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**"AN ACT CONCERNING MINOR REVISIONS AND ADDITIONS TO
THE EDUCATION STATUTES."**

1 Strike lines 156 to 161, inclusive, in their entirety and insert the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "(5) Not later than September thirtieth each year, the Commissioner
4 of Education shall present the items submitted pursuant to
5 subdivisions (1) to (4), inclusive, of this subsection to the joint standing
6 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
7 relating to education."

8 In line 168, after "screening" insert "device, such as an automated
9 vision screening device"

10 In line 303, before "There" insert "(a)"

11 In line 311, strike "schools" and insert "athletics" in lieu thereof

12 Strike lines 321 and 322 and insert "Representatives;" in lieu thereof

13 Strike line 325 and insert "Representatives;" in lieu thereof

14 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
15 internal references accordingly:

16 "Sec. 501. Section 10-183v of the general statutes is repealed and the
17 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

18 (a) (1) Except as provided in subdivisions (2) and (3) of this
19 subsection and subsection (b) of this section, a teacher receiving
20 retirement benefits from the system may not be employed in a teaching
21 position receiving compensation paid out of public money
22 appropriated for school purposes except that such teacher may be
23 employed in such a position and receive no more than forty-five per
24 cent of the maximum salary level for the assigned position. Any
25 teacher who receives in excess of such amount shall reimburse the
26 board for the amount of such excess.

27 (2) Commencing July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2018, inclusive, the
28 provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection establishing a limitation
29 on the compensation of a reemployed teacher and requiring the
30 reimbursement of any amount received in excess of that limitation
31 shall not apply to a teacher who (A) is receiving retirement benefits
32 from the system based on thirty-four or more years of credited service,
33 (B) is reemployed as a teacher in a district designated as an alliance
34 district pursuant to section 10-262u, and (C) was serving as a teacher in
35 that district on July 1, 2015.

36 (3) On and after July 1, 2016, a teacher receiving retirement benefits
37 from the system may be employed in a teaching position and receive
38 (A) compensation paid out of public money appropriated for school
39 purposes, (B) health insurance benefits, and (C) other employment
40 benefits provided to active teachers employed by such school system,
41 provided such teacher does not receive a retirement income during
42 such employment. Payment of such teacher's retirement income shall

43 resume on the first day of the month following the termination of such
44 employment. The compensation [and health insurance benefits under
45 subparagraphs (A) and (B)] under subparagraph (A) of this
46 subdivision shall be provided in accordance with subsection (c) of this
47 section.

48 (4) Notice of employment under this subsection shall be sent to the
49 board by the employer at the beginning and end of the school year, or
50 assignment within the school year when reemployed for less than the
51 full school year.

52 (b) A teacher receiving retirement benefits from the system may be
53 reemployed for up to one full school year by a local board of
54 education, the State Board of Education or by any constituent unit of
55 the state system of higher education in a position (1) designated by the
56 Commissioner of Education as a subject shortage area, or (2) at a
57 school located in a school district identified as a priority school district,
58 pursuant to section 10-266p, for the school year in which the teacher is
59 being employed. Notice of such reemployment shall be sent to the
60 board by the employer and by the retired teacher at the time of hire
61 and at the end of the assignment. Such reemployment may be
62 extended for an additional school year, provided the local board of
63 education (A) submits a written request for approval to the Teachers'
64 Retirement Board, (B) certifies that no qualified candidates are
65 available prior to the reemployment of such teacher, and (C) indicates
66 the type of assignment to be performed, the anticipated date of rehire
67 and the expected duration of the assignment.

68 (c) The employment of a teacher under subsections (a) and (b) of
69 this section shall not be considered as service qualifying for continuing
70 contract status under section 10-151 and the salary of such teacher shall
71 be fixed at an amount at least equal to that paid other teachers in the
72 same school system with similar training and experience for the same
73 type of service. [Upon such employment under subsection (a) of this
74 section, and upon approval by the board of such employment under
75 subsection (b) of this section, such teacher shall be eligible for the same

76 health insurance benefits provided to active teachers employed by
77 such school system. No benefits shall be paid under section 10-183t,
78 while such teacher is employed by such system.]

79 (d) No person shall be entitled to survivor's benefits under
80 subsection (f) of section 10-183f as a result of reemployment under this
81 section.

82 (e) The same option plan of retirement benefits in effect prior to
83 reemployment shall continue for a reemployed teacher during
84 reemployment.

85 (f) The provisions of this section in effect on June 30, 2003, revision
86 of 1958, revised to January 1, 2003, shall be applicable to any person
87 making contributions to the Teachers' Retirement System on June 30,
88 2003, in accordance with said provisions.

89 Sec. 502. Subsection (a) of section 10-151d of the general statutes is
90 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
91 *1, 2017*):

92 (a) There is established a Performance Evaluation Advisory Council
93 within the Department of Education. Membership of the council shall
94 consist of: (1) The Commissioner of Education and the president of the
95 Connecticut State Colleges and Universities, or their designees, (2) one
96 representative from each of the following associations, designated by
97 the association, the Connecticut Association of Boards of Education,
98 the Connecticut Association of Public School Superintendents, the
99 Connecticut Federation of School Administrators, the Connecticut
100 Education Association, [and] the American Federation of Teachers-
101 Connecticut and the Connecticut Association of Schools, and (3)
102 persons selected by the Commissioner of Education who shall include,
103 but not be limited to, teachers, persons with expertise in performance
104 evaluation processes and systems, and any other person the
105 commissioner deems appropriate."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	<i>from passage</i>	10-183v
Sec. 502	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	10-151d(a)