



General Assembly

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"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TAX DEDUCTION FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO A CITIZENS IN NEED ACCOUNT."

1 Strike section 1 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:

2 "Section 1. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2017, and applicable to taxable years
3 commencing on or after January 1, 2017) (a) (1) There is established an
4 account to be known as the "citizens in need account" which shall be a
5 separate, nonlapsing account within the General Fund. The account
6 shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the
7 account.

8 (2) Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Comptroller, in
9 consultation with the Commissioner of Social Services, to assist
10 residents who reside in Bridgeport, New Haven, Hartford, Waterbury,
11 Norwalk, Danbury, New Britain, Hamden, Bristol or Meriden and who
12 have had their benefits from social services programs administered by
13 the Department of Social Services reduced due to state budgetary
14 constraints. Such moneys shall not be used for administrative
15 purposes.

16 (b) Any taxpayer may make a charitable contribution to the citizens
17 in need account and such taxpayer shall be allowed a deduction from
18 the tax imposed under chapter 229 of the general statutes at the rate of
19 two hundred per cent of the amount of such contribution.

20 (c) The Commissioner of Social Services may adopt regulations, in
21 consultation with the Comptroller and in accordance with the
22 provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to establish (1)
23 standards or criteria for determining what social services programs
24 and which residents are eligible to receive moneys from the account
25 and how disbursements from the account will be made, (2) methods to
26 determine the amounts of and a schedule for making such
27 disbursements, and (3) any other regulations necessary to implement
28 the provisions of this section."