise provided in the resolution. The board may delegate to three or more of its
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members, or its officers, agents and employees, such board powers and duties as it may deem proper.

Sec. 773. Subsection (b) of section 32-616 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the Department of Economic and Community Development [or the Department of Housing] for grants-in-aid for capital city projects as follows:

(1) For the Civic Center and coliseum complex renovation and rejuvenation project, not exceeding fifteen million dollars;

(2) For the riverfront infrastructure development and improvement project, not exceeding nineteen million eight hundred eighty thousand dollars provided no amount shall be issued under this subdivision until the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development certifies to the State Bond Commission that it has received a commitment by agreement, contract or other legally enforceable instrument with private investors or developers for a minimum private investment equal to the amount of bonds at the time such bonds are issued pursuant to this subdivision taken together with any previous commitments;

(3) For housing rehabilitation and new construction projects, as defined in subparagraph (E) (i) of subdivision (2) of section 32-600, not exceeding thirty-five million dollars, provided seven million dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, 1999, fourteen million dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, 2000, fourteen million dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, 2001, and four million dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, 2003;
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(4) For demolition or redevelopment projects, as defined in subparagraph (E) (ii) of subdivision (2) of section 32-600, not exceeding twenty-five million dollars, provided seven million dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, 1999, eight million dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, 2000, five million dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, 2001, and three million dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, 2003;

(5) For parking projects, as defined in subparagraph (F) of subdivision (2) of section 32-600, not exceeding twelve million dollars.

Sec. 774. Subsection (f) of section 47-88b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(f) Any declarant of a conversion condominium shall, in addition to the filing required by section 47-71, file with the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development within one hundred twenty days of the giving of the notice required by subsection (b) of this section: (1) A copy of the declaration and the public offering statement submitted to each tenant and (2) a sworn statement that each tenant who is entitled to receive notice under subsection (b) of this section and has not exercised his option to buy has received the notice required by subsection (b) of this section and has received relocation assistance which has included information on the availability of alternate housing, financing programs and federal, state and municipal housing assistance and the availability of moving and relocation expenses under section 47-88d, or that reasonable efforts have been made to provide such relocation assistance to such tenant. If at the time of such filing all of the tenants have not received notice under subsection (b) of this section, the declarant shall file subsequent sworn statements with the department within one hundred twenty days of the date notice was given to a tenant. The department shall charge a fee of two dollars per unit converted for such filing. The Commissioner
of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall adopt regulations in accordance with chapter 54 [within ninety days of May 7, 1980,] to determine the type of information to be included in such relocation assistance.

Sec. 775. Subsection (b) of section 47-284 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) The conversion notice shall inform a tenant of: (1) The date the declarant converted, or intends to convert, the building to a common interest form of ownership; (2) the right of the tenant during the transition period to protection from eviction; (3) the exclusive right of the tenant, as described in section 47-285, to purchase his converted unit during the first ninety days after receipt of the conversion notice; (4) the right of the tenant, as described in section 47-286, to terminate his tenancy and abandon his converted unit on thirty days notice, and the right of each qualified tenant, as described in section 47-287, to a relocation payment; (5) the availability from the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development of information concerning governmental assistance to (A) purchase the converted unit or alternative housing, or (B) find, and relocate to, alternative housing; and (6) the address and phone number for information concerning the availability of relocation payments and for information from the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development concerning governmental assistance.

Sec. 776. Section 47-288 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) If a common interest community contains or will contain any conversion building, or any land currently or formerly in a mobile manufactured home park, in which any unit was last occupied as a dwelling unit, the declarant, prior to creating such common interest
community, shall register such common interest community and each dwelling unit therein with the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development in such manner as the commissioner may prescribe by regulations adopted pursuant to section 47-295. The declarant's registration shall be accompanied by a registration fee of fifty dollars per dwelling unit being converted. No declarant shall offer to sell, sell or otherwise dispose of a unit in a common interest community until such registration is filed and such registration fees are paid.

(b) At the time of giving a conversion notice, the declarant shall send a copy of the conversion notice to the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, together with: (1) The address of the property; (2) the number of occupied dwelling units in the property on the day of the notice; (3) the number of dwelling units in the property on the day of the notice; and (4) the number of dwelling units in the property occupied at any time during the preceding twelve months.

(c) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, in addition to taking any action authorized by section 47-294, shall require the declarant to (1) provide the Department of Housing with a copy of the public offering statement and (2) distribute to tenants any material which the commissioner has prepared regarding the availability of governmental assistance.

(d) Within six months of giving the conversion notice, the declarant shall notify the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development of: (1) The number of tenants who purchased their dwelling units or, in the case of a mobile manufactured home park, who purchased the space or lot upon which their dwelling units sit; (2) the number of tenants who stayed in their dwelling units and did not purchase; (3) the number of tenants who moved; (4) the number of moving tenants who received a relocation payment under section 47-
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287; and (5) the number of tenants against whom summary process proceedings were begun.

(e) The notification to the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development pursuant to subsection (d) of this section shall be accompanied by a statement of the declarant, certified as true under penalty of false statement, that, to the best of his knowledge and belief, all tenants entitled to a relocation payment under section 47-287 received such payment. If any tenant entitled to a relocation payment did not receive it, the statement shall describe why the payment was not made.

Sec. 777. Section 47-294 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development may receive complaints of any violations of sections 47-282 to 47-293, inclusive, section 47a-23c as it applies to the conversion of dwelling units or mobile manufactured home parks into common interest communities, and any other law concerning the conversion of dwelling units or mobile manufactured home parks into common interest communities. The commissioner shall cause investigations of such violations to be made and shall make every effort to ensure compliance with such laws. If the commissioner believes that any such laws are being violated, he shall refer the matter to the Attorney General for further enforcement.

(b) The Attorney General, acting on behalf of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development or the people of the state of Connecticut, may bring an action in the superior court for the judicial district in which the property is located to enforce the provisions of sections 47-282 to 47-293, inclusive, section 47a-23c as it applies to the conversion of dwelling units or mobile manufactured home parks into common interest communities, and any other law
concerning the conversion of dwelling units or mobile manufactured home parks into common interest communities. In any such action, the Attorney General may obtain, for the benefit of persons adversely affected by the violations of such laws, any relief to which such persons may be entitled. The Attorney General may combine such action with any other action within his power to maintain, including an action under chapter 735a. Nothing in this section shall limit the right of a person adversely affected by violations of the law from bringing a private cause of action under sections 47-292 and 42-110g or any other law which may entitle such person to relief.

Sec. 778. Section 47-295 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to carry out the purposes of sections 47-288 and 47-294. Such regulations shall provide for the form of registration to be required pursuant to section 47-288 and the information to be provided therein.

Sec. 779. Section 47a-22a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) Any housing authority, community housing development corporation, or other corporation approved by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for state financial assistance to provide public housing for senior citizens and disabled persons under the provisions of part VI or VII of chapter 128 shall return any security deposit with interest, to any tenant or former tenant at the time the tenancy is terminated in accordance with the provisions of section 47a-21.

(b) Any housing authority, community housing development
corporation or other corporation approved by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development for state financial assistance to provide public housing for senior citizens and disabled persons under the provisions of part VI or VII of chapter 128 shall, pursuant to a written agreement, permit the payment of a security deposit in installments that are reasonable in light of the income of the tenant. Such written agreement shall include the schedule of installment payments and a determination of the tenant's ability to pay under such a schedule. Such installments shall be payable in equal amounts at approximately equal intervals not exceeding one month over a period of at least twelve months. Interest payable pursuant to section 47a-21 shall not begin to accrue until the security deposit, including all installments due if applicable, has been paid in full. Nothing in this section shall preclude any such housing authority or corporation from waiving the payment of the security deposit, or agreeing to extend the installment payments over a period of more than twelve months.

Sec. 780. Subsection (a) of section 47a-56i of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The expenses incurred by a receiver in removing or remedying a condition pursuant to the provisions of sections 47a-14a to 47a-14g, inclusive, and sections 47a-56 to 47a-56i, inclusive, shall be met by the rents collected by the receiver, the municipality in which the property is located or, with court approval, from a fund to be known as the Housing Receivership Revolving Fund, which shall be maintained by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development. The court may also approve resort to such fund to meet expenses incurred by a receiver of rents for residential premises pursuant to the provisions of section 16-262f or 47a-14h or chapter 735a or pursuant to any other action involving the making of repairs to
residential rental property under court supervision. A court may authorize resort to such fund if (1) sufficient sources of money are not otherwise immediately available, (2) the property which is the subject of the receivership is a building which contains not more than twenty dwelling units or is a mobile manufactured home park or a space or lot in such park and (3) the anticipated average expense from the fund per dwelling unit or per space or lot in such park is not in excess of five thousand dollars.

Sec. 781. Section 47a-56j of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract with a municipality for state financial assistance in an amount determined by the commissioner for a rent receivership program undertaken pursuant to sections 47a-56 to 47a-56i, inclusive. Such contract shall provide for financial assistance in the form of a state advance-in-aid to initiate and operate a tenement house operating fund pursuant to said section 47a-56i for the purposes authorized in said sections 47a-56 to 47a-56i, inclusive. Such advance-in-aid shall be repayable solely from funds received by the receiver or the municipality pursuant to said sections at such times and in such manner as the commissioner may determine.

Sec. 782. Section 47a-56k of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The State Bond Commission shall have power, in accordance with the provisions of this section, from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate three hundred thousand dollars, the proceeds of the sale of which shall be used by the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development to
provide funds for the Housing Receivership Revolving Fund established in accordance with section 47a-56i, provided not more than two hundred thousand dollars may be expended from said fund in any single municipality.

(b) All provisions of section 3-20 or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. None of such bonds shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request for such authorization which is signed by or on behalf of the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development and states such terms and conditions as said commission in its discretion may require. Such bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of such bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made and the Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due.

Sec. 783. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2017) (a) (1) Wherever the term "Commissioner on Aging" is used in any public or special act of the 2017 regular session or June special session, the term "Commissioner of Social Services" shall be substituted in lieu thereof; and (2) wherever
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the term "Department on Aging" is used in any public or special act of the 2017 regular session or June special session, the term "Department of Social Services" shall be substituted in lieu thereof.

(b) The Legislative Commissioners' Office shall, in codifying the provisions of this section, make such technical, grammatical and punctuation changes as are necessary to carry out the purposes of this section.

Sec. 784. Section 17b-1 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There is established a Department of Social Services. The department head shall be the Commissioner of Social Services, who shall be appointed by the Governor in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-5 to 4-8, inclusive, with the powers and duties therein prescribed.

(b) The Department of Social Services shall constitute a successor department to the Department on Aging, Department of Income Maintenance and the Department of Human Resources in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-38d and 4-39.

(c) Wherever the words "Commissioner on Aging", "Commissioner of Income Maintenance" or "Commissioner of Human Resources" are used in the general statutes, the words "Commissioner of Social Services" shall be substituted in lieu thereof. Wherever the words "Department on Aging", "Department of Income Maintenance" or "Department of Human Resources" are used in the general statutes, "Department of Social Services" shall be substituted in lieu thereof.

(d) [Subject to the provisions of section 17a-301a, any] Any order or regulation of the Department of Income Maintenance, the Department of Human Resources or the Department on Aging which is in force on July 1, 1993, shall continue in force and effect as an order or regulation.
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of the Department of Social Services until amended, repealed or superseded pursuant to law. Any order or regulation of the Department on Aging which is in force on the effective date of this section shall continue in force and effect as an order or regulation of the Department of Social Services until amended, repealed or superseded pursuant to law. Where any order or regulation of said departments conflict, the Commissioner of Social Services may implement policies and procedures consistent with the provisions of public act 93-262 while in the process of adopting the policy or procedure in regulation form, provided notice of intention to adopt the regulations is printed in the Connecticut Law Journal within twenty days of implementation. The policy or procedure shall be valid until the time final regulations are effective.

(e) The functions, powers, duties and personnel of the Department on Aging, or any subsequent division or portion of a division with similar functions, powers, personnel and duties, shall be transferred to the Department of Social Services pursuant to the provisions of sections 4-38d, 4-38e and 4-39.

(f) The Governor may, with the approval of the Finance Advisory Committee, transfer funds between the Department on Aging and the Department of Social Services pursuant to subsection (b) of section 4-87 during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

Sec. 785. Section 17b-2 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Department of Social Services is designated as the state agency for the administration of (1) the Connecticut energy assistance program pursuant to the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981; (2) the state plan for vocational rehabilitation services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1994; (3) the refugee assistance program pursuant to the Refugee Act of 1980; (4) the legalization impact
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assistance grant program pursuant to the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986; (5) the temporary assistance for needy families program pursuant to the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996; (6) the Medicaid program pursuant to Title XIX of the Social Security Act; (7) the supplemental nutrition assistance program pursuant to the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008; (8) the state supplement to the Supplemental Security Income Program pursuant to the Social Security Act; (9) the state child support enforcement plan pursuant to Title IV-D of the Social Security Act; (10) the state social services plan for the implementation of the social services block grants and community services block grants pursuant to the Social Security Act; [and] (11) services for persons with autism spectrum disorder in accordance with sections 17a-215 and 17a-215c; (12) nutritional programs for elderly persons; and (13) the fall prevention program described in section 17a-303a.

(b) The Department of Social Services is designated as the State Unit on Aging to administer, manage, design and advocate for benefits, programs and services for older persons and their families pursuant to the Older Americans Act. The department shall study continuously the conditions and needs of older persons in this state in relation to nutrition, transportation, home care, housing, income, employment, health, recreation and other matters. The department shall be responsible, in cooperation with federal, state, local and area planning agencies on aging, for the overall planning, development and administration of a comprehensive and integrated social service delivery system for older persons.

Sec. 786. Subsection (c) of section 3-123aa of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(c) There is established an advisory committee to the Connecticut Homecare Option Program for the Elderly, which shall consist of the
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State Treasurer, the State Comptroller, the Commissioner of Social Services, [the Commissioner on Aging,] the director of the long-term care partnership policy program within the Office of Policy and Management, and the cochairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to aging, human services and finance, revenue and bonding, or their designees. The Governor shall appoint one provider of home care services for the elderly and a physician specializing in geriatric care. The advisory committee shall meet at least annually. The State Comptroller shall convene the meetings of the committee.

Sec. 787. Section 4-38c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

There shall be within the executive branch of state government the following departments: Office of Policy and Management, Department of Administrative Services, [Department on Aging,] Department of Revenue Services, Department of Banking, Department of Agriculture, Department of Children and Families, Department of Consumer Protection, Department of Correction, Department of Economic and Community Development, State Board of Education, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, Department of Public Health, Board of Regents for Higher Education, Insurance Department, Labor Department, Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Department of Developmental Services, Department of Social Services, Department of Transportation, Department of Motor Vehicles and Department of Veterans Affairs.

Sec. 788. Section 4-38c of the general statutes, as amended by section 7 of public act 17-237, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 1, 2019):

There shall be within the executive branch of state government the
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following departments: Office of Policy and Management, Department of Administrative Services, [Department on Aging.] Department of Revenue Services, Department of Banking, Department of Agriculture, Department of Children and Families, Department of Consumer Protection, Department of Correction, Department of Economic and Community Development, State Board of Education, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, Department of Public Health, Board of Regents for Higher Education, Insurance Department, Labor Department, Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Department of Developmental Services, Department of Social Services, Department of Transportation, Department of Motor Vehicles, Department of Veterans Affairs, and the Technical Education and Career System.

Sec. 789. Section 7-127b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The chief elected official or the chief executive officer if by ordinance of each municipality shall appoint a municipal agent for elderly persons. Such agent shall be a member of an agency that serves elderly persons in the municipality or a responsible resident of the municipality who has demonstrated an interest in the elderly or has been involved in programs in the field of aging.

(b) The duties of the municipal agent may include, but shall not be limited to, (1) disseminating information to elderly persons, assisting such persons in learning about the community resources available to them and publicizing such resources and benefits; (2) assisting elderly persons to apply for federal and other benefits available to such persons; (3) reporting to the chief elected official or chief executive officer of the municipality and the Department [on Aging] of Social Services any needs and problems of the elderly and any recommendations for action to improve services to the elderly.
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(c) Each municipal agent shall serve for a term of two or four years, at the discretion of the appointing authority of each municipality, and may be reappointed. If more than one agent is necessary to carry out the purposes of this section, the appointing authority, in its discretion, may appoint one or more assistant agents. The town clerk in each municipality shall notify the Department [on Aging] of Social Services immediately of the appointment of a new municipal agent. Each municipality may provide to its municipal agent resources sufficient for such agent to perform the duties of the office.

(d) The Department [on Aging] of Social Services shall adopt and disseminate to municipalities guidelines as to the role and duties of municipal agents and such informational and technical materials as may assist such agents in performance of their duties. The department, in cooperation with the area agencies on aging, may provide training for municipal agents within the available resources of the department and of the agencies on aging.

Sec. 790. Subsection (a) of section 16a-41b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There shall be a Low-Income Energy Advisory Board which shall consist of the following members or their designees: [The Commissioner on Aging or the commissioner's designee; a] A representative of each electric and gas public service company designated by each such company; the chairperson of the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority; the Consumer Counsel; the executive director of Operation Fuel; the executive director of Infoline; the director of the Connecticut Local Administrators of Social Services; the executive director of Legal Assistance Resource Center of Connecticut; the Connecticut president of AARP; a designee of the Norwich Public Utility; a designee of the Independent Connecticut Petroleum Association; and a representative of the community action agencies
administering energy assistance programs under contract with the Department of Social Services, designated by the Connecticut Association for Community Action. The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the Commissioners of Social Services and Energy and Environmental Protection, or their designees, shall serve as nonvoting members of the board.

Sec. 791. Subsection (a) of section 17a-302 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Department of Social Services shall be responsible for the administration of programs which provide nutritionally sound diets to needy elderly persons and for the expansion of such programs when possible. Such programs shall be continued in such a manner as to fully utilize congregate feeding and nutrition education of elderly citizens who qualify for such program.

Sec. 792. Section 17a-303a of the general statutes, as amended by section 3 of public act 17-123, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Department of Social Services shall establish, within available appropriations, a fall prevention program. Within such program, the department shall:

(1) Promote and support research to: (A) Improve the identification, diagnosis, treatment and rehabilitation of older adults and others who have a high risk of falling; (B) improve data collection and analysis to identify risk factors for falls and factors that reduce the likelihood of falls; (C) design, implement and evaluate the most effective fall prevention interventions; (D) improve intervention strategies that have been proven effective in reducing falls by tailoring such strategies to specific populations of older adults; (E) maximize the dissemination of
proven, effective fall prevention interventions; (F) assess the risk of falls occurring in various settings; (G) identify barriers to the adoption of proven interventions with respect to the prevention of falls among older adults; (H) develop, implement and evaluate the most effective approaches to reducing falls among high-risk older adults living in communities and long-term care and assisted living facilities; and (I) evaluate the effectiveness of community programs designed to prevent falls among older adults;

(2) Establish, in consultation with the Commissioner of Public Health, a professional education program in fall prevention, evaluation and management for physicians, allied health professionals and other health care providers who provide services for the elderly in this state. The Commissioner [on Aging] of Social Services may contract for the establishment of such program through (A) a request for proposal process, (B) a competitive grant program, or (C) cooperative agreements with qualified organizations, institutions or consortia of qualified organizations and institutions;

(3) Oversee and support demonstration and research projects to be carried out by organizations, institutions or consortia of organizations and institutions deemed qualified by the Commissioner [on Aging] of Social Services. Such demonstration and research projects may be in the following areas:

(A) Targeted fall risk screening and referral programs;

(B) Programs designed for community-dwelling older adults that use fall intervention approaches, including physical activity, medication assessment and reduction of medication when possible, vision enhancement and home-modification strategies;

(C) Programs that target new fall victims who are at a high risk for second falls and that are designed to maximize independence and
quality of life for older adults, particularly those older adults with functional limitations; and

(D) Private sector and public-private partnerships to develop technologies to prevent falls among older adults and prevent or reduce injuries when falls occur; and

(4) Award grants to, or enter into contracts or cooperative agreements with, organizations, institutions or consortia of organizations and institutions deemed qualified by the Commissioner of Social Services to design, implement and evaluate fall prevention programs using proven intervention strategies in residential and institutional settings.

(b) In awarding any grants or entering into any agreements or contracts after the effective date of this section, the Commissioner shall determine appropriate data and program outcome measures, including fall prevention program outcome measures, as applicable, that the recipient organization, institution or consortia of organizations and institutions shall collect and report to the commissioner and the frequency of such reports.

Sec. 793. Special act 17-19 is amended to read as follows (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) For the purposes of this section, "elderly tenants" means tenants sixty-two years of age or older and "younger tenants with disabilities" means tenants who are not yet sixty-two years of age and who have been certified by the Social Security Board as being totally disabled under the Social Security Act or certified by any other federal board or agency as being totally disabled. The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, in consultation with the chairpersons of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to housing, shall designate three
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state-funded housing projects that provide services to elderly tenants and younger tenants with disabilities for the purposes of conducting a study.

(b) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, in consultation with the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, the Department of Social Services, the Department of Developmental Services and Disability Rights Connecticut, Inc., shall, within available appropriations, conduct a study of the state-funded housing projects designated in accordance with subsection (a) of this section. The study shall include but need not be limited to, for each designated state-funded housing project: (1) A census of the occupants, including the number of residents who are elderly tenants and the number of tenants who are younger tenants with disabilities; (2) the rents charged to residents who are elderly tenants and residents who are younger tenants with disabilities; (3) the operating costs and the percentage of the operating costs that are covered by rents received from tenants pursuant to subdivision (2) of this subsection; (4) information about the use of municipal services, including, but not limited to, ambulance, police and fire services for apartments occupied by elderly tenants and by younger tenants with disabilities; (5) an assessment of the support services available to assist elderly tenants and younger tenants with disabilities and any gaps in such services; (6) recommendations for the provision of additional support services needed for elderly tenants and younger tenants with disabilities; (7) an estimate of any additional state appropriations needed to implement any recommendations pursuant to subdivision (6) of this subsection; (8) the number of eviction proceedings initiated by the landlord against all tenants for any reason during the last five years; (9) the number of eviction proceedings initiated against elderly tenants for any reason during the last five years; (10) the number of eviction proceedings initiated against younger tenants with disabilities for any reason during the last five years; (11) a summary of the number
of evictions initiated against younger tenants with disabilities because of a violation of the lease caused by a negative incident between a younger tenant with disabilities and an elderly tenant during the last five years; (12) a summary of the number of evictions initiated against elderly tenants because of a violation of the lease caused by a negative incident between an elderly tenant and a younger tenant with disabilities during the last five years; and (13) the number of summary process judgments issued by a court against an elderly tenant with disabilities or a younger tenant during the last five years.

(c) As part of the study described in subsection (b) of this section, the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, in consultation with the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, the Department of Social Services, the Department of Developmental Services and Disability Rights Connecticut, Inc., shall convene meetings of stakeholders to receive information relating to such study and any other relevant information about each state-funded housing project designated in accordance with subsection (a) of this section. Such stakeholders shall include, but need not be limited to, the property manager of each state-funded housing project designated in accordance with subsection (a) of this section, the elderly tenants and younger tenants with disabilities residing in each such state-funded housing project, tenant advocates, the director of each affected municipality's social service department, or his or her designee, representatives from each affected municipality's first responder services, including police, fire, emergency medical technician personnel and local service providers.

(d) On or before March 1, 2018, the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall report the findings of the study, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to housing.
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Sec. 794. Section 17a-304 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The state shall be divided into five elderly planning and service areas, in accordance with federal law and regulations, each having an area agency on aging to carry out the mandates of the federal Older Americans Act of 1965, as amended. The area agencies shall (1) represent elderly persons within their geographic areas, (2) develop an area plan for approval by the Department of Social Services and upon such approval administer the plan, (3) coordinate and assist local public and nonprofit, private agencies in the development of programs, (4) receive and distribute federal and state funds for such purposes, in accordance with applicable law, (5) carry out any additional duties and functions required by federal law and regulations.

Sec. 795. Section 17a-305 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Department of Social Services shall equitably allocate, in accordance with federal law, federal funds received under Title IIIB and IIIC of the Older Americans Act to the five area agencies on aging established pursuant to section 17a-304. The department, before seeking federal approval to spend any amount above that allotted for administrative expenses under said act, shall inform the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to aging and human services that it is seeking such approval.

(b) Sixty per cent of the state funds appropriated to the five area agencies on aging for elderly nutrition and social services shall be allocated in the same proportion as allocations made pursuant to subsection (a) of this section. Forty per cent of all state funds appropriated to the five area agencies on aging for elderly nutrition

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and social services used for purposes other than the required nonfederal matching funds shall be allocated at the discretion of the Commissioner of Social Services, in consultation with the five area agencies on aging, based on their need for such funds. Any state funds appropriated to the five area agencies on aging for administrative expenses shall be allocated equally.

(c) The Department of Social Services, in consultation with the five area agencies on aging, shall review the method of allocation set forth in subsection (a) of this section and shall report any findings or recommendations to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies and human services.

(d) An area agency may request a person participating in the elderly nutrition program to pay a voluntary fee for meals furnished, except that no eligible person shall be denied a meal due to an inability to pay such fee.

Sec. 796. Section 17a-306 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Department of Social Services shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to carry out the purposes, programs and services authorized pursuant to the Older Americans Act of 1965, as amended from time to time. The department may operate under any new policy necessary to conform to a requirement of a federal or joint state and federal program while it is in the process of adopting the policy in regulation form, provided the department posts such policy on the eRegulations System not later than twenty days after adopting the policy. Such policy shall be valid until the time final regulations are effective.

Sec. 797. Section 17a-310 of the general statutes is repealed and the
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following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Department [on Aging] of Social Services may make a grant to any city, town or borough or public or private agency, organization or institution for the following purposes: [(a)] (1) For community planning and coordination of programs carrying out the purposes of the Older Americans Act of 1965, as amended; [(b)] (2) for demonstration programs or activities particularly valuable in carrying out such purposes; [(c)] (3) for training of special personnel needed to carry out such programs and activities; [(d)] (4) for establishment of new or expansion of existing programs to carry out such purposes, including establishment of new or expansion of existing centers of service for elderly persons, providing recreational, cultural and other leisure time activities, and informational, transportation, referral and preretirement and postretirement counseling services for elderly persons and assisting such persons in providing volunteer community or civic services, except that no costs of construction, other than for minor alterations and repairs, shall be included in such establishment or expansion; [(e)] and (5) for programs to develop or demonstrate approaches, methods and techniques for achieving or improving coordination of community services for elderly or aging persons and such other programs and services as may be allowed under Title III of the Older Americans Act of 1965, as amended, or to evaluate these approaches, techniques and methods, as well as others which may assist elderly or aging persons to enjoy wholesome and meaningful living and to continue to contribute to the strength and welfare of the state and nation.

Sec. 798. Section 17a-313 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Department [on Aging] of Social Services may use moneys appropriated for the purposes of section 17a-310 for the expenses of administering the grant program under said section, provided the total
of such moneys so used shall not exceed five per cent of the moneys so appropriated.

Sec. 799. Section 17a-314 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "CHOICES" means Connecticut's programs for health insurance assistance, outreach, information and referral, counseling and eligibility screening; and

(2) "CHOICES health insurance assistance program" means the federally recognized state health insurance assistance program funded pursuant to P.L. 101-508 and administered by the Department [on Aging] of Social Services, in conjunction with the area agencies on aging and the Center for Medicare Advocacy, that provides free information and assistance related to health insurance issues and concerns of older persons and other Medicare beneficiaries in Connecticut.

(b) The Department [on Aging] of Social Services shall administer the CHOICES health insurance assistance program, which shall be a comprehensive Medicare advocacy program that provides assistance to Connecticut residents who are Medicare beneficiaries.

(c) The program shall provide: (1) Toll-free telephone access for consumers to obtain advice and information on Medicare benefits, including prescription drug benefits available through the Medicare Part D program, the Medicare appeals process, health insurance matters applicable to Medicare beneficiaries and long-term care options available in the state at least five days per week during normal business hours; (2) information, advice and representation, where appropriate, concerning the Medicare appeals process, by a qualified attorney or paralegal at least five days per week during normal
(d) The Commissioner [on Aging] of Social Services may include any additional functions necessary to conform to federal grant requirements.

(e) All hospitals, as defined in section 19a-490, which treat persons covered by Medicare Part A shall: (1) Notify incoming patients covered by Medicare of the availability of the services established pursuant to subsection (c) of this section, (2) post or cause to be posted in a conspicuous place therein the toll-free number established pursuant to subsection (c) of this section, and (3) provide each Medicare patient with the toll-free number and information on how to access the CHOICES program.

(f) The Commissioner [on Aging] of Social Services may adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, as necessary to implement the provisions of this section.
(a) The Commissioner of Social Services shall develop and administer a program to provide a single, coordinated system of information and access for individuals seeking long-term support, including in-home, community-based and institutional services. The program shall be the state Aging and Disability Resource Center Program in accordance with the federal Older Americans Act Amendments of 2006, P.L. 109-365 and shall be administered as part of the Department of Social Services' CHOICES program in accordance with subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 17a-314. Consumers served by the program shall include, but not be limited to, those sixty years of age or older and those eighteen years of age or older with disabilities and caregivers.

Sec. 801. Section 17a-405 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) As used in this chapter:

(1) "State agency" means the Department of Social Services.

(2) "Office" means the Office of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman established in this section.

(3) "State Ombudsman" means the State Ombudsman established in this section.

(4) "Program" means the long-term care ombudsman program established in this section.

(5) "Representative" includes a regional ombudsman, a residents' advocate or an employee of the Office of the Long-Term Care
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Ombudsman who is individually designated by the State Ombudsman.

(6) "Resident" means an older individual who resides in or is a patient in a long-term care facility who is sixty years of age or older.

(7) "Long-term care facility" means any skilled nursing facility, as defined in Section 1819(a) of the Social Security Act, (42 USC 1395i-3(a)) any nursing facility, as defined in Section 1919(a) of the Social Security Act, (42 USC 1396r(a)) a board and care facility as defined in Section 102(19) of the federal Older Americans Act, (42 USC 3002(19)) and for purposes of ombudsman program coverage, an institution regulated by the state pursuant to Section 1616(e) of the Social Security Act, (42 USC 1382e(e)) and any other adult care home similar to a facility or nursing facility or board and care home.

(8) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner on Aging of Social Services.

(9) "Applicant" means an older individual who has applied for admission to a long-term care facility.

(b) There is established an independent Office of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman within the Department on Aging of Social Services. The Commissioner on Aging of Social Services shall appoint a State Ombudsman who shall be selected from among individuals with expertise and experience in the fields of long-term care and advocacy to head the office and the State Ombudsman shall appoint assistant regional ombudsmen. In the event the State Ombudsman or an assistant regional ombudsman is unable to fulfill the duties of the office, the commissioner shall appoint an acting State Ombudsman and the State Ombudsman shall appoint an acting assistant regional ombudsman.

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) of this section,
on and after July 1, 1990, the positions of State Ombudsman and regional ombudsmen shall be classified service positions. The State Ombudsman and regional ombudsmen holding said positions on said date shall continue to serve in their positions as if selected through classified service procedures. As vacancies occur in such positions thereafter, such vacancies shall be filled in accordance with classified service procedures.

Sec. 802. Subsection (c) of section 17a-411 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(c) The Commissioner [on Aging] of Social Services shall have authority to seek funding for the purposes contained in this section from public and private sources, including but not limited to any federal or state funded programs.

Sec. 803. Section 17a-416 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner [on Aging] of Social Services, after consultation with the State Ombudsman, shall adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to carry out the provisions of sections 17a-405 to 17a-417, inclusive, 19a-531 and 19a-532.

Sec. 804. Section 17a-417 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner [on Aging] of Social Services shall require the State Ombudsman to:

(1) Prepare an annual report:

(A) Describing the activities carried out by the office in the year for which the report is prepared;
(B) Containing and analyzing the data collected under section 17a-418;

(C) Evaluating the problems experienced by and the complaints made by or on behalf of residents;

(D) Containing recommendations for (i) improving the quality of the care and life of the residents, and (ii) protecting the health, safety, welfare and rights of the residents;

(E) (i) Analyzing the success of the program including success in providing services to residents of long-term care facilities; and (ii) identifying barriers that prevent the optimal operation of the program; and

(F) Providing policy, regulatory and legislative recommendations to solve identified problems, to resolve the complaints, to improve the quality of the care and life of residents, to protect the health, safety, welfare and rights of residents and to remove the barriers that prevent the optimal operation of the program.

(2) Analyze, comment on and monitor the development and implementation of federal, state and local laws, regulations and other government policies and actions that pertain to long-term care facilities and services, and to the health, safety, welfare and rights of residents in the state, and recommend any changes in such laws, regulations and policies as the office determines to be appropriate.

(3) (A) Provide such information as the office determines to be necessary to public and private agencies, legislators and other persons, regarding (i) the problems and concerns of older individuals residing in long-term care facilities; and (ii) recommendations related to the problems and concerns; and (B) make available to the public and submit to the federal assistant secretary for aging, the Governor, the General Assembly, the Department of Public Health and other
appropriate governmental entities, each report prepared under subdivision (1) of this section.

Sec. 805. Subsection (b) of section 17a-667 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) The council shall consist of the following members: (1) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the secretary's designee; (2) the Commissioners of Children and Families, Consumer Protection, Correction, Education, Mental Health and Addiction Services, Public Health, Emergency Services and Public Protection and Social Services, [Commissioner on Aging,] and the Insurance Commissioner, or their designees; (3) the Chief Court Administrator, or the Chief Court Administrator's designee; (4) the chairperson of the Board of Regents for Higher Education, or the chairperson's designee; (5) the president of The University of Connecticut, or the president's designee; (6) the Chief State's Attorney, or the Chief State's Attorney's designee; (7) the Chief Public Defender, or the Chief Public Defender's designee; and (8) the cochairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public health, criminal justice and appropriations, or their designees. The Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services and the Commissioner of Children and Families shall be cochairpersons of the council and may jointly appoint up to seven individuals to the council as follows: (A) Two individuals in recovery from a substance use disorder or representing an advocacy group for individuals with a substance use disorder; (B) a provider of community-based substance abuse services for adults; (C) a provider of community-based substance abuse services for adolescents; (D) an addiction medicine physician; (E) a family member of an individual in recovery from a substance use disorder; and (F) an emergency medicine physician currently practicing in a Connecticut hospital. The
cochairpersons of the council may establish subcommittees and working groups and may appoint individuals other than members of the council to serve as members of the subcommittees or working groups. Such individuals may include, but need not be limited to: (i) Licensed alcohol and drug counselors; (ii) pharmacists; (iii) municipal police chiefs; (iv) emergency medical services personnel; and (v) representatives of organizations that provide education, prevention, intervention, referrals, rehabilitation or support services to individuals with substance use disorder or chemical dependency.

