



JOURNAL OF THE SENATE

Wednesday, May 5, 2021

The Senate was called to order at 12:27p.m., President in the Chair.

The prayer was offered by Acting Chaplain, Kathy Zabel of Burlington, Connecticut

The following is the prayer:

We ask for patience to understand those who disagree with us, sensitivity to the needs of others, and prudence to make decisions which work toward the common good.

PLEDGE

Senator Slap of the 5th led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE HOUSE AND SENATE REPUBLICAN LEADERS

The following communication was received from the Senate Republican Leaders, read and referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Executive and Legislative Nominations.

April 30, 2021

To the Honorable General Assembly:

Pursuant to Section 2-54 of the Connecticut General Statutes, we hereby nominate and submit to the General Assembly for appointment Attorney Leonard Fasano of North Haven, Connecticut, to serve as Legislative Commissioner for the unexpired portion of the term ending June 30, 2021 and until a successor is appointed and qualified, in succession to Attorney William A. Hamzy.

Sincerely,

Vincent J. Candelora
House Republican Leader

Kevin Kelly
Senate Republican Leader

REPORTS

The following reports were received, read by the Clerk and referred to the Committees indicated:

Report, Chief State's Attorney Richard J. Colangelo, - Preliminary Status Report of The Use of Force by a Derby Police Officer on the Ansonia/Derby line in Connecticut on April 26, 2021. (Pursuant to Public Act 19-90 sec. 3) Date received: April 28, 2021.

Referred to the Committees on Judiciary and Public Safety and Security.

Report – Office of Legislative Management – Connecticut State Capitol Preservation and Restoration Commission’s Annual Report for Calendar Year Ended December 31, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 4b-60(b)(3) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: April 28, 2021

Referred to Joint Committee on Legislative Management.

Report – Access Health Connecticut – Quarterly Data Report for First Quarter Ended March 31, 2021. for Calendar Year 2021. (Pursuant to Section 1-38a-1092(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: April 29, 2021.

Referred to Committees on Human Services, Insurance and Real Estate and Public Health.

Report - Judicial Branch - Court Support Services Division- Statutory Reports to the Juvenile Justice Policy and Oversight Committee. (Pursuant in Section 46-121n, 46b-133k, and 46b-126a of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: May 1, 2021.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Report - Auditors of Public Account - Connecticut Health Insurance Exchange for the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2016 and 2017. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: May 3, 2021.

Referred to the Committees on Insurance and Real Estate, and Public Health.

Report – Connecticut Innovations, Inc. – Jackson Labs Quarterly Report for January 1, 2021 to March 31, 2021. (Pursuant to Section 32-41y(d)(2) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: May 4, 2021.

Referred to Committees on Commerce, Finance, Revenue and Bonding and Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Department of Economic and Community Development – Annual Report for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 32-1m of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: May 4, 2021

Referred to Committees on Appropriations, Commerce and Finance, Revenue and Bonding

**MATTERS RETURNED FROM COMMITTEE
FAVORABLE REPORT OF THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES
NO NEW FILE**

The following favorable report were received from the Joint Standing Committees indicated, the bill was read the second time and tabled for the calendar and printing.

APPROPRIATIONS. Substitute for S.B. No. **1** (COMM) (File No. 481) "AN ACT EQUALIZING COMPREHENSIVE ACCESS TO MENTAL, BEHAVIORAL AND PHYSICAL HEALTH CARE IN RESPONSE TO THE PANDEMIC."

APPROPRIATIONS. Substitute for S.B. No. **121** (COMM) (File No. 313) "AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESS TO DIAPER CHANGING STATIONS IN PUBLIC BUILDINGS."

APPROPRIATIONS. Substitute for S.B. No. **238** (COMM) (File No. 553) "AN ACT INCREASING OVERSIGHT OF MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS OF GROUP PRACTICES."

APPROPRIATIONS. S.B. No. **576** (COMM) (File No. 420) "AN ACT CONCERNING THE EXPANSION OF PASSENGER RAIL SERVICE ON THE WATERBURY BRANCH OF THE METRO-NORTH COMMUTER RAILROAD."

APPROPRIATIONS. S.B. No. **660** (COMM) (File No. 446) "AN ACT EXPANDING WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS FOR CERTAIN MENTAL OR EMOTIONAL IMPAIRMENTS SUFFERED BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS IN CONNECTION WITH COVID-19."

APPROPRIATIONS. S.B. No. **702** (RAISED) (File No. 35) "AN ACT CONCERNING A PROGRAM TO PROVIDE FREE SWIMMING LESSONS TO INDIVIDUALS UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN."

APPROPRIATIONS. Substitute for S.B. No. **764** (RAISED) (File No. 109) "AN ACT CONCERNING MEDICAID PROVIDERS."

APPROPRIATIONS. Substitute for S.B. No. **910** (RAISED) (File No. 130) "AN ACT EXPANDING MEDICAID COVERAGE FOR POST-PARTUM CARE TO TWELVE MONTHS AFTER A MEDICAID BENEFICIARY GIVES BIRTH TO A CHILD."

APPROPRIATIONS. Substitute for S.B. No. **916** (RAISED) (File No. 288) "AN ACT CONCERNING FEES FOR CERTIFIED COPIES OF VITAL RECORDS SOUGHT IN CONNECTION WITH THE SOLDIERS, SAILORS AND MARINES FUND."

APPROPRIATIONS. Substitute for S.B. No. **1002** (RAISED) (File No. 464) "AN ACT CONCERNING LABOR ISSUES RELATED TO COVID-19, PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT AND OTHER STAFFING MATTERS."

APPROPRIATIONS. S.B. No. **1004** (RAISED) (File No. 323) "AN ACT CONCERNING DENTAL AND VISION INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR CHILDREN, STEPCHILDREN AND OTHER DEPENDENT CHILDREN."

APPROPRIATIONS. S.B. No. **1007** (RAISED) (File No. 364) "AN ACT REQUIRING HEALTH INSURANCE AND MEDICAID COVERAGE FOR THE TREATMENT OF SEVERE OBESITY."

APPROPRIATIONS. S.B. No. **1045** (RAISED) (File No. 370) "AN ACT CONCERNING STEP THERAPY, ADVERSE DETERMINATION AND UTILIZATION REVIEWS, AND HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR CHILDREN, STEPCHILDREN AND OTHER DEPENDENT CHILDREN."

APPROPRIATIONS. S.B. No. **1047** (RAISED) (File No. 372) "AN ACT CONCERNING INSURANCE AND CLIMATE CHANGE."

APPROPRIATIONS. Substitute for S.B. No. **1064** (RAISED) (File No. 564) "AN ACT CONCERNING A WAIVER OF INTEREST ON PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS FOR

CERTAIN REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY AND THE INTEREST RATE FOR CERTAIN TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS."

APPROPRIATIONS. Substitute for S.B. No. **1074** (RAISED) (File No. 525) "AN ACT CONCERNING VARIOUS PROVISIONS RELATED TO GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND COVID-19."

**BUSINESS FROM THE HOUSE
FAVORABLE REPORT OF THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES
HOUSE BILLS**

The following favorable reports of the Joint Standing Committees was received from the House, read the second time and tabled for the calendar.

PUBLIC HEALTH. H.B. No. **5596** (RAISED) (File No. 256) "AN ACT CONCERNING TELEHEALTH." (As amended by House Amendment Schedule "A").

**BUSINESS FROM THE HOUSE
FAVORABLE REPORT OF THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
DISAGREEING ACTION**

The following favorable report was received from the House, read the second time and tabled for the calendar.

GENERAL LAW. S.B. No. **263** (RAISED) (File No. 6) "AN ACT CONCERNING CLUB PERMIT AND NONPROFIT CLUB PERMIT FEES." (As amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A" and House Amendment Schedule "A").

**BUSINESS ON THE CALENDAR
MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON
APPROPRIATIONS**

On motion of Senator Duff of the 25th, the following matters were referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

S.B. No. **920** AN ACT CONCERNING PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS.

S.B. No. **956** AN ACT PROVIDING MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TO CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS REGARDLESS OF IMMIGRATION STATUS.

S.B. No. **1019** AN ACT CONCERNING THE BOARD OF PARDONS AND PAROLES, ERASURE OF CRIMINAL RECORDS FOR CERTAIN MISDEMEANOR AND FELONY OFFENSES, PROHIBITING DISCRIMINATION BASED ON ERASED CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD INFORMATION AND CONCERNING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CONNECTICUT SENTENCING COMMISSION WITH RESPECT TO MISDEMEANOR SENTENCES.

S.B. No. **1091** AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEFINITION OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, REVISING STATUTES CONCERNING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, CHILD CUSTODY, FAMILY RELATIONS MATTER FILINGS AND BIGOTRY OR BIAS CRIMES AND

CREATING A PROGRAM TO PROVIDE LEGAL COUNSEL TO INDIGENTS IN RESTRAINING ORDER CASES.

**BUSINESS ON THE CALENDAR
FAVORABLE REPORT OF THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
BILL PASSED, AS AMENDED**

The following favorable report was taken from the table, read the third time, the report of the Committee accepted and the bill passed.

GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. Substitute for S.B. No. **753** (COMM) (File No. 448) "AN ACT CONCERNING THE COUNTING OF INCARCERATED PERSONS FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS."

Senator Flexer of the 29th explained the bill and moved passage.

Senator Sampson of the 16th, offered Senate Amendment Schedule "A" (LCO 8608) and moved adoption.

Remarking were Senators Sampson of the 16th and Hwang of the 28th.

On a voice vote, Senate Amendment Schedule "A" (LCO 8608) was adopted.

The following is the Amendment.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following in lieu thereof:

"Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) (1) Except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, on or before the thirtieth day of June in 2021, and thereafter on or before the first day of May in each year in which the decennial census of the United States is taken and in which the United States Census Bureau counts any incarcerated individual as a resident of the town in which such incarcerated individual's respective correctional facility is located, the Department of Correction shall deliver to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management in such form as the secretary shall prescribe:

(A) A unique identifier for each incarcerated individual subject to the jurisdiction of the department on the date for which the decennial census reports population;

(B) The street address of the correctional facility in which such individual was incarcerated at the time of such report;

(C) The residential or other address of such individual prior to incarceration;

(D) An indication of whether such individual has attained the age of eighteen years;

(E) Such individual's race and whether such individual is of Hispanic or Latino origin, if known; and

(F) Any additional information the secretary may request pursuant to law.

(2) In the case of each incarcerated individual who is serving a sentence of life imprisonment without the possibility of release, the Department of Correction shall not deliver to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management the information described in subparagraph (C) of subdivision (1) of this subsection.

(3) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the information required to be provided under this subsection shall not include the name of any incarcerated individual or in any other way allow for the identification of any such individual from such information. Such information shall be confidential and not otherwise disclosed, except to the secretary for the purposes of subsection (c) of this section, or as aggregated by census block for the purposes of subsection (d) of this section.

(b) (1) Except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, on or before the thirtieth day of June in 2021, and thereafter on or before the first day of May in each year in which the decennial census of the United States is taken and in which the United States Census Bureau counts any incarcerated individual as a resident of the town in which such incarcerated individual's respective correctional facility is located, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall request each agency that operates a federal correctional facility in this state to provide the secretary with a report including the information listed in subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section.

(2) In the case of each incarcerated individual who is serving a sentence of life imprisonment without the possibility of release, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall not request of any agency that operates a federal correctional facility in this state that such agency provide the secretary with the information described in subparagraph (C) of subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section.

(c) (1) Except as provided in subdivision (4) of this subsection, for each individual included in a report received under subsection (a) or (b) of this section, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall determine the geographic units for which population counts are reported in the decennial census of the United States, which units contain the address of the facility in which such individual was incarcerated, and such individual's prior residential or other address as listed in such report.

(2) Except as provided in subdivision (4) of this subsection, for each individual included in a report received under subsection (a) or (b) of this section, if such individual's prior residential or other address is known and in this state, the secretary shall adjust such information to:

(A) Ensure that all relevant population counts reported in the decennial census are as if such individual resided at such address on the date for which the census reports population; and

(B) Ensure that such individual is not represented in any applicable population count reported in the decennial census for the geographic units that include the facility in which such individual was incarcerated on the date for which the census reports population, unless such individual's prior residential or other address is located within the same such geographic units.

(3) Except as provided in subdivision (4) of this subsection, for each individual included in a report received under subsection (a) or (b) of this section whose residential or other address is unknown or not in this state, and for each individual reported in the decennial census as residing in a federal correctional facility for whom a report was not provided, the secretary shall adjust such information to:

(A) Ensure that such individual is not represented in any applicable population count reported in the decennial census for the geographic units that include the facility in which such individual was incarcerated on the date for which the census reports population; and

(B) Ensure that such individual is counted as part of a state unit not tied to a specific geographical location, in the same manner that an individual with an unknown state of residency is counted, including, but not limited to, military and federal government personnel stationed abroad.

(4) For each individual included in a report received under subsection (a) or (b) of this section who is serving a sentence of life imprisonment without the possibility of release, the secretary shall not adjust such information and shall ensure that such individual is represented in the applicable population count reported in the decennial census for the geographic units that include the facility in which such individual was incarcerated on the date for which the census reports population.

(d) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall prepare and publish such information, both adjusted and unadjusted, pursuant to subsection (c) of this section on or before either the first day of July next following the year in which the decennial census of the United States is taken or the thirtieth day after the publication of the redistricting data for this state by the United States Census Bureau in such year, whichever is later, and such adjusted and unadjusted information shall be the basis for determining state assembly and senatorial districts, as well as municipal voting districts. No residence at an unknown geographical location within the state under subdivision (3) of subsection (c) of this section may be used to determine the average population of any set of districts. The secretary shall notify each municipality that the adjusted and unadjusted information shall be used for the purposes of determining municipal voting districts.

(e) The Department of Correction shall (1) determine the residential or other address of each individual who is committed to the custody of the department as of or after January 1, 2020, and decennially thereafter, and who remains so committed on the date for which the census reports population, and (2) maintain an electronic record of such address. Such record shall contain, at a minimum, the last-known residential or other address of each such individual prior to incarceration."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Remarking were Senators Kissel of the 7th, Hwang of the 28th, Champagne of the 35th, Martin of the 31st, Miner of the 30th, and Formica of the 20th.

Senator Miner of the 30th offered Senate Amendment Schedule "B" (LCO 8046) and moved adoption.

Senator Looney of the 11th raised a Point of Order that the amendment was not germane.

The President ruled the point is well taken.

Senator Miner of the 30th appealed the ruling by the chair, Senator Kelly of the 21st seconded the motion.

Remarking were Senators Kelly of the 21st, and Looney of the 11th,

Senator Kelly of the 21st requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 4:06 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	36
Necessary for Adoption	19
Those voting Yea	12
Those voting Nay	24
Those absent and not voting.....	0

On a roll call vote the Ruling of the Chair was sustained.

