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Substitute House Bill No. 7109

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The Committee on Appropriations reported through REP. WALKER of the 93rd Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING INTERDISTRICT MAGNET SCHOOL PROGRAM FUNDING.

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 10-264~~l~~ of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
3 *1, 2019*):

4 (c) (1) The maximum amount each interdistrict magnet school
5 program, except those described in subparagraphs (A) to (G),
6 inclusive, of subdivision (3) of this subsection, shall be eligible to
7 receive per enrolled student who is not a resident of the town
8 operating the magnet school shall be (A) six thousand sixteen dollars
9 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, (B) six thousand seven
10 hundred thirty dollars for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2009, to June
11 30, 2012, inclusive, [and] (C) seven thousand eighty-five dollars for the
12 fiscal [year] years ending June 30, 2013, to June 30, 2019, inclusive, and
13 (D) seven thousand two hundred twenty-seven dollars for the fiscal
14 year ending June 30, 2020, and each fiscal year thereafter. The per

15 pupil grant for each enrolled student who is a resident of the town
16 operating the magnet school program shall be (i) three thousand
17 dollars for the fiscal [year] years ending June 30, 2008, to June 30, 2019,
18 inclusive, and (ii) three thousand sixty dollars for the fiscal year ending
19 June 30, 2020, and each fiscal year thereafter.

20 (2) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, and each fiscal year
21 thereafter, the commissioner may, within available appropriations,
22 provide supplemental grants for the purposes of enhancing
23 educational programs in such interdistrict magnet schools, as the
24 commissioner determines. Such grants shall be made after the
25 commissioner has conducted a comprehensive financial review and
26 approved the total operating budget for such schools, including all
27 revenue and expenditure estimates.

28 (3) (A) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraphs (C) to (G),
29 inclusive, of this subdivision, each interdistrict magnet school operated
30 by a regional educational service center that enrolls less than fifty-five
31 per cent of the school's students from a single town shall receive a per
32 pupil grant in the amount of (i) six thousand two hundred fifty dollars
33 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, (ii) six thousand five hundred
34 dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, (iii) seven thousand
35 sixty dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, (iv) seven
36 thousand six hundred twenty dollars for the fiscal years ending June
37 30, 2009, to June 30, 2012, inclusive, [and] (v) seven thousand nine
38 hundred dollars for the fiscal [year] years ending June 30, 2013, to June
39 30, 2019, inclusive, and (vi) eight thousand fifty-eight dollars for the
40 fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and each fiscal year thereafter.

41 (B) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraphs (C) to (G),
42 inclusive, of this subdivision, each interdistrict magnet school operated
43 by a regional educational service center that enrolls at least fifty-five
44 per cent of the school's students from a single town shall receive a per
45 pupil grant for each enrolled student who is not a resident of the
46 district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent of the school's students in
47 the amount of (i) six thousand sixteen dollars for the fiscal year ending

48 June 30, 2008, (ii) six thousand seven hundred thirty dollars for the
49 fiscal years ending June 30, 2009, to June 30, 2012, inclusive, [and] (iii)
50 seven thousand eighty-five dollars for the fiscal [year] years ending
51 June 30, 2013, to June 30, 2019, inclusive, and (iv) seven thousand two
52 hundred twenty-seven dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020,
53 and each fiscal year thereafter. The per pupil grant for each enrolled
54 student who is a resident of the district that enrolls at least fifty-five
55 per cent of the school's students shall be three thousand one hundred
56 fifty dollars.