Sec. 806. Subsection (b) of section 17b-4 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) The Department of Social Services, in conjunction with the Department of Public Health, may adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 to establish requirements with respect to the submission of reports concerning financial solvency and quality of care by nursing homes for the purpose of determining the financial viability of such homes, identifying homes that appear to be experiencing financial distress and examining the underlying reasons for such distress. Such reports shall be submitted to the Nursing Home Financial Advisory Committee established under section 17b-339.

Sec. 807. Section 17b-251 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Department of Social Services shall establish an outreach program to educate consumers as to: (1) The need for long-term care; (2) mechanisms for financing such care; (3) the availability of long-term care insurance; and (4) the asset protection provided under sections 17b-252 to 17b-254, inclusive, and 38a-475. The Department of Social Services shall provide public
information to assist individuals in choosing appropriate insurance coverage.

Sec. 808. Subsection (c) of section 17b-337 of the general statutes, as amended by section 18 of public act 17-96, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(c) The Long-Term Care Planning Committee shall consist of: (1) The chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to human services, public health, elderly services and long-term care; (2) the Commissioner of Social Services, or the commissioner's designee; (3) one member of the Office of Policy and Management appointed by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management; (4) [one member from the Department on Aging appointed by the Commissioner on Aging; (5)] two members from the Department of Public Health appointed by the Commissioner of Public Health, one of whom is from the Office of Health Care Access division of the department; [(6)] (5) one member from the Department of [Housing] Economic and Community Development appointed by the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development; [(7)] (6) one member from the Department of Developmental Services appointed by the Commissioner of Developmental Services; [(8)] (7) one member from the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services appointed by the Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services; [(9)] (8) one member from the Department of Transportation appointed by the Commissioner of Transportation; and [(10)] (9) one member from the Department of Children and Families appointed by the Commissioner of Children and Families. The committee shall convene no later than ninety days after June 4, 1998. Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority. The chairperson shall be elected from among the members of the committee. The committee shall seek the advice and participation of
any person, organization or state or federal agency it deems necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

Sec. 809. Section 17b-349e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Respite care services" means support services which provide short-term relief from the demands of ongoing care for an individual with Alzheimer's disease.

(2) "Caretaker" means a person who has the responsibility for the care of an individual with Alzheimer's disease or has assumed the responsibility for such individual voluntarily, by contract or by order of a court of competent jurisdiction.

(3) "Copayment" means a payment made by or on behalf of an individual with Alzheimer's disease for respite care services.

(4) "Individual with Alzheimer's disease" means an individual with Alzheimer's disease or related disorders.

(b) The Commissioner [on Aging] of Social Services shall operate a program, within available appropriations, to provide respite care services for caretakers of individuals with Alzheimer's disease, provided such individuals with Alzheimer's disease meet the requirements set forth in subsection (c) of this section. Such respite care services may include, but need not be limited to (1) homemaker services; (2) adult day care; (3) temporary care in a licensed medical facility; (4) home-health care; (5) companion services; or (6) personal care assistant services. Such respite care services may be administered directly by the Department [on Aging] of Social Services, or through contracts for services with providers of such services, or by means of direct subsidy to caretakers of individuals with Alzheimer's disease to
purchase such services.

(c) (1) No individual with Alzheimer's disease may participate in the program if such individual (A) has an annual income of more than forty-one thousand dollars or liquid assets of more than one hundred nine thousand dollars, or (B) is receiving services under the Connecticut home-care program for the elderly. On July 1, 2009, and annually thereafter, the commissioner shall increase such income and asset eligibility criteria over that of the previous fiscal year to reflect the annual cost of living adjustment in Social Security income, if any.

(2) No individual with Alzheimer's disease who participates in the program may receive more than three thousand five hundred dollars for services under the program in any fiscal year or receive more than thirty days of out-of-home respite care services other than adult day care services under the program in any fiscal year, except that the commissioner shall adopt regulations pursuant to subsection (d) of this section to provide up to seven thousand five hundred dollars for services to a participant in the program who demonstrates a need for additional services.

(3) The commissioner may require an individual with Alzheimer's disease who participates in the program to pay a copayment for respite care services under the program, except the commissioner may waive such copayment upon demonstration of financial hardship by such individual.

(d) The commissioner shall adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 to implement the provisions of this section. Such regulations shall include, but need not be limited to (1) standards for eligibility for respite care services; (2) the basis for priority in receiving services; (3) qualifications and requirements of providers, which shall include specialized training in Alzheimer's disease, dementia and related disorders; (4) a requirement that providers
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accredited by the Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, when available, receive preference in contracting for services; (5) provider reimbursement levels; (6) limits on services and cost of services; and (7) a fee schedule for copayments.

(e) The Commissioner [on Aging] of Social Services may allocate any funds appropriated in excess of five hundred thousand dollars for the program among the five area agencies on aging according to need, as determined by said commissioner.

Sec. 810. Subsection (d) of section 17b-352 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(d) Any facility acting pursuant to subdivision (3) of subsection (b) of this section shall provide written notice, at the same time it submits its letter of intent, to all patients, guardians or conservators, if any, or legally liable relatives or other responsible parties, if known, and shall post such notice in a conspicuous location at the facility. The facility's written notice shall be accompanied by an informational letter issued jointly from the Office of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman and the Department [on Aging] of Social Services on patients' rights and services available as they relate to the letter of intent. The notice shall state the following: (1) The projected date the facility will be submitting its certificate of need application, (2) that only the Department of Social Services has the authority to either grant, modify or deny the application, (3) that the Department of Social Services has up to ninety days to grant, modify or deny the certificate of need application, (4) a brief description of the reason or reasons for submitting a request for permission, (5) that no patient shall be involuntarily transferred or discharged within or from a facility pursuant to state and federal law because of the filing of the certificate of need application, (6) that all patients have a right to appeal any proposed transfer or discharge, and (7) the name, mailing address and
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telephone number of the Office of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman and local legal aid office.

Sec. 811. Section 21a-3a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Department of Consumer Protection, in collaboration with the Department of Social Services, [and the Department on Aging,] shall conduct a public awareness campaign, within available funding, to educate elderly consumers and caregivers on ways to resist aggressive marketing tactics and scams.

Sec. 812. Section 38a-47 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

All domestic insurance companies and other domestic entities subject to taxation under chapter 207 shall, in accordance with section 38a-48, annually pay to the Insurance Commissioner, for deposit in the Insurance Fund established under section 38a-52a, an amount equal to the actual expenditures made by the Insurance Department during each fiscal year, and the actual expenditures made by the Office of the Healthcare Advocate, including the cost of fringe benefits for department and office personnel as estimated by the Comptroller, plus (1) the expenditures made on behalf of the department and the office from the Capital Equipment Purchase Fund pursuant to section 4a-9 for such year, and (2) the amount appropriated to the Department [on Aging] of Social Services for the fall prevention program established in section 17a-303a from the Insurance Fund for the fiscal year, but excluding expenditures paid for by fraternal benefit societies, foreign and alien insurance companies and other foreign and alien entities under sections 38a-49 and 38a-50. Payments shall be made by assessment of all such domestic insurance companies and other domestic entities calculated and collected in accordance with the provisions of section 38a-48. Any such domestic insurance company or
other domestic entity aggrieved because of any assessment levied under this section may appeal therefrom in accordance with the provisions of section 38a-52.

Sec. 813. Section 38a-48 of the general statutes, as amended by sections 4 and 5 of public act 17-125, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) On or before June thirtieth, annually, the Commissioner of Revenue Services shall render to the Insurance Commissioner a statement certifying the amount of taxes or charges imposed on each domestic insurance company or other domestic entity under chapter 207 on business done in this state during the preceding calendar year. The statement for local domestic insurance companies shall set forth the amount of taxes and charges before any tax credits allowed as provided in subsection (a) of section 12-202.

(b) On or before July thirty-first, annually, the Insurance Commissioner and the Office of the Healthcare Advocate shall render to each domestic insurance company or other domestic entity liable for payment under section 38a-47, (1) a statement which includes (A) the amount appropriated to the Insurance Department and the Office of the Healthcare Advocate for the fiscal year beginning July first of the same year, (B) the cost of fringe benefits for department and office personnel for such year, as estimated by the Comptroller, (C) the estimated expenditures on behalf of the department and the office from the Capital Equipment Purchase Fund pursuant to section 4a-9 for such year, and (D) the amount appropriated to the Department [on Aging] of Social Services for the fall prevention program established in section 17a-303a from the Insurance Fund for the fiscal year, (2) a statement of the total taxes imposed on all domestic insurance companies and domestic insurance entities under chapter 207 on business done in this state during the preceding calendar year, and (3) the proposed assessment against that company or entity, calculated in
accordance with the provisions of subsection (c) of this section, provided that for the purposes of this calculation the amount appropriated to the Insurance Department and the Office of the Healthcare Advocate plus the cost of fringe benefits for department and office personnel and the estimated expenditures on behalf of the department and the office from the Capital Equipment Purchase Fund pursuant to section 4a-9 shall be deemed to be the actual expenditures of the department and the office, and the amount appropriated to the Department [on Aging] of Social Services from the Insurance Fund for the fiscal year for the fall prevention program established in section 17a-303a shall be deemed to be the actual expenditures for the program.

(c) (1) The proposed assessments for each domestic insurance company or other domestic entity shall be calculated by (A) allocating twenty per cent of the amount to be paid under section 38a-47 among the domestic entities organized under sections 38a-199 to 38a-209, inclusive, and 38a-214 to 38a-225, inclusive, in proportion to their respective shares of the total taxes and charges imposed under chapter 207 on such entities on business done in this state during the preceding calendar year, and (B) allocating eighty per cent of the amount to be paid under section 38a-47 among all domestic insurance companies and domestic entities other than those organized under sections 38a-199 to 38a-209, inclusive, and 38a-214 to 38a-225, inclusive, in proportion to their respective shares of the total taxes and charges imposed under chapter 207 on such domestic insurance companies and domestic entities on business done in this state during the preceding calendar year, provided if there are no domestic entities organized under sections 38a-199 to 38a-209, inclusive, and 38a-214 to 38a-225, inclusive, at the time of assessment, one hundred per cent of the amount to be paid under section 38a-47 shall be allocated among such domestic insurance companies and domestic entities.
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(2) When the amount any such company or entity is assessed pursuant to this section exceeds twenty-five per cent of the actual expenditures of the Insurance Department and the Office of the Healthcare Advocate, such excess amount shall not be paid by such company or entity but rather shall be assessed against and paid by all other such companies and entities in proportion to their respective shares of the total taxes and charges imposed under chapter 207 on business done in this state during the preceding calendar year, except that for purposes of any assessment made to fund payments to the Department of Public Health to purchase vaccines, such company or entity shall be responsible for its share of the costs, notwithstanding whether its assessment exceeds twenty-five per cent of the actual expenditures of the Insurance Department and the Office of the Healthcare Advocate. The provisions of this subdivision shall not be applicable to any corporation which has converted to a domestic mutual insurance company pursuant to section 38a-155 upon the effective date of any public act which amends said section to modify or remove any restriction on the business such a company may engage in, for purposes of any assessment due from such company on and after such effective date.

(d) For purposes of calculating the amount of payment under section 38a-47, as well as the amount of the assessments under this section, the "total taxes imposed on all domestic insurance companies and other domestic entities under chapter 207" shall be based upon the amounts shown as payable to the state for the calendar year on the returns filed with the Commissioner of Revenue Services pursuant to chapter 207; with respect to calculating the amount of payment and assessment for local domestic insurance companies, the amount used shall be the taxes and charges imposed before any tax credits allowed as provided in subsection (a) of section 12-202.

(e) On or before September thirtieth, annually, for each fiscal year...
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ending prior to July 1, 1990, the Insurance Commissioner and the Healthcare Advocate, after receiving any objections to the proposed assessments and making such adjustments as in their opinion may be indicated, shall assess each such domestic insurance company or other domestic entity an amount equal to its proposed assessment as so adjusted. Each domestic insurance company or other domestic entity shall pay to the Insurance Commissioner on or before October thirty-first an amount equal to fifty per cent of its assessment adjusted to reflect any credit or amount due from the preceding fiscal year as determined by the commissioner under subsection (g) of this section. Each domestic insurance company or other domestic entity shall pay to the Insurance Commissioner on or before the following April thirtieth, the remaining fifty per cent of its assessment.

(f) On or before September first, annually, for each fiscal year ending after July 1, 1990, the Insurance Commissioner and the Healthcare Advocate, after receiving any objections to the proposed assessments and making such adjustments as in their opinion may be indicated, shall assess each such domestic insurance company or other domestic entity an amount equal to its proposed assessment as so adjusted. Each domestic insurance company or other domestic entity shall pay to the Insurance Commissioner (1) on or before June 30, 1990, and on or before June thirtieth annually thereafter, an estimated payment against its assessment for the following year equal to twenty-five per cent of its assessment for the fiscal year ending such June thirtieth, (2) on or before September thirtieth, annually, twenty-five per cent of its assessment adjusted to reflect any credit or amount due from the preceding fiscal year as determined by the commissioner under subsection (g) of this section, and (3) on or before the following December thirty-first and March thirty-first, annually, each domestic insurance company or other domestic entity shall pay to the Insurance Commissioner the remaining fifty per cent of its proposed assessment to the department in two equal installments.
(g) If the actual expenditures for the fall prevention program established in section 17a-303a are less than the amount allocated, the Commissioner of Aging shall notify the Insurance Commissioner and the Healthcare Advocate. Immediately following the close of the fiscal year, the Insurance Commissioner and the Healthcare Advocate shall recalculate the proposed assessment for each domestic insurance company or other domestic entity in accordance with subsection (c) of this section using the actual expenditures made by the Insurance Department and the Office of the Healthcare Advocate during that fiscal year, the actual expenditures made on behalf of the department and the office from the Capital Equipment Purchase Fund pursuant to section 4a-9 and the actual expenditures for the fall prevention program. On or before July thirty-first, the Insurance Commissioner and the Healthcare Advocate shall render to each such domestic insurance company and other domestic entity a statement showing the difference between their respective recalculated assessments and the amount they have previously paid. On or before August thirty-first, the Insurance Commissioner and the Healthcare Advocate, after receiving any objections to such statements, shall make such adjustments which in their opinion may be indicated, and shall render an adjusted assessment, if any, to the affected companies.

(h) If any assessment is not paid when due, a penalty of twenty-five dollars shall be added thereto, and interest at the rate of six per cent per annum shall be paid thereafter on such assessment and penalty.

(i) The commissioner shall deposit all payments made under this section with the State Treasurer. On and after June 6, 1991, the moneys so deposited shall be credited to the Insurance Fund established under section 38a-52a and shall be accounted for as expenses recovered from insurance companies.

Sec. 814. Section 38a-475 of the general statutes is repealed and the
following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Insurance Department shall only precertify long-term care insurance policies which (1) alert the purchaser to the availability of consumer information and public education provided by the Department [on Aging] of Social Services pursuant to section 17b-251; (2) offer the option of home and community-based services in addition to nursing home care; (3) in all home care plans, include case management services delivered by an access agency approved by the Office of Policy and Management and the Department of Social Services as meeting the requirements for such agency as defined in regulations adopted pursuant to subsection (e) of section 17b-342, which services shall include, but need not be limited to, the development of a comprehensive individualized assessment and care plan and, as needed, the coordination of appropriate services and the monitoring of the delivery of such services; (4) provide inflation protection; (5) provide for the keeping of records and an explanation of benefit reports on insurance payments which count toward Medicaid resource exclusion; and (6) provide the management information and reports necessary to document the extent of Medicaid resource protection offered and to evaluate the Connecticut Partnership for Long-Term Care. No policy shall be precertified if it requires prior hospitalization or a prior stay in a nursing home as a condition of providing benefits. The commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, to carry out the precertification provisions of this section.

Sec. 815. Subdivision (35) of section 12-412 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(35) Sales of tangible personal property or services to any center of service for elderly persons as described in [subdivision (d) of] section 17a-310.
Sec. 816. Subsection (a) of section 12-541 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There is hereby imposed a tax of ten per cent of the admission charge to any place of amusement, entertainment or recreation, except that no tax shall be imposed with respect to any admission charge (1) when the admission charge is less than one dollar or, in the case of any motion picture show, when the admission charge is not more than five dollars, (2) when a daily admission charge is imposed which entitles the patron to participate in an athletic or sporting activity, (3) to any event, other than events held at the stadium facility, as defined in section 32-651, if all of the proceeds from the event inure exclusively to an entity which is exempt from federal income tax under the Internal Revenue Code, provided such entity actively engages in and assumes the financial risk associated with the presentation of such event, (4) to any event, other than events held at the stadium facility, as defined in section 32-651, which, in the opinion of the commissioner, is conducted primarily to raise funds for an entity which is exempt from federal income tax under the Internal Revenue Code, provided the commissioner is satisfied that the net profit which inures to such entity from such event will exceed the amount of the admissions tax which, but for this subdivision, would be imposed upon the person making such charge to such event, (5) other than for events held at the stadium facility, as defined in section 32-651, paid by centers of service for elderly persons, as described in [subdivision (d) of] section 17a-310, (6) to any production featuring live performances by actors or musicians presented at Gateway's Candlewood Playhouse, Ocean Beach Park or any nonprofit theater or playhouse in the state, provided such theater or playhouse possesses evidence confirming exemption from federal tax under Section 501 of the Internal Revenue Code, (7) to any carnival or amusement ride, (8) to any interscholastic athletic event held at the stadium facility, as defined in section 32-651, (9) if the admission
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charge would have been subject to tax under the provisions of section 12-542 of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 1999, (10) to any event at (A) the XL Center in Hartford, or (B) the Webster Bank Arena in Bridgeport, (11) from July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2017, to any athletic event presented by a member team of the Atlantic League of Professional Baseball at the Ballpark at Harbor Yard in Bridgeport, (12) to any event presented at the Dunkin' Donuts Park in Hartford, or (13) on and after July 1, 2017, to any athletic event presented by a member team of the Atlantic League of Professional Baseball at the New Britain Stadium. On and after July 1, 2000, the tax imposed under this section on any motion picture show shall be eight per cent of the admission charge and, on and after July 1, 2001, the tax imposed on any such motion picture show shall be six per cent of such charge.

Sec. 817. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2017) (a) Wherever the term "Commissioner of Early Childhood" is used in any public or special act of the 2017 regular or June special session, the term "Commissioner of Education" shall be substituted in lieu thereof. Wherever the term "Office of Early Childhood" is used in any public or special act of the 2017 regular or June special session, the term "Department of Education" shall be substituted in lieu thereof.

(b) The Legislative Commissioners' Office shall, in codifying the provisions of this section, make such technical, grammatical and punctuation changes as are necessary to carry out the purposes of this section.

Sec. 818. Subsection (a) of section 10-4 of the general statutes, as amended by section 2 of public act 17-42 and section 19 of public act 17-237, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) Said board shall have general supervision and control of the
educational interests of the state, which interests shall include preschool, elementary and secondary education, special education, vocational education and adult education; shall provide leadership and otherwise promote the improvement of education in the state, including research, planning and evaluation and services relating to the provision and use of educational technology, including telecommunications, by school districts; shall adopt state-wide subject matter content standards, provided such standards are reviewed and revised at least once every ten years; shall prepare such courses of study and publish such curriculum guides including recommendations for textbooks, materials, instructional technological resources and other teaching aids as it determines are necessary to assist school districts to carry out the duties prescribed by law; shall conduct workshops and related activities, including programs of intergroup relations training, to assist teachers in making effective use of such curriculum materials and in improving their proficiency in meeting the diverse needs and interests of pupils; shall keep informed as to the condition, progress and needs of the schools in the state; shall develop or cause to be developed evaluation and assessment programs designed to measure objectively the adequacy and efficacy of the educational programs offered by public schools and shall selectively conduct such assessment programs annually and report, pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education, on an annual basis; [and] shall establish and keep an inventory account, in accordance with the provisions of section 4-36, secure such inventory to prevent theft or loss and establish controls over the disposal of such inventory; and shall be responsible for overseeing the provision of early childhood services and education by the Department of Education, as described in section 10-500.

Sec. 819. Section 10-500 of the general statutes, as amended by section 47 of public act 17-146, is repealed and the following is
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substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

[(a) There is established an Office of Early Childhood. The office shall be under the direction of the Commissioner of Early Childhood, whose appointment shall be made by the Governor. Such appointment shall be in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-5 to 4-8, inclusive. The commissioner shall be responsible for implementing the policies and directives of the office. The commissioner shall have the authority to designate any employee as his or her agent to exercise all or part of the authority, powers and duties of the commissioner in his or her absence. Said office shall be within the Department of Education for administrative purposes only.]

[(b)] [(a) The [office] Department of Education shall be responsible for:

(1) The delivery of services to young children and their families to ensure optimal health, safety and learning for each young child;

(2) Developing and implementing the early childhood information system, in accordance with the provisions of section 10-501;

(3) [Developing and reporting] Reporting on the early childhood accountability plan, in accordance with the provisions of section 10-503;

(4) Implementing a communications strategy for outreach to families, service providers and policymakers;

(5) Not later than September 1, 2014, beginning a state-wide longitudinal evaluation of the school readiness program examining the educational progress of children from prekindergarten programs to grade four, inclusive;

(6) Developing, coordinating and supporting public and private

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partnerships to aid early childhood initiatives;

(7) Developing a state-wide developmentally appropriate kindergarten entrance inventory that measures a child’s level of preparedness for kindergarten, but shall not be used as a measurement tool for program accountability;

(8) Creating a unified set of reporting requirements for the purpose of collecting the data elements necessary to perform quality assessments and longitudinal analysis;

(9) Comparing and analyzing data collected pursuant to reporting requirements created under subdivision (8) of this subsection with the data collected in the state-wide public school information system, pursuant to section 10-10a, for population-level analysis of children and families;

(10) Continually monitoring and evaluating all early care and education and child development programs and services, focusing on program outcomes in satisfying the health, safety, developmental and educational needs of all children, while retaining distinct separation between quality improvement services and licensing services for child care centers, group child care homes and family child care homes;

(11) Coordinating home visitation services across programs for young children;

(12) Providing information and technical assistance to persons seeking early care and education and child development programs and services;

(13) Assisting state agencies and municipalities in obtaining available federal funding for early care and education and child development programs and services;
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(14) Providing technical assistance to providers of early care and education programs and services to obtain licensing and improve program quality;

(15) Establishing a quality rating and improvement system developed by the [office] department that covers home-based, center-based and school-based early child care and learning;

(16) Maintaining an accreditation facilitation initiative to assist early childhood care and education program and service providers in achieving national standards and program improvement;

(17) Consulting with the Early Childhood Cabinet, established pursuant to section 10-16z, and the Head Start advisory committee, established pursuant to section 10-16n;

(18) Ensuring a coordinated and comprehensive state-wide system of professional development for providers and staff of early care and education and child development programs and services;

(19) Providing families with opportunities for choice in services including quality child care and community-based family-centered services;

(20) Integrating early childhood care and education and special education services;

(21) Promoting universal access to early childhood care and education;

(22) Ensuring nonduplication of monitoring and evaluation;

(23) Performing any other activities that will assist in the provision of early care and education and child development programs and services;
(24) Developing early learning and development standards to be used by early care and education providers; and

(25) Developing and implementing a performance-based evaluation system to evaluate licensed child care centers, in accordance with the provisions of section 17b-749f.

[(c)] (b) The Department of Education may enter into memoranda of agreement with and accept donations from nonprofit and philanthropic organizations to accomplish the purposes of this section.

[(d)] (c) The Department of Education shall constitute a successor department, in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-38d, 4-38e and 4-39, to [(l) the Department of Education with respect to sections 8-210, 10-16n, 10-16p to 10-16r, inclusive, 10-16u, 10-16w, 10-16aa, 17b-749a, 17b-749c and 17b-749g to 17b-749i, inclusive; (2) the Department of Social Services (A) with respect to sections 17b-12, 17b-705a, 17b-730, 17b-733, 17b-738, 17b-749, 17b-749d to 17b-749f, inclusive, 17b-749j, 17b-749k, 17b-750 to 17b-751a, inclusive, and 17b-751d, and (B) for the purpose of administering the child care development block grant pursuant to the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990; (3) the Department of Public Health (A) with respect to sections 10a-194c, 12-634, 17a-28, 17a-101 and 19a-80f, (B) for the purpose of regulating child care services pursuant to sections 19a-77, 19a-79, 19a-80, 19a-82 and 19a-84 to 19a-87e, inclusive, (C) for the purpose of the conduct of regulation of youth camps, pursuant to sections 19a-420 to 19a-434, inclusive, and (D) for the purpose of administering the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program authorized under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010, P.L. 111-148; and (4) the Department of Developmental Services with respect to sections 17a-248, 17a-248b to 17a-248h, inclusive, 38a-490a and 38a-516a] the Office of Early Childhood.

Sec. 820. Subdivision (7) of section 4-274 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(7) "State-administered health or human services program" means programs administered by any of the following: The [Department on Aging, the] Department of Children and Families, the Department of Developmental Services, the Department of Education, the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, the Department of Public Health, the Department of Rehabilitation Services, the Department of Social Services, [the Office of Early Childhood] and the Office of the State Comptroller, for the State Employee and Retiree Health programs, as well as other health care programs administered by the Office of the State Comptroller, and the Department of Administrative Services, for Workers' Compensation medical claims, including such programs reimbursed in whole or in part by the federal government.

Sec. 821. Subdivision (12) of section 5-198 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(12) All members of the professional and technical staffs of the constituent units of the state system of higher education, as defined in section 10a-1, of all other state institutions of learning, of the Board of Regents for Higher Education, and of the agricultural experiment station at New Haven, professional and managerial employees of the Department of Education [and the Office of Early Childhood] and teachers certified by the State Board of Education and employed in teaching positions at state institutions;
Sec. 822. Section 8-210 of the general statutes, as amended by section 9 of public act 17-202, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of Social Services or the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education, as appropriate, may enter into a contract with a municipality or a qualified private, nonprofit corporation for state financial assistance for the planning, construction, renovation, site preparation and purchase of improved or unimproved property as part of a capital development project for neighborhood facilities. Such facilities may include, but need not be limited to, child care centers, elderly centers, multipurpose human resource centers, emergency shelters for the homeless and shelters for victims of domestic violence. The financial assistance shall be in the form of state grants-in-aid equal to (1) all or any portion of the cost of such capital development project if the grantee is a qualified private nonprofit corporation, or (2) up to two-thirds of the cost of such capital development project if the grantee is a municipality, as determined by the Commissioner of Social Services or the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education, as appropriate.

(b) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education, may enter into a contract with a municipality, a human resource development agency or a nonprofit corporation for state financial assistance in developing and operating child care centers for children disadvantaged by reasons of economic, social or environmental conditions, provided no such financial assistance shall be available for the operating costs of any such child care center unless it has been licensed by the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education pursuant to section 19a-80. Such financial assistance shall be available for a program of a municipality, of a human resource development agency or of a nonprofit corporation which may provide for personnel, equipment, supplies, activities,
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program materials and renovation and remodeling of the physical facilities of such child care centers. Such contract shall provide for state financial assistance, within available appropriations, in the form of a state grant-in-aid (1) for a portion of the cost of such program, as determined by the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education, if not federally assisted, (2) equal to one-half of the amount by which the net cost of such program, as approved by the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education, exceeds the federal grant-in-aid thereof, or (3) in an amount up to the per child cost as described in subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 10-16q, for each child in such program that is three or four years of age and each child that is five years of age who is not eligible to enroll in school, pursuant to section 10-15c, while maintaining services to children under three years of age under this section. The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education may authorize child care centers receiving financial assistance under this subsection to apply a program surplus to the next program year. The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education shall consult with directors of child care centers in establishing fees for the operation of such centers.

(c) The [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education, in consultation with representatives from child care centers, within available appropriations, shall develop guidelines for programs provided at state-contracted child care centers. The guidelines shall include standards for program quality and design and identify short and long-term outcomes for families participating in such programs. The [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education, within available appropriations, shall provide a copy of such guidelines to each state-contracted child care center. Each state-contracted child care center shall use the guidelines to develop a program improvement plan for the next twelve-month period and shall submit the plan to the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education. The plan shall include goals to be used for measuring such improvement.
of Early Childhood] Department of Education shall use the plan to monitor the progress of such center.

(d) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education, may enter into a contract with a municipality, a human resource development agency or a nonprofit corporation for state financial assistance for a project of renovation of any child care center receiving assistance under this section, to make such center accessible to persons with physical disabilities, in the form of a state grant-in-aid equal to (1) the total net cost of the project, as approved by the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education, or (2) the total amount by which the net cost of the project, as approved by the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education, exceeds the federal grant-in-aid thereof.

(e) Any municipality, human resource development agency or nonprofit corporation that enters into a contract pursuant to this section for state financial assistance for a child care center shall have sole responsibility for the development of the budget of the program provided at such child care center, including, but not limited to, personnel costs, purchases of equipment, supplies, activities and program materials, within the resources provided by the state under such contract. Upon local determination of a change in the type of child care services required in the area, a municipality, human resource development agency or nonprofit corporation may, within the limits of its annual budget and subject to the provisions of this subsection and sections 19a-77 to 19a-80, inclusive, and 19a-82 to 19a-87a, inclusive, change its child care service. An application to change the type of child care service provided shall be submitted to the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education. Not later than forty-five days after the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education receives the application, the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education shall advise the municipality, human resource development
agency or nonprofit corporation of the Commissioner of [Early Childhood's] Early Childhood's approval, denial or approval with modifications of the application. If the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Early Childhood fails to act on the application not later than forty-five days after the application's submittal, the application shall be deemed approved.

(f) The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Early Childhood Education may, in his or her discretion, with the approval of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, authorize the expenditure of such funds for the purposes of this section as shall enable the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Early Childhood Education to apply for, qualify for and provide the state's share of federally assisted child care services.

Sec. 823. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 10-16n of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Early Childhood Education shall establish a competitive grant program to assist nonprofit agencies and local and regional boards of education, which are federal Head Start grantees, in (1) establishing extended-day and full-day, year-round, Head Start programs or expanding existing Head Start programs to extended-day or full-day, year-round programs, (2) enhancing program quality, (3) increasing the number of children served in programs that are both a Head Start program and Early Head Start grantee or delegate, (4) increasing the number of Early Head Start children served above those who are federally funded, and (5) increasing the hours for children currently receiving Early Head Start services. The commissioner, after consultation with the committee established pursuant to subsection (c) of this section, shall establish criteria for the grants, provided at least twenty-five per cent of the funding for such grants shall be for the purpose of enhancing program quality. Nonprofit agencies or boards of education seeking grants
pursuant to this section shall make application to the commissioner on such forms and at such times as the commissioner shall prescribe. All grants pursuant to this section shall be funded within the limits of available appropriations or otherwise from federal funds and private donations. All full-day, year-round Head Start programs funded pursuant to this section shall be in compliance with federal Head Start performance standards.

(b) The [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education shall annually allocate to each town in which the number of children under the temporary family assistance program, as defined in subdivision (17) of section 10-262f, equals or exceeds nine hundred children, determined for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, an amount equal to one hundred fifty thousand dollars plus eight and one-half dollars for each child under the temporary family assistance program, provided such amount may be reduced proportionately so that the total amount awarded pursuant to this subsection does not exceed two million seven hundred thousand dollars. The [office department] shall award grants to the local and regional boards of education for such towns and nonprofit agencies located in such towns which meet the criteria established pursuant to subsection (a) of this section to maintain the programs established or expanded with funds provided pursuant to this subsection in the fiscal years ending June 30, 1996, and June 30, 1997. Any funds remaining in the allocation to such a town after grants are so awarded shall be used to increase allocations to other such towns. Any funds remaining after grants are so awarded to boards of education and nonprofit agencies in all such towns shall be available to local and regional boards of education and nonprofit agencies in other towns in the state for grants for such purposes.

Sec. 824. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 10-16p of the general statutes, as amended by section 1 of public act 17-41 and section 7 of public act 17-56, are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
(a) As used in sections 10-16o to 10-16r, inclusive, 10-16u, 17b-749a and 17b-749c:

(1) "School readiness program" means a nonsectarian program that (A) meets the standards set by the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education pursuant to subsection (b) of this section and the requirements of section 10-16q, and (B) provides a developmentally appropriate learning experience of not less than four hundred fifty hours and one hundred eighty days for eligible children, except as provided in subsection (d) of section 10-16q;

(2) "Eligible children" means children three and four years of age and children five years of age who are not eligible to enroll in school pursuant to section 10-15c, or who are eligible to enroll in school and will attend a school readiness program pursuant to section 10-16t;

(3) "Priority school" means a school in which forty per cent or more of the lunches served are served to students who are eligible for free or reduced price lunches pursuant to federal law and regulations, excluding such a school located in a priority school district pursuant to section 10-266p or in a former priority school district receiving a grant pursuant to subsection (c) of this section and, on and after July 1, 2001, excluding such a school in a transitional school district receiving a grant pursuant to section 10-16u;

(4) "Severe need school" means a school in a priority school district pursuant to section 10-266p or in a former priority school district in which forty per cent or more of the lunches served are served to students who are eligible for free or reduced price lunches;

(5) "Accredited" means accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children, a Head Start on-site program review instrument or a successor instrument pursuant to federal regulations,
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or otherwise meeting such criteria as may be established by the commissioner, unless the context otherwise requires;

(6) "Year-round" means fifty weeks per year, except as provided in subsection (d) of section 10-16q;

(7) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education;

(8) ["Office"] ["Department"] means the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education;

(9) "Seeking accreditation" means a school readiness program seeking accreditation by the National Association for the Education of Young Children or a Head Start on-site program review instrument or successor instrument pursuant to federal regulations, or attempting to meet criteria as may be established by the commissioner; and

(10) "Concentration in early childhood education" means a program of study in early childhood education, including, but not limited to, early childhood education, child study, child development or human growth and development.

(b) (1) The [office] department shall be the lead agency for school readiness. For purposes of this section and section 10-16u, school readiness program providers eligible for funding from the [office] department shall include local and regional boards of education, regional educational service centers, family resource centers and providers of child care centers, as defined in section 19a-77, Head Start programs, preschool programs and other programs that meet such standards established by the commissioner. The [office] department shall establish standards for school readiness programs. The standards may include, but need not be limited to, guidelines for staff-child interactions, curriculum content, including preliteracy development, lesson plans, parent involvement, staff qualifications and training,
transition to school and administration. The [office] department shall develop age-appropriate developmental skills and goals for children attending such programs. The commissioner, in consultation with the president of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities, the [Commissioners of Education and] Commissioner of Social Services and other appropriate entities, shall develop a professional development program for the staff of school readiness programs.