The following is the roll call vote:

N 1 JOHN W. FONFARA	N 19 CATHERINE A. OSTEN
N 2 DOUGLAS MCCRORY	Y 20 PAUL M. FORMICA
N 3 SAUD ANWAR	Y 21 KEVIN C. KELLY
N 4 STEVE CASSANO	N 22 MARILYN MOORE
N 5 DEREK SLAP	N 23 DENNIS BRADLEY
N 6 RICK LOPES	N 24 JULIE KUSHNER
Y 7 JOHN A. KISSEL	N 25 BOB DUFF
Y 8 KEVIN D. WITKOS	N 26 WILL HASKELL
N 9 MATTHEW L. LESSER	N 27 PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
N 10 GARY WINFIELD	Y 28 TONY HWANG
N 11 MARTIN M. LOONEY	N 29 MAE FLEXER
N 12 CHRISTINE COHEN	Y 30 CRAIG MINER
N 13 MARY ABRAMS	Y 31 HENRI MARTIN

N 14 JAMES MARONEY	Y 32 ERIC C. BERTHEL
N 15 JOAN V. HARTLEY	N 33 NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
Y 16 ROB SAMPSON	Y 34 PAUL CICARELLA
N 17 JORGE CABRERA	Y 35 DAN CHAMPAGNE
Y 18 HEATHER S. SOMERS	N 36 ALEX KASSER

Senator Looney of the 11th in the Chair.

Remarking was Senator Duff of the 25th.

President in the Chair.

Remarking was Senator Looney of the 11th.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 4:33 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	36
Necessary for Adoption	19
Those voting Yea	35
Those voting Nay	1
Those absent and not voting	0

On the roll call vote Senate Bill No. 753 as amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A" (LCO 8080) was passed.

The following is the roll call vote:

Y 1 JOHN W. FONFARA	Y 19 CATHERINE A. OSTEN
Y 2 DOUGLAS MCCRORY	Y 20 PAUL M. FORMICA
Y 3 SAUD ANWAR	Y 21 KEVIN C. KELLY
Y 4 STEVE CASSANO	Y 22 MARILYN MOORE
Y 5 DEREK SLAP	Y 23 DENNIS BRADLEY
Y 6 RICK LOPES	Y 24 JULIE KUSHNER
N 7 JOHN A. KISSEL	Y 25 BOB DUFF
Y 8 KEVIN D. WITKOS	Y 26 WILL HASKELL
Y 9 MATTHEW L. LESSER	Y 27 PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
Y 10 GARY WINFIELD	Y 28 TONY HWANG
Y 11 MARTIN M. LOONEY	Y 29 MAE FLEXER
Y 12 CHRISTINE COHEN	Y 30 CRAIG MINER
Y 13 MARY ABRAMS	Y 31 HENRI MARTIN
Y 14 JAMES MARONEY	Y 32 ERIC C. BERTHEL
Y 15 JOAN V. HARTLEY	Y 33 NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
Y 16 ROB SAMPSON	Y 34 PAUL CICARELLA
Y 17 JORGE CABRERA	Y 35 DAN CHAMPAGNE
Y 18 HEATHER S. SOMERS	Y 36 ALEX KASSER

**BUSINESS ON THE CALENDAR
FAVORABLE REPORT OF THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
BILL PASSED**

The following favorable report was taken from the table, read the third time, the report of the Committee accepted and the bill passed.

PUBLIC HEALTH. S.B. No. **835** (RAISED) (File No. 38) "AN ACT CONCERNING DECEPTIVE ADVERTISING PRACTICES OF LIMITED SERVICES PREGNANCY CENTERS."

Senator Abrams of the 13th explained the bill and moved passage.

Remarking was Senators Somers of the 18th.

Senator Somers of the 18th offered Senate Amendment Schedule "A" (LCO 8014) and moved adoption.

Remarking were Senators Abrams of the 13th, Sampson of the 16th, and Duff of the 25th.

Senator Duff of the 25th requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Senator Osten of the 19th in the Chair.

Remarking were Senators Hwang of the 28th, Formica of the 20th, Martin of the 31st, Anwar of the 3rd, and Somers of the 18th.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 5:29 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	35
Necessary for Adoption	18
Those voting Yea	12
Those voting Nay	23
Those absent and not voting.....	1

On the roll call vote Senate Amendment Schedule "A" (LCO 8014) was rejected.

The following is the roll call vote:

N 1 JOHN W. FONFARA	N 19 CATHERINE A. OSTEN
N 2 DOUGLAS MCCRORY	Y 20 PAUL M. FORMICA
N 3 SAUD ANWAR	Y 21 KEVIN C. KELLY
N 4 STEVE CASSANO	N 22 MARILYN MOORE
N 5 DEREK SLAP	N 23 DENNIS BRADLEY
N 6 RICK LOPES	N 24 JULIE KUSHNER
Y 7 JOHN A. KISSEL	N 25 BOB DUFF
Y 8 KEVIN D. WITKOS	N 26 WILL HASKELL
N 9 MATTHEW L. LESSER	N 27 PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
N 10 GARY WINFIELD	Y 28 TONY HWANG
N 11 MARTIN M. LOONEY	N 29 MAE FLEXER
N 12 CHRISTINE COHEN	Y 30 CRAIG MINER
N 13 MARY ABRAMS	Y 31 HENRI MARTIN
N 14 JAMES MARONEY	Y 32 ERIC C. BERTHEL

A	15	JOAN V. HARTLEY	N	33	NORMAN NEEDLEMAN	
Y	16	ROB SAMPSON	Y	34	PAUL CICARELLA	
	N	17	JORGE CABRERA	Y	35	DAN CHAMPAGNE
Y	18	HEATHER S. SOMERS	N	36	ALEX KASSER	

The following is the Amendment.

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

"Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2021*) As used in this section and sections 2 and 3 of this act:

(1) "Abortion" means the termination of a pregnancy for purposes other than producing a live birth. "Abortion" includes, but is not limited to, a termination of a pregnancy using pharmacological agents;

(2) "Client" means an individual who is inquiring about or seeking services at a pregnancy services center;

(3) "Clinical laboratory services" means the microbiological, serological, chemical, hematological, biophysical, cytological or pathological examination of materials derived from the human body for the purpose of obtaining information for the diagnosis, prevention or treatment of disease or the assessment of a health condition;

(4) "Emergency contraception" means one or more prescription drugs (A) used separately or in combination for the purpose of preventing pregnancy, (B) administered to or self-administered by a patient within a medically recommended amount of time after sexual intercourse, (C) dispensed for such purpose in accordance with professional standards of practice, and (D) determined by the United States Food and Drug Administration to be safe for such purpose;

(5) "Deceptive" means an intentional misrepresentation of facts related to pregnancy-related services;

(6) "Deceptive advertising" means advertising that contains an intentional misrepresentation of facts related to pregnancy-related services;

(7) "Health information" means any oral or written information in any form or medium that relates to health insurance or the past, present or future physical or mental health or condition of a client;

(8) "Licensed health care provider" means a person licensed under the provisions of federal or state law to provide health care or other medical services;

(9) "Limited services pregnancy center" means a pregnancy services center that does not directly provide, or provide referrals for, abortions or emergency contraception;

(10) "Pregnancy-related service" means any medical or health counseling service related to pregnancy or pregnancy prevention, including, but not limited to, contraception and contraceptive counseling, pregnancy testing, pregnancy diagnosis, pregnancy options counseling, obstetric ultrasound, obstetric sonogram and prenatal care;

(11) "Pregnancy services center" means a facility, including a mobile facility, the primary purpose of which is to provide services to clients who are or have reason to believe they may be pregnant and that either (A) offers obstetric ultrasounds, obstetric sonograms, pregnancy testing or diagnosis or prenatal care to pregnant clients, or (B) has the appearance of a medical facility by virtue of having two or more of the following factors present: (i) Staff or volunteers who wear medical attire and uniforms; (ii) one or more examination tables; (iii) a private or semiprivate room or area containing medical supplies or medical instruments; (iv) staff or volunteers who collect health information from clients; or (v) the facility is located on the same premises as a licensed health care facility or licensed health care provider or shares facility space with a licensed health care provider;

(12) "Premises" means land and improvements or appurtenances or any part thereof; and

(13) "Prenatal care" means services consisting of a physical examination, pelvic examination or clinical laboratory services provided to a client during pregnancy."

On a motion by Senator Somers of the 18th, the bill be referred to the Joint Committee on Judiciary. Senator Kelly of the 21st seconded the motion.

Senator Somers of the 18th requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Remarking were Senators Duff of the 25th and Kelly of the 21st.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 5:41 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	36
Necessary for Adoption	19
Those voting Yea	12
Those voting Nay	24
Those absent and not voting.....	0

On the roll call vote the motion to refer the Senate Bill 835 to Judiciary failed.

The following is the roll call vote:

N 1 JOHN W. FONFARA	N 19 CATHERINE A. OSTEN
N 2 DOUGLAS MCCRORY	Y 20 PAUL M. FORMICA
N 3 SAUD ANWAR	Y 21 KEVIN C. KELLY
N 4 STEVE CASSANO	N 22 MARILYN MOORE
N 5 DEREK SLAP	N 23 DENNIS BRADLEY
N 6 RICK LOPES	N 24 JULIE KUSHNER
Y 7 JOHN A. KISSEL	N 25 BOB DUFF
Y 8 KEVIN D. WITKOS	N 26 WILL HASKELL
N 9 MATTHEW L. LESSER	N 27 PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
N 10 GARY WINFIELD	Y 28 TONY HWANG
N 11 MARTIN M. LOONEY	N 29 MAE FLEXER
N 12 CHRISTINE COHEN	Y 30 CRAIG MINER
N 13 MARY ABRAMS	Y 31 HENRI MARTIN
N 14 JAMES MARONEY	Y 32 ERIC C. BERTHEL
N 15 JOAN V. HARTLEY	N 33 NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
Y 16 ROB SAMPSON	Y 34 PAUL CICARELLA
N 17 JORGE CABRERA	Y 35 DAN CHAMPAGNE
Y 18 HEATHER S. SOMERS	N 36 ALEX KASSER

Remarking were Senators Anwar of the 3rd, Kissel of the 7th, Martin of the 31st, and Sampson of the 16th.

Senator Sampson of the 16th offered Senate Amendment Schedule “B” (LCO 7996), moved adoption and requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Remarking were Senators Kelly of the 21st and Abrams of the 13th.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 6:32 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	35
Necessary for Adoption	18
Those voting Yea	12
Those voting Nay	23
Those absent and not voting.....	1

On the roll call vote Senate Amendment Schedule “B” (LCO 7996) was rejected.

The following is the roll call vote:

N 1	JOHN W. FONFARA	N 19	CATHERINE A. OSTEN
N 2	DOUGLAS MCCRORY	Y 20	PAUL M. FORMICA
N 3	SAUD ANWAR	Y 21	KEVIN C. KELLY
N 4	STEVE CASSANO	N 22	MARILYN MOORE
N 5	DEREK SLAP	N 23	DENNIS BRADLEY
N 6	RICK LOPES	N 24	JULIE KUSHNER
Y 7	JOHN A. KISSEL	N 25	BOB DUFF
Y 8	KEVIN D. WITKOS	N 26	WILL HASKELL
N 9	MATTHEW L. LESSER	N 27	PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
N 10	GARY WINFIELD	Y 28	TONY HWANG
N 11	MARTIN M. LOONEY	N 29	MAE FLEXER
N 12	CHRISTINE COHEN	Y 30	CRAIG MINER
N 13	MARY ABRAMS	Y 31	HENRI MARTIN
N 14	JAMES MARONEY	Y 32	ERIC C. BERTHEL
A 15	JOAN V. HARTLEY	N 33	NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
Y 16	ROB SAMPSON	Y 34	PAUL CICARELLA
N 17	JORGE CABRERA	Y 35	DAN CHAMPAGNE
Y 18	HEATHER S. SOMERS	N 36	ALEX KASSER

The following is the Amendment.

Strike section 3 in its entirety and renumber the remaining sections and internal references accordingly

Remarking were Senators Cicarella of the 34th, and Formica of the 20th.

President in the chair.

Remarking were Senators Duff of the 25th, Kelly of the 21st, and Looney of the 11th.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 7:18 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	36
Necessary for Adoption	19
Those voting Yea	21
Those voting Nay	15
Those absent and not voting.....	0

On the roll call vote Senate Bill No. 835 was passed.

The following is the roll call vote:

Y 1	JOHN W. FONFARA	N 19	CATHERINE A. OSTEN
Y 2	DOUGLAS MCCRORY	N 20	PAUL M. FORMICA
Y 3	SAUD ANWAR	N 21	KEVIN C. KELLY
Y 4	STEVE CASSANO	Y 22	MARILYN MOORE
Y 5	DEREK SLAP	N 23	DENNIS BRADLEY

Y 6 RICK LOPES	Y 24 JULIE KUSHNER
N 7 JOHN A. KISSEL	Y 25 BOB DUFF
N 8 KEVIN D. WITKOS	Y 26 WILL HASKELL
Y 9 MATTHEW L. LESSER	Y 27 PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
Y 10 GARY WINFIELD	N 28 TONY HWANG
Y 11 MARTIN M. LOONEY	Y 29 MAE FLEXER
Y 12 CHRISTINE COHEN	N 30 CRAIG MINER
Y 13 MARY ABRAMS	N 31 HENRI MARTIN
Y 14 JAMES MARONEY	N 32 ERIC C. BERTHEL
N 15 JOAN V. HARTLEY	Y 33 NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
N 16 ROB SAMPSON	N 34 PAUL CICARELLA
Y 17 JORGE CABRERA	N 35 DAN CHAMPAGNE
N 18 HEATHER S. SOMERS	Y 36 ALEX KASSER

**BUSINESS ON THE CALENDAR
MATTER RETURNED FROM COMMITTEE
FAVORABLE REPORT OF THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
BILL PASSED**

The following favorable report was taken from the table, read the third time, the report of the Committee accepted and the bill passed.

APPROPRIATIONS. S.B. No. **901** (RAISED) (File No. 114) "AN ACT EXTENDING TO JUNE 30, 2021, CHANGES IMPLEMENTED FOR THE 2020 STATE ELECTION AS A RESULT OF COVID-19."

Senator Flexer of the 29th explained the bill and moved passage.

Senator Flexer of the 29th offered Senate Amendment Schedule "A" (LCO 8062) and moved adoption.

Remarking were Senators Sampson of the 16th, Champagne of the 35th, Anwar of the 3rd, Duff of the 25th, and Formica of the 20th.

Senator Duff of the 25th requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 10:01 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	36
Necessary for Adoption	19
Those voting Yea	24
Those voting Nay	12
Those absent and not voting.....	0

On the roll call vote Senate Amendment Schedule "A" (LCO 8062) was adopted.

