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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE OFFICE OF THE STATE TRAFFIC ADMINISTRATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, THE DISSOLUTION OF THE NORWALK TRANSIT DISTRICT AND ROUTE SHIELD PAVEMENT MARKINGS."

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

3 "Section 1. Section 14-299 of the general statutes is repealed and the
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

5 (a) For the purpose of standardization and uniformity, no installation
6 of or revision to any traffic control signal light shall be made by any
7 town, city or borough until the same has been approved by the Office of
8 the State Traffic Administration. Such approval shall be based on
9 necessity for, location of and type of such signal light and shall be
10 applied for on a form supplied by the Office of the State Traffic
11 Administration and shall be submitted to said office by the traffic

12 authority having jurisdiction. Approval of any such signal light may be
13 revoked by the Office of the State Traffic Administration at any time if
14 said office deems such revocation to be in the interest of public safety,
15 and thereupon such signal lights shall be removed by the traffic
16 authority having jurisdiction.

17 (b) When traffic at an intersection is alternately directed to proceed
18 and to stop by the use of signals exhibiting colored lights or lighted
19 arrows, successively one at a time or in combination, only the colors
20 green, red and yellow shall be used, except for special [pedestrian
21 control] pedestrian-control signals carrying word legends [, said lights]
22 or symbols. Such lights or arrows shall apply to drivers of vehicles and
23 pedestrians and shall indicate the following:

24 (1) Circular green alone: Vehicular traffic facing a green signal may
25 proceed straight through or turn right or left unless a sign or marking at
26 such place prohibits either such turn or straight through movement,
27 except that such traffic shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians and
28 vehicles [lawfully] within a crosswalk or the intersection at the time
29 such signal was exhibited; pedestrians facing the green signal, except
30 when directed by separate pedestrian-control signals, may proceed
31 across the highway within any marked or unmarked crosswalk.

32 (2) Yellow: Vehicular traffic facing a steady yellow signal is thereby
33 warned that the related green movement is being terminated or that a
34 red indication will be exhibited immediately thereafter, when vehicular
35 traffic shall stop before entering the intersection unless so close to the
36 intersection that a stop cannot be made in safety; pedestrians facing a
37 steady yellow signal, except when directed by separate pedestrian-
38 control signals, are thereby advised that there is insufficient time to
39 cross the roadway before a red indication is shown and no pedestrian
40 shall then start to cross the roadway.

41 (3) Red alone: Vehicular traffic facing a steady red signal alone shall
42 stop before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection
43 or, if none, then before entering the intersection and remain standing

44 until the next indication is shown; provided, on or after July 1, 1979,
45 vehicular traffic traveling in the travel lane nearest the right hand curb
46 or other defined edge of the roadway, unless a sign approved by the
47 Office of the State Traffic Administration has been erected in the
48 appropriate place prohibiting this movement, may cautiously enter the
49 intersection to make a right turn onto a two-way street or onto another
50 one-way street on which all the traffic is moving to such vehicle's right
51 after such vehicle has stopped as required in this subdivision and
52 yielded the right-of-way to pedestrians [lawfully] within an adjacent
53 crosswalk and to other traffic lawfully using the intersection.
54 Pedestrians facing a steady red signal alone, except when directed by
55 separate pedestrian-control signals, shall not enter the roadway.

56 (4) Green arrow: Vehicular traffic facing a green arrow signal, shown
57 alone or in combination with another indication, may cautiously enter
58 the intersection only to make the movement indicated by such arrow, or
59 such other movement as is permitted by other indications shown at the
60 same time, but such vehicular traffic shall yield the right-of-way to
61 pedestrians [lawfully] within a crosswalk and to other traffic lawfully
62 within the intersection.

63 (5) Whenever special pedestrian-control signals exhibiting the words
64 "Walk" or "Don't Walk" or the image of a walking person symbolizing
65 "Walk" or an upraised hand symbolizing "Don't Walk" are in place, such
66 signals shall indicate as follows: "Walk" or walking person symbol:
67 Pedestrians facing such signals may proceed across the roadway in the
68 direction of the signal and shall be given the right-of-way by the drivers
69 of all vehicles; "Don't Walk" or upraised hand symbol: No pedestrian
70 shall start to cross the roadway in the direction of such signal, but any
71 pedestrian who has partially completed [his] crossing on the walk signal
72 shall proceed to a sidewalk or safety island while the flashing "Don't
73 Walk" or flashing upraised hand symbol signal is showing.