(2) For purposes of this section:

(A) Prior to July 1, 2018, "staff qualifications" means there is in each classroom an individual who has at least the following: (i) A childhood development associate credential or an equivalent credential issued by an organization approved by the commissioner and twelve credits or more in early childhood education or child development, as determined by the commissioner or the president of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities, after consultation with the commissioner, from an institution of higher education (I) accredited by the Board of Regents for Higher Education or Office of Higher Education, and (II) regionally accredited; (ii) an associate degree with twelve credits or more in early childhood education or child development, as determined by the commissioner or the president of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities, after consultation with the commissioner, from such an institution; (iii) a four-year degree with twelve credits or more in early childhood education or child development, as determined by the commissioner or the president of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities, after consultation with the commissioner, from such an institution; (iv) certification pursuant to section 10-145b with an endorsement in early childhood education or special education; (v) an associate degree with a concentration in early childhood education from an institution of higher education that is regionally accredited; or (vi) a bachelor's degree with a concentration in early childhood education from an institution of higher education.
(B) From July 1, 2018, until June 30, 2021, "staff qualifications" means that for each early childhood education program accepting state funds for infant, toddler and preschool spaces associated with such program's child care program or school readiness program, (i) at least fifty per cent of those individuals with the primary responsibility for a classroom of children (I) hold certification pursuant to section 10-145b with an endorsement in early childhood education or early childhood special education, (II) have been issued an early childhood teacher credential, pursuant to section 2 of [this act] public act 17-41, (III) hold at least a bachelor's degree with a concentration in early childhood education from an institution of higher education that is regionally accredited, or (IV) satisfy the requirements of subdivision (3), (4) or (5) of this subsection, and (ii) such remaining individuals with the primary responsibility for a classroom of children hold an associate degree with a concentration in early childhood education from an institution of higher education that is regionally accredited; and

(C) On and after July 1, 2021, "staff qualifications" means that for each early childhood education program accepting state funds for infant, toddler and preschool spaces associated with such program's child care program or school readiness program, one hundred per cent of those individuals with the primary responsibility for a classroom of children (i) hold certification pursuant to section 10-145b with an endorsement in early childhood education or early childhood special education, (ii) have been issued an early childhood teacher credential, pursuant to subdivision (2) of section 2 of [this act] public act 17-41, (iii) hold at least a bachelor's degree with a concentration in early childhood education from an institution of higher education that is regionally accredited, or (iv) satisfy the requirements of subdivision (3), (4) or (5) of this subsection.

(3) Any individual with a bachelor's degree in early childhood education that is regionally accredited;
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education or child development or a bachelor's degree and twelve credits or more in early childhood education or child development, who, on or before June 30, 2015, is employed by an early childhood education program that accepts state funds for infant, toddler and preschool spaces associated with such program's child care program or school readiness program shall be considered to meet the staff qualifications required under subparagraphs (B) and (C) of subdivision (2) of this subsection. No such early childhood education program shall terminate any such individual from employment for purposes of meeting the staff qualification requirements set forth in subparagraph (B) or (C) of subdivision (2) of this subsection.

(4) Any individual with an associate degree or bachelor's degree in early childhood education or child development or an associate degree or a bachelor's degree and twelve credits or more in early childhood education or child development from an institution of higher education that is regionally accredited, other than an associate degree or a bachelor's degree with a concentration in early childhood education, may submit documentation concerning such degree for review and assessment by the [office] department as to whether such degree has a sufficient concentration in early childhood education so as to satisfy the requirements set forth in subparagraphs (B) and (C) of subdivision (2) of this subsection.

(5) Any individual with an associate degree with twelve credits or more in early childhood education or child development, as determined by the commissioner or the president of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities, after consultation with the commissioner, from an institution of higher education (A) accredited by the Board of Regents for Higher Education or Office of Higher Education, and (B) regionally accredited, who has been employed in the same early childhood education program that accepts state funds for infant, toddler and preschool spaces associated with such
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program's child care program or school readiness program since 1995 shall be considered to meet the staff qualifications required under subparagraphs (B) and (C) of subdivision (2) of this subsection until June 30, 2025. On and after July 1, 2025, such individual shall hold a childhood development associate credential or an equivalent credential, described in subparagraph (A) of subdivision (2) of this subsection, or otherwise meet the staff qualifications required under subparagraph (C) of subdivision (2) of this subsection. Any such individual who terminates his or her employment with such early childhood education program on or before June 30, 2025, and accepts a position at another early childhood education program accepting state funds for spaces associated with such program's child care program or school readiness program shall submit documentation of such individual's progress toward meeting the staff qualification requirements set forth in subparagraph (B) or (C) of subdivision (2) of this subsection in a manner determined by the [office] department.

Sec. 825. Subsections (c) to (e), inclusive, of section 10-16p of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(c) The commissioner shall establish a grant program to provide spaces in accredited school readiness programs located in priority school districts, as described in section 10-266p, or in former priority school districts for eligible children. Under the program, the grant shall be provided, in accordance with this section, to the town in which such priority school district or former priority school district is located. Eligibility shall be determined for a five-year period based on an applicant's designation as a priority school district for the initial year of application, except that if a school district that receives a grant pursuant to this subsection is no longer designated as a priority school district at the end of such five-year period, such former priority school district shall continue to be eligible to receive a grant pursuant to this

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subsection. Grant awards shall be made annually contingent upon available funding and a satisfactory annual evaluation. The chief elected official of such town and the superintendent of schools for such priority school district or former priority school district shall submit a plan for the expenditure of grant funds and responses to the local request for proposal process to the commissioner. The commissioner shall review and approve such plans. The plan shall: (1) Be developed in consultation with the local or regional school readiness council established pursuant to section 10-16r; (2) be based on a needs and resource assessment; (3) provide for the issuance of requests for proposals for providers of accredited school readiness programs, provided, after the initial requests for proposals, facilities that have been approved to operate a child care program financed through the Connecticut Health and Education Facilities Authority and have received a commitment for debt service from the Department of Social Services, pursuant to section 17b-749i, on or before June 30, 2014, and on or after July 1, 2014, October 1, 2017, from the department, are exempt from the requirement for issuance of annual requests for proposals; and (4) identify the need for funding pursuant to section 17b-749a in order to extend the hours and days of operation of school readiness programs in order to provide child care services for children attending such programs.

(d) (1) The commissioner shall establish a competitive grant program to provide spaces in accredited school readiness programs or school readiness programs seeking accreditation located in (A) an area served by a priority school or a former priority school, (B) a town ranked one to fifty when all towns are ranked in ascending order according to town wealth, as defined in subdivision (26) of section 10-262f, whose school district is not a priority school district pursuant to section 10-266p, (C) a town formerly a town described in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, as provided for in subdivision (2) of this subsection, or (D) a town designated as an alliance district, as defined
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in section 10-262u, whose school district is not a priority school district pursuant to section 10-266p. A town in which a priority school is located, a regional school readiness council, pursuant to subsection (c) of section 10-16r, for a region in which such a school is located or a town described in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision may apply for such a grant in an amount equal to the number of spaces in an accredited school readiness program or a school readiness program seeking accreditation multiplied by the per child cost set forth in subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 10-16q. Eligibility shall be determined for a five-year period based on an applicant's designation as having a priority school or being a town described in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision for the initial year of application. Grant awards shall be made annually contingent upon available funding and a satisfactory annual evaluation. The chief elected official of such town and the superintendent of schools of the school district or the regional school readiness council shall submit a plan, as described in subsection (c) of this section, for the expenditure of such grant funds to the commissioner. In awarding grants pursuant to this subsection, the commissioner shall give preference to applications submitted by regional school readiness councils and may, within available appropriations, provide a grant to such town or regional school readiness council that increases the number of spaces for eligible children who reside in an area or town described in subparagraphs (A) to (D), inclusive, of this subdivision, in an accredited school readiness program or a school readiness program seeking accreditation. A town or regional school readiness council awarded a grant pursuant to this subsection shall use the funds to purchase spaces for such children from providers of accredited school readiness programs or school readiness programs seeking accreditation.

(2) (A) Except as provided in subparagraph (C) of this subdivision, commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, if a town received a grant pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection and is
no longer eligible to receive such a grant, the town may receive a phase-out grant for each of the three fiscal years following the fiscal year such town received its final grant pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection.

(B) The amount of such phase-out grants shall be determined as follows: (i) For the first fiscal year following the fiscal year such town received its final grant pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection, in an amount that does not exceed seventy-five per cent of the grant amount such town received for the town or school's final year of eligibility pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection; (ii) for the second fiscal year following the fiscal year such town received its final grant pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection, in an amount that does not exceed fifty per cent of the grant amount such town received for the town's or school's final year of eligibility pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection; and (iii) for the third fiscal year following the fiscal year such town received its final grant pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection, in an amount that does not exceed twenty-five per cent of the grant amount such town received for the town's or school's final year of eligibility pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection.

(C) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, and each fiscal year thereafter, any town that received a grant pursuant to subparagraph (B) of subdivision (1) of this subsection for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, shall continue to receive a grant under this subsection even if the town no longer meets the criteria for such grant pursuant to subparagraph (B) of subdivision (1) of this subsection.

(e) (1) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, and each fiscal year thereafter, priority school districts and former priority school districts shall receive grants based on the sum of the products obtained by (A) multiplying the district's number of contracted slots on March thirtieth of the fiscal year prior to the fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid,
by the per child cost pursuant to subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 10-16q, except that such per child cost shall be reduced for slots that are less than year-round, and (B) multiplying the number of additional or decreased slots the districts have requested for the fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid by the per child cost pursuant to subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 10-16q, except such per child cost shall be reduced for slots that are less than year-round. If said sum exceeds the available appropriation, such number of requested additional slots shall be reduced, as determined by the commissioner, to stay within the available appropriation.

(2) (A) If funds appropriated for the purposes of subsection (c) of this section are not expended, the commissioner may deposit such unexpended funds in the account established under section 10-16aa and use such unexpended funds in accordance with the provisions of section 10-16aa.

(B) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, and each fiscal year thereafter, if funds appropriated for the purposes of subsection (c) of this section are not expended, an amount up to one million dollars of such unexpended funds may be available for the provision of professional development for early childhood care and education program providers, and staff employed in such programs, provided such programs accept state funds for infant, toddler and preschool slots. Such unexpended funds may be available for use in accordance with the provisions of this subparagraph for the subsequent fiscal year. The commissioner may use such unexpended funds on and after July 1, 2015, to support early childhood education programs accepting state funds in satisfying the staff qualifications requirements of subparagraphs (B) and (C) of subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of this section. The commissioner shall use any such funds to provide assistance to individual staff members, giving priority to those staff members (i) attending an institution of higher education accredited by
the Board of Regents for Higher Education or the Office of Higher Education, and approved by the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education, and regionally accredited, at a maximum of ten thousand dollars per staff member per year for the cost of higher education courses leading to a bachelor's degree or, not later than December 31, 2015, an associate degree, as such degrees are described in said subparagraphs (B) and (C), or (ii) receiving noncredit competency-based training approved by the [office] department, at a maximum of one thousand dollars per staff member per year, provided such staff members have applied for all available federal and state scholarships and grants, and such assistance does not exceed such staff members' financial need. Individual staff members shall apply for such unexpended funds in a manner determined by the commissioner. The commissioner shall determine how such unexpended funds shall be distributed.

(C) If funds appropriated for the purposes of subsection (c) of this section are not expended pursuant to subsection (c) of this section, deposited pursuant to subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, or used pursuant to subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, the commissioner may use such unexpended funds to support local school readiness programs. The commissioner may use such funds for purposes including, but not limited to, (i) assisting local school readiness programs in meeting and maintaining accreditation requirements, (ii) providing training in implementing the preschool assessment and curriculum frameworks, including training to enhance literacy teaching skills, (iii) developing a state-wide preschool curriculum, (iv) developing student assessments for students in grades kindergarten to two, inclusive, (v) developing and implementing best practices for parents in supporting preschool and kindergarten student learning, (vi) developing and implementing strategies for children to transition from preschool to kindergarten, (vii) providing for professional development, including assisting in career ladder advancement, for
school readiness staff, (viii) providing supplemental grants to other towns that are eligible for grants pursuant to subsection (c) of this section, and (ix) developing a plan to provide spaces in an accredited school readiness program or a school readiness program seeking accreditation to all eligible children who reside in an area or town described in subparagraphs (A) to (D), inclusive, of subdivision (1) of subsection (d) of this section.

(3) Notwithstanding subdivision (2) of this subsection, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2015, to June 30, 2016, inclusive, the [office] department may retain up to one hundred ninety-eight thousand two hundred dollars of the amount appropriated for purposes of this section for coordination, program evaluation and administration.

Sec. 826. Subsections (b) to (d), inclusive, of section 10-16q of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) (1) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, and each fiscal year thereafter, the per child cost of the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education school readiness program offered by a school readiness provider shall not exceed eight thousand nine hundred twenty-seven dollars.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (e) of section 10-16p, the [office] department shall not provide funding to any school readiness provider that (A) for the school year commencing July 1, 2015, and each school year thereafter, is a local or regional board of education that does not collect preschool experience data using the preschool experience survey, described in section 10-515, and make such data available for inclusion in the public school information system, pursuant to section 10-10a, (B) on or before January 1, 2004, first entered into a contract with a town to provide school readiness services pursuant to this section and is not accredited on January 1,
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2007, or (C) after January 1, 2004, first entered into a contract with a town to provide school readiness services pursuant to this section and does not become accredited by the date three years after the date on which the provider first entered into such a contract, except that the commissioner may grant an extension of time for a school readiness program to become accredited or reaccredited, provided (i) prior to such extension, the [office] department conducts an on-site assessment of any such program and maintains a report of such assessment completed in a uniform manner, as prescribed by the commissioner, that includes a list of conditions such program must fulfill to become accredited or reaccredited, (ii) on or before June 30, 2014, the program is licensed by the Department of Public Health if required to be licensed by chapter 368a, and on and after July 1, 2014, the program is licensed by the [office] department if required to be licensed by chapter 368a, (iii) the program has a corrective action plan that shall be prescribed by and monitored by the [office] department, and (iv) the program meets such other conditions as may be prescribed by the commissioner. During the period of such extension, such program shall be eligible for funding pursuant to section 10-16p.

(3) A school readiness provider may provide child care services and the cost of such child care services shall not be subject to such per child cost limitation.

(c) A local or regional board of education may implement a sliding fee scale for the cost of services provided to children enrolled in a school readiness program.

(d) A town or school readiness council may file a waiver application to the [office] department on forms provided by the [office] department for the purpose of seeking approval of a school readiness schedule that varies from the minimum hours and number of days provided for in subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 10-16p or from the definition of a year-round program pursuant to subdivision...
(6) of subsection (a) of section 10-16p. The [office] department may approve any such waiver if the [office] department finds that the proposed schedule meets the purposes set forth in the provisions of section 10-16o concerning the development of school readiness programs and maximizes available dollars to serve more children or address community needs.

Sec. 827. Subsection (b) of section 10-16r of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) The local school readiness council shall: (1) Make recommendations to the chief elected official and the superintendent of schools on issues relating to school readiness, including any applications for grants pursuant to sections 10-16p, 10-16u, 17b-749a and 17b-749c; (2) foster partnerships among providers of school readiness programs; (3) cooperate with the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education in any evaluation of a school readiness program; (4) identify existing and prospective resources and services available to children and families; (5) facilitate the coordination of the delivery of services to children and families, including (A) referral procedures, and (B) before and after-school child care for children attending kindergarten programs; (6) exchange information with other councils, the community and organizations serving the needs of children and families; (7) make recommendations to school officials concerning transition from school readiness programs to kindergarten; and (8) encourage public participation.

Sec. 828. Section 10-16u of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, and each fiscal year thereafter, the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education shall provide grants, within available appropriations, to eligible school
readiness program providers pursuant to subsection (b) of section 10-16p to provide spaces in accredited school readiness programs for eligible children who reside in transitional school districts pursuant to section 10-263c, except for transitional school districts eligible for grants pursuant to subsection (c) of section 10-16p. Under the program, the grant shall be provided to the town in which such transitional school district is located. Eligibility shall be determined for a five-year period based on a school district's designation as a transitional school district in the initial year of application, except that grants pursuant to this section shall not be provided for transitional school districts eligible for grants pursuant to subsection (c) of section 10-16p. Grant awards shall be made annually contingent upon available funding and a satisfactory annual evaluation. The chief elected official of such town and the superintendent of schools for such transitional school district shall submit a plan for the expenditure of grant funds and responses to the local request for proposal process to the commissioner. The commissioner shall review and approve such plans, provided such plans meet the requirements specified in subsection (c) of section 10-16p.

Sec. 829. Section 10-16w of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education shall provide, within available appropriations, technical assistance and training to early childhood providers to assist in the implementation of the early learning and development standards developed by the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education, pursuant to section 10-500.

Sec. 830. Section 10-16z of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There is established the Early Childhood Cabinet. The cabinet shall consist of: (1) The [Commissioner of Early Childhood, or the
commissioner's designee, (2) the Commissioner of Social Services, or the commissioner's designee, [(3)] (2) the President of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities, or the president's designee, [(4)] (3) the Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's designee, [(6)] (5) the Commissioner of Developmental Services, or the commissioner's designee, [(7)] (6) the Commissioner of Children and Families, or the commissioner's designee, [(8)] (7) the executive director of the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors, or the executive director's designee, (9) [(9)] (8) the project director of the Connecticut Head Start State Collaboration Office, [(10)] (9) a parent or guardian of a child who attends or attended a school readiness program appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives, [(11)] (10) a representative of a local provider of early childhood education appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, [(12)] (11) a representative of the Connecticut Family Resource Center Alliance appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, [(13)] (12) a representative of a state-funded child care center appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, [(14)] (13) two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, one of whom is a member of a board of education for a town designated as an alliance district, as defined in section 10-262u, and one of whom is a parent who has a child attending a school in an educational reform district, as defined in section 10-262u, [(15)] (14) two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one of whom is a representative of an association of early education and child care providers and one of whom is a representative of a public elementary school with a prekindergarten program, [(16)] (14) eight appointed by the Governor, one of whom is a representative of the Connecticut Head Start Association, one of whom is a representative of the business community in this state, one of whom is a representative of the philanthropic community in this state, one of whom is a representative of the Connecticut State Employees Association, one of whom is an
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administrator of the child care development block grant pursuant to the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990, one of whom is responsible for administering grants received under section 1419 of Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 USC 1419, as amended from time to time, one of whom is responsible for administering the provisions of Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, 20 USC 6301 et seq., and one of whom is responsible for coordinating education services to children and youth who are homeless, [(17)] (15) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the secretary's designee, [(18)] (16) the Lieutenant Governor, or the Lieutenant Governor's designee, [(19)] (17) the Commissioner of [Housing] Economic and Community Development, or the commissioner's designee, and [(20)] (18) the Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services, or the commissioner's designee.

(b) The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education shall serve as a cochairperson of the cabinet. The other cochairperson of the cabinet shall be appointed from among its members by the Governor. The cabinet shall meet at least quarterly. Members shall not be compensated for their services. Any member who fails to attend three consecutive meetings or who fails to attend fifty per cent of all meetings held during any calendar year shall be deemed to have resigned from the cabinet.

(c) Within available resources, the Early Childhood Cabinet shall (1) advise the [Office of Early Childhood, established pursuant to section 10-500] Department of Education, (2) not later than December 1, 2009, and annually thereafter, develop an annual plan of action that assigns the appropriate state agency to complete the tasks specified in the federal Head Start Act of 2007, P.L. 110-134, as amended from time to time, and (3) not later than March 1, 2010, and annually thereafter, submit an annual state-wide strategic report, pursuant to said federal Head Start Act, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a,
addressing the progress such agencies have made toward the completion of such tasks outlined under said federal Head Start Act and this subsection to the Governor and the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education and human services.

(d) The Early Childhood Cabinet shall be within the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education for administrative purposes only.

Sec. 831. Section 10-16aa of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

There is established an account to be known as the competitive district grant account which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the General Fund. The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education for the purposes of providing grants to competitive school districts to make slots available in school readiness programs. For purposes of this section, "competitive school district" means a school district described in subsection (d) of section 10-16p that has more than nine thousand students enrolled in schools in the district.

Sec. 832. Section 10-74m of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Department of Education shall enter into memoranda of understanding with the Bureau of Rehabilitation Services [, the Office of Early Childhood] and the Departments of Developmental Services, Children and Families, Social Services and Correction regarding the provision of special education and related services to children, including, but not limited to, education, health care and transition services. Such memoranda of understanding shall account for current
programs and services, utilize best practices and be updated or renewed at least every five years.

(b) The Bureau of Rehabilitation Services [the Office of Early Childhood] and the Departments of Education, Developmental Services, Children and Families, Social Services and Correction shall, as necessary, enter into memoranda of understanding regarding the provision of special education and related services to children as such services relate to one another. Such memoranda of understanding shall account for current programs and services, utilize best practices and be updated or renewed at least every five years.

Sec. 833. Subsection (b) of section 10-76d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) In accordance with the regulations of the State Board of Education, each local and regional board of education shall: (1) Provide special education for school-age children requiring special education who are described in subparagraph (A) of subdivision (5) of section 10-76a. The obligation of the school district under this subsection shall terminate when such child is graduated from high school or reaches age twenty-one, whichever occurs first; and (2) provide special education for children requiring special education who are described in subparagraph (A) or (C) of subdivision (5) of section 10-76a. The State Board of Education shall define the criteria by which each local or regional board of education shall determine whether a given child is eligible for special education pursuant to this subdivision, and such determination shall be made by the board of education when requested by a parent or guardian, or upon referral by a physician, clinic or social worker, provided the parent or guardian so permits. To meet its obligations under this subdivision, each local or regional board of education may, with the approval of the State Board of Education, make agreements with any private school, agency or
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institution to provide the necessary preschool special education program, provided such private facility has an existing program which adequately meets the special education needs, according to standards established by the State Board of Education, of the preschool children for whom such local or regional board of education is required to provide such an education and provided such district does not have such an existing program in its public schools. Such private school, agency or institution may be a facility which has not been approved by the Commissioner of Education for special education, provided such private facility is approved by the commissioner as an independent school or licensed by the Department of Education as a child care center, group child care home or family child care home, as described in section 19a-77, or be both approved and licensed.

Sec. 834. Subdivision (14) of section 10-183b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(14) "Employer" means an elected school committee, a board of education, the State Board of Education, the Office of Early Childhood established pursuant to section 10-500 of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 2017, the Board of Regents for Higher Education or any of the constituent units, the governing body of the Children's Center and its successors, the E. O. Smith School and any other activity, institution or school employing members.

Sec. 835. Subdivision (20) of section 10-183b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(20) "Public school" means any day school conducted within or without this state under the orders and superintendence of a duly elected school committee, a board of education, the State Board of
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Education, the Office of Early Childhood established pursuant to section 10-500 of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 2017, the board of governors or any of its constituent units, the E. O. Smith School, the Children's Center and its successors, the State Education Resource Center established pursuant to section 10-4q of the 2014 supplement to the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 2013, the State Education Resource Center established pursuant to section 10-357a, joint activities of boards of education authorized by subsection (b) of section 10-158a and any institution supported by the state at which teachers are employed or any incorporated secondary school not under the orders and superintendence of a duly elected school committee or board of education but located in a town not maintaining a high school and providing free tuition to pupils of the town in which it is located, and which has been approved by the State Board of Education under the provisions of part II of chapter 164, provided that such institution or such secondary school is classified as a public school by the retirement board.

Sec. 836. Subdivision (26) of section 10-183b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(26) "Teacher" means (A) any teacher, permanent substitute teacher, principal, assistant principal, supervisor, assistant superintendent or superintendent employed by the public schools in a professional capacity while possessing a certificate or permit issued by the State Board of Education, provided on and after July 1, 1975, such certificate shall be for the position in which the person is then employed, except as provided for in section 10-183qq, (B) certified personnel who provide health and welfare services for children in nonprofit schools, as provided in section 10-217a, under an oral or written agreement, (C) any person who is engaged in teaching or supervising schools for
adults if the annual salary paid for such service is equal to or greater than the minimum salary paid for a regular, full-time teaching position in the day schools in the town where such service is rendered, (D) a member of the professional staff of the State Board of Education, the Office of Early Childhood established pursuant to section 10-500 of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 2017, or of the Board of Regents for Higher Education or any of the constituent units, and (E) a member of the staff of the State Education Resource Center established pursuant to section 10-4q of the 2014 supplement to the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 2013, or the State Education Resource Center established pursuant to section 10-357a, employed in a professional capacity while possessing a certificate or permit issued by the State Board of Education. A "permanent substitute teacher" is one who serves as such for at least ten months during any school year.

Sec. 837. Section 10-265n of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education shall administer, within available appropriations, an even start family literacy program, in accordance with the William F. Goodling Even Start Family Literacy Program under the No Child Left Behind Act, P.L. 107-111, to provide grants to establish new or expand existing local family literacy programs that provide literacy services for children and the parents or guardians of such children.

Sec. 838. Subsection (a) of section 10-357b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The purposes of the State Education Resource Center, established pursuant to section 10-357a, shall be to assist the State Board of Education in the provision of programs and activities that
will promote educational equity and excellence. Such activities shall be limited to: Training, technical assistance and professional development for local and regional boards of education, school leaders, teachers, families and community partners in the form of seminars, publications, site visits, on-line content and other appropriate means; maintaining a state education resource center library; publication of technical materials; research and evaluation; writing, managing, administering and coordinating grants for the purposes described in this subsection; and any other related activities directly related to the purposes described in this subsection. The center may support programs and activities concerning early childhood education, in collaboration with the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education, improving school and district academic performance, and closing academic achievement gaps between socio-economic subgroups, and other related programs and activities. For such purposes the center is authorized and empowered to:

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

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

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

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

(5) (A) Employ such assistants, agents and other employees as may be necessary or desirable who shall not be employees, as defined in subsection (b) of section 5-270; (B) establish all necessary or appropriate personnel practices and policies, including those relating to hiring, promotion, compensation, retirement and collective bargaining, which need not be in accordance with chapter 68, and the center shall not be an employer as defined in subsection (a) of section
5-270; and (C) engage consultants, attorneys and appraisers as may be necessary or desirable to carry out its purposes in accordance with this section and sections 10-357a, 10-357c and 10-357d;

(6) Receive and accept aid or contributions from any source of money, property, labor or other things of value, to be held, used and applied to carry out the purposes of this section and sections 10-357a, 10-357c and 10-357d, subject to such conditions upon which such grants and contributions may be made, including, but not limited to, gifts or grants from any department, agency or instrumentality of the United States or this state for any purpose consistent with this section and sections 10-357a, 10-357c and 10-357d;

(7) Make and enter into all contracts and agreements necessary or incidental to the performance of its duties and the execution of its powers under this section and sections 10-357a, 10-357c and 10-357d, including contracts and agreements for such professional services as the center deems necessary, including, but not limited to, those services provided by financial consultants, underwriters and technical specialists;

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

(9) Invest in, acquire, lease, purchase, own, manage, hold and dispose of real property and lease, convey or deal in or enter into agreements with respect to such property on any terms necessary or incidental to carrying out the purposes of this section and sections 10-357a, 10-357c and 10-357d, provided such transactions shall be subject to approval, review or regulation by any state agency pursuant to title 4b or any other provision of the general statutes;
(10) Procure insurance against any liability or loss in connection with its property and other assets, in such amounts and from such insurers as it deems desirable and to procure insurance for employees;

(11) Account for and audit funds of the center and funds of any recipients of funds from the center;

(12) Hold patents, copyrights, trademarks, marketing rights, licenses, or any other evidences of protection or exclusivity as to any products as defined in this section and sections 10-357a, 10-357c and 10-357d, issued under the laws of the United States or any state or any nation;

(13) Establish advisory committees to assist in accomplishing its duties under this section and sections 10-357a, 10-357c and 10-357d, which may include one or more members of the board of directors and persons other than members; and

(14) Do all acts and things necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes of this section and sections 10-357a, 10-357c and 10-357d, and the powers expressly granted by this section and sections 10-357a, 10-357c and 10-357d.

Sec. 839. Section 10-500a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education may enter into stipulations, agreements, memoranda of understanding, interim consent orders or consent orders relating to licensing matters under chapters 368a and 368r with:

(1) Any person, group of persons, association, organization, corporation, institution or agency, public or private, (A) maintaining (i) a licensed child care center or group child care home, pursuant to section 19a-80, or (ii) a licensed family child care home, pursuant to
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section 19a-87b, or (B) applying for a license for (i) a child care center or group home, pursuant to section 19a-80, or (ii) a family child care home, pursuant to section 19a-87b;

(2) Any person who (A) establishes, conducts or maintains a licensed youth camp, pursuant to section 19a-421, or (B) is applying for a license for a youth camp, pursuant to section 19a-421;

(3) Any person acting or seeking to act as an assistant or substitute staff member in a family child care home, pursuant to subsection (b) of section 19a-87b;

(4) Any person or entity who is the subject of an investigation or disciplinary action pursuant to section 19a-80f, 19a-84, 19a-87a, 19a-87e, 19a-423 or 19a-429 while holding a license issued by the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education; or

(5) Any party in a contested case in which the [office] department is a party.

Sec. 840. Section 10-501 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education shall develop and implement an early childhood information system. Such early childhood information system shall facilitate and encourage the sharing of data between and among early childhood service providers by tracking (1) the health, safety and school readiness of all young children receiving early care and education services from (A) any local or regional board of education, including children enrolled in a preschool program under the Connecticut Smart Start competitive grant program, pursuant to section 10-506, (B) any school readiness program, as defined in section 10-16p, or (C) any program receiving public funding, in a manner similar to the system described in section 10-10a, (2) the characteristics of the existing and potential workforce.
serving such children, (3) the characteristics of such programs serving such children, and (4) data collected from the preschool experience survey, described in section 10-515.

(b) Any local or regional board of education, school readiness program, or any child care center as described in subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 19a-77, and licensed by the Department of Public Health or the Department of Education, shall ensure that all children and all staff in a school under the jurisdiction of such board, program or center are entered into the early childhood information system.

Sec. 841. Section 10-502 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Department of Education shall collaborate with and may, within available appropriations, provide funding to local and regional early childhood councils for the implementation of early care and education and child development programs at the local level. Such early childhood councils shall: (1) Develop and implement a comprehensive plan for an early childhood system for the community served by such early childhood council, (2) develop policy and program planning, (3) encourage community participation by emphasizing substantial parental involvement, (4) collect, analyze and evaluate data with a focus on program and service outcomes, (5) allocate resources, and (6) perform any other functions that will assist in the provision of early childhood programs and services. Such early childhood councils may enter into memoranda of agreement with the local or regional school readiness council, described in section 10-16r, of the town or region served by such early childhood council to perform the duties and functions of a school readiness council, in accordance with the provisions of section 10-16r, or if no such local or regional school readiness council exists for the town or region of such early childhood council, perform the duties and
functions of a school readiness council, in accordance with the provisions of section 10-16r.

Sec. 842. Section 10-503 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

[(a) Not later than December 31, 2015, the Office of Early Childhood shall develop, in consultation with the Early Childhood Cabinet, established pursuant to section 10-16z, an early childhood accountability plan. Such plan shall (1) identify and define appropriate population indicators and program and system performance measures of the health, safety and readiness of children to enter kindergarten, and early school success of children, and shall identify any new or improved data required for such purposes; and (2) include aggregate information on the characteristics of children and programs tracked by the early childhood information system, developed pursuant to section 10-501, including, but not limited to, family income, whether the families of such children receive assistance through temporary assistance for needy families, pursuant to section 17b-112, or a similar program, and the communities in which such children reside using a performance measurement accountability framework.]

[(b)] (a) Not later than July 1, [2015] 2018, and annually thereafter, the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education shall develop report cards containing the indicators and performance measures identified in the early childhood accountability plan developed by the former Office of Early Childhood.

[(c)] (b) Not later than January 15, [2016] 2018, and annually thereafter, the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education shall [(1) submit the early childhood accountability plan, and (2) annually] report on the results of [such] the early childhood accountability plan and report cards to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
education and appropriations, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a.

Sec. 843. Section 10-504 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education is designated as the state agency for the administration of the child care development block grant pursuant to the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990.

Sec. 844. Subsection (b) of section 10-505 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education shall establish a grant program for eligible towns and eligible regional school readiness councils for (1) start-up of school readiness classrooms, and (2) providing spaces to all eligible children in accredited school readiness programs and school readiness programs seeking accreditation. An eligible town or eligible regional school readiness council may apply for such grant to the commissioner, at such time and in such manner as the commissioner prescribes.

Sec. 845. Subsections (a) to (d), inclusive, of section 10-506 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) For the fiscal years ending June 30, [2015] 2018, to June 30, 2024, inclusive, [the Office of Early Childhood, in consultation with] the Department of Education [.] shall design and administer the Connecticut Smart Start competitive grant program to provide grants to local and regional boards of education for capital and operating expenses related to establishing or expanding a preschool program under the jurisdiction of the board of education for the town. A local or
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regional board of education may submit an application to the [office] department, in accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) of this section, and may receive (1) a grant for capital expenses in an amount not to exceed seventy-five thousand dollars per classroom for costs related to the renovation of an existing public school to accommodate the establishment or expansion of a preschool program, and (2) an annual grant for operating expenses (A) in an amount not to exceed five thousand dollars per child served by such grant, or (B) in an amount not to exceed seventy-five thousand dollars for each preschool classroom, provided no town shall receive a total annual grant for operating expenses greater than three hundred thousand dollars. Each local or regional board of education that establishes or expands a preschool program under this section shall be eligible to receive an annual grant for operating expenses for a period of five years, provided such preschool program meets standards established by the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education. Such local or regional board of education may submit an application for renewal of such grant to the [office] department.

(b) On and after July 1, 2014, local and regional boards of education, individually or cooperatively, pursuant to section 10-158a, may apply, at such time and in such manner as the commissioner prescribes, to the [office] department for a capital grant and an operating grant for the purposes described in subsection (a) of this section. To be eligible to receive such grants under this section, an applicant board of education shall (1) demonstrate that it has a need for establishing or expanding a preschool program using information requested by the commissioner on a form prescribed by the commissioner, such as data collected from the preschool experience survey, described in section 10-515, (2) submit a plan for the expenditure of grant funds received under this section that outlines how such board of education will use such funds to establish or expand a preschool program, including, but not limited to, the amount that such board will contribute to the operation of such
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preschool program and how such board of education will provide access to preschool for children who would not otherwise be able to enroll in a preschool program, and (3) submit a letter of support for establishing or expanding a preschool program by the local or regional school readiness council, described in section 10-16r, if any, for the school district. The commissioner shall give priority to boards of education (A) that demonstrate the greatest need for the establishment or expansion of a preschool program, and (B) whose plan allocates at least sixty per cent of the spaces in such preschool program to children who are members of families that are at or below seventy-five per cent of the state median income, or fifty per cent of the spaces in such preschool program to children who are eligible for free and reduced price lunches. The commissioner, in reviewing applications submitted under this subsection, shall also take into consideration (i) whether an applicant board of education (I) currently offers a full-day kindergarten program, (II) will be cooperating and coordinating with other governmental and community programs to provide services during periods when the preschool program is not in session, or (III) will collaborate with other boards of education, as part of a cooperative arrangement pursuant to section 10-158a, to offer a regional preschool program, and (ii) current community capacity for preschool programs and current opportunities for preschool for children in the community.