57 (C) (i) For the fiscal [year] years ending June 30, 2015, [and each
58 fiscal year thereafter] to June 30, 2019, inclusive, each interdistrict
59 magnet school operated by a regional educational service center that
60 began operations for the school year commencing July 1, 2001, and that
61 for the school year commencing July 1, 2008, enrolled at least fifty-five
62 per cent, but no more than eighty per cent of the school's students from
63 a single town, shall receive a per pupil grant [(i)] (I) for each enrolled
64 student who is a resident of the district that enrolls at least fifty-five
65 per cent, but no more than eighty per cent of the school's students, up
66 to an amount equal to the total number of such enrolled students as of
67 October 1, 2013, using the data of record, in the amount of eight
68 thousand one hundred eighty dollars, [(ii)] (II) for each enrolled
69 student who is a resident of the district that enrolls at least fifty-five
70 per cent, but not more than eighty per cent of the school's students, in
71 an amount greater than the total number of such enrolled students as
72 of October 1, 2013, using the data of record, in the amount of three
73 thousand dollars, [(iii)] (III) for each enrolled student who is not a
74 resident of the district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but no
75 more than eighty per cent of the school's students, up to an amount
76 equal to the total number of such enrolled students as of October 1,
77 2013, using the data of record, in the amount of eight thousand one
78 hundred eighty dollars, and [(iv)] (IV) for each enrolled student who is
79 not a resident of the district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but
80 not more than eighty per cent of the school's students, in an amount
81 greater than the total number of such enrolled students as of October 1,
82 2013, using the data of record, in the amount of seven thousand eighty-

83 five dollars.

84 (ii) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and each fiscal year
85 thereafter, each interdistrict magnet school operated by a regional
86 educational service center that began operations for the school year
87 commencing July 1, 2001, and that for the school year commencing
88 July 1, 2008, enrolled at least fifty-five per cent, but no more than
89 eighty per cent of the school's students from a single town, shall
90 receive a per pupil grant (I) for each enrolled student who is a resident
91 of the district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but no more than
92 eighty per cent of the school's students, up to an amount equal to the
93 total number of such enrolled students as of October 1, 2013, using the
94 data of record, in the amount of eight thousand three hundred forty-
95 four dollars, (II) for each enrolled student who is a resident of the
96 district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but not more than eighty
97 per cent of the school's students, in an amount greater than the total
98 number of such enrolled students as of October 1, 2013, using the data
99 of record, in the amount of three thousand sixty dollars, (III) for each
100 enrolled student who is not a resident of the district that enrolls at least
101 fifty-five per cent, but no more than eighty per cent of the school's
102 students, up to an amount equal to the total number of such enrolled
103 students as of October 1, 2013, using the data of record, in the amount
104 of eight thousand three hundred forty-four dollars, and (IV) for each
105 enrolled student who is not a resident of the district that enrolls at least
106 fifty-five per cent, but not more than eighty per cent of the school's
107 students, in an amount greater than the total number of such enrolled
108 students as of October 1, 2013, using the data of record, in the amount
109 of seven thousand two hundred twenty-seven dollars.

110 (D) (i) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (D)(ii) of this
111 [subparagraph] subdivision, each interdistrict magnet school operated
112 by (I) a regional educational service center, (II) the Board of Trustees of
113 the Community-Technical Colleges on behalf of a regional community-
114 technical college, (III) the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State
115 University System on behalf of a state university, (IV) the Board of
116 Trustees for The University of Connecticut on behalf of the university,

117 (V) the board of governors for an independent institution of higher
118 education, as defined in subsection (a) of section 10a-173, or the
119 equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the independent institution of
120 higher education, except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (E) of
121 this subdivision, (VI) cooperative arrangements pursuant to section 10-
122 158a, (VII) any other third-party not-for-profit corporation approved
123 by the commissioner, and (VIII) the Hartford school district for the
124 operation of Great Path Academy on behalf of Manchester Community
125 College, that enrolls less than sixty per cent of its students from
126 Hartford shall receive a per pupil grant in the amount of nine
127 thousand six hundred ninety-five dollars for the fiscal year ending
128 June 30, 2010, [and] ten thousand four hundred forty-three dollars for
129 the fiscal years ending June 30, 2011, to June 30, 2019, inclusive, and
130 ten thousand six hundred fifty-two dollars for the fiscal year ending
131 June 30, 2020, and each fiscal year thereafter.