The following is the roll call vote:

Y 1 JOHN W. FONFARA	Y 19 CATHERINE A. OSTEN
Y 2 DOUGLAS MCCRORY	N 20 PAUL M. FORMICA
Y 3 SAUD ANWAR	N 21 KEVIN C. KELLY

Y 4 STEVE CASSANO	Y 22 MARILYN MOORE
Y 5 DEREK SLAP	Y 23 DENNIS BRADLEY
Y 6 RICK LOPES	Y 24 JULIE KUSHNER
N 7 JOHN A. KISSEL	Y 25 BOB DUFF
N 8 KEVIN D. WITKOS	Y 26 WILL HASKELL
Y 9 MATTHEW L. LESSER	Y 27 PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
Y 10 GARY WINFIELD	N 28 TONY HWANG
Y 11 MARTIN M. LOONEY	Y 29 MAE FLEXER
Y 12 CHRISTINE COHEN	N 30 CRAIG MINER
Y 13 MARY ABRAMS	N 31 HENRI MARTIN
Y 14 JAMES MARONEY	N 32 ERIC C. BERTHEL
Y 15 JOAN V. HARTLEY	Y 33 NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
N 16 ROB SAMPSON	N 34 PAUL CICARELLA
Y 17 JORGE CABRERA	N 35 DAN CHAMPAGNE
N 18 HEATHER S. SOMERS	Y 36 ALEX KASSER

The following is the Amendment.

In line 19, strike "July 1" and insert in lieu thereof "November 3"
 In line 48, strike "July 1" and insert in lieu thereof "November 3"
 In line 72, strike "July 1" and insert in lieu thereof "November 3"
 In line 98, strike "July 1" and insert in lieu thereof "November 3"
 In line 116, strike "July 1" and insert in lieu thereof "November 3"
 In line 123, strike "July 1" and insert in lieu thereof "November 3"
 In line 168, strike "July 1" and insert in lieu thereof "November 3"
 In line 199, strike "July 1" and insert in lieu thereof "November 3"
 In line 298, strike "July 1" and insert in lieu thereof "November 3"
 In line 332, strike "July 1" and insert in lieu thereof "November 3"
 In line 370, strike "July 1" and insert in lieu thereof "November 3"
 In line 399, strike "July 1" and insert in lieu thereof "November 3"
 In line 424, strike "July 1" and insert in lieu thereof "November 3"
 In line 461, strike "July 1" and insert in lieu thereof "November 3"
 In line 468, strike "July 1" and insert in lieu thereof "November 3"
 In line 538, strike "July 1" and insert in lieu thereof "November 3"
 In line 578, strike "July 1" and insert in lieu thereof "November 3"
 In line 596, after "any election" insert ", primary or referendum"
 In line 597, strike "July 1" and insert in lieu thereof "November 3"
 In line 600, after "election" insert ", primary or referendum"
 In line 635, strike "July 1" and insert in lieu thereof "November 3"
 In line 691, strike "July 1" and insert in lieu thereof "November 3"
 In line 733, strike "July 1" and insert in lieu thereof "November 3"
 In line 800, strike "July 1" and insert in lieu thereof "November 3"
 In line 875, strike "July 1" and insert in lieu thereof "November 3"
 In line 895, before "election" insert "regular"
 In line 896, strike "July 1" and insert in lieu thereof "November 3"

Senator Looney of the 11th in the chair.

Senator Sampson of the 16th offered Senate Amendment Schedule "B" (LCO 8085), moved adoption and requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

President in the chair

Remarking were Senators Flexer of the 29th, Hwang of the 28th, Champagne of the 35th, and Cicarella of the 34th.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 10:58 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	36
Necessary for Adoption	19
Those voting Yea	12
Those voting Nay	24
Those absent and not voting.....	0

On the roll call vote Senate Amendment Schedule "B" (LCO 8085) was rejected.

The following is the roll call vote:

N 1 JOHN W. FONFARA	N 19 CATHERINE A. OSTEN
N 2 DOUGLAS MCCRORY	Y 20 PAUL M. FORMICA
N 3 SAUD ANWAR	Y 21 KEVIN C. KELLY
N 4 STEVE CASSANO	N 22 MARILYN MOORE
N 5 DEREK SLAP	N 23 DENNIS BRADLEY
N 6 RICK LOPES	N 24 JULIE KUSHNER
Y 7 JOHN A. KISSEL	N 25 BOB DUFF
Y 8 KEVIN D. WITKOS	N 26 WILL HASKELL
N 9 MATTHEW L. LESSER	N 27 PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
N 10 GARY WINFIELD	Y 28 TONY HWANG
N 11 MARTIN M. LOONEY	N 29 MAE FLEXER
N 12 CHRISTINE COHEN	Y 30 CRAIG MINER
N 13 MARY ABRAMS	Y 31 HENRI MARTIN
N 14 JAMES MARONEY	Y 32 ERIC C. BERTHEL
N 15 JOAN V. HARTLEY	N 33 NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
Y 16 ROB SAMPSON	Y 34 PAUL CICARELLA
N 17 JORGE CABRERA	Y 35 DAN CHAMPAGNE
Y 18 HEATHER S. SOMERS	N 36 ALEX KASSER

The following is the Amendment.

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

"Sec. 501. Subsection (1) of section 9-140 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(1) (1) No candidate, party or political committee, or agent of such candidate or committee shall mail unsolicited applications for absentee ballots to any person, unless such mailing includes: [(1)] (A) A written explanation of the eligibility requirements for voting by absentee ballot as prescribed in subsection (a) of section 9-135, as amended by this act, and [(2)] (B) a written warning that voting or attempting to vote by absentee ballot without meeting one or more of such eligibility requirements subjects the elector or applicant to potential civil and criminal penalties. As used in this [subsection] subdivision, "agent" means any person authorized to act on behalf of another person.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection, neither the Secretary of the State nor any registrar of voters, town clerk or any individual appointed thereby shall mail unsolicited applications for absentee ballots to any person."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Sec. 501	<i>from passage</i>	9-140(1)
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Senator Kelly of the 21st offered Senate Amendment Schedule “C” (LCO 8068), moved adoption and requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Remarking were Senators Flexer of the 29th, Sampson of the 16th, Flexer of the 29th, Formica of the 20th, and Duff of the 25th.

Senator Flexer of the 29th requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 11:35 p.m.:

Total Number Voting	36
Necessary for Adoption	19
Those voting Yea	12
Those voting Nay	24
Those absent and not voting.....	0

On the roll call vote Senate Amendment Schedule “C” (LCO 8068) was rejected.

The following is the roll call vote:

N 1 JOHN W. FONFARA	N 19 CATHERINE A. OSTEN
N 2 DOUGLAS MCCRORY	Y 20 PAUL M. FORMICA
N 3 SAUD ANWAR	Y 21 KEVIN C. KELLY
N 4 STEVE CASSANO	N 22 MARILYN MOORE
N 5 DEREK SLAP	N 23 DENNIS BRADLEY
N 6 RICK LOPES	N 24 JULIE KUSHNER
Y 7 JOHN A. KISSEL	N 25 BOB DUFF
Y 8 KEVIN D. WITKOS	N 26 WILL HASKELL
N 9 MATTHEW L. LESSER	N 27 PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
N 10 GARY WINFIELD	Y 28 TONY HWANG
N 11 MARTIN M. LOONEY	N 29 MAE FLEXER
N 12 CHRISTINE COHEN	Y 30 CRAIG MINER
N 13 MARY ABRAMS	Y 31 HENRI MARTIN
N 14 JAMES MARONEY	Y 32 ERIC C. BERTHEL
N 15 JOAN V. HARTLEY	N 33 NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
Y 16 ROB SAMPSON	Y 34 PAUL CICARELLA
N 17 JORGE CABRERA	Y 35 DAN CHAMPAGNE
Y 18 HEATHER S. SOMERS	N 36 ALEX KASSER

The following is the Amendment.

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

"Sec. 501. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 1-1h of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) Any person who does not possess a valid motor vehicle operator's license may apply to the Department of Motor Vehicles for an identity card. The application for an identity card shall be accompanied by the birth certificate of the applicant or a certificate of identification of the applicant issued and authorized for such use by the Department of Correction and, except as provided in this subsection, a fee of twenty-eight dollars. Such application shall include: (1) The

applicant's name; (2) the applicant's address; (3) whether the address is permanent or temporary; (4) the applicant's date of birth; (5) notice to the applicant that false statements on such application are punishable under section 53a-157b; and (6) such other pertinent information as the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles deems necessary. The applicant shall sign the application in the presence of an official of the Department of Motor Vehicles. The commissioner shall waive the fee for any applicant who does not have the means to pay such fee, including any applicant who is a resident of a homeless shelter or other facility for homeless persons. The commissioner may waive the fee for any applicant (A) who has voluntarily surrendered such applicant's motor vehicle operator's license, (B) whose license has been refused by the commissioner pursuant to subdivision (4) of subsection (e) of section 14-36, or (C) who is both a veteran, as defined in subsection (a) of section 27-103, and blind, as defined in subsection (a) of section 1-1f, [or (D) who is a resident of a homeless shelter or other facility for homeless persons. The] Not later than September 1, 2021, the commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to establish the procedure and qualifications for the issuance of an identity card to any such [homeless] applicant who does not have the means to pay the fee for such identity card.

(b) (1) An identity card shall indicate its date of expiration, contain a picture of the applicant and specify the applicant's height, sex and eye color.

(2) (A) An original identity card shall expire within a period not exceeding seven years following the date of the applicant's next birthday. Any person who holds an identity card may be notified by the commissioner before its expiration and may renew such card in such manner as the commissioner shall prescribe. Upon renewal of an identity card, the commissioner may issue an identity card for a period to be determined by the commissioner, provided such period does not exceed eight years. [The] Except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, (i) the fee for the renewal of an identity card that expires eight years from the date of issuance shall be thirty-two dollars, [The] and (ii) the commissioner shall charge a prorated amount of such fee for an identity card that expires less than eight years from the date of issuance. The commissioner shall not provide notification by mail to the holder of an identity card if the United States Postal Service has determined that mail is undeliverable to such person at the address for such person that is in the records of the department.

(B) The commissioner shall waive the fee for the renewal of an identify card, or any prorated amount of such fee, for any person who does not have the means to pay such fee or prorated amount.

Sec. 502. Subsection (a) of section 9-261 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) In each primary, election or referendum, when an elector has entered the polling place, the elector shall announce the elector's street address, if any, and the elector's name to the official checker or checkers in a tone sufficiently loud and clear as to enable all the election officials present to hear the same. Each elector [who registered to vote by mail for the first time on or after January 1, 2003, and has a "mark" next to the elector's name on the official registry list, as required by section 9-23r,] shall present to the official checker or checkers, before the elector votes, either (1) a current and valid photo identification that shows the elector's name and address, [or a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck or other government document that shows the name and address of the elector. Each other elector shall (1) present to the official checker or checkers the elector's Social Security card] or (2) any other preprinted form of identification which shows the elector's name, address and [either the elector's address, signature or] photograph. [, or (2) on a form prescribed by the Secretary of the State, write the elector's residential address and date of birth, print the elector's name and sign a statement under penalty of false statement that the elector is the elector whose name appears on the official checklist. Such form shall clearly state the penalty of false statement. A separate form shall be used for each elector. If the elector presents a preprinted form of identification under subdivision (1) of this subsection, the official checker or checkers shall check the name of such elector on the official checklist, manually on paper or electronically. If the elector completes the form under subdivision (2) of this subsection, the registrar of voters or the assistant registrar of voters, as the case may be, shall examine the information on such form and either instruct the official checker or checkers to check the name of such elector on the official checklist, manually on paper or electronically, or notify the elector that the form is incomplete or inaccurate.]

Sec. 503. Subdivision (4) of subsection (d) of section 9-23g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(4) If on the day of an election or primary, the name of an applicant does not appear on the official check list, such applicant may present to the moderator at the polls either a notice of acceptance received through the mail or an application receipt that was previously provided to the applicant pursuant to section 9-19e, subsection (b) of section 9-19h, subsection (b) of this section or section 9-23n. If an applicant presents said notice or receipt, and either the registrars of voters find the original application or the applicant submits a new application at the polls, the registrar, or assistant registrar upon notice to and approval by the registrar, shall add such person's name and address to the official check list on such day and the person shall be allowed to vote if otherwise eligible to vote and the person presents to the checkers at the polling place either a current and valid photo identification or a preprinted form of identification which shows the person's name, address and photograph. [pursuant to subparagraph (A) of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 9-261.]

Sec. 504. Section 9-23r of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) On or after January 1, 2003, any person who is applying, by mail, to register to vote for the first time in this state may submit as part of such voter registration application: (1) A copy of a current and valid photo identification, (2) a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck or government document that shows the name and address of the voter, (3) a valid Connecticut motor vehicle operator's license number, or (4) the last four digits of the individual's Social Security number. Members of the armed forces and persons entitled to use the federal post card application for absentee ballots under section 9-153a are not required to provide identification when registering by mail. No information submitted as part of a voter registration application under this subsection shall be subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act pursuant to chapter 14, except for the name, address, date of birth and telephone number of the applicant.

(b) If an individual submits such information pursuant to this section as part of the individual's voter registration application and, with respect to subdivision (3) or (4) of subsection (a) of this section, the registrars of voters are able to match the information submitted with an existing Connecticut identification record bearing the same number, name and date of birth as provided, such individual shall not be required to produce identification when voting [in person or] by absentee ballot, [and may sign a statement as described in subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 9-261 in lieu of presenting identification when voting in person.]

(c) Any additional documentation submitted as part of the voter registration application pursuant to this section may be destroyed by the registrars of voters after verification pursuant to the Help America Vote Act, P.L. 107-252, as amended from time to time.

(d) If an individual described in subsection (a) of this section does not submit the identification described in subsection (a) of this section as part of the individual's application for admission as an elector, when the individual has entered the polling place in an election for federal office, the individual shall present: (1) A current and valid photo identification, or (2) [a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck or other government document that shows the name and address of the voter] any other preprinted form of identification which shows the individual's name, address and photograph. If an individual does not meet the requirements of this subsection in an election for federal office, such individual may cast a provisional ballot prescribed under sections 9-232i to 9-232o, inclusive.

(e) If an individual described in subsection (a) of this section does not submit the identification described in subsection (a) of this section as part of the individual's application for admission as an elector, and if the individual votes by absentee ballot in an election for federal office, the individual shall enclose in the outer absentee ballot envelope, and not in the inner envelope with the ballot: (1) A copy of a current and valid photo identification, or (2) a copy of [a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document that shows the name and address of the voter] any other preprinted form of identification which shows the individual's name, address and photograph. If an individual does not meet the requirements of this subsection in an election for federal office, such individual's absentee ballot shall be processed in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (2) of subsection (d) of section

9-150a and treated as a provisional ballot for federal office only, pursuant to sections 9-232i to 9-232o, inclusive.