(c) A preschool program created or expanded under this section shall (1) contain a classroom with an individual who holds certification pursuant to section 10-145b with an endorsement in early childhood education or early childhood special education and is an employee of the board of education providing a preschool program under this section, (2) maintain a classroom size and teacher-child ratio that is in compliance with standards established by the National Association for the Education of Young Children, (3) obtain accreditation, as described in section 10-16p, not later than three years after the creation or
expansion of the preschool program, and (4) be located in a public school or in a space maintained by an early care and education and child development program provider, pursuant to an agreement between a board of education and such early care and education and child development program provider.

(d) Each local or regional board of education receiving a grant under this section shall submit an annual report, on a form and in a manner prescribed by the commissioner, to the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education regarding the status and operation of the preschool program.

Sec. 846. Section 10-507 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "smart start competitive capital grant account" which shall be a capital projects fund. The account shall contain the amounts authorized by the State Bond Commission in accordance with section 10-508 and any other moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education for the purposes of the Connecticut Smart Start competitive grant program established pursuant to section 10-506.

(b) There is established an account to be known as the "smart start competitive operating grant account" which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the General Fund. The account shall contain moneys required by law to be deposited in the account, in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (4) of subsection (c) of section 4-28e. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education for the purposes of the Connecticut Smart Start competitive grant program established pursuant to section 10-506.
Sec. 847. Subsection (b) of section 10-508 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the Department of Education for the purpose of the Smart Start competitive grant program established pursuant to subsection (a) of section 10-501, section 10-506 and section 3 of public act 14-41.

Sec. 848. Section 10-516 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Department of Education may offer from funds which may originate from public, private, federal or philanthropic sources, a competitive grant for up to three alliance school districts to develop and implement a strategy to promote the social and emotional well-being and health of preschool children from age three to children in third grade, with a focus on instructional tools and family engagement. Up to five per cent of the grant funds provided under this section for any fiscal year may be used to pay for administrative costs.

Sec. 849. Subsections (b) to (d), inclusive, of section 10-520 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) The Department of Education shall, during a review and assessment pursuant to subdivision (4) of subsection (b) of section 10-16p, collect data relating to bachelor's degree programs in early childhood education or child development that have not been approved by the Board of Regents for Higher Education or the Office of Higher
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Education and the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education from institutions of higher education that are regionally accredited. The [office] Department of Education shall, at least quarterly, use such data to conduct a trend analysis of such bachelor's degree programs for the purpose of determining (1) whether such bachelor's degree programs align with the teacher preparation standards of the National Association for the Education of Young Children, and (2) which courses and concentrations offered as part of such bachelor's degree programs align with such teacher preparation standards.

(c) During a review and assessment pursuant to subdivision (4) of subsection (b) of section 10-16p, the [office] Department of Education shall (1) review the results of the trend analysis conducted pursuant to subsection (b) of this section for the purpose of determining whether the degree of an individual with a bachelor's degree in early childhood education or child development or a bachelor's degree and twelve credits or more in early childhood education or child development, other than those bachelor's degrees specified in subparagraphs (B) and (C) of subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of section 10-16p, has a sufficient concentration in early childhood education so as to satisfy the requirements set forth in said subparagraphs (B) and (C), and (2) consider an individual to have met the requirements set forth in said subparagraphs (B) and (C) if the degree of such individual is from a bachelor's degree program in early childhood education or child development that is aligned with the teacher preparation standards of the National Association for the Education of Young Children as determined by such trend analysis.

(d) The [office] Department of Education shall make the results of the trend analysis conducted pursuant to subsection (b) of this section available on its Internet web site.

Sec. 850. Section 10-520a of the general statutes is repealed and the
following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Not later than July first, annually, the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education shall submit a report regarding the status of school readiness program providers' compliance with the staff qualifications requirement, described in subsection (b) of section 10-16p, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a.

Sec. 851. Subsection (a) of section 10a-194c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Connecticut Health and Educational Facilities Authority shall establish a program to finance low interest loans for child care and child development centers, family resource centers and Head Start programs that shall be known as the Connecticut Child Care Facilities Program. Loans shall be made for the purpose of new construction or renovation of existing centers or complying with federal, state and local child care requirements, including health and safety standards. For purposes of this section, "child development center" means a building used by a nonprofit school readiness program, as defined in section 10-16p, and "child care center" means a nonprofit facility that is licensed by the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education as a child care center or a group child care home, both as defined in section 19a-77.

Sec. 852. Section 12-634 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of Revenue Services shall grant a credit against any tax due under the provisions of chapter 207, 208, 209, 210, 211 or 212 in an amount not to exceed sixty per cent of the total cash amount
invested during the taxable year by the business firm in programs operated or created pursuant to proposals approved pursuant to section 12-632 for planning, site preparation, construction, renovation or acquisition of facilities for purposes of establishing a child care center, as described in section 19a-77, to be used primarily by the children of such business firm's employees and equipment installed for such center, including kitchen appliances, to the extent that such equipment or appliances are necessary in the use of such center for purposes of child care services, provided: (1) Such center is operated under the authority of a license issued by the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education in accordance with sections 19a-77 to 19a-87, inclusive, (2) such center is operated without profit by such business firm related to any charges imposed for the use of such center for purposes of child care services, and (3) the amount of tax credit allowed any business firm under the provisions of this section for any income year may not exceed fifty thousand dollars. If two or more business firms share in the cost of establishing such a center for the children of their employees, each such taxpayer shall be allowed such credit in relation to the respective share, paid or incurred by such taxpayer, of the total expenditures for the center in such income year. The commissioner shall not grant a credit pursuant to this section to any taxpayer claiming a credit for the same year pursuant to section 12-217x.

Sec. 853. Subdivision (4) of subsection (a) of section 17a-22bb of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(4) On or before October 1, 2015, and biennially thereafter through and including 2019, the department shall, in collaboration with the Department of Education, Department of Social Services, Department of Developmental Services, [Office of Early Childhood.] Department of Public Health and Court Support Services Division of the Judicial
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Branch, submit and present progress reports on the status of implementation, and any data-driven recommendations to alter or augment the implementation in accordance with section 11-4a, to the Governor and the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to children and appropriations.

Sec. 854. Section 17a-22cc of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education, in collaboration with the Department of Children and Families, shall provide, to the extent that private, federal or philanthropic funding is available, professional development training to pediatricians and child care providers to help prevent and identify mental, emotional and behavioral health issues in children by utilizing the Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Competencies, or a similar model, with a focus on maternal depression and its impact on child development.

Sec. 855. Subsections (b) and (c) of section 17a-22dd of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) The [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education, in collaboration with the Departments of Children and Families [Education] and Public Health, to the extent that private funding is available, shall design and implement a public information and education campaign on children's mental, emotional and behavioral health issues. Such campaign shall provide:

(1) Information on access to support and intervention programs providing mental, emotional and behavioral health care services to children;

(2) A list of emotional landmarks and the typical ages at which such landmarks are attained;

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(3) Information on the importance of a relationship with and connection to an adult in the early years of childhood;

(4) Strategies that parents and families can employ to improve their child's mental, emotional and behavioral health, including executive functioning and self-regulation;

(5) Information to parents regarding methods to address and cope with mental, emotional and behavioral health stressors at various ages of a child's development and at various stages of a parent's work and family life;

(6) Information on existing public and private reimbursement for services rendered; and

(7) Strategies to address the stigma associated with mental illness.

(c) Not later than October 1, [2014] 2017, and annually thereafter, to the extent that private funding is available under subsection (b) of this section, the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education shall report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to children and public health on the status of the public information and education campaign implemented pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.

Sec. 856. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 17a-22ff of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There is established a Children's Mental, Emotional and Behavioral Health Plan Implementation Advisory Board that shall advise (1) the Departments of Children and Families, Developmental Services, Social Services, Public Health, Mental Health and Addiction Services, and Education, the Insurance Department, the Offices of...
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[Early Childhood,] the Child Advocate and the Healthcare Advocate [.] and the Court Support Services Division of the Judicial Branch [and the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors,] (2) providers of mental, emotional or behavioral health services for children and families, (3) advocates, and (4) others interested in the well-being of children and families in the state regarding: (A) The execution of the comprehensive implementation plan developed pursuant to section 17a-22bb; (B) cataloging the mental, emotional and behavioral health services offered for families with children in the state by agency, service type and funding allocation to reflect capacity and utilization of services; (C) adopting standard definitions and measurements for the services that are delivered, when applicable; and (D) the collaboration of such agencies, providers, advocates and other stakeholders enumerated in said section in order to prevent or reduce the long-term negative impact of mental, emotional and behavioral health issues on children.

(b) The board shall consist of the following members:

(1) Eight appointed by the Commissioner of Children and Families, who shall represent families of children who have been diagnosed with mental, emotional or behavioral health issues;

(2) Two appointed by the Commissioner of Children and Families, who shall represent a private foundation providing mental, emotional or behavioral health care services for children and families in the state;

(3) Four appointed by the Commissioner of Children and Families, who shall be providers of mental, emotional or behavioral health care services for children in the state;

(4) Three appointed by the Commissioner of Children and Families, who shall represent private advocacy groups that provide services for children and families in the state;
(5) One appointed by the Commissioner of Children and Families, who shall represent the United Way of Connecticut 2-1-1 Infoline program;

(6) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, who shall be a medical doctor representing the Connecticut Children's Medical Center Emergency Department;

(7) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who shall be a superintendent of schools in the state;

(8) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives, who shall represent the Connecticut Behavioral Healthcare Partnership;

(9) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate who shall represent the Connecticut Association of School-Based Health Centers;

(10) The Commissioner of Children and Families, or the commissioner's designee;

(11) The Commissioner of Developmental Services, or the commissioner's designee;

(12) The Commissioner of Social Services, or the commissioner's designee;

(13) The Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's designee;

(14) The Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services, or the commissioner's designee;

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[(16) The Commissioner of Early Childhood, or the commissioner's designee;]

[(17)] (16) The Insurance Commissioner, or the commissioner's designee;

[(18)] (17) The executive director of the Court Support Services Division of the Judicial Branch, or the executive director's designee;

[(19)] (18) The Child Advocate, or the Child Advocate's designee; and

[(20)] (19) The Healthcare Advocate, or the Healthcare Advocate's designee; [; and]

[(21) The executive director of the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors, or the executive director's designee.]

Sec. 857. Section 17a-22gg of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There is established a Home Visitation Program Consortium that shall advise the [Office of Early Childhood,] Department of Children and Families, Department of Developmental Services and the Department of Education regarding the implementation of the recommendations for the coordination of home visitation programs within the early childhood system provided to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations, human services, education and children pursuant to section 17a-22dd.

(b) The consortium shall consist of the following members:

(1) Four representing families who are receiving services or have received services within the last five years from one or more home visitation programs in the state;
(2) Not more than ten representing home visitation programs in the state, at least four of whom shall utilize different home visitation models;

(3) Two representing private advocacy organizations that provide services for children and families in the state;

(4) One representing the United Way of Connecticut 2-1-1 Infoline program;

(5) One representing the birth-to-three program established under section 17a-248b;

(6) The director of the Connecticut Head Start State Collaboration Office, or the director's designee;

[(7) The Commissioner of Early Childhood, or the commissioner's designee;]

[(8)] (7) The Commissioner of Children and Families, or the commissioner's designee;

[(9)] (8) The Commissioner of Developmental Services, or the commissioner's designee;

[(10)] (9) The Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's designee;

[(11)] (10) The Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services, or the commissioner's designee;

[(12)] (11) The Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's designee;

[(13)] (12) The Child Advocate, or the Child Advocate's designee; and
The executive director of the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors, or the executive director's designee; and

The director of the Maternal, Infant Early Childhood Home Visiting program in the state, or the director's designee.

The Commissioner of Early Childhood Education shall appoint the members of the consortium listed under subdivisions (1) to (5), inclusive, of subsection (b) of this section. The remaining members shall serve as ex-officio members of the consortium.

All appointments to the consortium shall be made not later than thirty days after June 5, 2015. All members appointed under subdivisions (1), (3) and (5) of subsection (b) of this section shall serve an initial term of three years. All members appointed under subdivisions (2) and (4) of subsection (b) of this section shall serve an initial term of two years. Following the expiration of their initial terms, subsequent members appointed to the consortium shall serve two-year terms. Any vacancy shall be filled by the Commissioner of Early Childhood Education not later than thirty calendar days after the appointment becomes vacant. Any member previously appointed to the consortium may be reappointed.

The Commissioner of Early Childhood Education shall select two chairpersons of the consortium from among the members of the consortium. Such chairpersons shall schedule the first meeting of the consortium, which shall be held not later than sixty days after June 5, 2015. The consortium shall meet at least quarterly.

Each member shall be entitled to one vote on the consortium. A majority of the consortium shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business, the exercise of any power or the performance of any duty authorized or imposed by law.

The staff of the Department of
Education shall serve as administrative staff of the consortium.

(h) Not later than September 15, 2016, and annually thereafter, the consortium shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to children. Such report shall include (1) the status of the implementation of the recommendations for the coordination of home visitation programs within the early childhood system provided pursuant to section 17a-22dd, (2) the level of collaboration among home visitation programs in the state, (3) any recommendations for improvements in the collaboration among home visitation providers and other stakeholders, and (4) any additional information that the consortium deems necessary and relevant to improve the provision of home visitation services in the state.

Sec. 858. Subdivision (12) of subsection (g) of section 17a-28 of the general statutes, as amended by section 1 of public act 17-81 and section 16 of public act 17-127, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(12) The [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education for the purpose of (A) determining the suitability of a person to care for children in a facility licensed pursuant to section 19a-77, 19a-80 or 19a-87b; (B) determining the suitability of such person for licensure; (C) an investigation conducted pursuant to section 19a-80f; (D) notifying the [office] department when the Department of Children and Families places an individual licensed or certified by the office on the child abuse and neglect registry pursuant to section 17a-101k; or (E) notifying the [office] department when the Department of Children and Families possesses information regarding an office regulatory violation committed by an individual licensed or certified by the office;

Sec. 859. Subsection (b) of section 17a-101 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
(b) The following persons shall be mandated reporters: (1) Any physician or surgeon licensed under the provisions of chapter 370, (2) any resident physician or intern in any hospital in this state, whether or not so licensed, (3) any registered nurse, (4) any licensed practical nurse, (5) any medical examiner, (6) any dentist, (7) any dental hygienist, (8) any psychologist, (9) any school employee, as defined in section 53a-65, (10) any social worker, (11) any person who holds or is issued a coaching permit by the State Board of Education, is a coach of intramural or interscholastic athletics and is eighteen years of age or older, (12) any individual who is employed as a coach or director of youth athletics and is eighteen years of age or older, (13) any individual who is employed as a coach or director of a private youth sports organization, league or team and is eighteen years of age or older, (14) any paid administrator, faculty, staff, athletic director, athletic coach or athletic trainer employed by a public or private institution of higher education who is eighteen years of age or older, excluding student employees, (15) any police officer, (16) any juvenile or adult probation officer, (17) any juvenile or adult parole officer, (18) any member of the clergy, (19) any pharmacist, (20) any physical therapist, (21) any optometrist, (22) any chiropractor, (23) any podiatrist, (24) any mental health professional, (25) any physician assistant, (26) any person who is a licensed or certified emergency medical services provider, (27) any person who is a licensed or certified alcohol and drug counselor, (28) any person who is a licensed marital and family therapist, (29) any person who is a sexual assault counselor or a domestic violence counselor, as defined in section 52-146k, (30) any person who is a licensed professional counselor, (31) any person who is a licensed foster parent, (32) any person paid to care for a child in any public or private facility, child care center, group child care home or family child care home licensed by the state, (33) any employee of the Department of Children and Families, (34) any
employee of the Department of Public Health, (35) any employee of the Department of Education who is responsible for the licensing of child care centers, group child care homes, family child care homes or youth camps, (36) any paid youth camp director or assistant director, (37) the Child Advocate and any employee of the Office of the Child Advocate, and (38) any family relations counselor, family relations counselor trainee or family services supervisor employed by the Judicial Department.

Sec. 860. Subsection (b) of section 17a-106e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) The department shall refer any child exhibiting developmental or social-emotional delays pursuant to such screenings to the birth-to-three program. The department shall refer any child who is not found eligible for services under the birth-to-three program to the Help Me Grow prevention program under the Department of Education, pursuant to section 17b-751d, or a similar program that the Department of Children and Families deems appropriate.

Sec. 861. Subsection (a) of section 17a-215d of the general statutes, as amended by section 8 of public act 17-96, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There is established the Autism Spectrum Disorder Advisory Council. The council shall consist of the following members: (1) The Commissioner of Social Services, or the commissioner's designee; (2) the Commissioner of Children and Families, or the commissioner's designee; (3) the Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's designee; (4) the Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services, or the commissioner's designee; (5) the Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's designee; (6) the Commissioner of
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Rehabilitation Services, or the commissioner's designee; (7) the Commissioner of Developmental Services, or the commissioner's designee; [(8) the Commissioner of Early Childhood, or the commissioner's designee; (9)] (8) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the secretary's designee; [(10)] (9) two persons with autism spectrum disorder, one each appointed by the Governor and the speaker of the House of Representatives; [(11)] (10) two persons who are parents or guardians of a child with autism spectrum disorder, one each appointed by the Governor and the minority leader of the Senate; [(12)] (11) two persons who are parents or guardians of an adult with autism spectrum disorder, one each appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate and the majority leader of the House of Representatives; [(13)] (12) two persons who are advocates for persons with autism spectrum disorder, one each appointed by the Governor and the speaker of the House of Representatives; [(14)] (13) two persons who are licensed professionals working in the field of autism spectrum disorder, one each appointed by the Governor and the majority leader of the Senate; [(15)] (14) two persons who provide services for persons with autism spectrum disorder, one each appointed by the Governor and the minority leader of the House of Representatives; [(16)] (15) two persons who shall be representatives of an institution of higher education in the state with experience in the field of autism spectrum disorder, one each appointed by the Governor and the president pro tempore of the Senate; [(17)] (16) the executive director of the nonprofit entity designated by the Governor in accordance with section 46a-10b, as amended by [this act] public act 17-96, to serve as the Connecticut protection and advocacy system, or the director's designee; and [(18)] (17) one person who is a physician who treats or diagnoses persons with autism spectrum disorder, appointed by the Governor.

Sec. 862. Section 17a-248 of the general statutes, as amended by section 14 of public act 17-96, is repealed and the following is
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substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

As used in this section and sections 17a-248b to 17a-248g, inclusive, 38a-490a and 38a-516a, unless the context otherwise requires:

(1) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education.

(2) "Council" means the State Interagency Birth-to-Three Coordinating Council established pursuant to section 17a-248b.

(3) "Early intervention services" means early intervention services, as defined in 34 CFR Part 303.13, as from time to time amended.

(4) "Eligible children" means children from birth to thirty-six months of age, who are not eligible for special education and related services pursuant to sections 10-76a to 10-76h, inclusive, and who need early intervention services because such children are:

   (A) Experiencing a significant developmental delay as measured by standardized diagnostic instruments and procedures, including informed clinical opinion, in one or more of the following areas: (i) Cognitive development; (ii) physical development, including vision or hearing; (iii) communication development; (iv) social or emotional development; or (v) adaptive skills; or

   (B) Diagnosed as having a physical or mental condition that has a high probability of resulting in developmental delay.

(5) "Evaluation" means a multidisciplinary professional, objective assessment conducted by appropriately qualified personnel in order to determine a child's eligibility for early intervention services.

(6) "Individualized family service plan" means a written plan for providing early intervention services to an eligible child and the child's family.
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(7) "Lead agency" means the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education, the public agency responsible for the administration of the birth-to-three system in collaboration with the participating agencies.

(8) "Parent" means (A) a biological, adoptive or foster parent of a child; (B) a guardian, except for the Commissioner of Children and Families; (C) an individual acting in the place of a biological or adoptive parent, including, but not limited to, a grandparent, stepparent, or other relative with whom the child lives; (D) an individual who is legally responsible for the child's welfare; or (E) an individual appointed to be a surrogate parent.

(9) "Participating agencies" includes, but is not limited to, the Departments of Education, Social Services, Public Health, Children and Families and Developmental Services, [the Office of Early Childhood,] the Insurance Department and the Department of Rehabilitation Services.

(10) "Qualified personnel" means persons who meet the standards specified in 34 CFR Part 303.31, as from time to time amended, and who are licensed physicians or psychologists or persons holding a state-approved or recognized license, certificate or registration in one or more of the following fields: (A) Special education, including teaching of the blind and the deaf; (B) speech and language pathology and audiology; (C) occupational therapy; (D) physical therapy; (E) social work; (F) nursing; (G) dietary or nutritional counseling; and (H) other fields designated by the commissioner that meet requirements that apply to the area in which the person is providing early intervention services, provided there is no conflict with existing professional licensing, certification and registration requirements.

(11) "Service coordinator" means a person carrying out service coordination services, as defined in 34 CFR Part 303.34, as from time to
time amended.

(12) "Primary care provider" means physicians and advanced practice registered nurses, licensed by the Department of Public Health, who are responsible for performing or directly supervising the primary care services for children enrolled in the birth-to-three program.

Sec. 863. Subsection (e) of section 17a-248b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(e) The council shall: (1) Assist the lead agency in the effective performance of the lead agency's responsibilities under section 17a-248, this section and sections 17a-248c to 17a-248g, inclusive, 38a-490a and 38a-516a, including identifying the sources of fiscal support for early intervention services and programs, assignment of financial responsibility to the appropriate agency, promotion of interagency agreements and preparing applications and amendments required pursuant to federal law; (2) advise and assist the commissioner and other participating agencies in the development of standards and procedures pursuant to said sections; (3) advise and assist the commissioner [and the Commissioner of Education] regarding the transition of children with disabilities to services provided under sections 10-76a to 10-76h, inclusive; (4) advise and assist the commissioner in identifying barriers that impede timely and effective service delivery, including advice and assistance with regard to interagency disputes; and (5) prepare and submit an annual report in accordance with section 11-4a to the Governor and the General Assembly on the status of the birth-to-three system. At least thirty days prior to the commissioner's final approval of rules and regulations pursuant to section 17a-248, this section, sections 17a-248c to 17a-248g, inclusive, 38a-490a and 38a-516a, other than emergency rules and regulations, the commissioner shall submit proposed rules
and regulations to the council for its review. The council shall review all proposed rules and regulations and report its recommendations thereon to the commissioner within thirty days. The commissioner shall not act in a manner inconsistent with the recommendations of the council without first providing the reasons for such action. The council, upon a majority vote of its members, may require that an alternative approach to the proposed rules and regulations be published with a notice of the proposed rules and regulations pursuant to chapter 54. When an alternative approach is published pursuant to this section, the commissioner shall state the reasons for not selecting such alternative approach.

Sec. 864. Section 17a-248h of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The birth-to-three program, established under section 17a-248b and administered by the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education, shall provide mental health services to any child eligible for early intervention services pursuant to Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 USC 1431 et seq., as amended from time to time. Any child not eligible for services under said act shall be referred by the program to a licensed mental health care provider for evaluation and treatment, as needed.

Sec. 865. Section 17a-248i of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) [Not later than October 1, 2015, the Commissioner of Early Childhood] The Commissioner of Education shall require, as part of the birth-to-three program established under section 17a-248b, that the parent or guardian of a child who is (1) receiving services under the birth-to-three program, and (2) exhibiting delayed speech, language or hearing development, be notified of the availability of hearing testing for such child. Such notification may include, but need not be limited
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to, information regarding (A) the benefits of hearing testing for children, (B) the resources available to the parent or guardian for hearing testing and treatment, and (C) any financial assistance that may be available for such testing.

(b) The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education may adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, to implement the provisions of subsection (a) of this section.

Sec. 866. Section 17b-7a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of Social Services shall develop a state-wide fraud early detection system. The purpose of such system shall be to identify, investigate and determine if an application for assistance under (1) programs administered by the department, including, but not limited to, (A) the temporary family assistance program, (B) the supplemental nutrition assistance program, (C) the child care subsidy program, or (D) the Medicaid program pursuant to Title XIX of the Social Security Act, and (2) the child care subsidy program administered by the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education, pursuant to section 17b-749, is fraudulent prior to granting assistance. The Commissioner of Social Services shall consult with the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education regarding the development of such state-wide fraud early detection system for such child care subsidy program. The Commissioner of Social Services shall adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, for the purpose of developing and implementing said system. The Commissioner of Social Services shall submit quarterly reports concerning savings realized through the implementation of the state-wide fraud early detection system to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to human services and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies.
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Sec. 867. Section 17b-12 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education may accept and receive, on behalf of the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education, any bequest or gift of personal property for services for a person who is, or members of whose immediate family are, receiving assistance or services from the [office] Department of Education or for services for a former recipient of assistance from the Department of Social Services or a potential recipient of assistance from the [office] Department of Education. Any federal funds generated by virtue of any such bequest or gift may be used for the extension of services to such person or family members.

Sec. 868. Subsection (b) of section 17b-90 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) No person shall, except for purposes directly connected with the administration of programs of the Department of Social Services and in accordance with the regulations of the commissioner, solicit, disclose, receive or make use of, or authorize, knowingly permit, participate in or acquiesce in the use of, any list of the names of, or any information concerning, persons applying for or receiving assistance from the Department of Social Services or persons participating in a program administered by said department, directly or indirectly derived from the records, papers, files or communications of the state or its subdivisions or agencies, or acquired in the course of the performance of official duties. The Commissioner of Social Services shall disclose (1) to any authorized representative of the Labor Commissioner such information directly related to unemployment compensation, administered pursuant to chapter 567 or information necessary for implementation of sections 17b-688b, 17b-688c and 17b-688h and section 122 of public act 97-2 of the June 18 special session, (2) to any
authorized representative of the Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services any information necessary for the implementation and operation of the basic needs supplement program, (3) to any authorized representative of the Commissioner of Administrative Services or the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection such information as the Commissioner of Social Services determines is directly related to and necessary for the Department of Administrative Services or the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection for purposes of performing their functions of collecting social services recoveries and overpayments or amounts due as support in social services cases, investigating social services fraud or locating absent parents of public assistance recipients, (4) to any authorized representative of the Commissioner of Children and Families necessary information concerning a child or the immediate family of a child receiving services from the Department of Social Services, including safety net services, if (A) the Commissioner of Children and Families or the Commissioner of Social Services has determined that imminent danger to such child's health, safety or welfare exists to target the services of the family services programs administered by the Department of Children and Families, or (B) the Commissioner of Children and Families requires access to the federal Parent Locator Service established pursuant to 88 Stat. 2353 (1975), 42 USC 653 in order to identify a parent or putative parent of a child, (5) to a town official or other contractor or authorized representative of the Labor Commissioner such information concerning an applicant for or a recipient of assistance under state-administered general assistance deemed necessary by the Commissioner of Social Services and the Labor Commissioner to carry out their respective responsibilities to serve such persons under the programs administered by the Labor Department that are designed to serve applicants for or recipients of state-administered general assistance, (6) to any authorized representative of the Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services for the purposes of the behavioral health managed care
program established by section 17a-453, (7) to any authorized representative of the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education to carry out his or her respective responsibilities under programs that regulate child care services or youth camps, (8) to a health insurance provider, in IV-D support cases, as defined in subdivision (13) of subsection (b) of section 46b-231, information concerning a child and the custodial parent of such child that is necessary to enroll such child in a health insurance plan available through such provider when the noncustodial parent of such child is under court order to provide health insurance coverage but is unable to provide such information, provided the Commissioner of Social Services determines, after providing prior notice of the disclosure to such custodial parent and an opportunity for such parent to object, that such disclosure is in the best interests of the child, (9) to any authorized representative of the Department of Correction, in IV-D support cases, as defined in subdivision (13) of subsection (b) of section 46b-231, information concerning noncustodial parents that is necessary to identify inmates or parolees with IV-D support cases who may benefit from Department of Correction educational, training, skill building, work or rehabilitation programming that will significantly increase an inmate's or parolee's ability to fulfill such inmate's or parolee's support obligation, (10) to any authorized representative of the Judicial Branch, in IV-D support cases, as defined in subdivision (13) of subsection (b) of section 46b-231, information concerning noncustodial parents that is necessary to: (A) Identify noncustodial parents with IV-D support cases who may benefit from educational, training, skill building, work or rehabilitation programming that will significantly increase such parent's ability to fulfill such parent's support obligation, (B) assist in the administration of the Title IV-D child support program, or (C) assist in the identification of cases involving family violence, (11) to any authorized representative of the State Treasurer, in IV-D support cases, as defined in subdivision (13) of subsection (b) of section 46b-231, information that is necessary to identify child support obligors
who owe overdue child support prior to the Treasurer's payment of such obligors' claim for any property unclaimed or presumed abandoned under part III of chapter 32, or (12) to any authorized representative of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management any information necessary for the implementation and operation of the renters rebate program established by section 12-170d. No such representative shall disclose any information obtained pursuant to this section, except as specified in this section. Any applicant for assistance provided through said department shall be notified that, if and when such applicant receives benefits, the department will be providing law enforcement officials with the address of such applicant upon the request of any such official pursuant to section 17b-16a.

Sec. 869. Subsections (c) to (e), inclusive, of section 17b-705a of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(c) [On or after July 1, 2014, and monthly thereafter, the Commissioner of Early Childhood] The Commissioner of Education shall, on a monthly basis, compile a list of the names of family child care providers who have participated in the child care subsidy program established pursuant to section 17b-749 within the previous six calendar months. Such list shall be considered a public record, as defined in section 1-200.

(d) For purposes of sections 4-65a and 5-270 and subsection (a) of section 5-278, the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education shall be considered an executive branch employer and an organization representing family child care providers that has been designated by the State Board of Labor Relations, pursuant to section 5-275 or subsection (g) of this section, as the exclusive bargaining agent of such providers, shall have the right to bargain concerning the terms and conditions of participation of family child care providers in the program covered by this section, including, but not limited to, (1) state
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reimbursement rates, (2) benefits, (3) payment procedures, (4) contract grievance arbitration, and (5) training, professional development and other requirements and opportunities appropriate for family child care providers.

(e) (1) If the organization representing family child care providers and the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education do not reach an agreement not later than one hundred fifty days after negotiations have begun, the parties shall jointly select an arbitrator. The arbitrator selected shall have experience as an impartial arbitrator of labor-management disputes, and shall not be an individual employed as an advocate or consultant for labor or management in labor-management disputes. If the parties fail to agree on an arbitrator not later than one hundred sixty days after negotiations have begun, the selection of the arbitrator shall be made using the procedures under the voluntary labor arbitration rules of the American Arbitration Association.

(2) Each party shall submit to the arbitrator, and to each other, a proposal setting forth such party's position on how each of the unresolved issues shall be resolved.

(3) The arbitrator shall convene a hearing to allow the parties to provide evidence and argument to the arbitrator. The parties shall have the right to submit written briefs to the arbitrator. The arbitration record shall be officially closed at the close of the hearing, or the arbitrator's receipt of briefs, whichever is later.

(4) The arbitrator's authority is limited to selecting the complete proposal of one party or the other on any unresolved issue. The arbitrator shall issue an award not later than forty-five days after the close of the record.

(5) The factors to be considered by the arbitrator in arriving at a
decision are: (A) The nature and needs of the family child care program and the needs and welfare of parents and children served by that program, including interests in better recruitment, retention and quality with respect to the covered family child care provider; (B) the history of negotiations between the parties including those leading to the instant proceeding; (C) the existing conditions of employment of similar groups of workers; (D) changes in the cost of living; and (E) the interests and welfare of the covered family child care providers.

(6) The costs of the arbitrator and any fees associated with the arbitration proceeding shall be shared equally by the parties.

(7) Any agreement or award reached pursuant to this section shall be submitted to the General Assembly for approval by filing the agreement or award with the clerks of the House and Senate. No provision of any agreement or award resulting from the collective bargaining process which would require supercedence of any law or regulation shall take effect without affirmative legislative approval.

(8) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, any provision in any agreement or award which would require an additional appropriation in order to maintain the levels of services provided by existing appropriations shall be presented to the General Assembly for approval in accordance with the budgetary process applicable to appropriations, including, but not limited to, affirmative legislative approval. Other provisions of the agreement or award shall be deemed approved unless affirmatively rejected by a majority of either house not later than thirty days after the filing with the clerk of that chamber, provided the thirty-day period shall not begin or expire unless the General Assembly is in regular session. Once approved by the General Assembly, any provision of an agreement or award need not be resubmitted by the parties to such agreement or award as part of a future agreement approval process unless changes in the language of such provision are negotiated by the parties.
Sec. 870. Section 17b-730 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education is authorized to take advantage of any federal statutes and regulations relating to child care services, as described in section 19a-77, and shall have the power to administer any federally assisted child care program in the event that such federal statutes or regulations require that such federally assisted program be administered by a single state agency.

(b) The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education is authorized to take advantage of Title V of Public Law 88-452, entitled "Economic Opportunity Act of 1964", with respect to providing work training, aid and assistance to persons eligible for state-administered general assistance or public assistance, and to administer the same in such manner as is required for the receipt of federal funds therefor.

Sec. 871. Section 17b-733 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education shall be the lead agency for child care services, as described in section 19a-77, in Connecticut. The [office] department shall: (1) Identify, annually, existing child care services and maintain an inventory of all available services; (2) provide technical assistance to corporations and private agencies in the development and expansion of child care services for families at all income levels, including families of their employees and clients; (3) study and identify funding sources available for child care services including federal funds and tax benefits; (4) study the cost and availability of liability insurance for providers of child care services; (5) encourage providers of child care services to obtain accreditation; (6) develop a range of financing options for child care services, including the use of a tax-exempt bond program, a loan guarantee program and the establishment of a direct revolving loan program; (7) promote the
colocation of child care services and school readiness programs pursuant to section 4b-31; (8) establish a performance-based evaluation system; (9) develop for recommendation to the Governor and the General Assembly measures to provide incentives for the private sector to develop and support expanded child care services; (10) provide, within available funds and in conjunction with the temporary family assistance program, as defined in section 17b-680, and administered by the Department of Social Services, child care services to public assistance recipients; (11) develop and implement, with the assistance of the Early Childhood Cabinet, established pursuant to section 10-16z, a coordinated and comprehensive state-wide early childhood care and education system of professional development for providers and staff of early childhood care and education programs, including child care centers, group child care homes and family child care homes that provide child care services, that makes available to such providers and their staff, within available appropriations, scholarship assistance, career counseling and training and advancement in career ladders, as defined in section 4-124bb; (12) plan and implement a unit cost reimbursement system for state-funded child care services such that, on and after January 1, 2008, any increase in reimbursement shall be based on a requirement that such centers meet the staff qualifications, as defined in subsection (b) of section 10-16p; (13) develop, within available funds, initiatives to increase compensation paid to providers of child care services for educational opportunities, including, but not limited to, (A) incentives for educational advancement paid to persons employed by child care centers receiving state or federal funds, and (B) support for the establishment and implementation by the Labor Commissioner of apprenticeship programs for child care center workers pursuant to sections 31-22m to 31-22q, inclusive, which programs shall be jointly administered by labor and management trustees; (14) evaluate the effectiveness of any initiatives developed pursuant to subdivision (13) of this section in improving staff retention rates and the quality of
education and care provided to children; and (15) report annually to the Governor and the General Assembly, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, on the status of child care services in Connecticut. Such report shall include (A) an itemization of the allocation of state and federal funds for programs providing child care services; (B) the number of children served under each program so funded; (C) the number and type of such programs, providers and support personnel; (D) state activities to encourage partnership between the public and private sectors; (E) average payments issued by the state for both part-time and full-time child care; (F) the range of family income and percentages served within each range by such programs; and (G) the age range of children served.