74 (c) When an illuminated flashing red or yellow signal is used in a
75 traffic sign or signal, it shall require obedience by vehicular traffic as
76 follows:

77 (1) Flashing red: When a red lens is illuminated by rapid intermittent
78 flashes, drivers of vehicles shall stop before entering the nearest
79 crosswalk at an intersection, or at a limit line when marked or, if none,
80 then before entering the intersection, and the right to proceed shall be
81 subject to the rules applicable after making a stop at a stop sign.

82 (2) When a yellow lens is illuminated with rapid intermittent flashes,
83 drivers of vehicles facing such signal may proceed through the
84 intersection or past such signal only with caution.

85 (d) Lenses of the following colors only shall be used and shall be
86 arranged vertically in the signal face or, when necessary, horizontally,
87 and shall conform to the following positions: When arranged vertically,
88 red shall be located at the top, yellow shall be located directly below red
89 and the remaining indications below the yellow in the following order:
90 Flashing yellow, circular green, vertical arrow, left-turn arrow and
91 right-turn arrow, as needed; when arranged horizontally, red shall be
92 located at the left, yellow shall be located directly to the right of red and
93 the remaining indications to the right of yellow in the following order:
94 Flashing yellow, left-turn arrow, circular green, vertical arrow and
95 right-turn arrow, as needed.

96 (e) When lane-direction-control signals are placed over the individual
97 lanes of a street or highway, vehicular traffic may travel in any lane over
98 which a green arrow signal is shown, but shall not enter or travel in any
99 lane over which a red X signal is shown.

100 (f) If a traffic control signal, approved by the Office of the State Traffic
101 Administration, is erected and maintained at a place other than an
102 intersection, the provisions of this section shall be applicable except as
103 to those provisions which by their nature can have no application. Any
104 stop required shall be made at a sign or marking on the pavement
105 indicating where the stop shall be made, but in the absence of any sign
106 or marking, the stop shall be made at the signal.

107 Sec. 2. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 14-300 of the general statutes
108 are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*

109 1, 2023):

110 (a) The traffic authority [shall have power to] may designate, by
111 appropriate official traffic control devices, as defined in section 14-297,
112 or markers, or by lines upon the surface of the highway, such crosswalks
113 and intersections as, in its opinion, constitute a danger to pedestrians
114 crossing the highway including, but not limited to, specially marked
115 crosswalks in the vicinity of schools, which crosswalks shall have
116 distinctive markings, in accordance with the regulations of the Office of
117 the State Traffic Administration, to denote use of such crosswalks by
118 school children; and may maintain suitable signs located at intervals
119 along highways, particularly where there are no sidewalks, directing
120 pedestrians to walk facing vehicular traffic.

121 (b) At any intersection where special pedestrian-control signals
122 bearing the words "Walk" or "Don't Walk" or the image of a walking
123 person symbolizing "Walk" or an upraised hand symbolizing "Don't
124 Walk" are placed, pedestrians may cross the highway only as indicated
125 by the signal. At any intersection where traffic is controlled by other
126 traffic control signals or by police officers, pedestrians shall not cross the
127 highway against a red or "Stop" signal and shall not cross at any place
128 not a marked or unmarked crosswalk. A pedestrian started or starting
129 across the highway [on a "Walk" signal] or on any such crosswalk [on a
130 green or "Go" signal] shall have the right-of-way over all vehicles,
131 including those making turns, until such pedestrian has reached the
132 opposite curb or safety zone.

133 Sec. 3. Section 14-311 of the general statutes is repealed and the
134 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

135 (a) No person, firm, corporation, state agency [,] or municipal agency,
136 or any combination thereof, shall build, expand, establish or operate any
137 open air theater, shopping center or other development generating large
138 volumes of traffic that substantially affect state highway traffic within
139 this state, as determined by the Office of the State Traffic
140 Administration, until such person, firm, corporation [,] or agency has

141 procured from said office a certificate that the operation thereof will not
142 imperil the safety of the public, except that any development, including
143 any development to be built in phases, without regard to when such
144 phases are approved by the municipal planning and zoning agency or
145 other responsible municipal agency, that contains a total of one hundred
146 or fewer residential units shall not be required to obtain such certificate
147 if such development is a residential-only development and is not part of
148 a mixed-use development that contains office, retail or other such
149 nonresidential uses, provided if any future development increases the
150 total number of residential units to more than one hundred, and such
151 total substantially affects state highway traffic within the state as
152 determined by the Office of the State Traffic Administration, a certificate
153 shall be procured from said office.