132 (ii) For the fiscal [year] years ending June 30, 2016, [and each fiscal
133 year thereafter] to June 30, 2019, inclusive, any interdistrict magnet
134 school described in subparagraph (D)(i) of this [subparagraph]
135 subdivision that enrolls less than fifty per cent of its incoming students
136 from Hartford shall receive a per pupil grant in the amount of seven
137 thousand nine hundred dollars for one-half of the total number of non-
138 Hartford students enrolled in the school over fifty per cent of the total
139 school enrollment and shall receive a per pupil grant in the amount of
140 ten thousand four hundred forty-three dollars for the remainder of the
141 total school enrollment. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and
142 each fiscal year thereafter, any interdistrict magnet school described in
143 subparagraph (D)(i) of this subdivision that enrolls less than fifty per
144 cent of its incoming students from Hartford shall receive a per pupil
145 grant in the amount of eight thousand fifty-eight dollars for one-half of
146 the total number of non-Hartford students enrolled in the school over
147 fifty per cent of the total school enrollment and shall receive a per
148 pupil grant in the amount of ten thousand six hundred fifty-two
149 dollars for the remainder of the total school enrollment.

150 (E) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, and each fiscal year

151 thereafter, each interdistrict magnet school operated by the board of
152 governors for an independent institution of higher education, as
153 defined in subsection (a) of section 10a-173, or the equivalent of such a
154 board, on behalf of the independent institution of higher education,
155 that (i) began operations for the school year commencing July 1, 2014,
156 (ii) enrolls less than sixty per cent of its students from Hartford
157 pursuant to the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v.
158 William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, or the 2013 stipulation and
159 order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, and
160 (iii) enrolls students at least half-time, shall be eligible to receive a per
161 pupil grant (I) equal to sixty-five per cent of the grant amount
162 determined pursuant to subparagraph (D) of this subdivision for each
163 student who is enrolled at such school for at least two semesters in
164 each school year, and (II) equal to thirty-two and one-half per cent of
165 the grant amount determined pursuant to subparagraph (D) of this
166 subdivision for each student who is enrolled at such school for one
167 semester in each school year.

168 (F) Each interdistrict magnet school operated by a local or regional
169 board of education, pursuant to the decision in Sheff v. O'Neill, 238
170 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, shall
171 receive a per pupil grant for each enrolled student who is not a
172 resident of the district in the amount of (i) twelve thousand dollars for
173 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, [and] (ii) thirteen thousand fifty-
174 four dollars for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2011, to June 30, 2019,
175 inclusive, and (iii) thirteen thousand three hundred fifteen dollars for
176 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and each fiscal year thereafter.

177 (G) In addition to the grants described in subparagraph (E) of this
178 subdivision, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, the commissioner
179 may, subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and
180 Management and the Finance Advisory Committee, established
181 pursuant to section 4-93, provide supplemental grants to the Hartford
182 school district of up to one thousand fifty-four dollars for each student
183 enrolled at an interdistrict magnet school operated by the Hartford
184 school district who is not a resident of such district.

185 (H) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, and each fiscal year
186 thereafter, the half-day Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts
187 interdistrict magnet school operated by the Capital Region Education
188 Council shall be eligible to receive a per pupil grant equal to sixty-five
189 per cent of the per pupil grant specified in subparagraph (A) of this
190 subdivision.

191 (I) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, to June 30, 2018,
192 inclusive, the half-day Greater Hartford Academy of Mathematics and
193 Science interdistrict magnet school operated by the Capitol Region
194 Education Council shall be eligible to receive a per pupil grant equal to
195 six thousand seven hundred eighty-seven dollars for (i) students
196 enrolled in grades ten to twelve, inclusive, for the fiscal year ending
197 June 30, 2016, (ii) students enrolled in grades eleven and twelve for the
198 fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, and (iii) students enrolled in grade
199 twelve for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018. For the fiscal year
200 ending June 30, 2016, and each fiscal year thereafter, the half-day
201 Greater Hartford Academy of Mathematics and Science interdistrict
202 magnet school shall not be eligible for any additional grants pursuant
203 to subsection (c) of this section.