Sec. 872. Section 17b-737 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of Education shall establish a program, within available appropriations, to provide grants to municipalities, boards of education and child care providers to encourage the use of school facilities for the provision of child care services before and after school. In order to qualify for a grant, a municipality, board of education or child care provider shall guarantee the availability of a school site which meets the standards set on or before June 30, 2014, by the Department of Public Health and on and after July 1, 2014, by the Department of Education in regulations adopted under sections 19a-77, 19a-79, 19a-80 and 19a-82 to 19a-87a, inclusive, and shall agree to provide liability insurance coverage for the program. Grant funds shall be used by the municipality, board of education or child care provider for the maintenance and utility costs directly attributable to the use of the school facility for the provision of child care services, for related transportation costs and for the portion of the municipality, board of education or child care provider liability insurance cost and other operational costs directly attributable to the
provision of such child care services. The municipality or board of education may contract with a child care provider for the program. The Commissioner of Education may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, for purposes of this section. The commissioner may utilize available child care subsidies to implement the provisions of this section and encourage association and cooperation with the Head Start program established pursuant to section 10-16n.

Sec. 873. Section 17b-738 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education shall establish and administer a program of loans to business firms, as defined in subsection (a) of section 12-631, for the purpose of planning, site preparation, construction, renovation or acquisition of facilities, within the state, for use as licensed child care centers, family child care homes or group child care homes to be used primarily by the children of employees of such corporations and children of employees of the municipalities in which such facilities are located. Such loans shall be made in accordance with the terms and conditions as provided in regulations adopted by the commissioner, in accordance with chapter 54, shall be made for a period not to exceed five years and shall bear interest at a rate to be determined in accordance with subsection (t) of section 3-20.

Sec. 874. Subsections (a) to (h), inclusive, of section 17b-749 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education shall establish and operate a child care subsidy program to increase the availability, affordability and quality of child care services for families with a parent or caretaker who (1) is working or attending high school,
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or (2) receives cash assistance under the temporary family assistance program from the Department of Social Services and is participating in an education, training or other job preparation activity approved pursuant to subsection (b) of section 17b-688i or subsection (b) of section 17b-689d. Services available under the child care subsidy program shall include the provision of child care subsidies for children under the age of thirteen or children under the age of nineteen with special needs. The [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education shall open and maintain enrollment for the child care subsidy program and shall administer such program within the existing budgetary resources available. The [office] department shall issue a notice on the [office's] department's Internet web site any time the [office] department closes the program to new applications, changes eligibility requirements, changes program benefits or makes any other change to the program's status or terms, except the [office] department shall not be required to issue such notice when the [office] department expands program eligibility. Any change in the [office's] department's acceptance of new applications, eligibility requirements, program benefits or any other change to the program's status or terms for which the [office] department is required to give notice pursuant to this subsection, shall not be effective until thirty days after the [office] department issues such notice.

(b) The commissioner shall establish income standards for applicants and recipients at a level to include a family with gross income up to fifty per cent of the state-wide median income, except the commissioner (1) may increase the income level to up to seventy-five per cent of the state-wide median income, (2) upon the request of the Commissioner of Children and Families, may waive the income standards for adoptive families so that children adopted on or after October 1, 1999, from the Department of Children and Families are eligible for the child care subsidy program, and (3) on and after March 1, 2003, shall reduce the income eligibility level to up to fifty-five per
cent of the state-wide median income for applicants and recipients who qualify based on their loss of eligibility for temporary family assistance. The commissioner may adopt regulations in accordance with chapter 54 to establish income criteria and durational requirements for such waiver of income standards.

(c) The commissioner, in consultation with the Commissioner of Social Services, shall establish eligibility and program standards including, but not limited to: (1) A priority intake and eligibility system with preference given to serving (A) recipients of temporary family assistance who are employed or engaged in employment activities under the Department of Social Services' "Jobs First" program, (B) working families whose temporary family assistance was discontinued not more than five years prior to the date of application for the child care subsidy program, (C) teen parents, (D) low-income working families, (E) adoptive families of children who were adopted from the Department of Children and Families and who are granted a waiver of income standards under subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of this section, (F) working families who are at risk of welfare dependency, and (G) any household with a child or children participating in the Early Head Start-Child Care Partnership federal grant program for a period of up to twelve months based on Early Head Start eligibility criteria; (2) health and safety standards for child care providers not required to be licensed; (3) a reimbursement system for child care services which account for differences in the age of the child, number of children in the family, the geographic region and type of care provided by licensed and unlicensed caregivers, the cost and type of services provided by licensed and unlicensed caregivers, successful completion of fifteen hours of annual in-service training or credentialing of child care directors and administrators, and program accreditation; (4) supplemental payment for special needs of the child and extended nontraditional hours; (5) an annual rate review process for providers which assures that reimbursement rates are maintained.
at levels which permit equal access to a variety of child care settings; (6) a sliding reimbursement scale for participating families; (7) an administrative appeals process; (8) an administrative hearing process to adjudicate cases of alleged fraud and abuse and to impose sanctions and recover overpayments; (9) an extended period of program and payment eligibility when a parent who is receiving a child care subsidy experiences a temporary interruption in employment or other approved activity; and (10) a waiting list for the child care subsidy program that reflects the priority and eligibility system set forth in subdivision (1) of this subsection, which is reviewed periodically, with the inclusion of this information in the annual report required to be issued annually by the department to the Governor and the General Assembly in accordance with section 17b-733. Such action will include, but not be limited to, family income, age of child, region of state and length of time on such waiting list.

(d) [Not later than July 1, 2015, an] An applicant determined to be eligible for program benefits by the Commissioner of Early Childhood Education shall remain eligible for such benefits for a period prescribed by federal law.

(e) Within available appropriations, a recipient of program benefits who takes unpaid leave from such recipient's employment due to the birth or impending birth of a child shall be granted not more than six weeks of payment eligibility during the leave if: (1) The recipient intends to return to work at the end of the unpaid leave; (2) the recipient verifies that eligibility is needed to prevent the loss of a slot in a school-based program or licensed child care setting; and (3) the child receiving child care services under the program continues to attend the program during the recipient's leave.

(f) A provider under the child care subsidy program that qualifies for eligibility and subsequently receives payment for child care services for recipients under this section shall be reimbursed for such
services until informed by the [office] department of the recipient's ineligibility.

(g) All licensed child care providers and those providers exempt from licensing shall provide the [office] department with the following information in order to maintain eligibility for reimbursement: (1) The name, address, appropriate identification, Social Security number and telephone number of the provider and all adults who work for or reside at the location where care is provided; (2) the name and address of the child's doctor, primary care provider and health insurance company; (3) whether the child is immunized and has had health screens pursuant to the federal Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment Services Program under 42 USC 1396d; and (4) the number of children cared for by the provider.

(h) [On or after July 1, 2014, the] The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to implement the provisions of this section.

Sec. 875. Subsection (a) of section 17b-749a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education shall establish, within available appropriations, a program to (1) purchase directly or provide subsidies to parents to purchase child care services provided by any elementary or secondary school, nursery school, preschool, child care center, as described in section 19a-77, group child care home, as described in section 19a-77, family child care home, as described in section 19a-77, family resource center, Head Start program, or local or regional board of education, provided, if the commissioner purchases such services directly, [he or she] the commissioner shall give preference to purchasing from providers of full-day and year-round programs; and (2) award grants to providers
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of school readiness programs, as defined in section 10-16p, to increase the hours of operation of their programs in order to provide child care for children attending such programs. The commissioner, for purposes of subdivision (1) of this subsection, may model the program on the program established pursuant to section 17b-749.

Sec. 876. Subsection (a) of section 17b-749c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education shall establish a program, within available appropriations, to provide, on a competitive basis, supplemental quality enhancement grants to child care centers or school readiness programs pursuant to section 10-16p and section 10-16u. Child care centers and school readiness programs may apply for a supplemental quality enhancement grant at such time and on such form as the commissioner prescribes. [Effective July 1, 2014, the] The commissioner shall make funds payable to child care centers and school readiness programs under such grants on a prospective basis.

Sec. 877. Section 17b-749d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Each licensed child care center receiving funding directly from the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education shall adopt a sliding fee scale based on family income. The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education shall develop a minimum sliding fee scale which may be adjusted upward by each such licensed child care center. All income derived from such fees shall be used to support the licensed child care center.

Sec. 878. Section 17b-749e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):
The [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education shall establish and fund five regional accreditation projects, within available appropriations. The [office] department shall select qualified applicants for each region through a request for proposal process. The [office] department shall give priority to child day care facilities where at least twenty per cent of the children live with families earning less than seventy-five per cent of the state median income level.

Sec. 879. Section 17b-749f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education shall develop and implement a performance-based evaluation system to evaluate licensed child care centers, within available appropriations. Such a performance-based evaluation system shall be similar to the Head Start Performance Standards in 45 CFR 1304.

(b) The commissioner shall conduct, within available appropriations, a longitudinal study that examines the developmental progress of children and their families both during and following participation in a child care program.

(c) The commissioner shall report to the General Assembly, in accordance with section 11-4a, on or before January 1, [2015] 2018, [on the implementation of the performance-based evaluation system and on the longitudinal study,] and annually thereafter, on the cumulative results of the evaluations.

Sec. 880. Subsection (a) of section 17b-749g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There is established a child care facilities loan guarantee program for the purpose of guaranteeing loans for the expansion or development of child care and child development centers in the state.
The program shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the program, including, but not limited to, any moneys appropriated by the state, premiums and fees for guaranteeing loans, and proceeds from the sale, disposition, lease or rental of collateral relating to loan guarantees. Any balance remaining in the program at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in the program for the fiscal year next succeeding. The program shall be used to guarantee loans pursuant to subsection (b) of this section and to pay reasonable and necessary expenses incurred for administration under this section. The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education may enter into a contract with a quasi-public agency, banking institution or nonprofit corporation to provide for the administration of the program, provided no loan guarantee shall be made from the program without the authorization of the commissioner as provided in subsection (b) of this section. The total aggregate amount of guarantees from the program, with respect to the insured portions of the loan, may not exceed at any one time an amount equal to three times the balance in the guarantee program.

Sec. 881. Subsections (a) to (d), inclusive, of section 17b-749h of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There is established a program to be known as the "child care facilities direct revolving loan program". The program shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the program, including, but not limited to, any moneys appropriated by the state, premiums, fees, interest payments and principal payments on direct loans and proceeds from the sale, disposition, lease or rental of collateral relating to direct loans. Any balance remaining in the program at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in the program for the next succeeding fiscal year. The program shall be used to make loans pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, to make loan
guarantees and to pay reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in administering loans and loan guarantees under this section. The Commissioner of Early Childhood Education may enter into a contract with a quasi-public agency, banking institution or nonprofit corporation to provide for the administration of the loan program, provided no loan or loan guarantee shall be made from the fund without the authorization of the commissioner as provided in subsection (b) of this section.

(b) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the commissioner, may enter into a contract to provide financial assistance in the form of interest-free loans, deferred loans or guaranteed loans to child care providers or to nonprofit developers of a child care facility operating under a legally enforceable agreement with a child care provider, for costs or expenses incurred and directly connected with the expansion, improvement or development of child care facilities. Such costs and expenses may include: (1) Advances of loan proceeds for direct loans; (2) expenses incurred in project planning and design, including architectural expenses; (3) legal and financial expenses; (4) expenses incurred in obtaining required permits and approvals; (5) options to purchase land; (6) expenses incurred in obtaining required insurance; (7) expenses incurred in meeting state and local child care standards; (8) minor renovations and upgrading child care facilities to meet such standards and loans for the purpose of obtaining licensure under section 19a-77; (9) purchase and installation of equipment, machinery and furniture, including equipment needed to accommodate children with special needs; and (10) other preliminary expenses authorized by the commissioner. Loan proceeds shall not be used for the refinancing of existing loans, working capital, supplies or inventory.

(c) The amount of a direct loan under this section may be up to eighty per cent of the total amount of investment but shall not exceed twenty-five thousand dollars for such facility as determined by the
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commissioner except if an applicant for a loan under this section has an existing loan that is guaranteed by the child care facilities loan guarantee program, established under section 17b-749g, the direct loan provided under this section shall not exceed twenty per cent of the investment. The amount of any guarantee and a direct loan under this section shall not exceed eighty per cent.

(d) Each provider applying for a loan under this section shall submit an application, on a form provided by the commissioner that shall include, but is not limited to, the following information: (1) A detailed description of the proposed or existing child care facility; (2) an itemization of known and estimated costs; (3) the total amount of investment required to expand or develop the child care facility; (4) the funds available to the applicant without financial assistance from the department; (5) the amount of financial assistance sought from the department; (6) information relating to the financial status of the applicant, including, if available, a current balance sheet, a profit and loss statement and credit references; and (7) evidence that the loan applicant shall, as of the loan closing, own, have an option to purchase or have a lease for the term of the loan. Security for the loan may include an assignment of the lease or other subordination of any mortgage and the borrower shall be in default if the loan is not used for the intended purpose.

Sec. 882. Section 17b-749i of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Within appropriations available to the State Treasurer for child care facilities, not already allocated toward debt service for specific child care facilities, the Commissioner of Early Childhood Education may, upon submission of a request by a facility operating a child care program that is financed with tax-exempt or taxable bonds issued through the Connecticut Health and Educational Facilities Authority, allow actual debt service, comprised of principal, interest and
premium, if any, on the loan or loans, a debt service reserve fund and a reasonable repair and replacement reserve to be paid, provided such debt service terms and amounts are determined by the commissioner, at the time the loan is entered into, to be reasonable in relation to the useful life and base value of the property.

Sec. 883. Section 17b-749j of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education shall establish health and safety standards, within available appropriations, for the child care subsidy program. The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, which shall include, but not be limited to, the following: (1) A requirement for the provider or relative to apply for reimbursement from the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education; (2) a requirement for the provider or relative to provide reasonable confirmation of physical premises safety pursuant to 45 CFR Part 98.41; and (3) minimum health and safety training appropriate to the provider setting and the prevention and control of infectious diseases, including immunization. The commissioner shall, within available appropriations, distribute information on the availability of health and safety training and assistance.

Sec. 884. Subsection (a) of section 17b-749k of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education shall, within available appropriations, require any person, other than a relative, providing child care services to a child in the child's home who receives a child care subsidy from the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education to submit to state and national criminal history records checks. The criminal history records checks required
pursuant to this subsection shall be conducted in accordance with section 29-17a. The commissioner shall also request a check of the state child abuse registry established pursuant to section 17a-101k.

Sec. 885. Section 17b-750 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

No child care subsidy shall be paid to an unlicensed child care provider if such provider has been convicted of any crime involving sexual assault of a minor or serious physical injury to a minor or any crime committed in any other state or jurisdiction the essential elements of which are substantially the same as such crimes. If the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education has reason to believe that a provider of child care services has been so convicted, the commissioner may demand that such provider be subject to state and national criminal history records checks. If criminal history records checks are required pursuant to this section, such checks shall be conducted in accordance with section 29-17a.

Sec. 886. Subsection (a) of section 17b-751b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education shall establish the structure for a state-wide system for a Nurturing Families Network, which demonstrates the benefits of preventive services by significantly reducing the abuse and neglect of infants and by enhancing parent-child relationships through hospital-based assessment with home outreach follow-up on infants and their families within families identified as high risk.

Sec. 887. Section 17b-751d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education shall be
the lead state agency for community-based, prevention-focused programs and activities designed to strengthen and support families to prevent child abuse and neglect. The responsibilities of the [office] department shall include, but not be limited to, collaborating with state agencies, hospitals, clinics, schools and community service organizations, to: (1) Initiate programs to support families at risk for child abuse or neglect; (2) assist organizations to recognize child abuse and neglect; (3) encourage community safety; (4) increase broad-based efforts to prevent child abuse and neglect; (5) create a network of agencies to advance child abuse and neglect prevention; and (6) increase public awareness of child abuse and neglect issues. The [office] department, subject to available state, federal and private funding, shall be responsible for implementing and maintaining programs and services, including, but not limited to: (A) The Nurturing Families Network, established pursuant to subsection (a) of section 17b-751b; (B) Family Empowerment Initiative programs; (C) Help Me Grow; (D) Family School Connection; (E) support services for residents of a respite group home for girls; (F) volunteer services; (G) family development training; (H) shaken baby syndrome prevention; and (I) child sexual abuse prevention.

Sec. 888. Subsections (c) to (e), inclusive, of section 19a-77 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(c) Any entity or organization that provides services or a program described in subsection (b) of this section shall inform the parents and legal guardians of any children receiving such services or enrolled in such programs that such entity or organization is not licensed by the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education to provide such services or offer such program.

(d) No registrant or licensee of any child care services as defined in subsection (a) of this section shall be issued an additional registration
or license to provide any such services at the same facility.

(e) When a licensee has vacated premises approved by the [office] department for the provision of child care services and the landlord of such licensee establishes to the satisfaction of the [office] department that such licensee has no legal right or interest to such approved premises, the [office] department may make a determination with respect to an application for a new license for the provision of child care services at such premises.

Sec. 889. Subsection (a) of section 19a-79 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to carry out the purposes of sections 19a-77 to 19a-80, inclusive, and 19a-82 to 19a-87, inclusive, and to assure that child care centers and group child care homes shall meet the health, educational and social needs of children utilizing such child care centers and group child care homes. Such regulations shall (1) specify that before being permitted to attend any child care center or group child care home, each child shall be protected as age-appropriate by adequate immunization against diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus, poliomyelitis, measles, mumps, rubella, hemophilus influenzae type B and any other vaccine required by the schedule of active immunization adopted pursuant to section 19a-7f, including appropriate exemptions for children for whom such immunization is medically contraindicated and for children whose parents or guardian objects to such immunization on religious grounds, and that any objection by parents or a guardian to immunization of a child on religious grounds shall be accompanied by a statement from such parents or guardian that such immunization would be contrary to the religious beliefs of such child or the parents or guardian of such child, which statement shall be acknowledged, in
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accordance with the provisions of sections 1-32, 1-34 and 1-35, by (A) a judge of a court of record or a family support magistrate, (B) a clerk or deputy clerk of a court having a seal, (C) a town clerk, (D) a notary public, (E) a justice of the peace, or (F) an attorney admitted to the bar of this state, (2) specify conditions under which child care center directors and teachers and group child care home providers may administer tests to monitor glucose levels in a child with diagnosed diabetes mellitus, and administer medicinal preparations, including controlled drugs specified in the regulations by the commissioner, to a child receiving child care services at such child care center or group child care home pursuant to the written order of a physician licensed to practice medicine or a dentist licensed to practice dental medicine in this or another state, or an advanced practice registered nurse licensed to prescribe in accordance with section 20-94a, or a physician assistant licensed to prescribe in accordance with section 20-12d, and the written authorization of a parent or guardian of such child, (3) specify that an operator of a child care center or group child care home, licensed before January 1, 1986, or an operator who receives a license after January 1, 1986, for a facility licensed prior to January 1, 1986, shall provide a minimum of thirty square feet per child of total indoor usable space, free of furniture except that needed for the children's purposes, exclusive of toilet rooms, bathrooms, coatrooms, kitchens, halls, isolation room or other rooms used for purposes other than the activities of the children, (4) specify that a child care center or group child care home licensed after January 1, 1986, shall provide thirty-five square feet per child of total indoor usable space, (5) establish appropriate child care center staffing requirements for employees certified in cardiopulmonary resuscitation by the American Red Cross, the American Heart Association, the National Safety Council, American Safety and Health Institute or Medic First Aid International, Inc., (6) specify that on and after January 1, 2003, a child care center or group child care home (A) shall not deny services to a child on the basis of a child's known or suspected allergy or because a child has a
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prescription for an automatic prefilled cartridge injector or similar automatic injectable equipment used to treat an allergic reaction, or for injectable equipment used to administer glucagon, (B) shall, not later than three weeks after such child's enrollment in such a center or home, have staff trained in the use of such equipment on-site during all hours when such a child is on-site, (C) shall require such child's parent or guardian to provide the injector or injectable equipment and a copy of the prescription for such medication and injector or injectable equipment upon enrollment of such child, and (D) shall require a parent or guardian enrolling such a child to replace such medication and equipment prior to its expiration date, (7) specify that on and after January 1, 2005, a child care center or group child care home (A) shall not deny services to a child on the basis of a child's diagnosis of asthma or because a child has a prescription for an inhalant medication to treat asthma, and (B) shall, not later than three weeks after such child's enrollment in such a center or home, have staff trained in the administration of such medication on-site during all hours when such a child is on-site, and (8) establish physical plant requirements for licensed child care centers and licensed group child care homes that exclusively serve school-age children. When establishing such requirements, the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education shall give consideration to child care centers and group child care homes that are located in private or public school buildings. With respect to this subdivision only, the commissioner shall implement policies and procedures necessary to implement the physical plant requirements established pursuant to this subdivision while in the process of adopting such policies and procedures in regulation form. Until replaced by policies and procedures implemented pursuant to this subdivision, any physical plant requirement specified in the [office's] department's regulations that is generally applicable to child care centers and group child care homes shall continue to be applicable to such centers and homes that exclusively serve school-age children. The commissioner shall print
notice of the intent to adopt regulations pursuant to this subdivision in the Connecticut Law Journal not later than twenty days after the date of implementation of such policies and procedures. Policies and procedures implemented pursuant to this subdivision shall be valid until the time final regulations are adopted.

Sec. 890. Subsections (a) to (c), inclusive, of section 19a-80 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) No person, group of persons, association, organization, corporation, institution or agency, public or private, shall maintain a child care center or group child care home without a license issued in accordance with sections 19a-77 to 19a-80, inclusive, and 19a-82 to 19a-87a, inclusive. Applications for such license shall be made to the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education on forms provided by the commissioner and shall contain the information required by regulations adopted under said sections. The forms shall contain a notice that false statements made therein are punishable in accordance with section 53a-157b.

(b) (1) Upon receipt of an application for a license, the commissioner shall issue such license if, upon inspection and investigation, said commissioner finds that the applicant, the facilities and the program meet the health, educational and social needs of children likely to attend the child care center or group child care home and comply with requirements established by regulations adopted under this section and sections 19a-77 to 19a-79a, inclusive, and sections 19a-82 to 19a-87a, inclusive. The commissioner shall offer an expedited application review process for an application submitted by a municipal agency or department. A currently licensed person or entity, as described in subsection (a) of this section, seeking a change of operator, ownership or location shall file a new license application, except such person or entity may request the commissioner to waive the requirement that a
new license application be filed if such person or entity submits such request prior to the change of operator, ownership or location. The commissioner may grant or deny such request. Each license shall be for a term of four years, shall be nontransferable, and may be renewed upon receipt by the commissioner of a renewal application and accompanying licensure fee. The commissioner may suspend or revoke such license after notice and an opportunity for a hearing as provided in section 19a-84 for violation of the regulations adopted under this section and sections 19a-77 to 19a-79a, inclusive, and sections 19a-82 to 19a-87a, inclusive. In the case of an application for renewal of a license that has expired, the commissioner may renew such expired license within thirty days of the date of such expiration upon receipt of a renewal application and accompanying licensure fee.

(2) The commissioner shall collect from the licensee of a child care center a fee of five hundred dollars prior to issuing or renewing a license for a term of four years. The commissioner shall collect from the licensee of a group child care home a fee of two hundred fifty dollars prior to issuing or renewing a license for a term of four years. The commissioner shall require only one license for a child care center operated in two or more buildings, provided the same licensee provides child care services in each building and the buildings are joined together by a contiguous playground that is part of the licensed space.

(3) The commissioner, or the commissioner's designee, shall make an unannounced visit, inspection or investigation of each licensed child care center and group child care home at least once each year. At least once every two years, the local health director, or the local health director's designee, shall make an inspection of each licensed child care center and group child care home.

(c) The commissioner, within available appropriations, shall require each prospective employee of a child care center or group child care
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home in a position requiring the provision of care to a child to submit to state and national criminal history records checks. The criminal history records checks required pursuant to this subsection shall be conducted in accordance with section 29-17a. The commissioner shall also request a check of the state child abuse registry established pursuant to section 17a-101k. The Department of Social Services may agree to transfer funds appropriated for criminal history records checks to the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education. The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education shall notify each licensee of the provisions of this subsection.

Sec. 891. Subsections (b) to (g), inclusive, of section 19a-80f of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the Commissioner of Children and Families, or the commissioner's designee, shall provide to the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education all records concerning reports and investigations of child abuse or neglect that have been reported to, or are being investigated by, the Department of Children and Families pursuant to section 17a-101g, including records of any administrative hearing held pursuant to section 17a-101k: (1) Occurring at any facility, and (2) by any staff member or licensee of any facility and by any household member of any family child care home, as defined in section 19a-77, irrespective of where the abuse or neglect occurred.

(c) The Department of Children and Families and the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education shall jointly investigate reports of abuse or neglect occurring at any facility. All information, records and reports concerning such investigation shall be shared between agencies as part of the investigative process.

(d) The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education shall compile
a listing of allegations of violations that have been substantiated by the Department of Education concerning a facility during the prior three-year period. The commissioner shall disclose information contained in the listing to any person who requests it, provided the information may be disclosed pursuant to sections 17a-101g and 17a-101k and does not identify children or family members of those children.

(e) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, when the Commissioner of Children and Families has made a finding substantiating abuse or neglect: (1) That occurred at a facility, or (2) by any staff member or licensee of any facility, or by any household member of any family child care home and such finding is included on the state child abuse or neglect registry, maintained by the Department of Children and Families pursuant to section 17a-101k, such finding may be included in the listing compiled by the Department of Education pursuant to subsection (d) of this section and may be disclosed to the public by the Department of Education.

(f) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, when the Commissioner of Children and Families, pursuant to section 17a-101j, has notified the Department of Education of a recommended finding of child abuse or neglect at a facility and if such child abuse or neglect resulted in or involves (1) the death of a child; (2) the risk of serious physical injury or emotional harm of a child; (3) the serious physical harm of a child; (4) the arrest of a person due to abuse or neglect of a child; (5) a petition filed by the Commissioner of Children and Families pursuant to section 17a-112 or 46b-129; or (6) sexual abuse of a child, the Commissioner of Education may include such finding of child abuse or neglect in the listing under subsection (d) of this section and may disclose such finding to the public. The Commissioner of Children and
Families, or the commissioner's designee, shall immediately notify the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education when such child abuse or neglect is not substantiated after an investigation has been completed pursuant to subsection (b) of section 17a-101g or a recommended finding of child abuse or neglect is reversed after a hearing or appeal conducted in accordance with the provisions of section 17a-101k. The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education shall immediately remove such information from the listing and shall not further disclose any such information to the public.

(g) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, all records provided by the Commissioner of Children and Families, or the commissioner's designee, to the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education regarding child abuse or neglect occurring at any facility, may be utilized in an administrative proceeding or court proceeding relative to facility licensing. In any such proceeding, such records shall be confidential, except as provided under section 4-177c, and such records shall not be subject to disclosure pursuant to section 1-210.

Sec. 892. Section 19a-82 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education shall utilize consultative services and assistance from the Departments of [Education,] Mental Health and Addiction Services and Social Services and from municipal building, fire and health departments. The commissioner shall make periodic inspections of licensed child care centers, group child care homes and family child care homes and shall provide technical assistance to licensees and applicants for licenses to assist them to attain and maintain the standards established in regulations adopted under this section and sections 19a-77 to 19a-80, inclusive, 19a-84 to 19a-87, inclusive, and section 19a-87b.
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Sec. 893. Subsection (a) of section 19a-84 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) When the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education has reason to believe any person licensed under sections 19a-77 to 19a-80, inclusive, and sections 19a-82 to 19a-87, inclusive, has failed substantially to comply with the regulations adopted under said sections, the commissioner may notify the licensee in writing of the commissioner's intention to suspend or revoke the license or to impose a licensure action. Such notice shall be served by certified mail stating the particular reasons for the proposed action. The licensee may, if aggrieved by such intended action, make application for a hearing in writing over the licensee's signature to the commissioner. The licensee shall state in the application in plain language the reasons why the licensee claims to be aggrieved. The application shall be delivered to the commissioner not later than thirty days after the licensee's receipt of notification of the intended action. The commissioner shall thereupon hold a hearing or cause a hearing to be held not later than sixty days after receipt of such application and shall, at least ten days prior to the date of such hearing, mail a notice, giving the time and place of the hearing, to the licensee. The hearing may be conducted by the commissioner or by a hearing officer appointed by the commissioner in writing. The licensee and the commissioner or hearing officer may issue subpoenas requiring the attendance of witnesses. The licensee shall be entitled to be represented by counsel and a transcript of the hearing shall be made. If the hearing is conducted by a hearing officer, the hearing officer shall state the hearing officer's findings and make a recommendation to the commissioner on the issue of revocation or suspension or the intended licensure action. The commissioner, based upon the findings and recommendation of the hearing officer, or after a hearing conducted by the commissioner, shall render the commissioner's decision in writing.
suspending, revoking or continuing the license or regarding the intended licensure action. A copy of the decision shall be sent by certified mail to the licensee. The decision revoking or suspending the license or a decision imposing a licensure action shall become effective thirty days after it is mailed by registered or certified mail to the licensee. A licensee aggrieved by the decision of the commissioner may appeal as provided in section 19a-85. Any licensee whose license has been revoked pursuant to this subsection shall be ineligible to apply for a license for a period of one year from the effective date of revocation.

Sec. 894. Section 19a-85 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Any person aggrieved by a decision of the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education rendered under section 19a-82 or 19a-84 may appeal the decision of the commissioner in accordance with section 4-183, except venue for such appeal shall be in the judicial district of New Britain. Such appeal shall have precedence in the order of trial as provided in section 52-192.

Sec. 895. Section 19a-86 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education may request the Attorney General to bring an action in the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford to enjoin any person, group of persons, association, organization, corporation, institution, or agency, public or private, from maintaining a child care center or group child care home without a license or operating a child care center or group child care home in violation of regulations adopted under sections 19a-77 to 19a-80, inclusive, and 19a-82 to 19a-87, inclusive.

Sec. 896. Section 19a-86a of the general statutes is repealed and the
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following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education may resolve any disciplinary action against a licensee pursuant to sections 19a-84 and 19a-87e by accepting the voluntary surrender of the license of such licensee.

Sec. 897. Section 19a-86b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Any person or entity who is the subject of an investigation or disciplinary action pursuant to section 19a-80f, 19a-84, 19a-87a, 19a-87e, 19a-423 or 19a-429 while holding a license issued by the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education or having held such a license within eighteen months of the commencement of such investigation or disciplinary action, shall be considered to hold a valid license for purposes of such investigation or disciplinary action.

Sec. 898. Subsection (b) of section 19a-87 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) If the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education has reason to believe that a violation has occurred for which a civil penalty is authorized by subsection (a) of this section, he or she may send to such person or officer by certified mail, return receipt requested, or personally serve upon such person or officer, a notice which shall include: (1) A reference to the section or sections of the general statutes or regulations involved; (2) a short and plain statement of the matters asserted or charged; (3) a statement of the maximum civil penalty which may be imposed for such violation; and (4) a statement of the party’s right to request a hearing, such request to be submitted in writing to the commissioner not later than thirty days after the notice is mailed or served.
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Sec. 899. Section 19a-87a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education shall have the discretion to refuse to license under sections 19a-77 to 19a-80, inclusive, and 19a-82 to 19a-87, inclusive, a person to conduct, operate or maintain a child care center or a group child care home, as described in section 19a-77, or to suspend or revoke the license or take any other action set forth in regulation that may be adopted pursuant to section 19a-79 if, the person who owns, conducts, maintains or operates such center or home or a person employed therein in a position connected with the provision of care to a child receiving child care services, has been convicted in this state or any other state of a felony as defined in section 53a-25 involving the use, attempted use or threatened use of physical force against another person, of cruelty to persons under section 53-20, injury or risk of injury to or impairing morals of children under section 53-21, abandonment of children under the age of six years under section 53-23, or any felony where the victim of the felony is a child under eighteen years of age, or of a violation of section 53a-70, 53a-70a, 53a-70b, 53a-71, 53a-72a, 53a-72b or 53a-73a, or has a criminal record in this state or any other state that the commissioner reasonably believes renders the person unsuitable to own, conduct, operate or maintain or be employed by a child care center or group child care home. However, no refusal of a license shall be rendered except in accordance with the provisions of sections 46a-79 to 46a-81, inclusive.

(b) Any person who is licensed to conduct, operate or maintain a child care center or group child care home shall notify the commissioner of any criminal conviction of the owner, conductor, operator or maintainer of the center or home or of any person employed therein in a position connected with the provision of care to a child receiving child care services, immediately upon obtaining...
knowledge of the conviction. Failure to comply with the notification requirement may result in the suspension or revocation of the license or the imposition of any action set forth in regulation, and shall subject the licensed person to a civil penalty of not more than one hundred dollars per day for each day after the person obtained knowledge of the conviction.

(c) It shall be a class A misdemeanor for any person seeking employment in a position connected with the provision of care to a child receiving child care services to make a false written statement regarding prior criminal convictions pursuant to a form bearing notice to the effect that such false statements are punishable, which statement he does not believe to be true and is intended to mislead the prospective employer.

(d) Any person having reasonable cause to believe that a child care center or a group child care home is operating without a current and valid license or in violation of regulations adopted under section 19a-79 or in a manner which may pose a potential danger to the health, welfare and safety of a child receiving child care services, may report such information to the Office of Early Childhood Department of Education. The department shall investigate any report or complaint received pursuant to this subsection. The name of the person making the report or complaint shall not be disclosed unless (1) such person consents to such disclosure, (2) a judicial or administrative proceeding results therefrom, or (3) a license action pursuant to subsection (a) of this section results therefrom. All records obtained by the department in connection with any such investigation shall not be subject to the provisions of section 1-210 for a period of thirty days from the date of the petition or other event initiating such investigation, or until such time as the investigation is terminated pursuant to a withdrawal or other informal disposition or until a hearing is convened pursuant to chapter 54, whichever is earlier.
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formal statement of charges issued by the [office] department shall be subject to the provisions of section 1-210 from the time that it is served or mailed to the respondent. Records which are otherwise public records shall not be deemed confidential merely because they have been obtained in connection with an investigation under this section.