154 (b) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection or permitted by
155 the Office of the State Traffic Administration, no local building official
156 shall issue a building or foundation permit to any person, firm,
157 corporation, state agency or municipal agency to build, expand,
158 establish or operate such a development until the person, firm,
159 corporation or agency provides to such official a copy of the certificate
160 issued under this section by the office. No local building official shall
161 issue a certificate of occupancy to any such person, firm, corporation or
162 agency for such development until the conditions of the certificate
163 issued by the office under this section have been satisfied. If the office
164 determines that any person, firm, corporation [,] or [state or municipal]
165 agency has (1) started building, expanding, establishing or operating
166 such a development without first obtaining a certificate from said office,
167 or (2) has failed to comply with the conditions of such a certificate, it
168 shall order the person, firm, corporation or agency to (A) cease
169 constructing, expanding, establishing or operating the development, or
170 (B) comply with the conditions of the certificate within a reasonable
171 period of time. If such person, firm, corporation or agency fails to (i)
172 cease such work, or (ii) comply with an order of the office within such
173 time as specified by the office, the office may [make an application]
174 apply to the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford or the

175 judicial district where the development is located enjoining the
176 construction, expansion, establishment or operation of such
177 development. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, for
178 single family home building lots within a subdivision of land, for which
179 a certificate is required and which do not have a direct exit or entrance
180 on, or directly abut or adjoin any state highway, no local building
181 official shall issue a certificate of occupancy to any person, firm,
182 corporation, state agency or municipal agency to occupy homes on such
183 lots until the person, firm, corporation or agency provides to such
184 official a copy of the certificate issued under this section by the office
185 and such official confirms that the certificate conditions have been
186 satisfied.

187 (c) The Office of the State Traffic Administration, to the extent
188 practicable, shall begin its review of an application prior to final
189 approval of the proposed activity by the municipal planning and zoning
190 agency or other responsible municipal agency.

191 (d) In determining the advisability of such certification, the Office of
192 the State Traffic Administration shall include, in its consideration,
193 highway safety, bicycle and pedestrian access and safety, the width and
194 character of the highways affected, the density of traffic thereon, the
195 character of such traffic and the opinion and findings of the traffic
196 authority of the municipality wherein the development is located. The
197 office may require improvements to be made by the applicant to the
198 extent that such improvements address impacts to state highway safety
199 or bicycle and pedestrian access and safety created by the addition of
200 the applicant's proposed development or activity. If the office
201 determines that such improvements, including traffic signals, pavement
202 markings, channelization, pavement widening or other changes or
203 traffic control devices, are required to handle traffic safely and
204 efficiently, one hundred per cent of the cost thereof shall be borne by the
205 person, firm, corporation or agency building, establishing or operating
206 such open air theater, shopping center or other development generating
207 large volumes of traffic, except that such cost shall not be borne by any
208 municipal agency. The Commissioner of Transportation may issue a

209 permit to [said] such person, firm, corporation or agency to construct or
210 install the changes required by the office.

211 (e) Any person, firm, corporation or agency building, establishing or
212 operating such open air theater, shopping center or other development
213 generating large volumes of traffic aggrieved by any decision of the
214 Office of the State Traffic Administration [hereunder] under this section
215 may appeal therefrom in accordance with the provisions of section 4-
216 183, except venue for such appeal shall be in the judicial district in which
217 it is proposed to operate such establishment. The provisions of this
218 section, except insofar as such provisions relate to expansion, shall not
219 apply to any open air theater, shopping center or other development
220 generating large volumes of traffic in operation on July 1, 1967.