Sec. 505. Subsection (a) of section 9-158e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) A person applying for a presidential ballot in person shall present: (1) A current and valid photo identification, or (2) a copy of [a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck or other government document that shows the name and address of the voter] any other preprinted form of identification which shows the individual's name, address and photograph. The application for a presidential ballot by mail shall be accompanied by: (A) A copy of a current and valid photo identification, or (B) a copy of [a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck or government document that shows the name and address of the voter] any other preprinted form of identification which shows the individual's name, address and photograph. Upon receipt of an application for a presidential ballot under sections 9-158a to 9-158m, inclusive, the clerk, if satisfied that the application is proper and that the applicant is qualified to vote under said sections, shall forthwith give or mail to the applicant, as the case may be, a ballot for presidential and vice-presidential electors for use at the election and instructions and envelopes for its return."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	<i>from passage</i>	1-1h(a) and (b)
Sec. 502	<i>from passage</i>	9-261(a)
Sec. 503	<i>from passage</i>	9-23g(d)(4)
Sec. 504	<i>from passage</i>	9-23r
Sec. 505	<i>from passage</i>	9-158e(a)

Senator Kelly of the 21st offered Senate Amendment Schedule "D" (LCO 8084), moved adoption.

Remarking were Senators Sampson of the 16th, Kelly of the 21st, and Flexer of the 29th.

On a voice vote the amendment was adopted.

The following is the Amendment.

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

"Sec. 501. (*Effective October 1, 2021*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 7-192a of the general statutes, the Secretary of the State shall establish a pilot program for the manual or electronic verification of signatures on the inner envelopes for returned absentee ballots at the 2022 state election. The Secretary shall randomly select five municipalities for participation in such pilot program, in accordance with the following: (1) One municipality with a population of less than ten thousand; (2) one municipality with a population of ten thousand or greater, but less than twenty-five thousand; (3) one municipality with a population of twenty-five thousand or greater, but less than fifty thousand; (4) one municipality with a population of fifty thousand or greater, but less than one hundred thousand; and (5) one municipality with a population of one hundred thousand or greater. For the purposes of this section, "population" means the estimated number of people according to the most recent version of the State Register and Manual prepared pursuant to section 3-90 of the general statutes.

(b) Not later than January 1, 2023, the Secretary of the State shall submit a report on the findings of the pilot program described in subsection (a) of this section and recommendations for legislation to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to elections, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	October 1, 2021	New section

Remarking were Senators Duff of the 25th, Kelly of the 21st, and Looney of the 11th.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 12:36 a.m.:

Total Number Voting	36
Necessary for Adoption	19
Those voting Yea	24
Those voting Nay	12
Those absent and not voting.....	0

On the roll call vote Senate Bill No. 901 as amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A" (LCO 8062) and Schedule "D" (LCO 8084) was passed.

The following is the roll call vote:

Y 1 JOHN W. FONFARA	Y 19 CATHERINE A. OSTEN
Y 2 DOUGLAS MCCRORY	N 20 PAUL M. FORMICA
Y 3 SAUD ANWAR	N 21 KEVIN C. KELLY
Y 4 STEVE CASSANO	Y 22 MARILYN MOORE
Y 5 DEREK SLAP	Y 23 DENNIS BRADLEY
Y 6 RICK LOPES	Y 24 JULIE KUSHNER
N 7 JOHN A. KISSEL	Y 25 BOB DUFF
N 8 KEVIN D. WITKOS	Y 26 WILL HASKELL
Y 9 MATTHEW L. LESSER	Y 27 PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
Y 10 GARY WINFIELD	N 28 TONY HWANG
Y 11 MARTIN M. LOONEY	Y 29 MAE FLEXER
Y 12 CHRISTINE COHEN	N 30 CRAIG MINER
Y 13 MARY ABRAMS	N 31 HENRI MARTIN
Y 14 JAMES MARONEY	N 32 ERIC C. BERTHEL
Y 15 JOAN V. HARTLEY	Y 33 NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
N 16 ROB SAMPSON	N 34 PAUL CICARELLA
Y 17 JORGE CABRERA	N 35 DAN CHAMPAGNE
N 18 HEATHER S. SOMERS	Y 36 ALEX KASSER

**SENATE AGENDA NO. 1
SUSPENSION OF THE RULES
BUSINESS FROM THE HOUSE
BILL PASSED IN CONCURRENCE**

On the motion of Senator Duff of the 25th, the rules were suspended to take up business from the House from Senate Agenda No. 1.

PUBLIC HEALTH. H.B. No. **5596** (RAISED) (File No. 256) "AN ACT CONCERNING TELEHEALTH." (As amended by House Amendment Schedule "A").

Senator Lesser of the 9th explained the bill and moved passage.

Remarking was Senator Hwang of the 28th.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 12:50 a.m.:

Total Number Voting	36
Necessary for Adoption	19
Those voting Yea	36
Those voting Nay	0
Those absent and not voting.....	0

On the roll call vote House Bill No. 5596 was passed in concurrence with the House.

The following is the roll call vote:

Y 1 JOHN W. FONFARA	Y 19 CATHERINE A. OSTEN
Y 2 DOUGLAS MCCRORY	Y 20 PAUL M. FORMICA
Y 3 SAUD ANWAR	Y 21 KEVIN C. KELLY
Y 4 STEVE CASSANO	Y 22 MARILYN MOORE
Y 5 DEREK SLAP	Y 23 DENNIS BRADLEY
Y 6 RICK LOPES	Y 24 JULIE KUSHNER
Y 7 JOHN A. KISSEL	Y 25 BOB DUFF
Y 8 KEVIN D. WITKOS	Y 26 WILL HASKELL
Y 9 MATTHEW L. LESSER	Y 27 PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
Y 10 GARY WINFIELD	Y 28 TONY HWANG
Y 11 MARTIN M. LOONEY	Y 29 MAE FLEXER
Y 12 CHRISTINE COHEN	Y 30 CRAIG MINER
Y 13 MARY ABRAMS	Y 31 HENRI MARTIN
Y 14 JAMES MARONEY	Y 32 ERIC C. BERTHEL
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Y 16 ROB SAMPSON	Y 34 PAUL CICARELLA
Y 17 JORGE CABRERA	Y 35 DAN CHAMPAGNE
Y 18 HEATHER S. SOMERS	Y 36 ALEX KASSER

**BUSINESS ON THE CALENDAR
MATTER RETURNED FROM COMMITTEE
FAVORABLE REPORT OF THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
BILL PASSED**

The following favorable report was taken from the table, read the third time, the report of the Committee accepted and the bill passed.

APPROPRIATIONS. Substitute for S.B. No. **2** (COMM) (File No. 246) "AN ACT CONCERNING SOCIAL EQUITY AND THE HEALTH, SAFETY AND EDUCATION OF CHILDREN."

Senator Anwar of the 3rd offered Senate Amendment Schedule "A" (LCO 8095) and moved adoption.

Remarking was Senator Martin of the 31st.

On a motion from Senator Martin of the 31st to refer the bill to the Joint Committee on Public Health. Senator Hwang of the 28th seconded the motion.

Remarking were Senators Duff of the 25th, and Formica of the 20th.

Senator Formica of the 20th requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 2:16 a.m.:

Total Number Voting	33
Necessary for Adoption	17
Those voting Yea	10
Those voting Nay	23
Those absent and not voting.....	3

On the roll call the motion to refer to Public Health failed.

The following is the roll call vote:

N 1	JOHN W. FONFARA	N 19	CATHERINE A. OSTEN
N 2	DOUGLAS MCCRORY	Y 20	PAUL M. FORMICA
N 3	SAUD ANWAR	Y 21	KEVIN C. KELLY
N 4	STEVE CASSANO	N 22	MARILYN MOORE
N 5	DEREK SLAP	N 23	DENNIS BRADLEY
N 6	RICK LOPES	N 24	JULIE KUSHNER
Y 7	JOHN A. KISSEL	N 25	BOB DUFF
A 8	KEVIN D. WITKOS	N 26	WILL HASKELL
A 9	MATTHEW L. LESSER	N 27	PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
N 10	GARY WINFIELD	Y 28	TONY HWANG
N 11	MARTIN M. LOONEY	N 29	MAE FLEXER
N 12	CHRISTINE COHEN	Y 30	CRAIG MINER
N 13	MARY ABRAMS	Y 31	HENRI MARTIN
N 14	JAMES MARONEY	Y 32	ERIC C. BERTHEL
N 15	JOAN V. HARTLEY	N 33	NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
A 16	ROB SAMPSON	Y 34	PAUL CICARELLA
N 17	JORGE CABRERA	Y 35	DAN CHAMPAGNE
Y 18	HEATHER S. SOMERS	N 36	ALEX KASSER

Remarking were Senator Martin of the 31st, Haskell of the 26th, and Kelly of the 21st.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 3:20 a.m.:

Total Number Voting	33
Necessary for Adoption	17
Those voting Yea	23
Those voting Nay	10
Those absent and not voting.....	3

On the roll call vote Senate Amendment Schedule "A" (LCO 8095) was Adopted.

The following is the roll call vote:

Y	1	JOHN W. FONFARA	Y	19	CATHERINE A. OSTEN
Y	2	DOUGLAS MCCRORY	N	20	PAUL M. FORMICA
Y	3	SAUD ANWAR	N	21	KEVIN C. KELLY
Y	4	STEVE CASSANO	Y	22	MARILYN MOORE
Y	5	DEREK SLAP	Y	23	DENNIS BRADLEY
Y	6	RICK LOPES	Y	24	JULIE KUSHNER
	N 7	JOHN A. KISSEL	Y	25	BOB DUFF
A	8	KEVIN D. WITKOS	Y	26	WILL HASKELL
A	9	MATTHEW L. LESSER	Y	27	PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
Y	10	GARY WINFIELD	N	28	TONY HWANG
Y	11	MARTIN M. LOONEY	Y	29	MAE FLEXER
Y	12	CHRISTINE COHEN	N	30	CRAIG MINER
Y	13	MARY ABRAMS	N	31	HENRI MARTIN
Y	14	JAMES MARONEY	N	32	ERIC C. BERTHEL
Y	15	JOAN V. HARTLEY	Y	33	NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
A	16	ROB SAMPSON	N	34	PAUL CICARELLA
Y	17	JORGE CABRERA	N	35	DAN CHAMPAGNE
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The following is the Amendment.

Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following in lieu thereof:

"Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2021*) (a) As used in this section, (1) "evidence-based" describes a training program that (A) incorporates methods demonstrated to be effective for the intended population through scientifically based research, including statistically controlled evaluations or randomized trials, (B) can be implemented with a set of procedures to allow successful replication in the state, (C) achieves sustained, desirable outcomes, and (D) when possible, has been determined to be cost-beneficial, and (2) "Question, Persuade and Refer (QPR) Institute Gatekeeper Training" means an educational program designed to teach lay and professional persons who work with youth the warning signs of a suicide crisis and how to respond.

(b) The Youth Suicide Advisory Board, established pursuant to section 17a-52 of the general statutes, and the Office of the Child Advocate, shall jointly administer an evidence-based youth suicide prevention training program in each local health department and district department of health formed pursuant to section 19a-241 of the general statutes. The training program shall provide certification in QPR Institute Gatekeeper Training, utilizing a training model that will enable participants to provide QPR Institute Gatekeeper Training to other individuals upon completion of the training program. Such training program shall be offered not later than July 1, 2022, and at least once every three years thereafter.

(c) The director of health for each local health department and district department of health shall determine the eligibility criteria for participation in the youth suicide prevention training program. Participants shall be members of the following groups within such district: (1) Employees of such local health department and district department of health, (2) employees of youth service bureaus established pursuant to section 10-19m of the general statutes, (3) school employees, as defined in section 10-222d of the general statutes, (4) employees and volunteers of youth-serving organizations, (5) employees and volunteers of operators of youth athletic activities, as defined in section 21a-432 of the general statutes, (6) employees of municipal social service agencies, (7) members of paid municipal or volunteer fire departments, and (8) members of local police departments. With respect to school employees, such training program may be included as part of an in-service training program provided pursuant to section 10-220a of the general statutes, as amended by this act.

(d) Any individual who has received certification in QPR Institute Gatekeeper Training through the training program administered pursuant to subsection (b) of this section may, during the period in which such certification is valid, provide QPR Institute Gatekeeper Training to any member of a group described in subdivisions (1) to (8), inclusive, of subsection (c) of this section and members of the public.

(e) The Youth Suicide Advisory Board and the Office of the Child Advocate may contract with a nongovernmental entity that provides evidence-based suicide prevention training to carry out the provisions of this section.

Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2021*) (a) As used in this section:

(1) "Contact hour" means a minimum of fifty minutes of continuing education and activities; and

(2) "Registration period" means the one-year period for which a license has been renewed in accordance with section 19a-88 of the general statutes and is current and valid.

(b) For registration periods beginning on and after January 1, 2022, a physician assistant licensed pursuant to chapter 370 of the general statutes applying for license renewal shall, during the first renewal period and not less than once every six years thereafter, earn not less than two contact hours of training or education administered by the American Association of Physician Assistants, a hospital or other licensed health care institution or a regionally accredited institution of higher education, on (1) screening for post-traumatic stress disorder, risk of suicide, depression and grief, and (2) suicide prevention training.

(c) Each physician assistant applying for license renewal pursuant to section 19a-88 of the general statutes shall sign a statement attesting that he or she has satisfied the continuing education requirements of subsection (b) of this section on a form prescribed by the Department of Health. Each licensee shall retain records of attendance or certificates of completion that demonstrate compliance with the continuing education requirements of subsection (b) of this section for a minimum of three years following the year in which the continuing education was completed and shall submit such records or certificates to the department for inspection not later than forty-five days after a request by the department for such records or certificates.

Sec. 3. Subsection (a) of section 20-73b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, each physical therapist licensed pursuant to this chapter shall complete a minimum of twenty hours of continuing education during each registration period. For purposes of this section, registration period means the twelve-month period for which a license has been renewed in accordance with section 19a-88 and is current and valid. The continuing education shall be in areas related to the individual's practice, except, on and after January 1, 2022, shall include not less than two hours of training or education on (1) screening for post-traumatic stress disorder, risk of suicide, depression and grief, and (2) suicide prevention training, during the first registration period in which continuing education is required and not less than once every six years thereafter. The requirement described in subdivision (2) of this subsection may be satisfied by the completion of the evidence-based youth suicide prevention training program administered pursuant to section 1 of this act. Qualifying continuing education activities include, but are not limited to, courses offered or approved by the American Physical Therapy Association or any component of the American Physical Therapy Association, a hospital or other licensed health care institution or a regionally accredited institution of higher education.