(e) In addition to any powers the [office] department may have, in any investigation (1) concerning an application, reinstatement or renewal of a license for a child care center, a group child care home or a family child care home, as such terms are defined in section 19a-77, (2) of a complaint concerning child care services, as described in section 19a-77, or (3) concerning the possible provision of unlicensed child care services, the [office] department may administer oaths, issue subpoenas, compel testimony and order the production of books, records and documents. If any person refuses to appear, testify or produce any book, record or document when so ordered, a judge of the Superior Court may make such order as may be appropriate to aid in the enforcement of this section.

Sec. 900. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 19a-87b of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) No person, group of persons, association, organization, corporation, institution or agency, public or private, shall maintain a family child care home, as defined in section 19a-77, without a license issued by the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education. Licensure forms shall be obtained from the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education. Applications for licensure shall be made to the commissioner on forms provided by the [office] department and shall contain the information required by regulations adopted under this section. The licensure and application forms shall contain a notice that false statements made therein are punishable in accordance with section 53a-157b. Applicants shall state, in writing, that they are in
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compliance with the regulations adopted by the commissioner pursuant to subsection (f) of this section. Before a family child care home license is granted, the [office] department shall make an inquiry and investigation which shall include a visit and inspection of the premises for which the license is requested. Any inspection conducted by the [office] department shall include an inspection for evident sources of lead poisoning. The [office] department shall provide for a chemical analysis of any paint chips found on such premises. Neither the commissioner nor the commissioner's designee shall require an annual inspection for homes seeking license renewal or for licensed homes, except that the commissioner or the commissioner's designee shall make an unannounced visit, inspection or investigation of each licensed family child care home at least once every year. A licensed family child care home shall not be subject to any conditions on the operation of such home by local officials, other than those imposed by the [office] department pursuant to this subsection, if the home complies with all local codes and ordinances applicable to single and multifamily dwellings.

(b) No person shall act as an assistant or substitute staff member to a person or entity maintaining a family child care home, as defined in section 19a-77, without an approval issued by the commissioner. Any person seeking to act as an assistant or substitute staff member in a family child care home shall submit an application for such approval to the [office] department. Applications for approval shall: (1) Be made to the commissioner on forms provided by the [office] department, (2) contain the information required by regulations adopted under this section, and (3) be accompanied by a fee of fifteen dollars. The approval application forms shall contain a notice that false statements made in such form are punishable in accordance with section 53a-157b.

Sec. 901. Subsection (b) of section 19a-87c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
(b) If the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education has reason to believe that a violation has occurred for which a civil penalty is authorized by subsection (a) of this section, the commissioner may send to such person or officer by certified mail, return receipt requested, or personally serve upon such person or officer, a notice which shall include: (1) A reference to the section or sections of the general statutes or regulations involved; (2) a short and plain statement of the matters asserted or charged; (3) a statement of the maximum civil penalty which may be imposed for such violation; and (4) a statement of the party's right to request a hearing. Such request shall be submitted in writing to the commissioner not later than thirty days after the notice is mailed or served.

Sec. 902. Section 19a-87d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education may request the Attorney General to bring an action, in the superior court for the judicial district in which such home is located, to enjoin any person, group of persons, association, organization, corporation, institution or agency, public or private, from maintaining a family child care home, as defined in section 19a-77, without a license or in violation of regulations adopted under section 19a-87b, and satisfactory proof of the lack of a license or the violation of the regulations without more shall entitle the commissioner to injunctive relief.

Sec. 903. Section 19a-87e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education may (1) refuse to license under section 19a-87b, a person to own, conduct, operate or maintain a family child care home, as defined in section 19a-
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77, (2) refuse to approve under section 19a-87b, a person to act as an assistant or substitute staff member in a family child care home, as defined in section 19a-77, or (3) suspend or revoke the license or approval or take any other action that may be set forth in regulation that may be adopted pursuant to section 19a-79 if the person who owns, conducts, maintains or operates the family child care home, the person who acts as an assistant or substitute staff member in a family child care home, a person employed in such family child care home in a position connected with the provision of care to a child receiving child care services or a household member, as defined in subsection (c) of section 19a-87b, who is sixteen years of age or older and resides therein, has been convicted, in this state or any other state of a felony, as defined in section 53a-25, involving the use, attempted use or threatened use of physical force against another person, or has a criminal record in this state or any other state that the commissioner reasonably believes renders the person unsuitable to own, conduct, operate or maintain or be employed by a family child care home, or act as an assistant or substitute staff member in a family child care home, or if such persons or a household member has been convicted in this state or any other state of cruelty to persons under section 53-20, injury or risk of injury to or impairing morals of children under section 53-21, abandonment of children under the age of six years under section 53-23, or any felony where the victim of the felony is a child under eighteen years of age, a violation of section 53a-70, 53a-70a, 53a-70b, 53a-71, 53a-72a, 53a-72b or 53a-73a, illegal manufacture, distribution, sale, prescription, dispensing or administration under section 21a-277 or 21a-278, or illegal possession under section 21a-279, or if such person, a person who acts as assistant or substitute staff member in a family child care home or a person employed in such family child care home in a position connected with the provision of care to a child receiving child care services, either fails to substantially comply with the regulations adopted pursuant to section 19a-87b, or conducts, operates or maintains the home in a manner which endangers the
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health, safety and welfare of the children receiving child care services. Any refusal of a license or approval pursuant to this section shall be rendered in accordance with the provisions of sections 46a-79 to 46a-81, inclusive. Any person whose license or approval has been revoked pursuant to this section shall be ineligible to apply for a license or approval for a period of one year from the effective date of revocation.

(b) When the commissioner intends to suspend or revoke a license or approval or take any other action against a license or approval set forth in regulation adopted pursuant to section 19a-79, the commissioner shall notify the licensee or approved staff member in writing of the commissioner's intended action. The licensee or approved staff member may, if aggrieved by such intended action, make application for a hearing in writing over the licensee's or approved staff member's signature to the commissioner. The licensee or approved staff member shall state in the application in plain language the reasons why the licensee or approved staff member claims to be aggrieved. The application shall be delivered to the commissioner within thirty days of the licensee's or approved staff member's receipt of notification of the intended action. The commissioner shall thereupon hold a hearing within sixty days from receipt of such application and shall, at least ten days prior to the date of such hearing, mail a notice, giving the time and place of the hearing, to the licensee or approved staff member. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to the denial of an initial application for a license or approval under section 19a-87b, provided the commissioner shall notify the applicant of any such denial and the reasons for such denial by mailing written notice to the applicant at the applicant's address shown on the license or approval application.

(c) Any person who is licensed to conduct, operate or maintain a family child care home or approved to act as an assistant or substitute staff member in a family child care home shall notify the commissioner
of any conviction of the owner, conductor, operator or maintainer of the family child care home or of any household member, as defined in subsection (c) of section 19a-87b, who is sixteen years of age or older, or any person employed in such family child care home in a position connected with the provision of care to a child receiving child care services, of a crime which affects the commissioner's discretion under subsection (a) of this section, immediately upon obtaining knowledge of such conviction. Failure to comply with the notification requirement of this subsection may result in the suspension or revocation of the license or approval or the taking of any other action against a license or approval set forth in regulation adopted pursuant to section 19a-79 and shall subject the licensee or approved staff member to a civil penalty of not more than one hundred dollars per day for each day after the person obtained knowledge of the conviction.

(d) It shall be a class A misdemeanor for any person seeking employment in a position connected with the provision of care to a child receiving family child care home services to make a false written statement regarding prior criminal convictions pursuant to a form bearing notice to the effect that such false statements are punishable, which statement such person does not believe to be true and is intended to mislead the prospective employer.

(e) Any person having reasonable cause to believe that a family child care home, as defined in section 19a-77, is operating without a current and valid license or in violation of the regulations adopted under section 19a-87b or in a manner which may pose a potential danger to the health, welfare and safety of a child receiving child care services, may report such information to the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education. The [office] department shall investigate any report or complaint received pursuant to this subsection. The name of the person making the report or complaint shall not be disclosed unless (1) such person consents to such
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disclosure, (2) a judicial or administrative proceeding results from such report or complaint, or (3) a license action pursuant to subsection (a) of this section results from such report or complaint. All records obtained by the [office] department in connection with any such investigation shall not be subject to the provisions of section 1-210 for a period of thirty days from the date of the petition or other event initiating such investigation, or until such time as the investigation is terminated pursuant to a withdrawal or other informal disposition or until a hearing is convened pursuant to chapter 54, whichever is earlier. A formal statement of charges issued by the [office] department shall be subject to the provisions of section 1-210 from the time that it is served or mailed to the respondent. Records which are otherwise public records shall not be deemed confidential merely because they have been obtained in connection with an investigation under this section.

Sec. 904. Section 19a-87f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

On and after July 1, 2014, any (1) youth camp, licensed in accordance with section 19a-422, (2) child care center or group child care home, licensed in accordance with section 19a-80, or (3) family child care home, licensed in accordance with section 19a-87b, may permit a child's physical examination that is required for school purposes, and the child's health assessment form described in section 10-206 or the state Department of Education's early childhood health assessment record form, to be used to satisfy any physical examination or health status certification required by such youth camp, child care center, group child care home or family child care home, provided any requirement established by the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education concerning the time for completion of such physical examination is satisfied.

Sec. 905. Subdivisions (5) and (6) of section 19a-420 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
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(Effective October 1, 2017):

(5) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education; and

(6) "Department" means the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education.

Sec. 906. Section 19a-421 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

No person shall establish, conduct or maintain a youth camp without a license issued by the [office] department. Applications for such license shall be made in writing at least thirty days prior to the opening of the youth camp on forms provided and in accordance with procedures established by the commissioner and shall be accompanied by a fee of eight hundred fifteen dollars or, if the applicant is a nonprofit, nonstock corporation or association, a fee of three hundred fifteen dollars or, if the applicant is a day camp affiliated with a nonprofit organization, for no more than five days duration and for which labor and materials are donated, no fee. All such licenses shall be valid for a period of one year from the date of issuance unless surrendered for cancellation or suspended or revoked by the commissioner for violation of this chapter or any regulations adopted under section 19a-428 and shall be renewable upon payment of an eight-hundred-fifteen-dollar license fee or, if the licensee is a nonprofit, nonstock corporation or association, a three-hundred-fifteen-dollar license fee or, if the applicant is a day camp affiliated with a nonprofit organization, for no more than five days duration and for which labor and materials are donated, no fee.

Sec. 907. Section 19a-422 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

To be eligible for the issuance or renewal of a youth camp license

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pursuant to this chapter, the camp shall satisfy the following requirements: (1) The location of the camp shall be such as to provide adequate surface drainage and afford facilities for obtaining a good water supply; (2) each dwelling unit, building and structure shall be maintained in good condition, suitable for the use to which it is put, and shall present no health or fire hazard as so certified by the [office] department and the State Fire Marshal or local fire marshal, as indicated by a current fire marshal certificate dated within the past year and available on site when the youth camp is in operation; (3) there shall be an adequate and competent staff, which includes the camp director or assistant director, one of whom shall be on site at all times the camp is in operation, activities specialists, counselors and maintenance personnel, of good character and reputation; (4) prior to assuming responsibility for campers, staff shall be trained, at a minimum, on the camp's policies and procedures pertaining to behavioral management and supervision, emergency health and safety procedures and recognizing, preventing and reporting child abuse and neglect; (5) all hazardous activities, including, but not limited to, archery, aquatics, horseback riding and firearms instruction, shall be supervised by a qualified activities specialist who has adequate experience and training in such specialist's area of specialty; (6) the staff of a resident and nonresident camp shall at all times include an adult trained in the administration of first aid as required by the commissioner; (7) records of personal data for each camper shall be kept in any reasonable form the camp director may choose, and shall include (A) the camper's name, age and address, (B) the name, address and telephone number of the parents or guardian, (C) the dates of admission and discharge, and (D) such other information as the commissioner shall require. Any youth camp licensed under this chapter shall operate only as the type of camp authorized by such license. Such camps shall not advertise any service they are not equipped or licensed to offer. The license shall be posted in a conspicuous place at camp headquarters and failure to so post the
license shall result in the presumption that the camp is being operated in violation of this chapter.

Sec. 908. Subsections (a) to (g), inclusive, of section 19a-423 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The commissioner may take any of the actions authorized under subsection (b) of this section if the youth camp licensee: (1) Is convicted of any offense involving moral turpitude, the record of conviction being conclusive evidence thereof; (2) is legally adjudicated insane or mentally incompetent, the record of such adjudication being conclusive evidence thereof; (3) uses any narcotic or any controlled drug, as defined in section 21a-240, to an extent or in a manner that such use impairs the licensee's ability to properly care for children; (4) fails to comply with the statutes and regulations for licensing youth camps; (5) furnishes or makes any misleading or any false statement or report to the [office] department; (6) refuses to submit to the [office] department any reports or refuses to make available to the [office] department any records required by it in investigating the facility for licensing purposes; (7) fails or refuses to submit to an investigation or inspection by the [office] department or to admit authorized representatives of the [office] department at any reasonable time for the purpose of investigation, inspection or licensing; (8) fails to provide, maintain, equip and keep in safe and sanitary condition premises established for or used by the campers pursuant to minimum standards prescribed by the [office] department or by ordinances or regulations applicable to the location of such facility; or (9) wilfully or deliberately violates any of the provisions of this chapter.

(b) The commissioner, after a contested case hearing held in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, may take any of the following actions, singly or in combination, in any case in which the commissioner finds that there has been a substantial failure to comply
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with the requirements established under sections 19a-420 to 19a-428, inclusive, the Public Health Code or regulations adopted pursuant to section 19a-428: (1) Revoke a license; (2) suspend a license; (3) impose a civil penalty of not more than one hundred dollars per violation for each day of occurrence; (4) place a licensee on probationary status and require such licensee to report regularly to the [office] department on the matters that are the basis of the probation; (5) restrict the acquisition of other facilities for a period of time set by the commissioner; or (6) impose limitations on a license.

(c) The commissioner shall notify the licensee, in writing, of the commissioner's intention to suspend or revoke the license or to impose a licensure action. The licensee may, if aggrieved by such intended action, make application for a hearing, in writing, over the licensee's signature to the commissioner. The licensee shall state in the application in plain language the reasons why the licensee claims to be aggrieved. The application shall be delivered to the commissioner not later than thirty days after the licensee's receipt of notification of the intended action.

(d) The commissioner shall hold a hearing not later than sixty days after receipt of such application and shall, at least ten days prior to the date of such hearing, mail a notice, giving the time and place of the hearing, to the licensee. The hearing may be conducted by the commissioner or by a hearing officer appointed by the commissioner, in writing. The licensee and the commissioner or hearing officer may issue subpoenas requiring the attendance of witnesses. The licensee shall be entitled to be represented by counsel and a transcript of the hearing shall be made. If the hearing is conducted by a hearing officer, the hearing officer shall state the hearing officer's findings and make a recommendation to the commissioner on the issue of revocation or suspension or the intended licensure action.

(e) The commissioner, based upon the findings and
recommendation of the hearing officer, or after a hearing conducted by the commissioner, shall render the commissioner's decision, in writing, suspending, revoking or continuing the license or regarding the intended licensure action. A copy of the decision shall be sent by certified mail to the licensee. The decision revoking or suspending the license or a decision imposing a licensure action shall become effective thirty days after it is mailed by registered or certified mail to the licensee. A licensee aggrieved by the decision of the commissioner may appeal in the same manner as provided in section 19a-85.

(f) The provisions of subsections (c) to (e), inclusive, of this section shall not apply to the denial of an initial application for a license under section 19a-421, provided the commissioner notifies the applicant of any such denial and the reasons for such denial by mailing written notice to the applicant at the applicant's address shown on the license application.

(g) If the [office] department determines that the health, safety or welfare of a child or staff person at a youth camp requires imperative emergency action by the [office] department to halt an activity being provided at the camp, the [office] department may issue a cease and desist order limiting the license and requiring the immediate cessation of the activity. The [office] department shall provide the licensee with an opportunity for a hearing regarding the issuance of a cease and desist order. Such hearing shall be held not later than ten business days after the date of issuance of the order. Upon receipt of such order, the licensee shall cease providing the activity and provide immediate notification to staff and the parents of all children attending the camp that such activity has ceased at the camp until such time as the cease and desist order is dissolved by the [office] department.

Sec. 909. Section 19a-426 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):
The [office] department shall inspect or cause to be inspected the facilities to be operated by an applicant for an original license before the license shall be granted, and shall annually thereafter inspect or cause to be inspected the facilities of all licensees. No annual inspection shall be required under this section in the case of facilities of a licensee located in any dormitory, classroom or other building or any athletic facility owned and maintained by any college or university, provided a timely safety inspection of such building or facility, satisfactory to the [office] department, is conducted by or on behalf of such college or university.

Sec. 910. Section 19a-429 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

Any person having reasonable cause to believe that a youth camp, as defined in section 19a-420, is operating without a current and valid license or in violation of regulations adopted under section 19a-428 or in a manner which may pose a potential danger to the health, welfare and safety of a child receiving youth camp services, may report such information to the [office] department. The [office] department shall investigate any report or complaint received pursuant to this section. In connection with any investigation of a youth camp, the commissioner or the commissioner's authorized agent may administer oaths, issue subpoenas, compel testimony and order the production of books, records and documents. If any person refuses to appear, to testify or to produce any book, record or document when so ordered, a judge of the Superior Court may make such order as may be appropriate to aid in the enforcement of this section. The name of the person making the report or complaint shall not be disclosed unless (1) such person consents to such disclosure, (2) a judicial or administrative proceeding results therefrom, or (3) a license action pursuant to section 19a-423 results from such report or complaint. All records obtained by the [office] department in connection with any such investigation shall
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not be subject to the provisions of section 1-210 for a period of thirty days from the date of the petition or other event initiating such investigation, or until such time as the investigation is terminated pursuant to a withdrawal or other informal disposition or until a hearing is convened pursuant to chapter 54, whichever is earlier. A formal statement of charges issued by the [office] department shall be subject to the provisions of section 1-210 from the time that it is served or mailed to the respondent. Records which are otherwise public records shall not be deemed confidential merely because they have been obtained in connection with an investigation under this section.

Sec. 911. Subsections (a) to (d), inclusive, of section 31-76n of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There is established the Connecticut Low Wage Employer Advisory Board. Such board shall advise the Labor Commissioner [,] and the Departments of Social Services, Education and Developmental Services [and the Office of Early Childhood] on matters related to: (1) The causes and effects of businesses paying low wages to residents of the state, (2) public assistance usage among working residents of the state, (3) minimum wage rates necessary to ensure working residents of the state may achieve an economically stable standard of living, (4) improvement of the quality of public assistance programs affecting such residents, (5) wages and working conditions for the workforce delivering services to low-wage working families, and (6) reliance of businesses on state-funded public assistance programs.

(b) In advising the Labor Commissioner [,] and the Departments of Social Services, Education and Developmental Services [and the Office of Early Childhood] on the matters described in subdivisions (1) to (6), inclusive, of subsection (a) of this section, the board shall:

(1) Study and monitor (A) the causes and effects of businesses
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paying low wages to residents of the state, including the impact of such labor practices on workers' need for public assistance, (B) the minimum wage rates necessary to enable working residents of the state to meet basic needs, such as food, housing, health care and child care without assistance from state-funded public assistance programs, and (C) the benefits received by employers from the provision of public assistance to the state workforce and solutions to associated problems;

(2) Consider, suggest and review legislative and agency proposals and actions regarding the matters described in subdivisions (1) to (6), inclusive, of subsection (a) of this section;

(3) Foster communication between working residents of the state who provide or receive public assistance and employers and state agencies for the purpose of improving the quality of state public assistance programs serving lower-income residents; and

(4) Advise the Labor Commissioner, and other interested state agencies or officials, on policies and procedures related to the board's areas of study, including, but not limited to, public assistance usage among lower-income working residents, the impact of public assistance programs on workforce quality and stability, and the wages and benefits necessary to maintain a stable and qualified workforce to administer and provide services in connection with public assistance programs.

(c) The board may form working groups, as necessary, to solicit feedback from stakeholders to enable the board to fulfill the duties and responsibilities set forth in subsections (a) and (b) of this section.

(d) Not later than December 1, 2015, and annually thereafter, the board shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, on its findings and recommendations to the joint
standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to labor, human services and education, and to the Labor Commissioner, Commissioner of Social Services and Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education. Such report shall be made available to the public in a form and manner prescribed by the board.

Sec. 912. Subsection (d) of section 31-286a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(d) For purposes of this section, "sufficient evidence" means (1) a certificate of self-insurance issued by a workers' compensation commissioner pursuant to section 31-284, (2) a certificate of compliance issued by the Insurance Commissioner pursuant to section 31-286, (3) a certificate of insurance issued by any stock or mutual insurance company or mutual association authorized to write workers' compensation insurance in this state or its agent, or (4) in lieu of a physical certificate of insurance being presented for the issuance or renewal of licenses and permits issued by the Department of Consumer Protection, the Department of Public Health or the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education, the entrance by the applicant on the renewal form of the name of the insurer, insurance policy number, effective dates of coverage, and a certification that the same is truthful and accurate.

Sec. 913. Section 2 of public act 17-41 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education, upon receipt of a proper application and in a manner prescribed by the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education, shall issue an early childhood teacher credential to any person who holds (1) an associate degree with a concentration in early childhood education from an
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institution of higher education that is regionally accredited, provided such associate degree program is approved by (A) the Board of Regents for Higher Education or the Office of Higher Education, and (B) the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education, or (2) a bachelor's degree with a concentration in early childhood education from an institution of higher education that is regionally accredited, provided such bachelor's degree program is approved by (A) the Board of Regents for Higher Education or Office of Higher Education, and (B) the [Office of Early Childhood] Department of Education. Any early childhood teacher credential issued pursuant to subdivision (1) of this section shall be valid until June 30, 2021. For purposes of this section, "concentration in early childhood education" has the same meaning as provided in section 10-16p of the general statutes, as amended by [this act] public act 17-41.

Sec. 914. Section 4 of public act 17-207 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(1) "Connecticut Preschool through Twenty and Workforce Information Network" or "CP20 WIN" means the Preschool through Twenty and Workforce Information Network maintained in the state.

(2) "Data definitions" means the plain language descriptions of data elements.

(3) "Data dictionary" means a listing of the names of a set of data elements, their definitions and additional meta-data that does not contain any actual data, but provides information about the data in a data set.

(4) "Data elements" mean units of information that are stored or accessed in any data system, such as a student identification number, course code or cumulative grade point average.

(5) "Meta-data" means the information about a data element that
provides context for that data element, such as its definition, storage location, format and size.

(6) "Participating agency" means the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities, Department of Education, Labor Department, [The Office of Early Childhood.] The University of Connecticut, the Connecticut Conference of Independent Colleges or any entity that has executed a memorandum of agreement for participation in the CP20 WIN and has been approved for participation by all other participating agencies.

(7) "Preschool through Twenty and Workforce Information Network" or "P20 WIN" means a state data system for the purpose of matching and linking longitudinally data of state agencies and other organizations for the purpose of conducting audits and evaluations of federal and state education programs.

(8) "P20 WIN Data Request Management Procedure" means the document containing the data request management process.

(b) There is established a Connecticut Preschool through Twenty and Workforce Information Network. The purpose of the CP20 WIN is to establish processes and structures governing the secure sharing of critical longitudinal data across participating agencies through implementation of the standards and policies of the Preschool through Twenty and Workforce Information Network.

(c) The CP20 WIN shall be governed by an executive board that shall provide oversight of such network. Said executive board shall consist of the following members: The Labor Commissioner, or said commissioner's designee, the Commissioner of Education, or said commissioner's designee, [the Commissioner of Early Childhood, or said commissioner's designee,] the president of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities, or the president's designee, the president of The University of Connecticut, or the president's designee, the
chairperson of the board of the Connecticut Conference of Independent Colleges, or a designee of said board, and the secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the secretary's designee. The duties of the executive board shall be to:

(1) Advance a vision for the CP20 WIN including a prioritized research agenda with support from the Planning Commission for Higher Education.

(2) Convene as needed to respond to issues from the data governing board.

(3) Identify and work to secure resources necessary to sustain CP20 WIN funding.

(4) Support system implementation, maintenance and improvement by advocating for the CP20 WIN in regard to policy, legislation and resources.

(5) Advocate and support the state's vision for the CP20 WIN.

(6) Have overall fiscal and policy responsibility for the CP20 WIN.

(7) Ensure that, in any circumstances in which public funds or resources are to be jointly utilized with those from private entities, such arrangements are governed by appropriate agreements approved by the Attorney General.

(8) Establish a data governing board to establish and enforce policies related to cross-agency data management, including, but not limited to, data confidentiality and security in alignment with the vision for CP20 WIN and any applicable law. In establishing such policies, the data governing board shall consult with the Office of Policy and Management, in accordance with the provisions of section 4-67n of the general statutes and other applicable statutes and policies.
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(d) The executive board established pursuant to this section may appoint advisory committees to make recommendations on data stewardship, data system expansion and processes, and such other areas that will advance the work of CP20 WIN.

Sec. 915. Section 1 of special act 17-1 is amended to read as follows (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Department of Education, in consultation with [the Office of Early Childh[ood[,]] the Early Childhood Cabinet, established pursuant to section 10-16z of the general statutes, and two providers of private preschool programs, as selected by the Commissioner of [Early Childhood] Education, shall develop a plan for the provision of preschool to all children three and four years of age in the state for the school year commencing July 1, 2022, and each school year thereafter. Such plan shall include, but need not be limited to, the utilization of public and private preschool programs and assistance for local and regional boards of education to implement such plan. Not later than January 1, 2019, the department shall submit such plan and any recommendations for legislation necessary to implement such plan to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.

Sec. 916. Section 10-515 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

[On or before March 1, 2015, the] The Commissioner of [Early Childhood, in consultation with the Department of] Education[,] shall develop a preschool experience survey that shall be included in kindergarten registration materials provided by local and regional boards of education to parents or guardians of children enrolling in kindergarten pursuant to section 10-184. The board shall use such survey to collect information regarding (1) whether the child enrolling
in kindergarten has participated in a preschool program, and (2) (A) if such child has participated in a preschool program, the nature, length and setting of such preschool program, or (B) if the child has not participated in a preschool program, the reasons why such child did not participate in a preschool program, including, but not limited to, financial difficulty, lack of transportation, parental choice regarding enrollment, limitations related to the hours of operation of available preschool programs and any other barriers to participation in a preschool program. A local or regional board of education shall not require any parent or guardian of such child to complete such survey as a condition of such child's enrollment in kindergarten.

Sec. 917. Subsection (a) of section 2-53m of the general statutes, as amended by section 5 of public act 17-60, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to children, in consultation with the Office of Fiscal Analysis [J] and the Office of Legislative Research [and the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors] shall maintain an annual report card that evaluates the progress of state policies and programs in promoting the result that all Connecticut children grow up in a stable living environment, safe, healthy and ready to lead successful lives. Progress shall be measured by primary indicators of progress, including, but not limited to, indicators established in the final report of the former Legislative Program Review and Investigations Committee prepared pursuant to the provisions of section 1 of public act 09-166, of state-wide rates of child abuse, child poverty, low birth weight [J] and third grade reading proficiency, [J] and the annual social health index developed pursuant to section 46a-131a.] For each indicator, the data shall also be presented according to ethnicity or race, gender, geography and, where appropriate, age and other relevant characteristics. The joint standing committee of the
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General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to children shall prepare the report card on or before January 15, 2018, and annually thereafter. On or before January 15, 2018, and annually thereafter, said committee shall make the report card available to the public on the Internet and on the web site of the General Assembly and shall transmit the report card electronically to (1) members of the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies and human services, (2) the Commissioners of Children and Families, Education and Public Health, (3) the Child Advocate, (4) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, and (5) the Chief Court Administrator.

Sec. 918. Subsections (b) and (c) of section 2-111 of the general statutes, as amended by section 7 of public act 17-60, are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) The committee shall consist of the following members:

(1) Four members of the General Assembly, one of whom shall be appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, one of whom shall be appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one of whom shall be appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives, and one of who shall be appointed by the minority leader of the Senate;

(2) The Chief Court Administrator, or the Chief Court Administrator's designee;

(3) The Comptroller, or the Comptroller's designee;

(4) The director of the Office of Fiscal Analysis;

(5) The director of the Office of Legislative Research;
(6) The director of the Institute for Municipal and Regional Policy at Central Connecticut State University;

[[7] The executive director of the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors or a designee;]

[(8) A representative of private higher education, appointed by the Connecticut Conference of Independent Colleges;]

[[9] Two representatives of the Connecticut business community, one of whom shall be appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, and one who shall be appointed by the majority leader of the Senate; and

[(10) Such other members as the committee may prescribe.

(c) All appointments to the committee under subdivisions (1) to [(10)] (9), inclusive, of subsection (b) of this section shall be made not later than thirty days after June 19, 2013. Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority.

Sec. 919. Subsection (h) of section 4-67x of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(h) Not later than July 1, 2006, the Office of Policy and Management shall, within available appropriations, develop a protocol requiring state contracts for programs aimed at reducing poverty for children and families to include performance-based standards and outcome measures related to the child poverty reduction goal specified in subsection (a) of this section. Not later than July 1, 2007, the Office of Policy and Management shall, within available appropriations, require such state contracts to include such performance-based standards and outcome measures. The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may [consult with the Commission on Women, Children
and Seniors to identify academic, private and other available funding sources and may accept and utilize funds from private and public sources to implement the provisions of this section.

Sec. 920. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 4-124bb of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Labor Department, in consultation with the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors, shall, within available appropriations, establish a Connecticut Career Ladder Advisory Committee which shall promote the creation of new career ladder programs and the enhancement of existing career ladder programs for occupations in this state with a projected workforce shortage, as forecasted pursuant to section 4-124w.

(b) The Connecticut Career Ladder Advisory Committee shall be comprised of the following thirteen members: (1) The Commissioners of Education and Public Health and the president of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities, or their designees; (2) the Labor Commissioner, or a designee; and (3) the following public members, all of whom shall be selected by the Labor Commissioner, with recommendation of the staff of the Office of Workforce Competitiveness, Commission on Women, Children and Seniors and knowledgeable about issues relative to career ladder programs or projected workforce shortage areas: (A) One member with expertise in the development of the early childhood education workforce; (B) one member with expertise in job training for women; (C) one member with expertise in the development of the health care workforce; (D) one member with expertise in labor market analysis; (E) one member representing health care employers; (F) one member representing early childhood education employers; and (G) three members with expertise in workforce development programs.
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Sec. 921. Subsection (d) of section 7-127c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(d) The Department of Education may adopt and disseminate to municipalities guidelines as to the role and duties of municipal agents and such informational and technical materials as may assist such agents in the performance of their duties. The department, in collaboration with the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors, may provide training for municipal agents within the available resources of the department; and the commission.

Sec. 922. Subsection (c) of section 10-16n of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(c) There is established a committee to advise the commissioner concerning the coordination, priorities for allocation and distribution, and utilization of funds for Head Start and Early Head Start and concerning the competitive grant program established under this section, and to evaluate programs funded pursuant to this section. The committee shall consist of the following members: (1) One member designated by the commissioner; (2) six members who are directors of Head Start programs, two from community action agency program sites or school readiness liaisons, one of whom shall be appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate and one by the speaker of the House of Representatives, two from public school program sites, one of whom shall be appointed by the majority leader of the Senate and one by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, and two from other nonprofit agency program sites, one of whom shall be appointed by the minority leader of the Senate and one by the minority leader of the House of Representatives; (3) one member designated by the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors; (4) one member designated by the Early Childhood Cabinet, established pursuant to
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section 10-16z; [(5)] (4) two members designated by the Head Start Association, one of whom shall be the parent of a present or former Head Start student; [(6)] (5) one member designated by the Connecticut Association for Community Action who shall have expertise and experience concerning Head Start; [(7)] (6) one member designated by the Region I Office of Head Start within the federal Administration of Children and Families of the Department of Health and Human Services; and [(8)] (7) the director of the Head Start Collaboration Office.

Sec. 923. Subsection (a) of section 10-16v of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Commissioner of Education, in consultation with the Commissioner of Social Services, [and the executive director of the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors,] shall establish an after school committee.

Sec. 924. Subsection (a) of section 10-76i of the general statutes, as amended by section 5 of public act 17-96, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There shall be an Advisory Council for Special Education which shall advise the General Assembly, State Board of Education and the Commissioner of Education, and which shall engage in such other activities as described in this section. On and after [July 1, 2012] October 1, 2017, the advisory council shall consist of the following members: (1) Nine appointed by the Commissioner of Education, (A) six of whom shall be (i) the parents of children with disabilities, provided such children are under the age of twenty-seven, or (ii) individuals with disabilities, (B) one of whom shall be an official of the Department of Education, (C) one of whom shall be a state or local official responsible for carrying out activities under Subtitle B of Title
VII of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, 42 USC 11431 et seq., as amended from time to time, and (D) one of whom shall be a representative of an institution of higher education in the state that prepares teacher and related services personnel; (2) one appointed by the Commissioner of Developmental Services who shall be an official of the department; (3) one appointed by the Commissioner of Children and Families who shall be an official of the department; (4) one appointed by the Commissioner of Correction who shall be an official of the department; (5) one appointed by [the director of the Parent Leadership Training Institute within the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors] the executive director of the nonprofit entity designated by the Governor in accordance with section 46a-106 who shall be (A) the parent of a child with a disability, provided such child is under the age of twenty-seven, or (B) an individual with a disability; (6) a representative from the parent training and information center for Connecticut established pursuant to the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act, 20 USC 1400 et seq., as amended from time to time; (7) the Commissioner of Rehabilitation Services, or the commissioner's designee; (8) five who are members of the General Assembly who shall serve as nonvoting members of the advisory council, one appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, one appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, one appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives, one appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate and one appointed by the minority leader of the Senate; (9) one appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate who shall be a member of the Connecticut Speech-Language-Hearing Association; (10) one appointed by the majority leader of the Senate who shall be a public school teacher; (11) one appointed by the minority leader of the Senate who shall be a representative of a vocational, community or business organization concerned with the provision of transitional services to children with disabilities; (12) one appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives who shall be a member of the Connecticut Council of
Special Education Administrators and who is a local education official; (13) one appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives who shall be a representative of charter schools; (14) one appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives who shall be a member of the Connecticut Association of Private Special Education Facilities; (15) one appointed by the Chief Court Administrator of the Judicial Department who shall be an official of such department responsible for the provision of services to adjudicated children and youth; (16) seven appointed by the Governor, all of whom shall be (A) the parents of children with disabilities, provided such children are under the age of twenty-seven, or (B) individuals with disabilities; (17) the executive director of the nonprofit entity designated by the Governor in accordance with section 46a-10b, as amended by [this act] public act 17-96, to serve as the Connecticut protection and advocacy system, or the director's designee; and (18) such other members as required by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 USC 1400 et seq., as amended from time to time, appointed by the Commissioner of Education. Appointments made pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be representative of the ethnic and racial diversity of, and the types of disabilities found in, the state population. The terms of the members of the council serving on June 8, 2010, shall expire on June 30, 2010. Appointments shall be made to the council by July 1, 2010. Members shall serve two-year terms, except that members appointed pursuant to subdivisions (1) to (3), inclusive, of this subsection whose terms commenced July 1, 2010, shall serve three-year terms and the successors to such members appointed pursuant to subdivisions (1) to (3), inclusive, of this subsection shall serve two-year terms.

