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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE CREATION OF THE CONNECTICUT HOPE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM."

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

3 "Sec. 501. Section 1 of senate bill 459 of the current session, as
4 amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A", is repealed and the
5 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2018*):

6 (a) There is established a task force to (1) examine the state's system
7 for fingerprinting and processing of state and national criminal history
8 records checks, conducted in accordance with the provisions of section
9 29-17a of the general statutes, for employees, applicants for
10 employment, substitute teachers and volunteers of local and regional
11 boards of education, interdistrict magnet school operators and regional
12 educational service centers, and (2) make recommendations for the
13 improvement of such system.

14 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:

15 (1) The Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection,
16 or the commissioner's designee;

17 (2) The Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's designee;
18 [and]

19 (3) One representative from each of the following associations,
20 designated by the association, (A) the Alliance of Regional Educational
21 Service Centers, (B) the Connecticut Association of Public School
22 Superintendents, (C) the Connecticut Association of Boards of
23 Education, (D) the Connecticut Association of Schools, (E) the
24 Connecticut Education Association, and (F) the American Federation
25 of Teachers-Connecticut; [.] and

26 (4) One representative from a teacher preparation program offered
27 at The University of Connecticut, designated by the dean of the Neag
28 School of Education at The University of Connecticut;

29 (5) One representative from a teacher preparation program offered
30 at an institution of higher education under the jurisdiction of the
31 Connecticut State Colleges and Universities, designated by the
32 president of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities; and

33 (6) One representative from a teacher preparation program offered
34 at an independent institution of higher education, designated by the
35 president of the Connecticut Conference of Independent Colleges.

36 (c) All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than
37 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be
38 filled by the designating association.

39 (d) The representative from the Alliance of Regional Educational
40 Service Centers shall serve as the chairperson of the task force. Such
41 chairpersons shall schedule the first meeting of the task force, which
42 shall be held not later than sixty days after the effective date of this
43 section.

44 (e) Not later than January 1, 2019, the task force shall submit a
45 report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing
46 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
47 relating to education and public safety and security, in accordance
48 with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes. The task
49 force shall terminate on the date that it submits such report or January
50 1, 2019, whichever is later.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	<i>July 1, 2018</i>	SB 459 (current session), Sec. 1