Sec. 4. Section 20-74h of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

Licenses for occupational therapists and occupational therapy assistants issued under this chapter shall be subject to renewal once every two years and shall expire unless renewed in the manner prescribed by regulation upon the payment of two times the professional services fee payable to the State Treasurer for class B as defined in section 33-182l, plus five dollars. The department shall notify any person or entity that fails to comply with the provisions of this section that the person's or entity's license shall become void ninety days after the time for its renewal unless it is so renewed. Any such license shall become void upon the expiration of such ninety-day period. The commissioner shall establish additional requirements for licensure renewal which provide evidence of continued competency, which, on and after January 1, 2022, shall include not less than two hours of training or education, offered or approved by the Connecticut Occupational

Therapy Association, a hospital or other licensed health care institution or a regionally accredited institution of higher education, on (1) screening for post-traumatic stress disorder, risk of suicide, depression and grief, and (2) suicide prevention training during the first renewal period and not less than once every six years thereafter. The requirement described in subdivision (2) of this section may be satisfied by the completion of the evidence-based youth suicide prevention training program administered pursuant to section 1 of this act. The holder of an expired license may apply for and obtain a valid license only upon compliance with all relevant requirements for issuance of a new license. A suspended license is subject to expiration and may be renewed as provided in this section, but such renewal shall not entitle the licensee, while the license remains suspended and until it is reinstated, to engage in the licensed activity, or in any other conduct or activity in violation of the order or judgment by which the license was suspended. If a license revoked on disciplinary grounds is reinstated, the licensee, as a condition of reinstatement, shall pay the renewal fee.

Sec. 5. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2021*) (a) As used in this section:

(1) "Contact hour" means a minimum of fifty minutes of continuing education and activities; and

(2) "Registration period" means the one-year period for which a license has been renewed in accordance with section 19a-88 of the general statutes and is current and valid.

(b) For registration periods beginning on and after January 1, 2022, a registered nurse licensed pursuant to chapter 378 of the general statutes who is actively practicing in this state, and a licensed practical nurse licensed pursuant to chapter 378 of the general statutes who is actively practicing in this state, applying for license renewal shall, during the first renewal period and not less than once every six years thereafter, earn not less than two contact hours of training or education on (1) screening for conditions such as post-traumatic stress disorder, risk of suicide, depression and grief, and (2) suicide prevention training. For purposes of this section, qualifying continuing education activities include, but are not limited to, in-person and online courses offered or approved by the American Nurses Association, Connecticut Hospital Association, Connecticut Nurses Association, Connecticut League for Nursing, a specialty nursing society or an equivalent organization in another jurisdiction, an educational offering sponsored by a hospital or other health care institution or a course offered by a regionally accredited academic institution or a state or local health department.

(c) Each registered nurse and licensed practical nurse applying for license renewal pursuant to section 19a-88 of the general statutes shall sign a statement attesting that he or she has satisfied the continuing education requirements of subsection (b) of this section on a form prescribed by the Department of Public Health. Each licensee shall retain records of attendance or certificates of completion that demonstrate compliance with the continuing education requirements of subsection (b) of this section for a minimum of three years following the year in which the continuing education was completed and shall submit such records or certificates to the department for inspection not later than forty-five days after a request by the department for such records or certificates.

Sec. 6. Subsection (a) of section 20-102ee of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

(a) The Commissioner of Public Health shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, concerning the regulation of nurse's aides. Such regulations shall require a training program for nurse's aides of not less than one hundred hours. Not less than seventy-five of such hours shall include, but not be limited to, basic nursing skills, personal care skills, care of cognitively impaired residents, recognition of mental health and social service needs, basic restorative services and residents' rights. Not less than twenty-five of such hours shall include, but not be limited to, specialized training in understanding and responding to challenging behaviors related to physical, psychiatric, psychosocial and cognitive disorders. On and after January 1, 2022, not less than two of such hours shall include (1) screening for post-traumatic stress disorder, risk of suicide, depression and grief, and (2) suicide prevention training offered or approved by the American Nurses Association, Connecticut Hospital Association, Connecticut Nurses Association or Connecticut League for Nursing, a specialty nursing society or equivalent organization in another jurisdiction, a hospital or other health care institution, a regionally accredited academic institution, or a state or local health department. The requirement described in subdivision (2) of

this section may be satisfied by the completion of the evidence-based youth suicide prevention training program administered pursuant to section 1 of this act.

Sec. 7. Subsection (b) of section 20-185k of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

(b) A license issued under this section may be renewed annually. The license shall be renewed in accordance with the provisions of section 19a-88, for a fee of one hundred seventy-five dollars. Each behavior analyst applying for license renewal shall furnish evidence satisfactory to the commissioner of (1) having current certification with the Behavior Analyst Certification Board, and (2) on and after January 1, 2022, completing not less than two hours of training or education, offered or approved by the Connecticut Association for Behavior Analysis, a hospital or other licensed health care institution or a regionally accredited institution of higher education, on (A) screening for post-traumatic stress disorder, risk of suicide, depression and grief, and (B) suicide prevention training, during the first renewal period and not less than once every six years thereafter. The requirement described in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision may be satisfied by the completion of the evidence-based youth suicide prevention training program administered pursuant to section 1 of this act.

Sec. 8. Subsection (f) of section 20-195ttt of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

(f) A certification issued under this section may be renewed every three years. The license shall be renewed in accordance with the provisions of section 19a-88 for a fee of one hundred dollars. Each certified community health worker applying for license renewal shall furnish evidence satisfactory to the commissioner of having completed a minimum of thirty hours of continuing education requirements, including two hours focused on cultural competency, systemic racism or systemic oppression, [and] two hours focused on social determinants of health and on and after January 1, 2022, two hours of training on (1) screening for post-traumatic stress disorder, risk of suicide, depression and grief, and (2) suicide prevention, provided by the Community Health Worker Advisory Body or training or education providers approved by the Community Health Worker Advisory Body. The requirement described in subdivision (2) of this subsection may be satisfied by the completion of the evidence-based youth suicide prevention training program administered pursuant to section 1 of this act.

Sec. 9. Section 20-206mm of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

(a) Except as provided in subsections (b) and (c) of this section, an applicant for a license as a paramedic shall submit evidence satisfactory to the Commissioner of Public Health that the applicant has successfully (1) completed a paramedic training program approved by the commissioner, (2) for applicants applying on and after January 1, 2020, completed mental health first aid training as part of a program provided by an instructor certified by the National Council for Behavioral Health, and (3) passed an examination prescribed by the commissioner.

(b) An applicant for licensure by endorsement shall present evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that the applicant (1) is licensed or certified as a paramedic in another state or jurisdiction whose requirements for practicing in such capacity are substantially similar to or higher than those of this state and that the applicant has no pending disciplinary action or unresolved complaint against him or her, or (2) (A) is currently licensed or certified as a paramedic in good standing in any New England state, New York or New Jersey, (B) has completed an initial training program consistent with the National Emergency Medical Services Education Standards, as promulgated by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration for the paramedic scope of practice model conducted by an organization offering a program that is recognized by the national emergency medical services program accrediting organization, (C) for applicants applying on or after January 1, 2020, has completed mental health first aid training as part of a program provided by an instructor certified by the National Council for Behavioral Health, and (D) has no pending disciplinary action or unresolved complaint against him or her.

(c) Any person who is certified as an emergency medical technician-paramedic by the Department of Public Health on October 1, 1997, shall be deemed a licensed paramedic. Any person so deemed shall renew his license pursuant to section 19a-88 for a fee of one hundred fifty-five dollars.

(d) On or after January 1, 2020, each person seeking certification as an emergency medical responder, emergency medical technician or advanced emergency medical technician shall apply to the department on forms prescribed by the commissioner. Applicants for certification shall comply with the following requirements: (1) For initial certification, an applicant shall present evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that the applicant (A) has completed an initial training program consistent with the National Emergency Medical Services Education Standards, as promulgated by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration for the emergency medical responder, emergency medical technician or advanced emergency medical technician curriculum, (B) has passed the examination administered by the national organization for emergency medical certification for an emergency medical responder, emergency medical technician or advanced emergency medical technician as necessary for the type of certification sought by the applicant or an examination approved by the department, and (C) has no pending disciplinary action or unresolved complaints against such applicant, (2) a certificate issued under this subsection shall be renewed once every two years in accordance with the provisions of section 19a-88 upon presentation of evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that the applicant (A) has successfully completed continuing education for an emergency medical responder, emergency medical technician or advanced emergency medical technician as required by the national organization for emergency medical certification or as approved by the department, or (B) presents a current certification as an emergency medical responder, emergency medical technician or advanced emergency medical technician from the national organization for emergency medical certification, or (3) for certification by endorsement from another state, an applicant shall present evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that the applicant (A) is currently certified as an emergency medical responder, emergency medical technician or advanced emergency medical technician in good standing by a state that maintains certification or licensing requirements that the commissioner determines are equal to or greater than those in this state, or (B) holds a current certification as an emergency medical responder, emergency medical technician or advanced emergency medical technician from the national organization for emergency medical certification.

(e) On or after January 1, 2022, each person seeking renewal of a certification as an emergency medical responder or emergency medical technician under subdivision (2) of subsection (d) of this section, shall present evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that such person has, in the previous six year period, completed (1) the evidence-based youth suicide prevention training program administered pursuant to section 1 of this act, or (2) not less than two hours of training or education, approved by the Commissioner of Public Health, on (A) screening for post-traumatic stress disorder, risk of suicide, depression and grief, and (B) suicide prevention.

[~~(e)~~ (f) On or after January 1, 2020, each person seeking certification as an emergency medical services instructor shall apply to the department on forms prescribed by the commissioner. Applicants for certification shall comply with the following requirements: (1) For initial certification, an applicant shall present evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that the applicant (A) is currently certified by the department as an emergency medical technician or advanced emergency medical technician or licensed by the department as a paramedic, (B) has completed a program of training as an emergency medical instructor based on current national education standards within the prior two years, (C) has completed twenty-five hours of teaching activity under the supervision of a currently certified emergency medical services instructor, (D) has completed written and practical examinations as prescribed by the commissioner, (E) has no pending disciplinary action or unresolved complaints against the applicant, and (F) effective on a date prescribed by the commissioner, presents documentation satisfactory to the commissioner that the applicant is currently certified as an emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic by the national organization for emergency medical certification, or (2) for renewal certification, an applicant shall present evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that the applicant (A) has successfully completed continuing education and teaching activity as required by the department, which, on and after January 1, 2022, shall include not less than two hours of training or education, approved by the Commissioner of Public Health, on (i) screening for post-traumatic stress disorder, risk of suicide, depression and grief, and (ii) suicide prevention training, during the first renewal period and not less than once every six years thereafter, (B) maintains current certification by the department as an emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or licensure by the department as a

paramedic, and (C) effective on a date as prescribed by the commissioner, presents documentation satisfactory to the commissioner that the applicant is currently certified as an emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic by the national organization for emergency medical certification.

[(f)] (g) A certified emergency medical responder, emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or emergency medical services instructor shall document the completion of his or her continuing educational requirements through the continuing education platform Internet web site. A certified emergency medical responder, emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or emergency medical services instructor who is not engaged in active professional practice in any form during a certification period shall be exempt from the continuing education requirements of this section, provided the emergency medical responder, emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or emergency medical services instructor submits to the department, prior to the expiration of the certification period, an application for inactive status on a form prescribed by the department and such other documentation as may be required by the department. The application for inactive status pursuant to this subsection shall contain a statement that the emergency medical responder, emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or emergency medical services instructor may not engage in professional practice until the continuing education requirements of this section have been met.

[(g)] (h) The commissioner may issue a temporary emergency medical technician certificate to an applicant who presents evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that (1) the applicant was certified by the department as an emergency medical technician prior to becoming licensed as a paramedic pursuant to section 20-206ll, or (2) the applicant's certification as an emergency medical technician has expired and the applicant's license as a paramedic has become void pursuant to section 19a-88. Such temporary certificate shall be valid for a period not to exceed one year and shall not be renewable.

[(h)] (i) An applicant who is issued a temporary emergency medical technician certificate pursuant to subsection [(g)] (h) of this section may, prior to the expiration of such temporary certificate, apply to the department for: (1) Renewal of such person's paramedic license, giving such person's name in full, such person's residence and business address and such other information as the department requests, provided the application for license renewal is accompanied by evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that the applicant was under the medical oversight of a sponsor hospital, as those terms are defined in section 19a-175, on the date the applicant's paramedic license became void for nonrenewal; or (2) recertification as an emergency medical technician, provided the application for recertification is accompanied by evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that the applicant completed emergency medical technician refresher training approved by the commissioner not later than one year after issuance of the temporary emergency medical technician certificate. The department shall recertify such person as an emergency medical technician without the examination required for initial certification specified in regulations adopted by the commissioner pursuant to section 20-206oo.

[(i)] (j) Any person certified as an emergency medical responder, emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or emergency medical services instructor pursuant to this chapter and the regulations adopted pursuant to section 20-206oo whose certification has expired may apply to the Department of Public Health for reinstatement of such certification, provided such person completes the requirements for renewal certification specified in this section. Any certificate issued pursuant to this section shall remain valid for ninety days after the expiration date of such certificate and become void upon the expiration of such ninety-day period.

[(j)] (k) The Commissioner of Public Health shall issue an emergency medical technician certification to an applicant who is a member of the armed forces or the National Guard or a veteran and who (1) presents evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that such applicant holds a current certification as a person entitled to perform similar services under a different designation by the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians, or (2) satisfies the regulations promulgated pursuant to subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of section 19a-179. Such applicant shall be exempt from any written or practical examination requirement for certification.

[(k)] (l) For the purposes of this section, "veteran" means any person who was discharged or released under conditions other than dishonorable from active service in the armed forces and "armed forces" has the same meaning as provided in section 27-103.

Sec. 10. Section 19a-14c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

(a) For the purposes of this section, "outpatient mental health treatment" means the treatment of mental disorders, emotional problems or maladjustments with the object of (1) removing, modifying or retarding existing symptoms; (2) improving disturbed patterns of behavior; and (3) promoting positive personality growth and development. Treatment shall not include prescribing or otherwise dispensing any medication which is a legend drug as defined in section 20-571.

(b) A psychiatrist licensed pursuant to chapter 370, a psychologist licensed pursuant to chapter 383, an independent social worker certified pursuant to chapter 383b or a marital and family therapist licensed pursuant to chapter 383a may provide outpatient mental health treatment to a minor without the consent or notification of a parent or guardian at the request of the minor if (1) requiring the consent or notification of a parent or guardian would cause the minor to reject such treatment; (2) the provision of such treatment is clinically indicated; (3) the failure to provide such treatment would be seriously detrimental to the minor's well-being; (4) the minor has knowingly and voluntarily sought such treatment; and (5) in the opinion of the provider of treatment, the minor is mature enough to participate in treatment productively. The provider of such treatment shall document the reasons for any determination made to treat a minor without the consent or notification of a parent or guardian and shall include such documentation in the minor's clinical record, along with a written statement signed by the minor stating that (A) [he] the minor is voluntarily seeking such treatment; (B) [he] the minor has discussed with the provider the possibility of involving his or her parent or guardian in the decision to pursue such treatment; (C) [he] the minor has determined it is not in his or her best interest to involve his or her parent or guardian in such decision; and (D) [he] the minor has been given adequate opportunity to ask the provider questions about the course of his or her treatment.