Sec. 925. Subsection (a) of section 10-145a of the general statutes, as amended by section 4 of public act 17-14, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):
(a) Any candidate in a program of teacher preparation leading to professional certification shall be encouraged to successfully complete an intergroup relations component of such a program which shall be developed with the participation of both sexes, and persons of various ethnic, cultural and economic backgrounds. Such intergroup relations program shall have the following objectives: (1) The imparting of an appreciation of the contributions to American civilization of the various ethnic, cultural and economic groups composing American society and an understanding of the life styles of such groups; (2) the counteracting of biases, discrimination and prejudices; and (3) the assurance of respect for human diversity and personal rights. The State Board of Education, the Board of Regents for Higher Education and the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities and the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors shall establish a joint committee composed of members of the four agencies, which shall develop and implement such programs in intergroup relations.

Sec. 926. Subsection (b) of section 10-156aa of the general statutes, as amended by section 6 of public act 17-56, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) The task force shall consist of the following members:

(1) One appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;

(2) One appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;

(3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, who shall be a member of the Black and Puerto Rican Caucus of the General Assembly;

(4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;

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(6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate;

(7) The Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's designee; and

(8) The president of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities, or the president's designee. 

(9) The executive director of the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors, or the executive director's designee; and 

(10) The executive director of the Commission on Equity and Opportunity, or the executive director's designee.]

Sec. 927. Subsection (a) of section 10-222i of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) The Department of Education, in consultation with the State Education Resource Center, established pursuant to section 10-357a, the Governor's Prevention Partnership [, the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors] and the Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence, shall establish, within available appropriations, a state-wide safe school climate resource network for the identification, prevention and education of school bullying and teen dating violence in the state. Such state-wide safe school climate resource network shall make available to all schools information, training opportunities and resource materials to improve the school climate to diminish bullying and teen dating violence.

Sec. 928. Subsection (a) of section 17a-219c of the general statutes, as amended by section 9 of public act 17-96, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There is established a Family Support Council to assist the
Department of Developmental Services and other state agencies that administer or fund family support services to act in concert and, within available appropriations, to (1) establish a comprehensive, coordinated system of family support services, (2) use existing state and other resources efficiently and effectively as appropriate for such services, (3) identify and address services that are needed for families of children with disabilities, and (4) promote state-wide availability of such services. The council shall consist of [twenty-six] twenty-five voting members, including the Commissioners of Public Health, Developmental Services, Children and Families, Education and Social Services, or their designees, the Child Advocate or the Child Advocate's designee, the chairperson of the State Interagency Birth-to-Three Coordinating Council, established pursuant to section 17a-248b, or the chairperson's designee, [the executive director of the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors or the executive director's designee,] and family members of, or individuals who advocate for, children with disabilities. The family members or individuals who advocate for children with disabilities shall comprise two-thirds of the council and shall be appointed as follows: Six by the Governor, three by the president pro tempore of the Senate, two by the majority leader of the Senate, one by the minority leader of the Senate, three by the speaker of the House of Representatives, two by the majority leader of the House of Representatives and one by the minority leader of the House of Representatives. All appointed members serving on or after October 5, 2009, including members appointed prior to October 5, 2009, shall serve in accordance with the provisions of section 4-1a. Members serving on or after October 5, 2009, including members appointed prior to October 5, 2009, shall serve no more than eight consecutive years on the council. The council shall meet at least quarterly and shall select its own chairperson. Council members shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred. The costs of administering the council shall be within available appropriations in
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accordance with this section and sections 17a-219a and 17a-219b.

Sec. 929. Section 17a-302a of the general statutes, as amended by section 3 of public act 17-34, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The [Department on Aging and the] Department of Social Services shall hold quarterly meetings with nutrition service stakeholders to (1) develop recommendations to address complexities in the administrative processes of nutrition services programs, (2) establish quality control benchmarks in such programs, and (3) help move toward greater quality, efficiency and transparency in the elderly nutrition program. Stakeholders shall include, but need not be limited to, (A) one representative of each of the following: (i) Area agencies on aging, (ii) access agencies, [(iii) the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors,] and [(iv)] (iii) nutrition providers, and (B) one or more representatives of (i) food security programs, (ii) contractors, (iii) nutrition host sites, and (iv) consumers.

Sec. 930. Subsection (c) of section 17b-28 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(c) On and after [July 1, 2011] October 1, 2017, the council shall be composed of the following members:

(1) The chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to aging, human services, public health and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, or their designees;

(2) Five appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, one of whom shall be a member of the General Assembly, one of whom shall be a community provider of adult Medicaid health services, one of whom shall be a recipient of Medicaid benefits for the
aged, blind and disabled or an advocate for such a recipient, one of whom shall be a representative of the state's federally qualified health clinics and one of whom shall be a member of the Connecticut Hospital Association;

(3) Five appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one of whom shall be a member of the General Assembly, one of whom shall be a representative of the home health care industry, one of whom shall be a primary care medical home provider, one of whom shall be an advocate for Department of Children and Families foster families and one of whom shall be a representative of the business community with experience in cost efficiency management;

(4) Three appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, one of whom shall be an advocate for persons with substance abuse disabilities, one of whom shall be a Medicaid dental provider and one of whom shall be a representative of the for-profit nursing home industry;

(5) Three appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, one of whom shall be a representative of school-based health centers, one of whom shall be a recipient of benefits under the HUSKY Health program and one of whom shall be a physician who serves Medicaid clients;

(6) Three appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives, one of whom shall be an advocate for persons with disabilities, one of whom shall be a dually eligible Medicaid-Medicare beneficiary or an advocate for such a beneficiary and one of whom shall be a representative of the not-for-profit nursing home industry;

(7) Three appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, one of whom shall be a low-income adult recipient of Medicaid benefits or an advocate for such a recipient, one of whom shall be a representative of
(8) The executive director of the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors or the executive director's designee;

(9) A member of the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors, designated by the executive director;

(10) A representative of the Long-Term Care Advisory Council;

(11) The Commissioners of Social Services, Children and Families, Public Health, Developmental Services and Mental Health and Addiction Services, [and the Commissioner on Aging,] or their designees, who shall be ex-officio nonvoting members;

(12) The Comptroller, or the Comptroller's designee, who shall be an ex-officio nonvoting member;

(13) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the secretary's designee, who shall be an ex-officio nonvoting member; and

(14) One representative of an administrative services organization which contracts with the Department of Social Services in the administration of the Medicaid program, who shall be a nonvoting member.

Sec. 931. Subsection (a) of section 17b-338 of the general statutes, as amended by section 19 of public act 17-96, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There is established a Long-Term Care Advisory Council which shall consist of the following: (1) The executive director of the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors, or the executive director's designee; (2) the State Nursing Home Ombudsman, or the
ombudsman's designee; [(3)] (2) the president of the Coalition of Presidents of Resident Councils, or the president's designee; [(4)] (3) the executive director of the Legal Assistance Resource Center of Connecticut, or the executive director's designee; [(5)] (4) the state president of AARP, or the president's designee; [(6)] (5) one representative of a bargaining unit for health care employees, appointed by the president of the bargaining unit; [(7)] (6) the president of LeadingAge Connecticut, Inc., or the president's designee; [(8)] (7) the president of the Connecticut Association of Health Care Facilities, or the president's designee; [(9)] (8) the president of the Connecticut Association of Residential Care Homes, or the president's designee; [(10)] (9) the president of the Connecticut Hospital Association or the president's designee; [(11)] (10) the executive director of the Connecticut Assisted Living Association or the executive director's designee; [(12)] (11) the executive director of the Connecticut Association for Homecare or the executive director's designee; [(13)] (12) the president of Connecticut Community Care, Inc. or the president's designee; [(14)] (13) one member of the Connecticut Association of Area Agencies on Aging appointed by the agency; [(15)] (14) the president of the Connecticut chapter of the Connecticut Alzheimer's Association; [(16)] (15) one member of the Connecticut Association of Adult Day Centers appointed by the association; [(17)] (16) the president of the Connecticut Chapter of the American College of Health Care Administrators, or the president's designee; [(18)] (17) the president of the Connecticut Council for Persons with Disabilities, or the president's designee; [(19)] (18) the president of the Connecticut Association of Community Action Agencies, or the president's designee; [(20)] (19) a personal care attendant appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives; [(21)] (20) the president of the Family Support Council, or the president's designee; [(22)] (21) a person who, in a home setting, cares for a person with a disability and is appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate; [(23)] (22) three persons with a disability
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appointed one each by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, the majority leader of the Senate and the minority leader of the House of Representatives; [(24)] (23) a legislator who is a member of the Long-Term Care Planning Committee; [(25)] (24) one member who is a nonunion home health aide appointed by the minority leader of the Senate; and [(26)] (25) the executive director of the nonprofit entity designated by the Governor in accordance with section 46a-10b, as amended by [this act] public act 17-96, to serve as the Connecticut protection and advocacy system or the director's designee.

Sec. 932. Subsection (b) of section 17b-463 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) A financial agent shall participate in mandatory training to detect potential fraud, exploitation and financial abuse of elderly persons, including utilizing the resources available on the [Commission on Women, Children and Seniors portal established] Internet web site of the Department of Social Services pursuant to section 17b-463a. All financial agents shall complete such training within six months from availability of training resources on [the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors web portal,] said web site or within the first six months of their employment, if later.

Sec. 933. Subsection (b) of section 19a-6i of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) The committee shall be composed of the following members:

(1) One appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, who shall be a family advocate or a parent whose child utilizes school-based health center services;
(2) One appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, who shall be a school nurse;

(3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, who shall be a representative of a school-based health center that is sponsored by a community health center;

(4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who shall be a representative of a school-based health center that is sponsored by a nonprofit health care agency;

(5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives, who shall be a representative of a school-based health center that is sponsored by a school or school system;

(6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, who shall be a representative of a school-based health center that does not receive state funds;

(7) Two appointed by the Governor, one each of whom shall be a representative of the Connecticut Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics and a representative of a school-based health center that is sponsored by a hospital;

(8) One appointed by the Commissioner of Public Health, who shall be a representative of a school-based health center that is sponsored by a local health department;

(9) The Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's designee;

(10) The Commissioner of Social Services, or the commissioner's designee;

(11) The Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services, or the commissioner's designee;
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(12) The Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's designee; and

[(13) The executive director of the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors, or the executive director's designee; and]

[(14)] (13) Three school-based health center providers, one of whom shall be the executive director of the Connecticut Association of School-Based Health Centers and two of whom shall be appointed by the board of directors of the Connecticut Association of School-Based Health Centers.

Sec. 934. Subsection (a) of section 19a-112a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There is created a Commission on the Standardization of the Collection of Evidence in Sexual Assault Investigations composed of [fourteen] thirteen members as follows: The Chief State's Attorney or a designee; [the executive director of the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors or a designee;] the Commissioner of Children and Families or a designee; one member from the Division of State Police and one member from the Division of Scientific Services appointed by the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection; one member from Connecticut Sexual Assault Crisis Services, Inc. appointed by its board of directors; one member from the Connecticut Hospital Association appointed by the president of the association; one emergency physician appointed by the president of the Connecticut College of Emergency Physicians; one obstetrician-gynecologist and one pediatrician appointed by the president of the Connecticut State Medical Society; one nurse appointed by the president of the Connecticut Nurses' Association; one emergency nurse appointed by the president of the Emergency Nurses' Association of Connecticut; one police chief appointed by the president of the
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Connecticut Police Chiefs Association; and one member of the Office of Victim Services within the Judicial Department. The Chief State's Attorney or a designee shall be [chairman] chairperson of the commission. The commission shall be within the Division of Criminal Justice for administrative purposes only.

Sec. 935. Subsection (c) of section 28-5 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(c) The Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection shall, within available appropriations and in consultation with the Commissioners of Social Services, Public Health, Children and Families, Mental Health and Addiction Services and Education, [and the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors,] update and amend the state civil preparedness plan and program established pursuant to subsection (b) of this section to address the needs of children during natural disasters, man-made disasters and acts of terrorism. The plan may also be amended in consultation with parents, local emergency services and child care providers. The amended plan shall include, but need not be limited to, a requirement that all schools and licensed and regulated child care services, as defined in section 19a-77, have written multihazard disaster response plans that address (1) the evacuation and removal of children to a safe location, (2) notification of parents in the event of a disaster or an act of terrorism, (3) reunification of parents with their children, and (4) care for children with special needs during a disaster or an act of terrorism.

Sec. 936. Section 31-3cc of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Connecticut Employment and Training Commission, in cooperation with the [Commission on Women, Children and Seniors and the] Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities, shall
regularly collect and analyze data on state-supported training programs that measure the presence of gender or other systematic bias and work with the relevant boards and agencies to correct any problems that are found.

Sec. 937. Subsection (b) of section 46a-68 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) (1) Each state agency, department, board or commission shall designate a full-time or part-time equal employment opportunity officer. If such equal employment opportunity officer is an employee of the agency, department, board or commission, the executive head of the agency, department, board or commission shall be directly responsible for the supervision of the officer.

(2) The Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities shall provide training and technical assistance to equal employment opportunity officers in plan development and implementation.

(3) The Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities [and the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors] shall provide training concerning state and federal discrimination laws and techniques for conducting investigations of discrimination complaints to persons designated by state agencies, departments, boards or commissions as equal employment opportunity officers and persons designated by the Attorney General or the Attorney General’s designee to represent such agencies, departments, boards or commissions pursuant to subdivision (5) of this subsection. On or after October 1, 2011, such training shall be provided for a minimum of five hours during the first year of service or designation, and a minimum of three hours every two years thereafter.

(4) (A) Each person designated by a state agency, department, board
or commission as an equal employment opportunity officer shall (i) be responsible for mitigating any discriminatory conduct within the agency, department, board or commission, (ii) investigate all complaints of discrimination made against the state agency, department, board or commission, except if any such complaint has been filed with the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities or the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the state agency, department, board or commission may rely upon the process of the applicable commission, as applicable, in lieu of such investigation, and (iii) report all findings and recommendations upon the conclusion of an investigation to the commissioner or director of the state agency, department, board or commission for proper action.

(B) Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraphs (A)(i), (A)(ii) and (A)(iii) of this subdivision, if a discrimination complaint is made against the executive head of a state agency or department, any member of a state board or commission or any equal employment opportunity officer alleging that the executive head, member or officer directly or personally engaged in discriminatory conduct, or if a complaint of discrimination is made by the executive head of a state agency, any member of a state board or commission or any equal employment opportunity officer, the complaint shall be referred to the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities for review and, if appropriate, investigation by the Department of Administrative Services, except if any such complaint has been filed with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission or the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities, the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities or Department of Administrative Services may rely upon the process of the applicable commission in lieu of such investigation. If the discrimination complaint is made by or against the executive head, any member or the equal employment opportunity officer of the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities alleging that the executive head, member or officer directly or
personally engaged in discriminatory conduct, the commission shall refer the complaint to the Department of Administrative Services for review and, if appropriate, investigation. If the complaint is by or against the executive head or equal employment opportunity officer of the Department of Administrative Services, the complaint shall be referred to the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities for review and, if appropriate, investigation. Each person who conducts an investigation pursuant to this subparagraph shall report all findings and recommendations upon the conclusion of such investigation to the appointing authority of the individual who was the subject of the complaint for proper action. The provisions of this subparagraph shall apply to any such complaint pending on or after July 5, 2007.

(5) Each person designated by a state agency, department, board or commission as an equal employment opportunity officer, and each person designated by the Attorney General or the Attorney General's designee to represent an agency pursuant to subdivision (6) of this subsection, shall complete training provided by the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities [and the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors] pursuant to subdivision (3) of this subsection.

(6) No person designated by a state agency, department, board or commission as an equal employment opportunity officer shall represent such agency, department, board or commission before the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities or the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission concerning a discrimination complaint. If a discrimination complaint is filed with the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities or the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission against a state agency, department, board or commission, the Attorney General, or the Attorney General's designee, other than the equal employment opportunity officer for such agency, department, board or commission, shall represent the state agency, department, board or commission before the Commission on Human
Rights and Opportunities or the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. In the case of a discrimination complaint filed against the Metropolitan District of Hartford County, the Attorney General, or the Attorney General's designee, shall not represent such district before the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities or the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

Sec. 938. Subsection (c) of section 46b-69c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(c) The advisory committee shall consist of not more than ten members to be appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and shall include members who represent [the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors,] the family law section of the Connecticut Bar Association, educators specializing in children studies, agencies representing victims of family violence, service providers and the Judicial Department. The members shall serve for terms of two years and may be reappointed for succeeding terms. The members shall elect a chairperson from among their number and shall receive no compensation for their services.

Sec. 939. Subsection (b) of section 46b-215a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(b) The commission shall consist of [thirteen] twelve members as follows:

(1) The Chief Court Administrator, or the Chief Court Administrator's designee;

(2) The Commissioner of Social Services, or the commissioner's designee;
(3) The Attorney General, or the Attorney General's designee;

(4) The chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing committee on judiciary, or their designees;

(5) The Child Advocate, or the Child Advocate's designee;

(6) A representative of the Connecticut Bar Association, designated by the Connecticut Bar Association; and

(7) Three members appointed by the Governor, one of whom represents an agency that delivers legal services to the poor, one of whom represents the financial concerns of child support obligors, one of whom represents the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors and one of whom represents the rights and best interests of children.

Sec. 940. Subsection (a) of section 51-10c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There is established a Commission on Racial and Ethnic Disparity in the Criminal Justice System. The commission shall consist of the Chief Court Administrator, the Chief State's Attorney, the Chief Public Defender, the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection, the Commissioner of Correction, the Commissioner of Children and Families, the Child Advocate, the Victim Advocate, the chairperson of the Board of Pardons and Paroles, the chairperson of the Commission on Equity and Opportunity, or their designees, two members of the Commission on Equity and Opportunity designated by the executive director of the commission, a representative of municipal police chiefs, a representative of a coalition representing police and correctional officers, six members appointed one each by the president pro tempore of the Senate, the speaker of the House of Representatives, the majority leader of the Senate, the majority leader
of the House of Representatives, the minority leader of the Senate and
the minority leader of the House of Representatives, and two members
appointed by the Governor. The Chief Court Administrator or said
administrator's designee shall serve as chairperson of the commission.
The commission shall meet quarterly and at such other times as the
chairperson deems necessary.

Sec. 941. Subsection (b) of section 54-1s of the general statutes is
repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
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(b) The board shall include the following members:

(1) The Chief State's Attorney, or a designee;

(2) The Chief Public Defender, or a designee;

(3) The president of the Connecticut Police Chiefs Association, or a
designee;

[(4) The executive director of the Commission on Equity and
Opportunity, or a designee;

(5) Two members of the Commission on Equity and Opportunity,
designated by the executive director;]

[(6)] (4) The executive director of the Commission on Human Rights
and Opportunities, or a designee;

[(7)] (5) The Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public
Protection, or a designee;

[(8)] (6) The Commissioner of Transportation, or a designee;

[(9)] (7) The director of the Institute for Municipal and Regional
Policy at Central Connecticut State University, or a designee; and
Sec. 942. Subsections (a) to (c), inclusive, of section 46a-170 of the general statutes, as amended by section 1 of public act 17-32, are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) There is established a Trafficking in Persons Council that shall be within the [Commission on Women, Children and Seniors] Office of Policy and Management for administrative purposes only.

(b) The council shall consist of the following members: (1) The Chief State's Attorney, or a designee; (2) the Chief Public Defender, or a designee; (3) the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection, or the commissioner's designee; (4) the Labor Commissioner, or the commissioner's designee; (5) the Commissioner of Social Services, or the commissioner's designee; (6) the Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's designee; (7) the Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services, or the commissioner's designee; (8) the Commissioner of Children and Families, or the commissioner's designee; (9) the Commissioner of Consumer Protection, or the commissioner's designee; (10) the director of the Basic Training Division of the Police Officer Standards and Training Council, or the director's designee; (11) the Child Advocate, or the Child Advocate's designee; (12) the Victim Advocate, or the Victim Advocate's designee; (13) the [chairperson of the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors or the chairperson's] Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the secretary's designee; (14) one representative of the Office of Victim Services of the Judicial Branch appointed by the Chief Court Administrator; (15) a municipal police chief appointed by the Connecticut Police Chiefs Association, or a designee; (16) the Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's designee; (17) an adult victim of trafficking, appointed by the Governor; and (18) ten public members appointed as follows: The
Governor shall appoint two members, one of whom shall represent victims of commercial exploitation of children and one of whom shall represent sex trafficking victims who are children, the president pro tempore of the Senate shall appoint two members, one of whom shall represent the Connecticut Alliance to End Sexual Violence and one of whom shall represent an organization that provides civil legal services to low-income individuals, the speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint two members, one of whom shall represent the Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence and one of whom shall represent the Connecticut Lodging Association, the majority leader of the Senate shall appoint one member who shall represent an organization that deals with behavioral health needs of women and children, the majority leader of the House of Representatives shall appoint one member who shall represent an organization that advocates on social justice and human rights issues, the minority leader of the Senate shall appoint one member who shall represent the Connecticut Immigrant and Refugee Coalition, and the minority leader of the House of Representatives shall appoint one member who shall represent the Motor Transport Association of Connecticut, Inc.

(c) The [chairperson of the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors, or a designee, shall serve as] Governor shall appoint a chairperson from among the members of the council pursuant to section 4-9a. The members of the council shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

Sec. 943. Section 17b-463a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

The Commission on Women, Children and Seniors shall establish a forum and clearing house for best practices and free training resources to help financial institutions and financial agents detect potential
fraud, exploitation and financial abuse. Not later than January 1, 2017, the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors shall establish a single portal for training resources and materials. On or before October 1, 2017, the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors shall transfer all such training resources and materials electronically to the Department of Social Services. Not later than November 1, 2017, said department shall post such training resources and materials on the department's Internet web site.

Sec. 944. Section 17b-420a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2017):

(a) For purposes of this section, (1) "livable community" means a community with affordable and appropriate housing, infrastructure, community services and transportation options for residents of all ages, [and] (2) "age in place" means the ability of residents to stay in their own homes or community settings of their choice regardless of age or disability, and (3) "Commission on Women, Children and Seniors" means the commission established under section 2-135, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 2017.

(b) The Commission on Women, Children and Seniors shall establish a "Livable Communities" initiative to serve as a forum for best practices and a clearinghouse for resources to help municipal and state leaders to design livable communities to allow residents of this state to age in place.

(c) The Commission on Women, Children and Seniors shall establish and facilitate partnerships with (1) municipal leaders, (2) representatives of municipal senior and social services offices, (3) community stakeholders, (4) planning and zoning boards and commissions, (5) representatives of philanthropic organizations, and (6) representatives of social services and health organizations to (A) plan informational forums on livable communities, (B) investigate
innovative approaches to livable communities nationwide, and (C) identify various public, private and philanthropic funding sources to design such communities.

(d) The Commission on Women, Children and Seniors shall establish a single portal on its Internet web site for information and resources concerning the "Livable Communities" initiative. On or before October 1, 2017, the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors shall transfer all such information and resources electronically to the Department of Social Services. Not later than November 1, 2017, said department shall post such information and resources on the department's Internet web site.

[(e) Not later than July 1, 2017, and annually thereafter, the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, shall submit a report on the initiative to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to aging, housing, human services and transportation.

(f) The Commission on Women, Children and Seniors, as part of the livable community initiative established pursuant to this section, shall recognize communities that have implemented livable community initiatives allowing individuals to age in place and to remain in the home setting of their choice. Such initiatives shall include, but not be limited to: (1) Affordable and accessible housing, (2) community and social services, (3) planning and zoning regulations, (4) walkability, and (5) transportation-related infrastructure.]

Sec. 945. (Effective from passage) The Legislative Commissioners' Office shall, in codifying the provisions of this act, make such technical, grammatical and punctuation changes as are necessary to carry out the purposes of this act, including, but not limited to, correcting inaccurate internal references.
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Sec. 946. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) Sections 946 to 954, inclusive, of this act may be cited as the "Health Care Provider Taxes Act". The purpose of sections 946 to 954, inclusive, of this act, is to establish a comprehensive and uniform system of taxation of certain uniquely situated health care providers to raise revenue in conformity with Title XIX of the Social Security Act, as amended from time to time, and to promote the state's financial stability.

(b) As used in this section and sections 947 to 954, inclusive, of this act:

(1) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Revenue Services;

(2) "Department" means the Department of Revenue Services;

(3) "Taxpayer" means any health care provider subject to any tax or fee under this section;

(4) "Health care provider" means an individual or entity that receives any payment or payments for health care items or services provided;

(5) "Gross receipts" means the amount received, whether in cash or in kind, from patients, third-party payers and others for taxable health care items or services furnished by the taxpayer in the state, including retroactive adjustments under reimbursement agreements with third-party payers, without any deduction for any expenses of any kind;

(6) "Net revenue" means gross receipts less payer discounts, charity care and bad debts, to the extent the taxpayer previously paid tax under this section on the amount of such bad debts;

(7) "Payer discounts" means the difference between a health care provider's published charges and payments received in accordance with negotiated agreements with one or more health care payers for a
different or discounted rate or method of payment than such published charges. "Payer discounts" does not include charity care or bad debts;

(8) "Charity care" means free or discounted health care services rendered by a health care provider to individuals who cannot afford to pay, including, but not limited to, care to the uninsured patient or patients who are not expected to pay all or part of a health care provider's bill based on income guidelines and other financial criteria set forth in the general statutes or in a health care provider's charity care policies on file at the office of such provider. "Charity care" does not include bad debts or payer discounts;

(9) "Received" means "received" or "accrued", construed according to the method of accounting customarily employed by the taxpayer;

(10) "Hospital" means any health care facility, as defined in section 19a-630 of the general statutes, that (A) is licensed by the Department of Public Health as a short-term general hospital; (B) is maintained primarily for the care and treatment of patients with disorders other than mental diseases; (C) meets the requirements for participation in Medicare as a hospital; and (D) has in effect a utilization review plan, applicable to all Medicaid patients, that meets the requirements of 42 CFR 482.30, as amended from time to time, unless a waiver has been granted by the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services;

(11) "Inpatient hospital services" means, in accordance with federal law, all services that are (A) ordinarily furnished in a hospital for the care and treatment of inpatients; (B) furnished under the direction of a physician or dentist; and (C) furnished in a hospital. "Inpatient hospital services" does not include skilled nursing facility and intermediate care facility services furnished by a hospital with swing bed approval;
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(12) "Inpatient" means a patient who has been admitted to a medical institution as an inpatient on the recommendation of a physician or dentist and who (A) receives room, board and professional services in the institution for a twenty-four-hour period or longer, or (B) is expected by the institution to receive room, board and professional services in the institution for a twenty-four-hour period or longer, even though it later develops that the patient does not actually stay in the institution for twenty-four hours;

(13) "Outpatient hospital services" means, in accordance with federal law, preventive, diagnostic, therapeutic, rehabilitative or palliative services that are (A) furnished to outpatients; (B) furnished by or under the direction of a physician or dentist; and (C) furnished by a hospital;

(14) "Outpatient" means a patient of an organized medical facility or a distinct part of such facility, who is expected by the facility to receive, and who does receive, professional services for less than a twenty-four-hour period regardless of the hour of admission, whether or not a bed is used or the patient remains in the facility past midnight;

(15) "Nursing home" means any licensed chronic and convalescent nursing home or a rest home with nursing supervision;

(16) "Intermediate care facility for individuals with intellectual disabilities" or "intermediate care facility" means a residential facility for persons with intellectual disability that is certified to meet the requirements of 42 CFR 442, Subpart C, as amended from time to time, and, in the case of a private facility, licensed pursuant to section 17a-227 of the general statutes;

(17) "Medicare day" means a day of nursing home care service provided to an individual who is eligible for payment, in full or with a coinsurance requirement, under the federal Medicare program,
(18) "Nursing home resident day" means a day of nursing home care service provided to an individual and includes the day a resident is admitted and any day for which the nursing home is eligible for payment for reserving a resident's bed due to hospitalization or temporary leave and for the date of death. For purposes of this subdivision, a day of nursing home care service shall be the period of time between the census-taking hour in a nursing home on two successive calendar days. "Nursing home resident day" does not include a Medicare day or the day a resident is discharged;

(19) "Intermediate care facility resident day" means a day of intermediate care facility residential care provided to an individual and includes the day a resident is admitted and any day for which the intermediate care facility is eligible for payment for reserving a resident's bed due to hospitalization or temporary leave and for the date of death. For purposes of this subdivision, a day of intermediate care facility residential care shall be the period of time between the census-taking hour in a facility on two successive calendar days. "Intermediate care facility resident day" does not include the day a resident is discharged;

(20) "Ambulatory surgical center" means any distinct entity that (A) operates exclusively for the purpose of providing surgical services to patients not requiring hospitalization and in which the expected duration of services would not exceed twenty-four hours following an admission; (B) has an agreement with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to participate in Medicare as an ambulatory surgical center; and (C) meets the general and specific conditions for participation in Medicare set forth in 42 CFR Part 416, Subparts B and C, as amended from time to time;

(21) "Ambulatory surgical center services" means, in accordance
with 42 CFR 433.56(a)(9), as amended from time to time, services that are furnished in connection with covered surgical procedures performed in an ambulatory surgical center as provided in 42 CFR 416.164(a), as amended from time to time, for which payment is included in the ambulatory surgical center payment established under 42 CFR 416.171, as amended from time to time, for the covered surgical procedure. "Ambulatory surgical center services" includes facility services only and does not include surgical procedures;

(22) "Medicaid" means the program operated by the Department of Social Services pursuant to section 17b-260 of the general statutes and authorized by Title XIX of the Social Security Act, as amended from time to time; and

(23) "Medicare" means the program operated by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services in accordance with Title XVIII of the Social Security Act, as amended from time to time.

Sec. 947. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) (1) For each calendar quarter commencing on or after July 1, 2017, each hospital and ambulatory surgical center shall pay a tax on the total net revenue received by each such health care provider for the provision of inpatient hospital services, outpatient hospital services and ambulatory surgical center services.

(A) The rate of tax on all net revenue received on and after July 1, 2017, for the provision of ambulatory surgical center services, shall be six per cent, except that revenue from Medicaid payments for the provision of ambulatory surgical center services shall be exempt from tax.

(B) (i) On and after July 1, 2017, and prior to July 1, 2019, the rate of tax for the provision of inpatient hospital services and outpatient hospital services shall be nine hundred million dollars divided by the
total audited net revenue for fiscal year 2016, of all health care providers that are required to pay such tax.

(ii) On and after July 1, 2019, the rate of tax for the provision of inpatient hospital services and outpatient hospital services shall be three hundred eighty-four million dollars divided by the total audited net revenue for fiscal year 2016, of all health care providers that are required to pay such tax.

(2) For each state fiscal year commencing on or after July 1, 2017, each health care provider required to pay tax on inpatient hospital services and outpatient hospital services shall calculate the amount of tax due on forms prescribed by the commissioner by multiplying the applicable rate set forth in subparagraph (B) of subdivision (1) of this subsection by its audited net revenue for fiscal year 2016. Except as provided under subdivision (3) of this subsection, each such health care provider shall be required to pay the total amount due in four quarterly payments consistent with section 949 of this act, with the first quarter commencing with the first day of each state fiscal year and the last quarter ending on the last day of each state fiscal year.

(3) (A) For the state fiscal year commencing July 1, 2017, each health care provider required to pay tax on inpatient hospital services and outpatient hospital services shall make an estimated tax payment on October 31, 2017, which estimated payment shall be equal to one hundred thirty-three per cent of the tax due under chapter 211a of the general statutes for the period ending June 30, 2017. In the event a health care provider was not required to pay tax under chapter 211a of the general statutes on either inpatient hospital services or outpatient hospital services, such health care provider shall make its estimated payment based on its unaudited net patient revenue.

(B) Each health care provider required to pay tax on inpatient hospital services and outpatient hospital services shall pay the
remaining balance determined to be due in two equal payments, which shall be due on April 30, 2018, and July 31, 2018, respectively.

(C) Health care providers shall make all payments required under this section in accordance with procedures established by and on forms provided by the commissioner.

(4) (A) For purposes of this section, "audited net revenue for fiscal year 2016" means the amount of revenue that the commissioner determines, in accordance with federal law, that a health care provider received for the provision of inpatient hospital services and outpatient hospital services during the 2016 federal fiscal year, based on information provided by each health care provider required to pay tax on inpatient hospital services and outpatient hospital services. For purposes of this section, the total audited net revenue for fiscal year 2016 shall be the sum of all audited net revenue for fiscal year 2016 for all health care providers required to pay tax on inpatient hospital services and outpatient hospital services.

(B) All health care providers required to pay tax on inpatient hospital services and outpatient hospital services shall be required to submit to the commissioner such information as the commissioner determines is required in order to calculate the audited net revenue for fiscal year 2016 of all such health care providers. Such information shall be provided to the commissioner not later than January 1, 2018. The commissioner shall make additional requests for information as necessary to fully audit each health care provider's net revenue. Upon completion of the commissioner's examination, the commissioner shall notify each health care provider of its audited net revenue for fiscal year 2016, prior to February 28, 2018.

(C) Any health care provider who fails to provide the requested information prior to January 1, 2018, or fails to comply with a request for additional information made under this subdivision shall be subject
to a penalty of one thousand dollars per day for each day the health care provider fails to provide the requested information or additional information.

(D) The commissioner may engage an independent auditor to assist in the performance of the commissioner's duties and responsibilities under this subdivision.

(5) Net revenue derived from furnishing a health care item or service to a patient shall be taxed only one time under this section. Net revenue from each hospital-owned ambulatory surgical center shall be considered net revenue of the hospital and shall be reported as net revenue from inpatient hospital services or outpatient hospital services to the extent such net revenue is derived from services that fall within the scope of inpatient hospital services or outpatient hospital services, as defined in subsection (b) of section 946 of this act. As used in this subsection, "hospital-owned ambulatory surgical center" includes only those ambulatory surgical centers that are considered departments of the owner-hospital and that have provider-based status in accordance with 42 CFR 413.65, as amended from time to time. If an ambulatory surgical center is owned by a hospital, but is not considered to be a department of the hospital or does not have provider-based status in accordance with 42 CFR 413.65, as amended from time to time, the net revenue of such ambulatory surgical center shall not be considered net revenue of the owner-hospital, and such ambulatory surgical center shall be required to file and pay tax for any net revenue received from the provision of ambulatory surgical center services.