204 (4) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2015, and June 30, 2016, the
205 department may limit payment to an interdistrict magnet school
206 operator to an amount equal to the grant that such magnet school
207 operator was eligible to receive based on the enrollment level of the
208 interdistrict magnet school program on October 1, 2013. Approval of
209 funding for enrollment above such enrollment level shall be prioritized
210 by the department as follows: (A) Increases in enrollment in an
211 interdistrict magnet school program that is adding planned new grade
212 levels for the school years commencing July 1, 2015, and July 1, 2016;
213 (B) increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program
214 that added planned new grade levels for the school year commencing
215 July 1, 2014, and was funded during the fiscal year ending June 30,
216 2015; (C) increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school
217 program that is moving into a permanent facility for the school years
218 commencing July 1, 2014, to July 1, 2016, inclusive; (D) increases in

219 enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program to ensure
220 compliance with subsection (a) of this section; and (E) new enrollments
221 for a new interdistrict magnet school program commencing operations
222 on or after July 1, 2014, pursuant to the 2013 stipulation and order for
223 Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended. Any
224 interdistrict magnet school program operating less than full-time, but
225 at least half-time, shall be eligible to receive a grant equal to sixty-five
226 per cent of the grant amount determined pursuant to this subsection.

227 (5) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the department may
228 limit payment to an interdistrict magnet school operator to an amount
229 equal to the grant that such magnet school operator was eligible to
230 receive based on the enrollment level of the interdistrict magnet school
231 program on October 1, 2013, or October 1, 2015, whichever is lower.
232 Approval of funding for enrollment above such enrollment level shall
233 be prioritized by the department as follows: (A) Increases in
234 enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program that is adding
235 planned new grade levels for the school years commencing July 1,
236 2015, and July 1, 2016; (B) increases in enrollment in an interdistrict
237 magnet school program that added planned new grade levels for the
238 school year commencing July 1, 2014, and was funded during the fiscal
239 year ending June 30, 2015; (C) increases in enrollment in an
240 interdistrict magnet school program that added planned new grade
241 levels for the school year commencing July 1, 2015, and was funded
242 during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016; and (D) increases in
243 enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program to ensure
244 compliance with subsection (a) of this section. Any interdistrict magnet
245 school program operating less than full-time, but at least half-time,
246 shall be eligible to receive a grant equal to sixty-five per cent of the
247 grant amount determined pursuant to this subsection.

248 (6) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, and within available
249 appropriations, the department may limit payment to an interdistrict
250 magnet school operator to an amount equal to the grant that such
251 magnet school operator was eligible to receive based on the enrollment
252 level of the interdistrict magnet school program on October 1, 2013,

253 October 1, 2015, or October 1, 2016, whichever is lower. Approval of
254 funding for enrollment above such enrollment level shall be prioritized
255 by the department and subject to the commissioner's approval,
256 including increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school
257 program as a result of planned and approved new grade levels. Any
258 interdistrict magnet school program operating less than full-time, but
259 at least half-time, shall be eligible to receive a grant equal to sixty-five
260 per cent of the grant amount determined pursuant to this subsection.

261 (7) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, and within available
262 appropriations, the department may limit payment to an interdistrict
263 magnet school operator to an amount equal to the grant that such
264 magnet school operator was eligible to receive based on the enrollment
265 level of the interdistrict magnet school program on October 1, 2013,
266 October 1, 2015, October 1, 2016, or October 1, 2017, whichever is
267 lower. Approval of funding for enrollment above such enrollment
268 level shall be prioritized by the department and subject to the
269 commissioner's approval, including increases in enrollment in an
270 interdistrict magnet school program as a result of planned and
271 approved new grade levels. Any interdistrict magnet school program
272 operating less than full-time, but at least half-time, shall be eligible to
273 receive a grant equal to sixty-five per cent of the grant amount
274 determined pursuant to this subsection.