(c) [After the sixth session of outpatient mental health treatment provided to a minor pursuant to this section, the provider of such treatment shall notify the minor that the consent, notification or involvement of a parent or guardian is required to continue treatment, unless such a requirement would be seriously detrimental to the minor's well-being. If the provider determines such a requirement would be seriously detrimental to the minor's well-being, he shall document such determination in the minor's clinical record, review such determination every sixth session thereafter and document each such review. If the provider determines such a requirement would no longer be seriously detrimental to the minor's well-being, he shall require the consent, notification or involvement of a parent or guardian as a condition of continuing treatment.] (1) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, a minor may request and receive as many outpatient mental health treatment sessions as necessary without the consent or notification of a parent or guardian. No provider shall notify a parent or guardian of treatment provided pursuant to this section or disclose any information concerning such treatment to a parent or guardian without the consent of the minor.

(2) A provider may notify a parent or guardian of treatment provided pursuant to this section or disclose certain information concerning such treatment without the consent of the minor who receives such treatment provided (A) such provider determines such notification or disclosure is necessary for the minor's well-being, (B) the treatment provided to the minor is solely for mental health and not for a substance use disorder, and (C) the minor is provided an opportunity to express any objection to such notification or disclosure. The provider shall document his or her determination concerning such notification or disclosure and any objections expressed by the minor in the minor's clinical record. A provider may disclose to a minor's parent or guardian the following information concerning such minor's outpatient mental health treatment: (i) Diagnosis; (ii) treatment plan and progress in treatment; (iii) recommended medications, including risks, benefits, side effects, typical efficacy, dose and schedule; (iv) psychoeducation about the minor's mental health; (v) referrals to community resources; (vi) coaching on parenting or behavioral management strategies; and (vii) crisis prevention planning and safety planning. A provider shall release a minor's entire clinical record to another provider upon the request of the minor or such minor's parent or guardian.

(d) A parent or guardian who is not informed of the provision of outpatient mental health treatment for his or her minor child pursuant to this section shall not be liable for the costs of the treatment provided.

Sec. 11. Subsection (a) of section 10-148a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

(a) For the school year commencing July 1, [2019] 2021, and each school year thereafter, each certified employee shall participate in a program of professional development. Each local and regional board of education shall make available, annually, at no cost to its certified employees, a program of professional development that is not fewer than eighteen hours in length, of which a preponderance is in a small group or individual instructional setting. Such program of professional development shall (1) be a comprehensive, sustained and intensive approach to improving teacher and administrator effectiveness in increasing student knowledge achievement, (2) focus on refining and improving various effective teaching methods that are shared between and among educators, (3) foster collective responsibility for improved student performance, (4) be comprised of professional learning that (A) is aligned with rigorous state student academic achievement standards, (B) is conducted among educators at the school and facilitated by principals, coaches, mentors, distinguished educators, as described in section 10-145s, or other appropriate teachers, (C) occurs frequently on an individual basis or among groups of teachers in a job-embedded process of continuous improvement, and (D) includes a repository of best practices for teaching methods developed by educators within each school that is continuously available to such educators for comment and updating, and (5) include training in culturally responsive pedagogy and practice. Each program of professional development shall include professional development activities in accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) of this section. The principles and practices of social-emotional learning shall be integrated throughout the components of such program of professional development described in subdivisions (1) to (5), inclusive, of this subsection.

Sec. 12. Subsection (b) of section 10-220a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

(b) Not later than a date prescribed by the commissioner, each local and regional board of education shall establish a professional development and evaluation committee. Such professional development and evaluation committee shall consist of (1) at least one teacher, as defined in subsection (a) of section 10-144d, selected by the exclusive bargaining representative for certified employees chosen pursuant to section 10-153b, (2) at least one administrator, as defined in subsection (a) of section 10-144e, selected by the exclusive bargaining representative for certified employees chosen pursuant to section 10-153b, and (3) such other school personnel as the board deems appropriate. The duties of such committees shall include, but not be limited to, participation in the development or adoption of a teacher evaluation and support program for the district, pursuant to section 10-151b, and the development, evaluation and annual updating of a comprehensive local professional development plan for certified employees of the district. Such plan shall: (A) Be directly related to the educational goals prepared by the local or regional board of education pursuant to subsection (b) of section 10-220, as amended by this act, (B) on and after July 1, [2011] 2021, be developed with full consideration of the priorities and needs related to student social-emotional learning, in accordance with the provisions of section 10-148a, as amended by this act, and student academic outcomes as determined by the State Board of Education, [and] (C) provide for the ongoing and systematic assessment and improvement of both teacher evaluation and professional development of the professional staff members of each such board, including personnel management and evaluation training or experience for administrators, [shall] and (D) be related to regular and special student needs and may include provisions concerning career incentives and parent involvement. The State Board of Education shall develop guidelines to assist local and regional boards of education in determining the objectives of the plans and in coordinating staff development activities with student needs and school programs.

Sec. 13. Subsection (b) of section 10-220 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

(b) The board of education of each local or regional school district shall, with the participation of parents, students, school administrators, teachers, citizens, local elected officials and any other individuals or groups such board shall deem appropriate, prepare a statement of educational goals

for such local or regional school district. The statement of goals shall be consistent with state-wide goals pursuant to subsection (c) of section 10-4 and include goals for the integration of principles and practices of social-emotional learning in the program of professional development for the school district, in accordance with the provisions of section 10-148a, as amended by this act, and career placement for students who do not pursue an advanced degree immediately after graduation. Each local or regional board of education shall annually establish student objectives for the school year which relate directly to the statement of educational goals prepared pursuant to this subsection and which identify specific expectations for students in terms of skills, knowledge and competence.

Sec. 14. Section 10-221 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

(a) As used in this section, "virtual learning" means instruction by means of one or more Internet-based software platforms as part of an in-person or remote learning model.

[(a)] (b) Boards of education shall prescribe rules for the management, studies, classification and discipline of the public schools and, subject to the control of the State Board of Education, the textbooks to be used; shall make rules for the control, within their respective jurisdictions, of school library media centers, including Internet access and content, and approve the selection of books and other educational media therefor, and shall approve plans for public school buildings and superintend any high or graded school in the manner specified in this title.

[(b) Not later than July 1, 1985, each] (c) Each local and regional board of education shall develop, adopt and implement written policies concerning homework, attendance, promotion and retention. The Department of Education shall make available model policies and guidelines to assist local and regional boards of education in meeting the responsibilities enumerated in this subsection.

[(c)] (d) Boards of education may prescribe rules to impose sanctions against pupils who damage or fail to return textbooks, library materials or other educational materials. Said boards may charge pupils for such damaged or lost textbooks, library materials or other educational materials and may withhold grades, transcripts or report cards until the pupil pays for or returns the textbook, library book or other educational material.

[(d) Not later than July 1, 1991, each] (e) Each local and regional board of education shall develop, adopt and implement policies and procedures in conformity with section 10-154a for (1) dealing with the use, sale or possession of alcohol or controlled drugs, as defined in subdivision (8) of section 21a-240, by public school students on school property, including a process for coordination with, and referral of such students to, appropriate agencies, and (2) cooperating with law enforcement officials.

[(e) Not later than July 1, 1990, each] (f) Each local and regional board of education shall adopt a written policy and procedures for dealing with youth suicide prevention and youth suicide attempts. Each such board of education may establish a student assistance program to identify risk factors for youth suicide, procedures to intervene with such youths, referral services and training for teachers and other school professionals and students who provide assistance in the program.

[(f) Not later than September 1, 1998, each] (g) (1) Each local and regional board of education shall develop, adopt and implement written policies and procedures to encourage parent-teacher communication. These policies and procedures may include monthly newsletters, required regular contact with all parents, flexible parent-teacher conferences, drop-in hours for parents, home visits and the use of technology such as homework hot lines to allow parents to check on their children's assignments and students to [get] receive assistance if needed. [For the school year commencing July 1, 2010, and each school year thereafter, such] Such policies and procedures shall require the district to conduct two flexible parent-teacher conferences for each school year.

(2) For the school year commencing July 1, 2021, and each school year thereafter, the policies and procedures described in subdivision (1) of this subsection shall require the district to (A) offer parents the option of attending any parent-teacher conference by telephonic, video or other conferencing platform, (B) conduct one parent-teacher conference, in addition to those required pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection, during periods when such district provides virtual learning for more than three consecutive weeks, and one additional parent-teacher conference every six months thereafter for the duration of such period of virtual learning, and (C) request from each student's parent the name and contact information of an emergency contact person who

may be contacted if the student's parent cannot be reached to schedule a parent-teacher conference required pursuant to subparagraph (B) of this subdivision.

(3) On and after January 1, 2022, such policies and procedures shall require (A) a teacher conducting a parent-teacher conference required pursuant to subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of this subsection to provide a copy of the document developed pursuant to section 15 of this act to the parent prior to the parent-teacher conference, and (B) if a teacher is unable to make contact with a student's parent in order to schedule a parent-teacher conference required pursuant to subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of this subsection after making three attempts, such teacher shall report such inability to the school principal, school counselor or other school administrator designated by the local or regional board of education. Such principal, counselor or administrator shall contact any emergency contact person designated by the student's parent pursuant to subparagraph (C) of subdivision (2) of this subsection to ascertain such student and family's health and safety.

Sec. 15. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Not later than December 1, 2021, the Department of Education shall develop, and annually update, a document for use by local and regional boards of education that provides information concerning educational, safety, mental health and food insecurity resources and programs available for students and their families. Such document shall contain, but need not be limited to, (1) providers of such resources and programs, including, but not limited to, the Departments of Education, Children and Families and Mental Health and Addiction Services, the United Way of Connecticut and local food banks, (2) descriptions of the relevant resources and programs offered by each provider, including, but not limited to, any program that provides laptop computers, public Internet access or home Internet service to students, (3) contact information for each provider, resource and program, and (4) relevant Internet web sites. The Department of Education shall annually distribute such document electronically to each local and regional board of education.

Sec. 16. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) As used in this section, "virtual learning" means instruction by means of one or more Internet-based software platforms as part of an in-person or remote learning model.

(b) Not later than January 1, 2022, the Commissioner of Education shall develop, and update as necessary, standards for virtual learning. The standards shall not be deemed to be regulations, as defined in section 4-166 of the general statutes.

(c) For the school year commencing July 1, 2022, and each school year thereafter, a local or regional board of education may authorize virtual learning to students in grades nine to twelve, inclusive, provided such board (1) provides such instruction in compliance with the standards developed pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, and (2) adopts a policy regarding the requirements for student attendance during virtual learning, which shall (A) be in compliance with the Department of Education's guidance on student attendance during virtual learning, and (B) count the attendance of any student who spends not less than one-half of the school day during such instruction engaged in (i) virtual classes, (ii) virtual meetings, (iii) activities on time-logged electronic systems, and (iv) the completion and submission of assignments.

Sec. 17. Section 10-16 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

Each school district shall provide in each school year no less than one hundred and eighty days of actual school sessions for grades kindergarten to twelve, inclusive, nine hundred hours of actual school work for full-day kindergarten and grades one to twelve, inclusive, and four hundred and fifty hours of half-day kindergarten, provided school districts shall not count more than seven hours of actual school work in any school day towards the total required for the school year. Virtual learning shall be considered an actual school session for purposes of this section, provided such virtual learning is conducted in compliance with the standards developed pursuant to subsection (b) of section 16 of this act. If weather conditions result in an early dismissal or a delayed opening of school, a school district which maintains separate morning and afternoon half-day kindergarten sessions may provide either a morning or afternoon half-day kindergarten session on such day. As used in this section, "virtual learning" means instruction by means of one or more Internet-based software platforms as part of an in-person or remote learning model.

Sec. 18. Section 10-198b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

[On or before July 1, 2012, the] The State Board of Education shall define "excused absence", [and] "unexcused absence" [, and on or before January 1, 2016, the State Board of Education shall define] and "disciplinary absence" for use by local and regional boards of education for the purposes of carrying out the provisions of section 10-198a, reporting truancy, pursuant to subsection (c) of section 10-220, and calculating the district chronic absenteeism rate and the school chronic absenteeism rate pursuant to section 10-198c. On or before July 1, 2021, the State Board of Education shall amend the definitions of "excused absence" and "unexcused absence" to exclude a student's engagement in (1) virtual classes, (2) virtual meetings, (3) activities on time-logged electronic systems, and (4) the completion and submission of assignments, if such engagement accounts for not less than one-half of the school day during virtual learning authorized pursuant to section 16 of this act. As used in this section, "virtual learning" means instruction by means of one or more Internet-based software platforms as part of an in-person or remote learning model.

Sec. 19. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2021*) (a) As used in this section and section 10-198b of the general statutes, as amended by this act, "mental health wellness day" describes a school day during which a student attends to such student's emotional and psychological well-being in lieu of attending school.

(b) For the school year commencing July 1, 2021, and each school year thereafter, a local or regional board of education shall permit any student enrolled in grades kindergarten to twelve, inclusive, to take two mental health wellness days during the school year, during which day such student shall not be required to attend school. No student shall take mental health wellness days during consecutive school days.

Sec. 20. Section 10-215 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

(a) Any local or regional board of education may establish and operate a school lunch program for public school children, may operate lunch services for its employees, may establish and operate a school breakfast program, as provided under federal laws governing said programs, or may establish and operate such other child feeding programs as it deems necessary. Charges for such lunches, breakfasts or other such feeding may be fixed by such boards and shall not exceed the cost of food, wages and other expenses directly incurred in providing such services. When such services are offered, a board shall provide free lunches, breakfasts or other such feeding to children whose economic needs require such action under the standards promulgated by said federal laws. Such board is authorized to purchase equipment and supplies that are necessary, to employ the necessary personnel, to utilize the services of volunteers and to receive and expend any funds and receive and use any equipment and supplies which may become available to carry out the provisions of this section. Any town board of education may vote to designate any volunteer organization within the town to provide a school lunch program, school breakfast program or other child feeding program in accordance with the provisions of this section.