(b) (1) The Commissioner of Social Services shall seek approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to exempt from the net revenue tax imposed under subsection (a) of this section the following: (A) Specialty hospitals; (B) children's general hospitals; and (C) hospitals operated exclusively by the state other than a short-term acute hospital operated by the state as a receiver pursuant to chapter 946 of this act.
920 of the general statutes. Any health care provider for which the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services grants an exemption shall be exempt from the net revenue tax imposed under subsection (a) of this section. Any health care provider for which the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services denies an exemption shall be required to pay the net revenue tax imposed under subsection (a) of this section on inpatient hospital services and outpatient hospital services, as defined in section 946 of this act.

(2) Each health care provider shall provide to the Commissioner of Social Services, upon request, such information as said commissioner may require to make any computations necessary to seek approval for exemption under this subsection.

(3) As used in this subsection, (A) "specialty hospitals" means health care facilities, as defined in section 19a-630 of the general statutes, other than facilities licensed by the Department of Public Health as a short-term general hospital or a short-term children's hospital. "Specialty hospitals" includes, but is not limited to, psychiatric hospitals and chronic disease hospitals, and (B) "children's general hospitals" means health care facilities, as defined in section 19a-630 of the general statutes, that are licensed by the Department of Public Health as a short-term children's hospital. "Children's general hospitals" does not include specialty hospitals.

(c) Prior to January 1, 2018, and every three years thereafter, the Commissioner of Social Services shall seek approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to exempt financially distressed hospitals from the net revenue tax imposed on outpatient hospital services. Any such hospital for which the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services grants an exemption shall be exempt from the net revenue tax imposed on outpatient hospital services under subsection (a) of this section. Any hospital for which the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services denies an exemption shall be required to pay the net
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revenue tax imposed on outpatient hospital services under subsection (a) of this section. "Financially distressed hospitals" means hospitals that have experienced over a five-year period an average net loss of more than one per cent of aggregate revenue. A hospital has an average net loss of more than one per cent of aggregate revenue if such a loss as reflected in the five most recent years financial reporting that have been made available by the Office of Healthcare Access for such hospital in accordance with section 19a-670 of the general statutes as of the effective date of the request for approval which effective date shall be July 1 of the year in which request is made.

(d) The commissioner shall issue guidance regarding the administration of the tax on inpatient hospital services and outpatient hospital services. Such guidance shall be issued upon completion of a study of the applicable federal law governing the administration of health care provider taxes. The commissioner shall conduct such study in collaboration with the Commissioner of Social Services, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, the Connecticut Hospital Association and the health care providers subject to the tax imposed on inpatient hospital services and outpatient hospital services.

(e) The provisions of section 17b-8 of the general statutes shall not apply to any waiver or waivers sought by the Department of Social Services from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services under this section.

Sec. 948. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) For each calendar quarter commencing on or after July 1, 2017, there is hereby imposed a quarterly fee on each nursing home and intermediate care facility in this state, which fee shall be the product of each facility's total resident days during the calendar quarter multiplied by the user fee. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the user fee for nursing homes shall be twenty-one dollars and two cents and the user fee for intermediate
care facilities shall be twenty-seven dollars and twenty-six cents. As used in this subsection, "resident day" means nursing home resident day and intermediate care facility resident day, as applicable.

(b) The Commissioner of Social Services shall seek approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to exempt from the quarterly fee imposed on nursing homes under subsection (a) of this section those nursing homes owned and operated by a legal entity registered as a continuing care facility with the Department of Social Services in accordance with section 17b-521 of the general statutes. Any nursing home for which the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services grants an exemption shall be exempt from the quarterly fee imposed on nursing homes under subsection (a) of this section. Any nursing home for which the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services denies an exemption shall be required to pay the quarterly fee imposed on nursing homes under subsection (a) of this section.

(c) The Commissioner of Social Services shall seek approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for permission to impose a user fee in the amount of sixteen dollars and thirteen cents upon nursing homes owned by municipalities and nursing homes licensed for more than two hundred thirty beds. If the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services grants permission, the user fee imposed on nursing homes owned by municipalities and nursing homes licensed for more than two hundred thirty beds shall be sixteen dollars and thirteen cents. If the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services denies permission, the user fee for nursing homes owned by municipalities and nursing homes licensed for more than two hundred thirty beds shall be twenty-one dollars and two cents.

(d) The provisions of section 17b-8 of the general statutes shall not apply to any waiver or waivers sought by the Department of Social Services from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services under this section.
Sec. 949. (NEW) *(Effective from passage)* (a) No tax credit or credits shall be allowable against any tax or fee imposed under section 947 or 948 of this act. Notwithstanding any other provision of the general statutes, any health care provider that has been assigned tax credits under section 32-9t of the general statutes for application against the taxes imposed under chapter 211a of the general statutes may further assign such tax credits to another taxpayer or taxpayers one time, provided such other taxpayer or taxpayers may claim such credit only with respect to a taxable year for which the assigning health care provider would have been eligible to claim such credit and such other taxpayer or taxpayers may not further assign such credit. The assigning health care provider shall file with the commissioner information requested by the commissioner regarding such assignments, including but not limited to, the current holders of credits as of the end of the preceding calendar year.

(b) Each taxpayer doing business in this state shall, on or before the last day of January, April, July and October of each year, render to the commissioner a quarterly return, on forms prescribed or furnished by the commissioner and signed by one of the taxpayer's principal officers, stating specifically the name and location of such taxpayer, the amount of its net patient revenue or resident days during the calendar quarter ending on the last day of the preceding month and such other information as the commissioner deems necessary for the proper administration of this section and the state's Medicaid program. The taxes and fees imposed under this section shall be due and payable on the due date of such return. Each taxpayer shall be required to file such return electronically with the department and to make such payment by electronic funds transfer in the manner provided by chapter 228g of the general statutes, irrespective of whether the taxpayer would have otherwise been required to file such return electronically or to make such payment by electronic funds transfer under the provisions of said chapter.
(c) (1) If any taxpayer fails to pay the amount of tax or fee reported to be due on such taxpayer's return within the time specified under the provisions of this section, there shall be imposed a penalty equal to ten per cent of such amount due and unpaid, or fifty dollars, whichever is greater. The tax or fee shall bear interest at the rate of one per cent per month or fraction thereof, from the due date of such tax or fee until the date of payment.

(2) If any taxpayer has not made its return within one month of the due date of such return, the commissioner may make such return at any time thereafter, according to the best information obtainable and according to the form prescribed. There shall be added to the tax or fee imposed upon the basis of such return an amount equal to ten per cent of such tax or fee, or fifty dollars, whichever is greater. The tax or fee shall bear interest at the rate of one per cent per month or fraction thereof, from the due date of such tax or fee until the date of payment.

(3) Subject to the provisions of section 12-3a of the general statutes, the commissioner may waive all or part of the penalties provided under this subsection when it is proven to the commissioner's satisfaction that the failure to pay any tax or fee on time was due to reasonable cause and was not intentional or due to neglect.

(4) The commissioner shall notify the Commissioner of Social Services of any amount delinquent under this section and, upon receipt of such notice, the Commissioner of Social Services shall deduct and withhold such amount from amounts otherwise payable by the Department of Social Services to the delinquent taxpayer.

(d) (1) Any person required under sections 947 to 952, inclusive, of this act to pay any tax or fee, make a return, keep any records or supply any information, who willfully fails, at the time required by law, to pay such tax or fee, make such return, keep such records or supply such information, shall, in addition to any other penalty
provided by law, be fined not more than one thousand dollars or
imprisoned not more than one year, or both. As used in this
subsection, "person" includes any officer or employee of a taxpayer
under a duty to pay such tax or fee, make such return, keep such
records or supply such information. Notwithstanding the provisions of
section 54-193 of the general statutes, no person shall be prosecuted for
a violation of the provisions of this subsection committed on or after
July 1, 1997, except within three years next after such violation has
been committed.

(2) Any person who wilfully delivers or discloses to the
commissioner or the commissioner's authorized agent any list, return,
account, statement or other document, known by such person to be
fraudulent or false in any material matter, shall, in addition to any
other penalty provided by law, be guilty of a class D felony. No person
shall be charged with an offense under both this subdivision and
subdivision (1) of this subsection in relation to the same tax period but
such person may be charged and prosecuted for both such offenses
upon the same information.

Sec. 950. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) (1) The commissioner may
examine the records of any taxpayer subject to a tax or fee imposed
under the provisions of section 947 or 948 of this act as the
commissioner deems necessary. If the commissioner determines from
such examination that there is a deficiency with respect to the payment
of any such tax or fee due under the provisions of section 947 or 948 of
this act, the commissioner shall assess the deficiency in tax or fee, give
notice of such deficiency assessment to the taxpayer and make demand
for payment. Such amount shall bear interest at the rate of one per cent
per month or fraction thereof from the date when the original tax or fee
was due and payable. (A) When it appears that any part of the
deficiency for which a deficiency assessment is made is due to
negligence or intentional disregard of the provisions of this section or
regulations adopted thereunder, there shall be imposed a penalty equal to ten per cent of the amount of such deficiency assessment, or fifty dollars, whichever is greater. (B) When it appears that any part of the deficiency for which a deficiency assessment is made is due to fraud or intent to evade the provisions of this section or regulations adopted thereunder, there shall be imposed a penalty equal to twenty-five per cent of the amount of such deficiency assessment. No taxpayer shall be subject to more than one penalty under this subdivision in relation to the same tax period. Not later than thirty days after the mailing of such notice, the taxpayer shall pay to the commissioner, in cash or by check, draft or money order drawn to the order of the Commissioner of Revenue Services, any additional amount of tax, penalty and interest shown to be due.

(2) Except in the case of a wilfully false or fraudulent return with intent to evade the tax or fee, no assessment of additional tax or fee shall be made after the expiration of more than three years from the date of the filing of a return or from the original due date of a return, whichever is later. Where, before the expiration of the period prescribed under this subsection for the assessment of an additional tax or fee, a taxpayer has consented, in writing, that such period may be extended, the amount of such additional tax due may be determined at any time within such extended period. The period so extended may be further extended by subsequent consents, in writing, before the expiration of the extended period.

(b) (1) The commissioner may enter into an agreement with the Commissioner of Social Services delegating to the Commissioner of Social Services the authority to examine the records and returns of any taxpayer subject to any tax or fee imposed under section 947 or 948 of this act and to determine whether such tax has been underpaid or overpaid. If such authority is so delegated, examinations of such records and returns by the Commissioner of Social Services and
determinations by the Commissioner of Social Services that such tax or fee has been underpaid or overpaid shall have the same effect as similar examinations or determinations made by the commissioner.

(2) The commissioner may enter into an agreement with the Commissioner of Social Services in order to facilitate the exchange of return or return information necessary for the Commissioner of Social Services to perform his or her responsibilities under this section and to ensure compliance with the state's Medicaid program.

(3) The Commissioner of Social Services may engage an independent auditor to assist in the performance of said commissioner's duties and responsibilities under this subsection. Any reports generated by such independent auditor shall be provided simultaneously to the department and the Department of Social Services.

(c) (1) The commissioner may require all persons subject to a tax or fee imposed under section 947 or 948 of this act to keep such records as the commissioner may prescribe and may require the production of books, papers, documents and other data, to provide or secure information pertinent to the determination of the taxes or fees imposed under section 947 or 948 of this act and the enforcement and collection thereof.

(2) The commissioner or any person authorized by the commissioner may examine the books, papers, records and equipment of any person liable under the provisions of this section and may investigate the character of the business of such person to verify the accuracy of any return made or, if no return is made by the person, to ascertain and determine the amount required to be paid.

(d) The commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to implement the
provisions of sections 947 to 954, inclusive, of this act.

Sec. 951. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) Any taxpayer subject to any tax or fee under section 947 or 948 of this act, believing that it has overpaid any tax or fee due under said sections, may file a claim for refund, in writing, with the commissioner not later than three years after the due date for which such overpayment was made, stating the specific grounds upon which the claim is founded. Failure to file a claim within the time prescribed in this subsection shall constitute a waiver of any demand against the state on account of overpayment. Within a reasonable time, as determined by the commissioner, following receipt of such claim for refund, the commissioner shall determine whether such claim is valid and, if so determined, the commissioner shall notify the Comptroller of the amount of such refund and the Comptroller shall draw an order on the Treasurer in the amount thereof for payment to the taxpayer. If the commissioner determines that such claim is not valid, either in whole or in part, the commissioner shall mail notice of the proposed disallowance in whole or in part of the claim to the taxpayer, which notice shall set forth briefly the commissioner's findings of fact and the basis of disallowance in each case decided in whole or in part adversely to the taxpayer. Sixty days after the date on which it is mailed, a notice of proposed disallowance shall constitute a final disallowance except only for such amounts as to which the taxpayer has filed, as provided in subsection (b) of this section, a written protest with the commissioner.

(b) On or before the sixtieth day after the mailing of the proposed disallowance, the taxpayer may file with the commissioner a written protest against the proposed disallowance in which the taxpayer sets forth the grounds on which the protest is based. If a protest is filed, the commissioner shall reconsider the proposed disallowance and, if the taxpayer has so requested, may grant or deny the taxpayer or its
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authorized representatives a hearing.

(c) The commissioner shall mail notice of the commissioner's determination to the taxpayer, which notice shall set forth briefly the commissioner's findings of fact and the basis of decision in each case decided in whole or in part adversely to the taxpayer.

(d) The action of the commissioner on the taxpayer's protest shall be final upon the expiration of one month from the date on which the commissioner mails notice of the commissioner's determination to the taxpayer, unless within such period the taxpayer seeks judicial review of the commissioner's determination.

Sec. 952. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) Any taxpayer subject to any tax or fee under section 947 or 948 of this act that is aggrieved by the action of the commissioner, the Commissioner of Social Services or an authorized agent of said commissioners in fixing the amount of any tax, penalty, interest or fee under sections 947 to 950, inclusive, of this act may apply to the commissioner, in writing, not later than sixty days after the notice of such action is delivered or mailed to such taxpayer, for a hearing and a correction of the amount of such tax, penalty, interest or fee, setting forth the reasons why such hearing should be granted and the amount by which such tax, penalty, interest or fee should be reduced. The commissioner shall promptly consider each such application and may grant or deny the hearing requested. If the hearing is denied, the taxpayer shall be notified immediately. If the hearing is granted, the commissioner shall notify the applicant of the date, time and place for such hearing. After such hearing, the commissioner may make such order as appears just and lawful to the commissioner and shall furnish a copy of such order to the taxpayer. The commissioner may, by notice in writing, order a hearing on the commissioner's own initiative and require a taxpayer or any other individual who the commissioner believes to be in possession of relevant information concerning such taxpayer to appear before the
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commissioner or the commissioner's authorized agent with any specified books of account, papers or other documents, for examination under oath.

(b) Any taxpayer subject to any tax or fee under section 947 or 948 of this act that is aggrieved because of any order, decision, determination or disallowance of the commissioner made under sections 947 to 950, inclusive, of this act may, not later than one month after service of notice of such order, decision, determination or disallowance, take an appeal therefrom to the superior court for the judicial district of New Britain, which appeal shall be accompanied by a citation to the commissioner to appear before said court. Such citation shall be signed by the same authority and such appeal shall be returnable at the same time and served and returned in the same manner as is required in case of a summons in a civil action. The authority issuing the citation shall take from the appellant a bond or recognizance to the state of Connecticut, with surety, to prosecute the appeal to effect and to comply with the orders and decrees of the court in the premises. Such appeals shall be preferred cases, to be heard, unless cause appears to the contrary, at the first session, by the court or by a committee appointed by the court. Said court may grant such relief as may be equitable and, if such tax or charge has been paid prior to the granting of such relief, may order the Treasurer to pay the amount of such relief, with interest at the rate of two-thirds of one per cent per month or fraction thereof, to such taxpayer. If the appeal has been taken without probable cause, the court may tax double or triple costs, as the case demands and, upon all such appeals that are denied, costs may be taxed against such taxpayer at the discretion of the court but no costs shall be taxed against the state.

Sec. 953. (NEW) (Effective from passage) The commissioner and any agent of the commissioner duly authorized to conduct any inquiry, investigation or hearing pursuant to sections 949 to 962, inclusive, of
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this act shall have power to administer oaths and take testimony under oath relative to the matter of inquiry or investigation. At any hearing ordered by the commissioner, the commissioner or the commissioner's agent authorized to conduct such hearing and having authority by law to issue such process may subpoena witnesses and require the production of books, papers and documents pertinent to such inquiry or investigation. No witness under subpoena authorized to be issued under the provisions of this section shall be excused from testifying or from producing books, papers or documentary evidence on the ground that such testimony or the production of such books, papers or documentary evidence would tend to incriminate such witness, but such books, papers or documentary evidence so produced shall not be used in any criminal proceeding against such witness. If any person disobeys such process or, having appeared in obedience thereto, refuses to answer any pertinent question put to such person by the commissioner or the commissioner's authorized agent, or to produce any books, papers or other documentary evidence pursuant thereto, the commissioner or such agent may apply to the superior court of the judicial district wherein the taxpayer resides or wherein the business has been conducted, or to any judge of such court if the same is not in session, setting forth such disobedience to process or refusal to answer, and such court or such judge shall cite such person to appear before such court or such judge to answer such question or to produce such books, papers or other documentary evidence and, upon such person's refusal so to do, shall commit such person to a community correctional center until such person testifies, but not for a period longer than sixty days. Notwithstanding the serving of the term of such commitment by any person, the commissioner may proceed in all respects with such inquiry and examination as if the witness had not previously been called upon to testify. Officers who serve subpoenas issued by the commissioner or under the commissioner's authority and witnesses attending hearings conducted by the commissioner pursuant to this section shall receive fees and compensation at the same rates as officers
and witnesses in the courts of this state, to be paid on vouchers of the commissioner on order of the Comptroller from the proper appropriation for the administration of this section.

Sec. 954. (NEW) (Effective from passage) The amount of any tax, penalty, interest or fee, due and unpaid under the provisions of sections 947 to 952, inclusive, of this act may be collected under the provisions of section 12-35 of the general statutes. The warrant provided under section 12-35 of the general statutes shall be signed by the commissioner or the commissioner's authorized agent. The amount of any such tax, penalty, interest or fee shall be a lien on the real estate of the taxpayer from the last day of the month next preceding the due date of such tax until such tax is paid. The commissioner may record such lien in the records of any town in which the real estate of such taxpayer is situated but no such lien shall be enforceable against a bona fide purchaser or qualified encumbrancer of such real estate. When any tax or fee with respect to which a lien has been recorded under the provisions of this subsection has been satisfied, the commissioner shall, upon request of any interested party, issue a certificate discharging such lien, which certificate shall be recorded in the same office in which the lien was recorded. Any action for the foreclosure of such lien shall be brought by the Attorney General in the name of the state in the superior court for the judicial district in which the property subject to such lien is situated, or, if such property is located in two or more judicial districts, in the superior court for any one such judicial district, and the court may limit the time for redemption or order the sale of such property or make such other or further decree as it judges equitable. For purposes of section 12-39g of the general statutes, a fee under this section shall be treated as a tax.

Sec. 955. (NEW) (Effective from passage) At the close of each fiscal year commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the Comptroller is authorized to record as revenue for each such fiscal
year the amount of tax and fee imposed under the provisions of sections 946 to 954, inclusive, of this act that is received by the commissioner not later than five business days after the last day of July immediately following the end of such fiscal year.

Sec. 956. Subsection (a) of section 12-263b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) For each calendar quarter commencing on or after July 1, 2011, and prior to July 1, 2017, there is hereby imposed a tax on the net patient revenue of each hospital in this state to be paid each calendar quarter. The rate of such tax shall be up to the maximum rate allowed under federal law and in conformance with the state budget adopted by the General Assembly. Each hospital shall be promptly notified of the amount of tax due by the Commissioner of Social Services. The Commissioner of Social Services shall determine the base year on which such tax shall be assessed in order to ensure conformance with the state budget adopted by the General Assembly. The Commissioner of Social Services may, in consultation with the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and in accordance with federal law, exempt a hospital from the tax on payment earned for the provision of outpatient services based on financial hardship. Effective July 1, 2012, and for the succeeding fifteen months, the rates of such tax, the base year on which such tax shall be assessed, and the hospitals exempt from the outpatient portion of the tax based on financial hardship shall be the same tax rates, base year and outpatient exemption for hardship in effect on January 1, 2012.

Sec. 957. Subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 12-263i of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(b) (1) For each calendar quarter commencing on or after October 1,
2015, and prior to July 1, 2017, there is hereby imposed a tax on each ambulatory surgical center in this state to be paid each calendar quarter. The tax imposed by this section shall be at the rate of six per cent of the gross receipts of each ambulatory surgical center, except that such tax shall not be imposed on any amount of such gross receipts that constitutes either (A) the first million dollars of gross receipts of the ambulatory surgical center in the applicable fiscal year, or (B) net patient revenue of a hospital that is subject to the tax imposed under this chapter. Nothing in this section shall prohibit an ambulatory surgical center from seeking remuneration for the tax imposed by this section.

Sec. 958. Subparagraph (A) of subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 17b-320 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(b) (1) (A) For each calendar quarter commencing on or after July 1, 2005, and prior to July 1, 2017, there is hereby imposed a resident day user fee on each nursing home in this state, which fee shall be the product of the nursing home's total resident days during the calendar quarter multiplied by the user fee, as determined by the Commissioner of Social Services pursuant to subsection (a) of section 17b-321.

Sec. 959. Subsection (a) of section 17b-321 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) On or before July 1, 2005, and on or before July first annually or biennially [thereafter] and prior to July 1, 2017, the Commissioner of Social Services shall determine the amount of the user fee and promptly notify the commissioner and nursing homes of such amount. The user fee shall be (1) the sum of each nursing home's anticipated nursing home net revenue, including, but not limited to, its estimated net revenue from any increases in Medicaid payments, during the
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twelve-month period ending on June thirtieth of the succeeding calendar year, (2) which sum shall be multiplied by a percentage as determined by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, in consultation with the Commissioner of Social Services, provided before January 1, 2008, such percentage shall not exceed six per cent, on and after January 1, 2008, and prior to October 1, 2011, such percentage shall not exceed five and one-half per cent, and on and after October 1, 2011, and prior to July 1, 2017, such percentage shall not exceed the maximum allowed under federal law, and (3) which product shall be divided by the sum of each nursing home's anticipated resident days during the twelve-month period ending on June thirtieth of the succeeding calendar year. The Commissioner of Social Services, in anticipating nursing home net revenue and resident days, shall use the most recently available nursing home net revenue and resident day information. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the Commissioner of Social Services may adjust the user fee as necessary to prevent the state from exceeding the maximum allowed under federal law.

Sec. 960. Section 17b-323 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

Not later than fifteen days after approval of the Medicaid state plan amendment required to implement subdivision (4) of subsection (f) of section 17b-340 and prior to July 1, 2017, the Commissioner of Social Services shall seek approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for, and shall file a provider user fee uniformity waiver request regarding, the user fee set forth in sections 17b-320 and 17b-321, as amended by this act. The request for approval shall include a request for a waiver of federal requirements for uniform and broad-based user fees in accordance with 42 CFR 433.68, to (1) exempt from the user fee prescribed by section 17b-320 any nursing home that is owned and operated as of May 1, 2005, by the legal entity that is
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registered as a continuing care facility with the Department of Social Services, in accordance with section 17b-521, regardless of whether such nursing home participates in the Medicaid program and any nursing home licensed after May 1, 2005, that is owned and operated by the legal entity that is registered as a continuing care facility with the Department of Social Services in accordance with section 17b-521; and (2) impose a user fee in an amount less than the fee determined pursuant to section 17b-320, as amended by this act, as necessary to meet the requirements of 42 CFR 433.68(e)(2) on (A) nursing homes owned by a municipality, and (B) nursing homes licensed for more than two hundred thirty beds. Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the provisions of section 17b-8 shall not apply to the waiver sought pursuant to this section.

Sec. 961. Subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 17b-340a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(b) (1) For each calendar quarter commencing on or after July 1, 2011, and prior to July 1, 2017, there is hereby imposed a resident day user fee on each intermediate care facility for individuals with intellectual disabilities in this state, which fee shall be the product of the facility’s total resident days during the calendar quarter multiplied by the user fee, as determined by the Commissioner of Social Services pursuant to section 17b-340b, as amended by this act.

Sec. 962. Section 17b-340b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

On or before July 1, 2011, and on or before July first annually or biennially [thereafter] and prior to July 1, 2017, the Commissioner of Social Services shall determine the amount of the user fee and promptly notify the commissioner and the intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities of such amount. The user

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fee shall be (1) the sum of each facility's anticipated net revenue, including, but not limited to, its estimated net revenue from any increases in Medicaid payments during the twelve-month period ending on June thirtieth of the succeeding calendar year, (2) which sum shall be multiplied by a percentage as determined by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, in consultation with the Commissioner of Social Services, provided, before October 1, 2011, such percentage shall not exceed five and one-half per cent and, on and after October 1, 2011, and prior to July 1, 2017, such percentage shall not exceed the maximum amount allowed under federal law, and (3) which product shall be divided by the sum of each facility's anticipated resident days during the twelve-month period ending on June thirtieth of the succeeding calendar year. The Commissioner of Social Services, in anticipating facility net revenue and resident days, shall use the most recently available facility net revenue and resident day information. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the Commissioner of Social Services may adjust the user fee as necessary to prevent the state from exceeding the maximum amount allowed under federal law.

Sec. 963. Subsection (b) of section 17b-239e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

[(b) The commissioner may establish a blended inpatient hospital case rate that includes services provided to all Medicaid recipients and may exclude certain diagnoses, as determined by the commissioner, if the establishment of such rates is needed to ensure that the conversion to an administrative services organization is cost neutral to hospitals in the aggregate and ensures patient access. Utilization may be a factor in determining cost neutrality.]

(b) (1) The Department of Social Services [may] shall establish [, within available appropriations, a supplemental inpatient pool] one or
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more supplemental pools for certain hospitals. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, the department shall distribute such supplemental payments to applicable hospitals based on criteria determined by the department in consultation with the Connecticut Hospital Association, including, but not limited to, utilization and proportion of total Medicaid expenditures. Such consultation shall include, at a minimum, that the department shall send proposed distribution criteria in writing to the Connecticut Hospital Association not less than thirty days before making any payments based on such criteria and shall provide an opportunity to discuss such criteria prior to making any payments based on such criteria, except, for the supplemental payments for the quarter ending September 30, 2017, such consultation shall include sending the distribution criteria not less than seven days before making any payments based on such criteria.

(2) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, the Department of Social Services shall pay hospitals the total amount of hospital supplemental payments to applicable hospitals in accordance with the total amount for such payments included in the approved state budget, subject to the department's determination that such payments comply with applicable federal law.

(3) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, the Department of Social Services shall make supplemental payments to applicable hospitals in accordance with the following schedule: (A) The supplemental payment for the quarter ending September 30, 2017, shall be made on or before September 30, 2017, or the effective date of this act, whichever is later; (B) the supplemental payment for the quarter ending December 31, 2017, shall be made on or before December 31, 2017, except that the department may delay such payments until fourteen days after receiving approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for the Medicaid state plan amendment or amendments necessary for the state to receive
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federal Medicaid funds for such supplemental payments; and (C) the supplemental payments for the quarter ending on March 31, 2018, through the quarter ending on June 30, 2019, shall be made on or before the last day of each such calendar quarter.

Sec. 964. (Effective from passage) (a) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the Commissioner of Social Services, in the commissioner's discretion, may advance all or a portion of a quarterly supplemental payment to a distressed hospital in accordance with this section. In order for the commissioner to consider issuing an advance under this section, a distressed hospital shall request the advance in writing with an explanation of how the hospital complies with the conditions established in accordance with this section. Such hospital shall provide the commissioner with all financial information requested, including, but not limited to, annual audited financial statements, quarterly internal financial statements and accounts payable records.

(b) The commissioner may impose such conditions as the commissioner determines to be necessary in making any advance in accordance with this section, including, but not limited to, financial reporting, schedule of recoupment of advance payments and adjustments to any future payments to such hospital. For purposes of this section, "distressed hospital" means a short-term general acute care hospital licensed by the Department of Public Health that (1) the Commissioner of Social Services determines is financially distressed in accordance with financial criteria selected or developed by the commissioner, and (2) is independent and is not affiliated with any other hospital or hospital-based system that includes two or more hospitals, as documented through the certificate of need process administered by the Department of Public Health, Office of Health Care Access.

Sec. 965. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 4-85 of the general statutes, for the fiscal years ending June 30,
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2018, and June 30, 2019, the Governor shall not reduce any allotment requisition or allotment in force for the Hospital Supplemental Payments account in the Department of Social Services.

Sec. 966. (Effective from passage) The appropriations in section 1 of this act are supported by the GENERAL FUND revenue estimates as follows:

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| **OTHER REVENUE**    |            |            |
| Transfers - Special Revenue | 339,300,000  | 346,400,000  |
| Indian Gaming Payments  | 267,300,000  | 199,000,000  |
| Licenses, Permits and Fees | 298,800,000  | 298,500,000  |
| Sales of Commodities and Services | 43,800,000  | 44,900,000  |
| Rents, Fines and Escheats | 165,000,000  | 155,100,000  |
| Investment Income     | 5,900,000   | 7,000,000   |

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Sec. 967. *(Effective from passage)* The appropriations in section 2 of this act are supported by the SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION FUND revenue estimates as follows:

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Sec. 968. *(Effective from passage)* The appropriations in section 3 of this act are supported by the MASHANTUCKET PEQUOT AND MOHEGAN FUND revenue estimates as follows:

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Sec. 969. *(Effective from passage)* The appropriations in section 4 of this act are supported by the REGIONAL MARKET OPERATION FUND revenue estimates as follows:

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Sec. 970. *(Effective from passage)* The appropriations in section 5 of this act are supported by the BANKING FUND revenue estimates as follows:

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<td>Fees and Assessments</td>
<td>$30,000,000</td>
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<td>Total Banking Fund</td>
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Sec. 971. *(Effective from passage)* The appropriations in section 6 of this act are supported by the INSURANCE FUND revenue estimates as follows:

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Sec. 972. (Effective from passage) The appropriations in section 7 of this act are supported by the CONSUMER COUNSEL AND PUBLIC UTILITY CONTROL FUND revenue estimates as follows:

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<td>Fees and Assessments</td>
<td>$27,000,000</td>
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<td>TOTAL CONSUMER COUNSEL AND PUBLIC UTILITY CONTROL FUND</td>
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Sec. 973. (Effective from passage) The appropriations in section 9 of this act are supported by the WORKERS' COMPENSATION FUND revenue estimates as follows:

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<td>$24,867,000</td>
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<td>TOTAL WORKERS' COMPENSATION FUND</td>
<td>24,867,000</td>
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Sec. 974. (Effective from passage) The appropriations in section 9 of this act are supported by the CRIMINAL INJURIES COMPENSATION FUND revenue estimates as follows:

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<td>TOTAL CRIMINAL INJURIES COMPENSATION FUND</td>
<td>3,000,000</td>
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Sec. 975. Sections 3-123i, 4b-53, 9-700 to 9-712, inclusive, 9-715 to 9-719, inclusive, 9-750, 9-751, 12-18d and 12-71e of the general statutes are repealed. (Effective from passage)

Sec. 976. Subdivision (33) of subsection (d) of section 13 of public act 07-7 of the June special session, as amended by section 70 of public act
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16-4 of the May special session; subdivision (1) of subsection (f) of section 21 of public act 07-7 of the June special session; section 62 of public act 09-2 of the September special session; section 34 of public act 09-6 of the September special session; section 197 of public act 10-44; subsection (d) of section 2 of public act 12-189; subdivision (2) of subsection (o) of section 2 of public act 13-239; subsection (b) of section 13 of public act 13-239; subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of section 13 of public act 13-239; subdivision (4) of subsection (g) of section 21 of public act 13-239, as amended by section 81 of public act 14-98; subdivision (3) of subsection (l) of section 21 of public act 13-239, as amended by section 176 of public act 16-4 of the May special session; subdivision (2) of subsection (o) of section 21 of public act 13-239, as amended by section 178 of public act 16-4 of the May special session; subsection (b) of section 32 of public act 13-239; subdivision (2) of subsection (g) of section 32 of public act 13-239, as amended by section 91 of public act 14-98; subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of section 2 of public act 14-98; subsection (i) of section 9 of public act 14-98, as amended by section 229 of public act 15-1 of the June special session; subdivision (2) of subsection (g) of section 2 of public act 15-1 of the June special session; subdivision (5) of subsection (n) of section 2 of public act 15-1 of the June special session; subdivision (1) of subsection (d) of section 13 of public act 15-1 of the June special session, as amended by section 203 of public act 16-4 of the May special session; subdivision (2) of subsection (d) of section 13 of public act 15-1 of the June special session, as amended by section 204 of public act 16-4 of the May special session; subsection (f) of section 13 of public act 15-1 of the June special session; subsection (b) of section 21 of public act 15-1 of the June special session; subsection (g) of section 32 of public act 15-1 of the June special session, as amended by section 225 of public act 16-4 of the May special session; subdivision (1) of subsection (k) of section 32 of public act 15-1 of the June special session; section 224 of public act 15-1 of the June special session, as amended by section 235 of public act 16-4 of the May special session; subsection (a) of section 9 of public

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act 16-4 of the May special session; and section 185 of public act 16-4 of the May special session are repealed. (*Effective from passage*)

Sec. 977. Subdivision (3) of subsection (e) of section 13 of special act 05-1 of the June special session, as amended by section 175 of public act 07-7 of the June special session; subdivision (19) of subsection (d) of section 32 of special act 05-1 of the June special session, as amended by section 179 of public act 10-44; and subdivision (9) of subsection (j) of section 32 of special act 05-1 of the June special session, as amended by section 211 of public act 07-7 of the June special session, are repealed. (*Effective from passage*)

Sec. 978. Sections 2-127, 2-128, 2-129, 2-135, 2-136, 4-66l, 4-66o, 4-66p, 8-37ss, 8-37ooo, 8-206, 17a-301a, 46a-128, 46a-131a and 46a-131b of the general statutes are repealed. (*Effective October 1, 2017*)

Sec. 979. Special act 17-15 is repealed. (*Effective October 1, 2017*)

Sec. 980. Sections 2-127, 2-128, 2-129, 2-135, 2-136, 8-37s, 8-37ooo, 8-206, 17a-301a, 17b-420a, 17b-463a, 46a-4b, 46a-128, 46a-131a and 46a-131b of the general statutes are repealed. (*Effective October 1, 2017*)

Sec. 981. Special act 17-15 is repealed. (*Effective October 1, 2017*)

Sec. 982. Sections 10a-19g, 10a-19h and 19a-55a of the general statutes are repealed. (*Effective July 1, 2018*)

Vetoed September 28, 2017