275 (8) Within available appropriations, the commissioner may make
276 grants to the following entities that operate an interdistrict magnet
277 school that assists the state in meeting its obligations pursuant to the
278 decision in *Sheff v. O'Neill*, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related
279 stipulation or order in effect, as determined by the commissioner and
280 that provide academic support programs and summer school
281 educational programs approved by the commissioner to students
282 participating in such interdistrict magnet school program: (A) Regional
283 educational service centers, (B) local and regional boards of education,
284 (C) the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on
285 behalf of a regional community-technical college, (D) the Board of
286 Trustees of the Connecticut State University System on behalf of a state

287 university, (E) the Board of Trustees for The University of Connecticut
288 on behalf of the university, (F) the board of governors for an
289 independent institution of higher education, as defined in subsection
290 (a) of section 10a-173, or the equivalent of such a board, on behalf of
291 the independent institution of higher education, (G) cooperative
292 arrangements pursuant to section 10-158a, and (H) any other third-
293 party not-for-profit corporation approved by the commissioner.

294 (9) Within available appropriations, the Commissioner of Education
295 may make grants, in an amount not to exceed seventy-five thousand
296 dollars, for start-up costs associated with the development of new
297 interdistrict magnet school programs that assist the state in meeting its
298 obligations pursuant to the decision in *Sheff v. O'Neill*, 238 Conn. 1
299 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, as determined by
300 the commissioner, to the following entities that develop such a
301 program: (A) Regional educational service centers, (B) local and
302 regional boards of education, (C) the Board of Trustees of the
303 Community-Technical Colleges on behalf of a regional community-
304 technical college, (D) the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State
305 University System on behalf of a state university, (E) the Board of
306 Trustees for The University of Connecticut on behalf of the university,
307 (F) the board of governors for an independent institution of higher
308 education, as defined in subsection (a) of section 10a-173, or the
309 equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the independent institution of
310 higher education, (G) cooperative arrangements pursuant to section
311 10-158a, and (H) any other third-party not-for-profit corporation
312 approved by the commissioner.

313 (10) The amounts of the grants determined pursuant to this
314 subsection shall be proportionately adjusted, if necessary, within
315 available appropriations, and in no case shall the total grant paid to an
316 interdistrict magnet school operator pursuant to this section exceed the
317 aggregate total of the reasonable operating budgets of the interdistrict
318 magnet school programs of such operator, less revenues from other
319 sources.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2019</i>	10-2641(c)

ED *Joint Favorable C/R* APP

APP *Joint Favorable Subst.*

The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. In general, fiscal impacts are based upon a variety of informational sources, including the analyst's professional knowledge. Whenever applicable, agency data is consulted as part of the analysis, however final products do not necessarily reflect an assessment from any specific department.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 20 \$	FY 21 \$
Education, Dept.	GF - Cost	6 million	6 million

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill increases per pupil operating grants for interdistrict magnet school programs by two percent. The anticipated per pupil operating grants for interdistrict magnet schools, for FY 19, totals approximately \$298 million. A two percent increase results in an additional cost of \$6 million, annually. sHB 7148, the FY 20 and FY 21 budget bill, as favorably reported by the Appropriations Committee, appropriated \$6 million in both FY 20 and FY 21 for this purpose.

The Out Years

The out year costs are not subject to inflation as the per pupil magnet school operating grants are set in statute.

OLR Bill Analysis**sHB 7109****AN ACT CONCERNING INTERDISTRICT MAGNET SCHOOL PROGRAM FUNDING.****SUMMARY**

This bill raises the maximum amount for all per-student interdistrict magnet school operating grants by 2% beginning in FY 20.

By law, the amount of state operating grants for each type of magnet school depends on whether or not (1) the school is run by a local school district (“host magnet”) or a regional educational service center (RESC) or other entity and (2) whether it helps the state achieve the racial integration goals of the *Sheff* court stipulation (“*Sheff* magnet”) or not (“non-*Sheff* magnet”) (see BACKGROUND).

The bill also raises the maximum per student grant amounts for Thomas Edison Magnet Middle School in Meriden by 2% beginning in FY 20.