(b) For the school year commencing July 1, 2021, and each school year thereafter, a local or regional board of education shall include in any policy or procedure for the collection of unpaid charges for school lunches, breakfasts or other such feeding applicable to employees and third-party vendors of such school lunches, breakfasts or such feeding (1) a prohibition on publicly identifying or shaming a child for any such unpaid charges, including, but not limited to, delaying or refusing to serve a meal to such child, designating a specific meal option for such child or otherwise taking any disciplinary action against such child, (2) a declaration of the right for any child to purchase a meal, which meal may exclude any a la carte items or be limited to one meal for any school lunch, breakfast or other such feeding, and (3) a procedure for communicating with the parent or legal guardian of a child for the purpose of collecting such unpaid charges. Such communication shall include, but not be limited to, (A) information regarding local food pantries, (B) applications for the school district's program for free or reduced priced meals and for the supplemental nutrition assistance program administered by the Department of Social Services, and (C) a link to the Internet web site maintained by the town for such school district listing any community services available to the residents of such town. In the event the unpaid charges for school lunches, breakfasts or other such feeding due from any parent or legal guardian are equal to or more than the cost of thirty meals, the local or regional board of education shall refer such parent or legal guardian to the local homeless education liaison designated by such board, pursuant

to Subtitle B of Title VII of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, 42 USC 11431 et seq., as amended from time to time.

(c) A local or regional board of education may accept gifts, donations or grants from any public or private sources for the purpose of paying off any unpaid charges for school lunches, breakfasts or other such feeding.

Sec. 21. Section 17a-10a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

(a) The Commissioner of Children and Families shall ensure that a child placed in the care and custody of the commissioner pursuant to an order of temporary custody or an order of commitment is provided visitation with such child's parents and siblings, unless otherwise ordered by the court.

(b) The commissioner shall ensure that such child's visits with his or her parents, or opportunities to communicate with such child's parents and siblings by telephonic, video or other conferencing platform in accordance with the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, shall occur as frequently as reasonably possible, based upon consideration of the best interests of the child, including the age and developmental level of the child, and shall be sufficient in number and duration to ensure continuation of the relationship.

(c) If such child has an existing relationship with a sibling and is separated from such sibling as a result of intervention by the commissioner including, but not limited to, placement in a foster home or in the home of a relative, the commissioner shall, based upon consideration of the best interests of the child, ensure that such child has access to and visitation rights with such sibling throughout the duration of such placement. In determining the number, frequency and duration of sibling visits, the commissioner shall consider the best interests of each sibling, given each child's age and developmental level and the continuation of the sibling relationship. If the child and his or her sibling both reside within the state and within fifty miles of each other, the commissioner shall, within available appropriations, ensure that such child's visits with his or her sibling occur, on average, not less than once per week, unless the commissioner finds that the frequency of such visitation is not in the best interests of each sibling.

(d) In the event of a pandemic or outbreak of a communicable disease resulting in a declaration of a public health emergency by the Governor pursuant to section 19a-131a, or a declaration of a national emergency by the President of the United States, such child shall be provided opportunities to communicate with such child's parents and siblings by telephonic, video or other conferencing platform in lieu of in-person visitation, for the duration of any such declaration. Not later than January 1, 2022, the commissioner shall develop a policy that requires the temporary cessation of in-person visitation provided pursuant to this section, on a case-by-case basis, in the event that a child or such child's parent or sibling is seriously ill due to a communicable disease, and visitation could result in the contraction of such disease by one or more participants in the visitation. Such policy shall require that such child be provided an opportunity to communicate with such child's parents and siblings by telephonic, video or other conferencing platform in lieu of such visitation. The commissioner shall define "seriously ill" and "communicable disease" for the purposes of carrying out this subsection.

[(d)] (e) The commissioner shall include in each child's case record information relating to the factors considered in making visitation determinations pursuant to this section. If the commissioner determines that such visits are not in the best interests of the child, that the occurrence of, on average, not less than one visit per week with his or her sibling is not in the best interests of each sibling, or that the number, frequency or duration of the visits requested by the child's attorney or guardian ad litem is not in the best interests of the child, the commissioner shall include the reasons for such determination in the child's case record.

[(e)] (f) On or before October first of each year, the commissioner shall report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to children, data sufficient to demonstrate compliance with subsections (a), (c) and [(d)] (e) of this section. Such data shall include the total annual number of children in out-of-home placements who have siblings, the total number of child cases with documented sibling visitation and the number of individual siblings involved in each case.

Sec. 22. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2021*) Not later than February 1, 2022, the Commissioner of Children and Families shall develop and maintain a software application for use on computers and

mobile devices to facilitate (1) the reporting of nonemergent incidents to the Department of Children and Families by mandated reporters, and (2) communication between children in the care and custody of the commissioner and social workers assigned to such children.

Sec. 23. Section 17a-103d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

(a) Upon receiving a complaint of abuse or neglect of a child, the Department of Children and Families shall, at the time of any initial face-to-face contact with the child's parent or guardian on or after October 1, [2011] 2021, provide the parent or guardian with (1) written notice, in plain language, that: [(1)] (A) The parent or guardian is not required to permit the representative of the department to enter the residence of the parent or guardian; [(2)] (B) the parent or guardian is not required to speak with the representative of the department at that time; [(3)] (C) the parent or guardian is entitled to seek the representation of an attorney and to have an attorney present when the parent or guardian is questioned by a representative of the department, including at any meeting conducted to determine whether the parent or guardian's child should be removed from the home; [(4)] (D) any statement made by the parent, guardian or other family member may be used against the parent or guardian in an administrative or court proceeding; [(5)] (E) the representative of the department is not an attorney and cannot provide legal advice to the parent or guardian; [(6)] (F) the parent or guardian is not required to sign any document presented by the representative of the department, including, but not limited to, a release of claims or a service agreement, and is entitled to have an attorney review such document before agreeing to sign the document; and [(7)] (G) a failure of the parent or guardian to communicate with a representative of the department may have serious consequences, which may include the department's filing of a petition for the removal of the child from the home of the parent or guardian, and therefore it is in the parent's or guardian's best interest to either speak with the representative of the department or immediately seek the advice of a qualified attorney; and (2) a list of providers of free and low-cost legal services through which the parent or guardian may obtain legal advice.

(b) The department shall make reasonable efforts to ensure that the notice and list provided to a parent or guardian pursuant to this section [is] are written in a manner that will be understood by the parent or guardian, which reasonable efforts shall include, but not be limited to, ensuring that the notice [is] and list are written in a language understood by the parent or guardian.

(c) The representative of the department shall request the parent or guardian to sign and date the notice described in subsection (a) of this section as evidence of having received the notice and list. If the parent or guardian refuses to sign and date the notice upon such request, the representative of the department shall specifically indicate on the notice that the parent or guardian was requested to sign and date the notice and refused to do so and the representative of the department shall sign the notice as witness to the parent's or guardian's refusal to sign the notice. The department shall provide the parent or guardian with a copy of the signed notice at the time of the department's initial face-to-face contact with the parent or guardian.

Sec. 24. Section 17a-248g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) Subject to the provisions of this section, funds appropriated to the lead agency for purposes of section 17a-248, sections 17a-248b to 17a-248f, inclusive, this section and sections 38a-490a and 38a-516a shall not be used to satisfy a financial commitment for services that would have been paid from another public or private source but for the enactment of said sections, except for federal funds available pursuant to Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 USC 1431 et seq., except that whenever considered necessary to prevent the delay in the receipt of appropriate early intervention services by the eligible child or family in a timely fashion, funds provided under said sections may be used to pay the service provider pending reimbursement from the public or private source that has ultimate responsibility for the payment.

(b) Nothing in section 17a-248, sections 17a-248b to 17a-248f, inclusive, this section and sections 38a-490a and 38a-516a shall be construed to permit the Department of Social Services or any other state agency to reduce medical assistance pursuant to this chapter or other assistance or services available to eligible children. Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, costs incurred for early intervention services that otherwise qualify as medical assistance that are furnished to an eligible child who is also eligible for benefits pursuant to this chapter shall be

considered medical assistance for purposes of payments to providers and state reimbursement to the extent that federal financial participation is available for such services.

(c) Providers of early intervention services shall, in the first instance and where applicable, seek payment from all third-party payers prior to claiming payment from the birth-to-three system for services rendered to eligible children, provided, for the purpose of seeking payment from the Medicaid program or from other third-party payers as agreed upon by the provider, the obligation to seek payment shall not apply to a payment from a third-party payer who is not prohibited from applying such payment, and who will apply such payment, to an annual or lifetime limit specified in the third-party payer's policy or contract.

(d) The commissioner, in consultation with the Office of Policy and Management and the Insurance Commissioner, shall adopt regulations, pursuant to chapter 54, providing public reimbursement for deductibles and copayments imposed under an insurance policy or health benefit plan to the extent that such deductibles and copayments are applicable to early intervention services.

(e) [The commissioner shall establish and periodically revise, in accordance with this section, a schedule of fees based on a sliding scale for early intervention services. The schedule of fees shall consider the cost of such services relative to the financial resources of the state and the parents or legal guardians of eligible children, provided that on and after October 6, 2009, the commissioner shall (1) charge fees to such parents or legal guardians that are sixty per cent greater than the amount of the fees charged on the date prior to October 6, 2009; and (2) charge fees for all services provided, including those services provided in the first two months following the enrollment of a child in the program. Fees may be charged to any such parent or guardian, regardless of income, and shall be charged to any such parent or guardian with a gross annual family income of forty-five thousand dollars or more, except that no fee may be charged to the parent or guardian of a child who is eligible for Medicaid. Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (8) of section 17a-248, as used in this subsection, "parent" means the biological or adoptive parent or legal guardian of any child receiving early intervention services. The lead agency may assign its right to collect fees to a designee or provider participating in the early intervention program and providing services to a recipient in order to assist the provider in obtaining payment for such services. The commissioner may implement procedures for the collection of the schedule of fees while in the process of adopting or amending such criteria in regulation, provided the commissioner posts notice of intention to adopt or amend the regulations on the eRegulations System, established pursuant to section 4-173b, within twenty days of implementing the policy. Such collection procedures and schedule of fees shall be valid until the time the final regulations or amendments are effective] The commissioner shall not charge a fee for early intervention services to the parents or legal guardians of eligible children.

(f) [The] With respect to early intervention services rendered prior to the effective date of this section, the commissioner shall develop and implement procedures to hold a recipient harmless for the impact of pursuit of payment for [early intervention] such services against lifetime insurance limits.

(g) Notwithstanding any provision of title 38a relating to the permissible exclusion of payments for services under governmental programs, no such exclusion shall apply with respect to payments made pursuant to section 17a-248, sections 17a-248b to 17a-248f, inclusive, this section and sections 38a-490a and 38a-516a. Except as provided in this subsection, nothing in this section shall increase or enhance coverages provided for within an insurance contract subject to the provisions of section 10-94f, subsection (a) of section 10-94g, subsection (a) of section 17a-219b, subsection (a) of section 17a-219c, sections 17a-248, 17a-248b to 17a-248f, inclusive, this section, and sections 38a-490a and 38a-516a.

Sec. 25. Subdivision (10) of subsection (a) of section 10-76d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

(10) (A) Each local and regional board of education responsible for providing special education and related services to a child or pupil shall notify the parent or guardian of a child who requires or who may require special education, a pupil if such pupil is an emancipated minor or eighteen years of age or older who requires or who may require special education or a surrogate parent appointed pursuant to section 10-94g, in writing, at least five school days before such board

proposes to, or refuses to, initiate or change the child's or pupil's identification, evaluation or educational placement or the provision of a free appropriate public education to the child or pupil.

(B) Upon request by a parent, guardian, pupil or surrogate parent, the responsible local or regional board of education shall provide such parent, guardian, pupil or surrogate parent an opportunity to meet with a member of the planning and placement team designated by such board prior to the referral planning and placement team meeting at which the assessments and evaluations of the child or pupil who requires or may require special education is presented to such parent, guardian, pupil or surrogate parent for the first time. Such meeting shall be for the sole purpose of discussing the planning and placement team process and any concerns such parent, guardian, pupil or surrogate parent has regarding the child or pupil who requires or may require special education.

(C) Such parent, guardian, pupil or surrogate parent shall (i) be given at least five school days' prior notice of any planning and placement team meeting conducted for such child or pupil, (ii) have the right to be present at and participate in all portions of such meeting at which an educational program for such child or pupil is developed, reviewed or revised, [and] (iii) have the right to have (I) advisors of such person's own choosing and at such person's own expense, [and to have] (II) the school paraprofessional assigned to such child or pupil, if any, [to be present at and to] and (III) such child or pupil's birth-to-three service coordinator, if any, attend and participate in all portions of such meeting at which an educational program for such child or pupil is developed, reviewed or revised, and (iv) have the right to have each recommendation made in such child or pupil's birth-to-three individualized transition plan, as required by section 17a-248e, as amended by this act, if any, addressed by the planning and placement team during such meeting at which an educational program for such child or pupil is developed.

(D) Immediately upon the formal identification of any child as a child requiring special education and at each planning and placement team meeting for such child, the responsible local or regional board of education shall inform the parent or guardian of such child or surrogate parent or, in the case of a pupil who is an emancipated minor or eighteen years of age or older, the pupil of (i) the laws relating to special education, (ii) the rights of such parent, guardian, surrogate parent or pupil under such laws and the regulations adopted by the State Board of Education relating to special education, including the right of a parent, guardian or surrogate parent to (I) withhold from enrolling such child in kindergarten, in accordance with the provisions of section 10-184, and (II) have advisors and the school paraprofessional assigned to such child or pupil [to be present at, and to] attend and participate in [,] all portions of such meeting at which an educational program for such child or pupil is developed, reviewed or revised, in accordance with the provisions of subparagraph (C) of this subdivision, and (iii) any relevant information and resources relating to individualized education programs created by the Department of Education, including, but not limited to, information relating to transition resources and services for high school students. If such parent, guardian, surrogate parent or pupil does not attend a planning and placement team meeting, the responsible local or regional board of education shall mail such information to such person.

(E) Each local and regional board of education shall have in effect at the beginning of each school year an educational program for each child or pupil who has been identified as eligible for special education.

(F) At each initial planning and placement team meeting for a child or pupil, the responsible local or regional board of education shall inform the parent, guardian, surrogate parent or pupil of (i) the laws relating to physical restraint and seclusion pursuant to section 10-236b and the rights of such parent, guardian, surrogate parent or pupil under such laws and the regulations adopted by the State Board of Education relating to physical restraint and seclusion, and (ii) the right of such parent, guardian, surrogate parent or pupil, during such meeting at which an educational program for such child or pupil is developed, to have (I) such child or pupil's birth-to-three service coordinator attend and participate in all portions of such meeting, and (II) each recommendation made in the transition plan, as required by section 17a-248e, as amended by this act, by such child or pupil's birth-to-three service coordinator addressed by the planning and placement team.

(G) Upon request by a parent, guardian, pupil or surrogate parent, the responsible local or regional board of education shall provide the results of the assessments and evaluations used in the determination of eligibility for special education for a child or pupil to such parent, guardian,

surrogate parent or pupil at least three school days before the referral planning and placement team meeting at which such results of the assessments and evaluations will be discussed for the first time.

