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**"AN ACT CREATING AN ADVISORY COUNCIL RELATING TO
DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP, INTERNET SAFETY AND MEDIA
LITERACY."**

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

3 "Sec. 501. Section 10-262j of the general statutes is repealed and the
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

5 (a) Except as otherwise provided under the provisions of
6 subsections (c) to (e), inclusive, of this section, for the fiscal year
7 ending June 30, [2016] 2018, the budgeted appropriation for education
8 shall be not less than the budgeted appropriation for education for the
9 fiscal year ending June 30, [2015] 2017, plus any aid increase described
10 in subsection (d) of section 10-262i, as amended by this act, except that
11 a town may reduce its budgeted appropriation for education for the
12 fiscal year ending June 30, [2016] 2018, by one or more of the following:

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

17 [(1)] (2) Any district with [(A) a resident student population in
18 which the number of students who are eligible for free or reduced
19 price lunches pursuant to federal law and regulations is equal to or
20 greater than twenty per cent, and (B)] a resident student count for
21 October 1, [2014] 2016, using the data of record as of January 31, [2015]
22 2017, that is lower than such district's resident student count for
23 October 1, [2013] 2015, using the data of record as of January 31, [2015]
24 2017, may reduce such district's budgeted appropriation for education
25 by the difference in the number of resident students for such years
26 multiplied by fifty per cent of the net current expenditures per resident
27 student of such district; [, provided such reduction shall not exceed
28 one and one-half per cent of the district's budgeted appropriation for
29 education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, except that the
30 Commissioner of Education may, following a review of a town's
31 proposed reductions to its budgeted appropriation for education,
32 permit a town to reduce its budgeted appropriation for education in an
33 amount greater than one and one-half per cent if the board of
34 education for such town has approved, by vote at a meeting duly
35 called, such proposed reductions;]

36 [(2) Any district with (A) a resident student population in which the
37 number of students who are eligible for free or reduced price lunches
38 pursuant to federal law and regulations is less than twenty per cent,
39 and (B) a resident student count for October 1, 2014, using the data of
40 record as of January 31, 2015, that is lower than such district's resident
41 student count for October 1, 2013, using the data of record as of
42 January 31, 2015, may reduce such district's budgeted appropriation
43 for education by the difference in the number of resident students for
44 such years multiplied by fifty per cent of the net current expenditures
45 per resident student of such district, provided such reduction shall not
46 exceed three per cent of the district's budgeted appropriation for

47 education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, except that the
48 Commissioner of Education may, following a review of a town's
49 proposed reductions to its budgeted appropriation for education,
50 permit a town to reduce its budgeted appropriation for education in an
51 amount greater than three per cent if the board of education for such
52 town has approved, by vote at a meeting duly called, such proposed
53 reductions;]

54 (3) Any district (A) that does not maintain a high school and pays
55 tuition to another school district pursuant to section 10-33 for resident
56 students to attend high school in another district, and (B) in which the
57 number of resident students attending high school for such district for
58 October 1, [2014] 2016, using the data of record as of January 31, [2015]
59 2017, is lower than such district's number of resident students
60 attending high school for October 1, [2013] 2015, using the data of
61 record as of January 31, [2015] 2017, may reduce such district's
62 budgeted appropriation for education by the difference in the number
63 of resident students attending high school for such years multiplied by
64 the amount of tuition paid per student pursuant to section 10-33; or

65 (4) Any district that realizes new and documentable savings
66 through increased district efficiencies approved by the Commissioner
67 of Education or through regional collaboration or cooperative
68 arrangements pursuant to section 10-158a may reduce such district's
69 budgeted appropriation for education in an amount equal to half of the
70 amount of savings experienced as a result of such district efficiencies,
71 regional collaboration or cooperative arrangement, provided such
72 reduction shall not exceed one-half of one per cent of the district's
73 budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year ending June
74 30, [2015] 2017.

75 (b) Except as otherwise provided under the provisions of
76 subsections (c) to (e), inclusive, of this section, for the fiscal year
77 ending June 30, [2017] 2019, the budgeted appropriation for education
78 shall be not less than the budgeted appropriation for education for the
79 fiscal year ending June 30, [2016] 2018, plus any aid increase received

80 pursuant to subsection (d) of section 10-262i, as amended by this act,
81 except that a town may reduce its budgeted appropriation for
82 education for the fiscal year ending June 30, [2017] 2019, by one or
83 more of the following:

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

88 (2) Any district with [(A) a resident student population in which the
89 number of students who are eligible for free or reduced price lunches
90 pursuant to federal law and regulations is equal to or greater than
91 twenty per cent, and (B)] a resident student count for October 1, [2015]
92 2017, using the data of record as of January 31, [2016] 2018, that is
93 lower than such district's resident student count for October 1, [2014]
94 2016, using the data of record as of January 31, [2016] 2018, may reduce
95 such district's budgeted appropriation for education by the difference
96 in the number of resident students for such years multiplied by fifty
97 per cent of the net current expenditures per resident student of such
98 district; [, provided such reduction shall not exceed one and one-half
99 per cent of the district's budgeted appropriation for education for the
100 fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, except that the Commissioner of
101 Education may, following a review of a town's proposed reductions to
102 its budgeted appropriation for education, permit a town to reduce its
103 budgeted appropriation for education in an amount greater than one
104 and one-half per cent if the board of education for such town has
105 approved, by vote at a meeting duly called, such proposed reductions;]