By law and unchanged by the bill, the amounts of the grants provided must be proportionately adjusted, if necessary, within available appropriations.

It also makes conforming changes.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2019

MAGNET SCHOOL GRANT INCREASES

Table 1 shows the various types of magnet schools and their grant amounts under current law and the bill for non-resident students (those attending from outside the host district). Generally, unless otherwise noted, magnet schools currently receive \$3,000 for each enrolled student who resides in the host district. The bill raises this per

student grant to \$3,060 beginning in FY 20. (Magnet school funding is in addition to Education Cost Sharing and other forms of state education funding.)

Table 1: Magnet School Non-Resident Per-Student Grant Changes

<i>Type of magnet school</i>	<i>Current law maximum amounts</i>	<i>Bill maximum amounts</i>
Non-Sheff host magnet	\$7,085	\$7,227
Sheff host magnet	13,054	13,315
Non-Sheff RESC magnet with less than 55% enrollment from one town	7,900	8,058
Non-Sheff RESC magnet with 55% or more of enrollment from one town*	7,085	7,227
RESC magnet enrolling less than 60% of its students from Hartford (i.e., Sheff magnet)	10,443	10,652
RESC magnet enrolling less than 50% of its students from Hartford (i.e., Sheff magnet)	7,900 for half of the non-Hartford students enrolled over 50% of total enrollment, 10,443 for all the other students	8,058 for half of the non-Hartford students enrolled over 50% of total enrollment, 10,652 for all the other students

*Excludes Thomas Edison Magnet Middle School, see below.

Edison Magnet School Per-Student Operating Grant

Under current law the per-student grant for most students at the Thomas Edison Magnet Middle School in Meriden is \$8,180. The grant amount is lower for some of the students depending on (1) where the student resides and (2) whether the student is counted as part of the October 1, 2013 enrollment count or above it.

Under current law, for any additional students enrolled above the October 1, 2013 number, the grant is \$3,000 for students who reside in Meriden and \$7,085 for students from outside of Meriden. (The law affects a school that began operations in the 2001-02 school year and, for the 2008-09 school year, enrolled between 55% and 80% of its students from a single town, a description that applies only to the Edison Magnet Middle School.)

The bill increases each of these grant amounts as shown in Table 2.

Table 2: Edison Magnet Middle School Per-Student Grant Changes

	<i>District Resident Students</i>		<i>District Non-Resident Students</i>	
	Current law maximum amounts	Bill maximum amounts	Current law maximum amounts	Bill maximum amounts
Students at or Below the October 1, 2013 Enrollment Count	\$8,180	\$8,344	\$8,180	\$8,344
Students Above the October 1, 2013 Enrollment Count	3,000	3,060	7,085	7,227

BACKGROUND

Sheff v. O'Neill Court Decision and Settlement

Sheff is the 1996 landmark school desegregation case in which the state Supreme Court ruled that Hartford school children were not being given an equal educational opportunity because of racial and economic segregation (238 Conn. 1 (1996)). Settlement agreements subsequent to the *Sheff* decision rely on voluntary desegregation methods with towns in the *Sheff* region. Interdistrict magnet schools are part of the voluntary desegregation plan.

The region encompasses Hartford and its surrounding towns: Avon, Bloomfield, Canton, East Granby, East Hartford, East Windsor,

Ellington, Farmington, Glastonbury, Granby, Manchester, Newington, Rocky Hill, Simsbury, South Windsor, Suffield, Vernon, West Hartford, Wethersfield, Windsor, and Windsor Locks.

Interdistrict Magnet School

By law, an interdistrict magnet school is a public school designed to promote racial, ethnic, and economic diversity that draws students from more than one school district, offers a special and high-quality curriculum, and requires students to attend at least half time (CGS § 10-264l(a)).

COMMITTEE ACTION

Education Committee

Joint Favorable Change of Reference - APP
Yea 37 Nay 0 (03/06/2019)

Appropriations Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute
Yea 35 Nay 13 (05/02/2019)