(H) Each local or regional board of education shall monitor the development of each child who, pursuant to subsection (a) of section 17a-248e, as amended by this act, has been (i) referred for a registration on a mobile application designated by the Commissioner of Early Childhood, in partnership with such child's parent, guardian or surrogate parent, or (ii) provided a form for such child's parent, guardian or surrogate parent to complete and submit to such local or regional board of education that screens for developmental and social-emotional delays using a validated screening tool, such as the Ages and Stages Questionnaire and the Ages and Stages Social-Emotional Questionnaire, or its equivalent. If such monitoring results in suspecting a child of having a developmental delay, the board shall schedule a planning and placement team meeting with such child's parent, guardian or surrogate parent for the purposes of identifying services for which such child may be eligible, including, but not limited to, a preschool program under Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Act, 20 USC 1471 et seq. If a parent, guardian or surrogate parent of any child referred for a registration on the mobile application or provided a form to complete and submit pursuant to subsection (a) of section 17a-248e, as amended by this act, fails to complete such registration or complete and submit such form after a period of six months from the date of such referral or provision of such form, the board shall send a reminder, in the form and manner determined by the board, to such parent, guardian or surrogate parent to complete such registration or complete and submit such form. The board shall send another reminder after a period of one year from such referral or provision of such form if such registration remains incomplete or such form is not submitted.

Sec. 26. Subsection (i) of section 10-76d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

(i) (1) No local or regional board of education shall discipline, suspend, terminate or otherwise punish any member of a planning and placement team employed by such board who discusses or makes recommendations concerning the provision of special education and related services for a child during a planning and placement team meeting for such child.

(2) No birth-to-three service coordinator or qualified personnel, as those terms are defined in section 17a-248, who discusses or makes recommendations concerning the provision of special education and related services for a child during a planning and placement team meeting for such child or in a transition plan, as required by section 17a-248e, as amended by this act, shall be subject to discipline, suspension, termination or other punishment on the basis of such recommendations.

Sec. 27. Subsection (a) of section 17a-248e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

(a) Each eligible child and his or her family shall receive (1) a multidisciplinary assessment of the child's unique needs and the identification of services appropriate to meet such needs, (2) a written individualized family service plan developed by a multidisciplinary team, including the parent, within forty-five days after the referral, [and] (3) review of the individualized family service plan with the family at least every six months, with evaluation of the individualized family service plan at least annually, and (4) not later than two months after the date on which any child is determined to be ineligible for participation in preschool programs under Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Act, 20 USC 1471 et seq., a referral to register for a mobile application designated by the Commissioner of Early Childhood for the purpose of continued screening for developmental and social-emotional delays in partnership with the local or regional board of education for the school district in which such child resides pursuant to subparagraph (H) of subdivision (10) of subsection (a) of section 10a-76d, as amended by this act, provided a form used for screening for developmental and social-emotional delays using a validated screening tool, such as the Ages and Stages Questionnaire and the Ages and Stages Social-Emotional Questionnaire, or its equivalent, is provided to any family upon the request of such family for the purpose of completing and submitting such form to the local or regional board of education for the school district in which such child resides.

Sec. 28. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Not later than July 1, 2022, the Commissioner of Early Childhood shall develop and implement a plan to expand the birth-to-three program,

established pursuant to section 17a-248b of the general statutes, as amended by this act, to provide early intervention services to any child who is (1) enrolled in the program, (2) turns three years of age on or after May first and not later than the first day of the next school year commencing July first, and (3) is eligible for participation in preschool programs under Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Act, 20 USC 1471 et seq., provided such services shall terminate upon such child's participation in such a preschool program. The commissioner may adopt regulations in accordance with chapter 54 of the general statutes to implement the provisions of this section.

Sec. 29. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2021*) For the school year commencing July 1, 2022, and each school year thereafter, in any school district that serves a town that has not convened or established a local or regional school readiness council pursuant to section 10-16r of the general statutes, the local or regional board of education for such school district shall designate a school readiness liaison. Such liaison shall (1) be an existing employee of such school district, and (2) serve as an informational resource for parents of children transitioning from the birth-to-three program established pursuant to section 17a-248 of the general statutes, to enrollment in a public elementary school in such school district.

Sec. 30. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a task force to study the comprehensive needs of children in the state and the extent to which such needs are being met by educators, community members and local and state agencies. The task force shall (1) identify the needs of children using the following tenets of the whole child initiative developed by the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development: (A) Each student enters school healthy and learns about and practices a healthy lifestyle, (B) each student learns in an environment that is physically and emotionally safe for students and adults, (C) each student is actively engaged in learning and is connected to the school and broader community, (D) each student has access to personalized learning and is supported by qualified, caring adults, and (E) each student is challenged academically and prepared for success in college or further study and for employment and participation in a global environment; (2) recommend new programs or changes to existing programs operated by educators or local or state agencies to better address the needs of children in the state; (3) recognize any exceptional efforts to meet the comprehensive needs of children by educators, community members or local or state agencies; (4) identify and advocate for resources, including, but not limited to, funds, required to meet the needs of children in the state; (5) identify redundancies in existing services or programs for children and advocate for the elimination of such redundancies; and (6) assess all publicly available data concerning the comprehensive needs of children identified pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection and collect, or make recommendations for the state to collect, any data that is not being collected by educators, community members or local or state agencies. As used in this section, "community member" means any individual or private organization that provides services or programs for children.

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

(1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, one of whom is an educator employed by a local or regional board of education and one of whom is a social worker licensed pursuant to chapter 383b of the general statutes who works with children;

(2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one of whom is a representative of the board of directors of the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development affiliate in the state, and one of whom is representative of an institution of higher education in the state;

(3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, who is a school administrator employed by a local or regional board of education;

(4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who is a chairperson of a local or regional board of education;

(5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives, who is a director or employee of a private nonprofit organization in the state that provides services or programs for children;

(6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, who is a director or employee of a private nonprofit organization in the state that provides health-related services or programs for children;

(7) The Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's designee;

(8) The Commissioner of Early Childhood, or the commissioner's designee;

- (9) The Healthcare Advocate, or the advocate's designee;
- (10) The Labor Commissioner, or the commissioner's designee;
- (11) The executive director of the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities, or the executive director's designee;
- (12) The Commissioner of Agriculture, or the commissioner's designee;
- (13) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, or the commissioner's designee;
- (14) The Commissioner of Housing, or the commissioner's designee;
- (15) The Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's designee;
- (16) The Commissioner of Developmental Services, or the commissioner's designee;
- (17) The Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services, or the commissioner's designee;
- (18) The Commissioner of Transportation, or the commissioner's designee;
- (19) The Commissioner of Social Services, or the commissioner's designee;
- (20) The superintendent of the Technical Education and Career System, or the superintendent's designee;
- (21) The Commissioner of Children and Families, or the commissioner's designee;
- (22) The Chief Court Administrator, or the Chief Court Administrator's designee; and
- (23) The director of Special Education Equity for Kids of Connecticut, or the director's designee.

(c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivisions (1) to (6), inclusive, of subsection (b) of this section may be a member of the General Assembly.

(d) All initial appointments to the task force shall be made not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority not later than thirty days after the vacancy occurs. If a vacancy is not filled by the appointing authority, the chairpersons of the task force may fill such vacancy.

(e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task force from among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons shall schedule the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held not later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

(f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to children shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

(g) Not later than January 1, 2022, the task force shall submit a report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to children, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date that it submits such report or January 1, 2022, whichever is later."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	New section
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	20-73b(a)
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	20-74h
Sec. 5	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	New section
Sec. 6	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	20-102ee(a)
Sec. 7	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	20-185k(b)
Sec. 8	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	20-195ttt(f)
Sec. 9	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	20-206mm
Sec. 10	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	19a-14c
Sec. 11	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	10-148a(a)
Sec. 12	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	10-220a(b)
Sec. 13	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	10-220(b)
Sec. 14	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	10-221
Sec. 15	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Sec. 16	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 17	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	10-16
Sec. 18	<i>from passage</i>	10-198b
Sec. 19	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	New section
Sec. 20	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	10-215
Sec. 21	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	17a-10a
Sec. 22	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	New section
Sec. 23	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	17a-103d
Sec. 24	<i>from passage</i>	17a-248g
Sec. 25	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	10-76d(a)(10)
Sec. 26	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	10-76d(i)
Sec. 27	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	17a-248e(a)
Sec. 28	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 29	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	New section
Sec. 30	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Senator Kelly of the 21st offered Senate Amendment Schedule “B” (LCO 7262), moved adoption and requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Remarking were Senator Champagne of the 35th and Anwar of the 3rd.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 3:35 a.m.:

Total Number Voting	32
Necessary for Adoption	17
Those voting Yea	10
Those voting Nay	22
Those absent and not voting.....	4

On the roll call vote Senate Amendment Schedule “B” (LCO 7262) was rejected.

The following is the roll call vote:

N 1	JOHN W. FONFARA	N 19	CATHERINE A. OSTEN
N 2	DOUGLAS MCCRORY	Y 20	PAUL M. FORMICA
N 3	SAUD ANWAR	Y 21	KEVIN C. KELLY
N 4	STEVE CASSANO	N 22	MARILYN MOORE
N 5	DEREK SLAP	N 23	DENNIS BRADLEY
N 6	RICK LOPES	N 24	JULIE KUSHNER
Y 7	JOHN A. KISSEL	N 25	BOB DUFF
A 8	KEVIN D. WITKOS	N 26	WILL HASKELL
A 9	MATTHEW L. LESSER	N 27	PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
N 10	GARY WINFIELD	Y 28	TONY HWANG
N 11	MARTIN M. LOONEY	N 29	MAE FLEXER
N 12	CHRISTINE COHEN	Y 30	CRAIG MINER
N 13	MARY ABRAMS	Y 31	HENRI MARTIN
N 14	JAMES MARONEY	Y 32	ERIC C. BERTHEL
Y 15	JOAN V. HARTLEY	N 33	NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
A 16	ROB SAMPSON	Y 34	PAUL CICARELLA
N 17	JORGE CABRERA	Y 35	DAN CHAMPAGNE
A 18	HEATHER S. SOMERS	N 36	ALEX KASSER

The following is the Amendment.

Strike section 10 in its entirety and renumber the remaining sections and internal references accordingly

Senator Kelly of the 21st offered Senate Amendment Schedule “C” (LCO 7955), moved adoption and requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Senator Looney of the 11th in the chair.

Remarking were Senator Kissel of the 7th and Anwar of the 3rd.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 3:51 a.m.:

Total Number Voting	31
Necessary for Adoption	16
Those voting Yea	9
Those voting Nay	22
Those absent and not voting.....	5

On the roll call vote Senate Amendment Schedule “C” (LCO 7955) was rejected.

The following is the roll call vote:

N	1	JOHN W. FONFARA	N	19	CATHERINE A. OSTEN
N	2	DOUGLAS MCCRORY	Y	20	PAUL M. FORMICA
N	3	SAUD ANWAR	Y	21	KEVIN C. KELLY
N	4	STEVE CASSANO	N	22	MARILYN MOORE
N	5	DEREK SLAP	A	23	DENNIS BRADLEY
N	6	RICK LOPES	N	24	JULIE KUSHNER
Y	7	JOHN A. KISSEL	N	25	BOB DUFF
A	8	KEVIN D. WITKOS	N	26	WILL HASKELL
A	9	MATTHEW L. LESSER	N	27	PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
	10	GARY WINFIELD	Y	28	TONY HWANG
	11	MARTIN M. LOONEY	N	29	MAE FLEXER
	12	CHRISTINE COHEN	Y	30	CRAIG MINER
	13	MARY ABRAMS	Y	31	HENRI MARTIN
	14	JAMES MARONEY	Y	32	ERIC C. BERTHEL
	15	JOAN V. HARTLEY	N	33	NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
A	16	ROB SAMPSON	Y	34	PAUL CICARELLA
	17	JORGE CABRERA	Y	35	DAN CHAMPAGNE
A	18	HEATHER S. SOMERS	N	36	ALEX KASSER

The following is the Amendment.

Strike section 14 and sections 16 to 18, inclusive, in their entirety and renumber the remaining sections and internal references accordingly

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

"Sec. 501. (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of Education shall conduct a study concerning the provision of virtual learning to students in grades kindergarten through twelve by

schools under the jurisdiction of local and regional boards of education. Not later than January 1, 2022, the commissioner shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education. Such report shall include the findings of such study and any recommendations to resolve issues identified by the commissioner."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Remarking were Senators Maroney of the 14th, Cassano of the 4th, and Champagne of the 35th.

President in the Chair

Remarking were Senators Anwar of the 3rd, Duff of the 25th, Kelly of the 21st, and Looney of the 11th.

The chair ordered the vote be taken by roll call.

The following is the result of the vote at 4:30 a.m.:

Total Number Voting	33
Necessary for Adoption	17
Those voting Yea	24
Those voting Nay	9
Those absent and not voting.....	3

On the roll call vote Senate Bill No. 2 as amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A" (LCO 8095) was passed.

The following is the roll call vote:

Y	1	JOHN W. FONFARA	Y	19	CATHERINE A. OSTEN
Y	2	DOUGLAS MCCRORY	N	20	PAUL M. FORMICA
Y	3	SAUD ANWAR	N	21	KEVIN C. KELLY
Y	4	STEVE CASSANO	Y	22	MARILYN MOORE
Y	5	DEREK SLAP	Y	23	DENNIS BRADLEY
Y	6	RICK LOPES	Y	24	JULIE KUSHNER
N	7	JOHN A. KISSEL	Y	25	BOB DUFF
A	8	KEVIN D. WITKOS	Y	26	WILL HASKELL
Y	9	MATTHEW L. LESSER	Y	27	PATRICIA BILLIE MILLER
Y	10	GARY WINFIELD	N	28	TONY HWANG
Y	11	MARTIN M. LOONEY	Y	29	MAE FLEXER
Y	12	CHRISTINE COHEN	N	30	CRAIG MINER
Y	13	MARY ABRAMS	N	31	HENRI MARTIN
Y	14	JAMES MARONEY	N	32	ERIC C. BERTHEL
Y	15	JOAN V. HARTLEY	Y	33	NORMAN NEEDLEMAN
A	16	ROB SAMPSON	N	34	PAUL CICARELLA
Y	17	JORGE CABRERA	N	35	DAN CHAMPAGNE
A	18	HEATHER S. SOMERS	Y	36	ALEX KASSER

**SUSPENSION OF THE RULES
IMMEDIATE TRANSMITTAL TO THE GOVERNOR**

On motion of Senator Duff of the 25th, the rules were suspended for immediate transmittal to the Governor House Bill No. 5596.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Senator Duff of the 25th, the Senate at 4:35 a.m. adjourned subject to the call of the chair.