106 [(3) Any district with (A) a resident student population in which the
107 number of students who are eligible for free or reduced price lunches
108 pursuant to federal law and regulations is less than twenty per cent,
109 and (B) a resident student count for October 1, 2015, using the data of
110 record as of January 31, 2016, that is lower than such district's resident
111 student count for October 1, 2014, using the data of record as of
112 January 31, 2016, may reduce such district's budgeted appropriation

113 for education by the difference in the number of resident students for
114 such years multiplied by fifty per cent of the net current expenditures
115 per resident student, as defined in subdivision (45) of section 10-262f,
116 of such district, provided such reduction shall not exceed three per
117 cent of the district's budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal
118 year ending June 30, 2016, except that the Commissioner of Education
119 may, following a review of a town's proposed reductions to its
120 budgeted appropriation for education, permit a town to reduce its
121 budgeted appropriation for education in an amount greater than three
122 per cent if the board of education for such town has approved, by vote
123 at a meeting duly called, such proposed reductions;]

124 [(4)] (3) Any district (A) that does not maintain a high school and
125 pays tuition to another school district pursuant to section 10-33 for
126 resident students to attend high school in another district, and (B) in
127 which the number of resident students attending high school for such
128 district for October 1, [2015] 2017, using the data of record as of
129 January 31, [2016] 2018, is lower than such district's number of resident
130 students attending high school for October 1, [2014] 2016, using the
131 data of record as of January 31, [2016] 2018, may reduce such district's
132 budgeted appropriation for education by the difference in the number
133 of resident students attending high school for such years multiplied by
134 the amount of tuition paid per student pursuant to section 10-33; or

135 [(5)] (4) Any district that realizes new and documentable savings
136 through increased district efficiencies approved by the Commissioner
137 of Education or through regional collaboration or cooperative
138 arrangements pursuant to section 10-158a may reduce such district's
139 budgeted appropriation for education in an amount equal to half of the
140 amount of savings experienced as a result of such district efficiencies,
141 regional collaboration or cooperative arrangement, provided such
142 reduction shall not exceed one-half of one per cent of the district's
143 budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year ending June
144 30, [2015] 2017.

145 (c) For the fiscal years ending June 30, [2016] 2018, and June 30,

146 [2017] 2019, the Commissioner of Education may permit a town to
147 reduce its budgeted appropriation for education in an amount
148 determined by the commissioner if the school district in such town has
149 permanently ceased operations and closed one or more schools in the
150 school district due to declining enrollment at such closed school or
151 schools in the fiscal years ending June 30, 2013, to June 30, [2016] 2018,
152 inclusive.

153 (d) For the fiscal years ending June 30, [2016] 2018, and June 30,
154 [2017] 2019, a town currently designated as an alliance district, as
155 defined in section 10-262u, or formerly designated as an alliance
156 district shall not reduce its budgeted appropriation for education
157 pursuant to this section.

158 (e) For the fiscal years ending June 30, [2016] 2018, and June 30,
159 [2017] 2019, the provisions of this section shall not apply to any district
160 that is in the top ten per cent of school districts based on the
161 accountability index, as defined in section 10-223e.

162 (f) For the fiscal years ending June 30, [2016] 2018, and June 30,
163 [2017] 2019, the provisions of this section shall not apply to the
164 member towns of a regional school district during the first full fiscal
165 year following the establishment of the regional school district,
166 provided the budgeted appropriation for education for member towns
167 of such regional school district for each subsequent fiscal year shall be
168 determined in accordance with this section.

169 Sec. 502. Subsection (d) of section 10-262i of the general statutes is
170 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
171 *1, 2017*):

172 (d) (1) (A) For the fiscal year ending June 30, [2017] 2018, if the
173 amount paid to a town for the fiscal year ending June 30, [2017] 2018,
174 pursuant to [section 20 of public act 16-2 of the May special session]
175 section 10-262h, is greater than the amount paid to such town for the
176 fiscal year ending June 30, [2016] 2017, pursuant to [subsection (c) of]
177 section 10-262h, such amount paid to a town for the fiscal year ending

178 June 30, [2017] 2018, minus such amount paid to such town for the
179 fiscal year ending June 30, [2016] 2017, shall be the aid increase for
180 such town for the fiscal year ending June 30, [2017] 2018.

181 (B) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, if the amount paid to a
182 town for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, pursuant to section 10-
183 262h, is greater than the amount paid to such town for the fiscal year
184 ending June 30, 2018, pursuant to section 10-262h, such amount paid to
185 a town for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, minus such amount
186 paid to such town for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, shall be the
187 aid increase for such town for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019.

188 (2) (A) For the fiscal year ending June 30, [2017] 2018, if the amount
189 paid to a town for the fiscal year ending June 30, [2017] 2018, pursuant
190 to [section 20 of public act 16-2 of the May special session] section 10-
191 262h, is less than the amount paid to such town for the fiscal year
192 ending June 30, [2016] 2017, pursuant to [subsection (c) of] section 10-
193 262h, such amount paid to a town for the fiscal year ending June 30,
194 [2016] 2017, minus such amount paid to such town for the fiscal year
195 ending June 30, [2017] 2018, shall be the aid reduction for such town
196 for the fiscal year ending June 30, [2017] 2018.

197 (B) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, if the amount paid to a
198 town for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, pursuant to section 10-
199 262h, is less than the amount paid to such town for the fiscal year
200 ending June 30, 2018, pursuant to section 10-262h, such amount paid to
201 a town for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, minus such amount
202 paid to such town for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, shall be the
203 aid reduction for such town for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	July 1, 2017	10-262j
Sec. 502	July 1, 2017	10-262i(d)