221 (f) Before submitting an application for any development generating
222 large volumes of traffic pursuant to subsection (a) of this section to the
223 Office of the State Traffic Administration, the [individual or entity]
224 person, firm, corporation or agency submitting such application shall
225 attend a mandatory meeting with the Office of the State Traffic
226 Administration and other staff from the Department of Transportation.
227 At such meeting, such [individual or entity] person, firm, corporation or
228 agency shall present the applicant's proposed development [to such
229 department staff] and receive feedback, including, but not limited to,
230 information as to what [needs] materials need to be submitted for an
231 application to be considered complete.

232 Sec. 4. Section 14-311c of the general statutes is repealed and the
233 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

234 (a) No [group of persons, firms, corporations, state agencies or
235 municipal agencies] person, firm, corporation, state agency or
236 municipal agency, or any combination thereof, shall build, expand,
237 establish or operate any open air theater, shopping center or other
238 development generating large volumes of traffic on any group of
239 individual parcels of land which are separately owned but are utilized
240 together for a single development purpose, whether or not such parcels

241 are separated by any state, local or private roadway that substantially
242 affect state highway traffic within this state, as determined by the Office
243 of the State Traffic Administration, until such [group] person, firm,
244 corporation or agency has procured from the Office of the State Traffic
245 Administration a certificate that the operation thereof will not imperil
246 the safety of the public, except that any development, including any
247 development to be built in phases without regard to when such phases
248 are approved by the municipal planning and zoning agency or other
249 responsible municipal agency, that contains a total of one hundred or
250 fewer residential units shall not be required to obtain such a certificate
251 if such development is a residential-only development and not part of a
252 mixed-use development containing office, retail or other such
253 nonresidential uses, provided if any future development increases the
254 total number of residential units to more than one hundred, and this
255 total substantially affects state highway traffic within the state as
256 determined by the Office of the State Traffic Administration, a certificate
257 shall be procured from said office.

258 (b) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection or permitted by
259 the Office of the State Traffic Administration, no local building official
260 shall issue a building or foundation permit to any such [group or
261 member thereof] person, firm, corporation or agency to build, expand,
262 establish or operate such a development until the [group or member]
263 person, firm, corporation or agency provides to such official a copy of
264 the certificate issued under this section by the Office of the State Traffic
265 Administration. No local building official shall issue a certificate of
266 occupancy to any such person, firm, corporation or agency for such
267 development until the conditions of the certificate issued by the office
268 under this section have been satisfied. If the Office of the State Traffic
269 Administration determines that any [group or member] person, firm,
270 corporation or agency has (1) started building, expanding, establishing
271 or operating such a development without first obtaining a certificate
272 from said office, or (2) has failed to comply with the conditions of such
273 a certificate, it shall order the [group or member] person, firm,
274 corporation or agency to (A) cease constructing, expanding, establishing

275 or operating the development, or (B) to comply with the conditions of
276 the certificate within a reasonable period of time. If such [group or
277 member] person, firm, corporation or agency fails to (i) cease such work,
278 or (ii) comply with such order within such time as specified by the Office
279 of the State Traffic Administration, said office or the traffic authority of
280 the municipality wherein the development is located may [make an
281 application] apply to the superior court for the judicial district of
282 Hartford or the judicial district where the development is located
283 enjoining the construction, expansion, establishment or the operation of
284 such development. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection,
285 for single family home building lots within a subdivision of land, for
286 which a certificate is required and which do not have a direct exit or
287 entrance on, or directly abut or adjoin any state highway, no local
288 building official shall issue a certificate of occupancy to any such [group
289 or member thereof or] person, firm, corporation or agency to occupy
290 homes on such lots until such [group, member or] person, firm,
291 corporation or agency provides to such official a copy of the certificate
292 issued under this section by said office and such official confirms that
293 the certificate conditions have been satisfied.

294 (c) The Office of the State Traffic Administration, to the extent
295 practicable, shall begin its review of an application prior to final
296 approval of the proposed activity by the municipal planning and zoning
297 agency or other responsible municipal agency.

298 (d) In determining the advisability of such certification, the Office of
299 the State Traffic Administration shall include, in its consideration,
300 highway safety, the width and character of the highways affected, the
301 density of traffic thereon, the character of such traffic and the opinion
302 and findings of the traffic authority of the municipality wherein the
303 development is located. The Office of the State Traffic Administration
304 may require improvements to be made by the applicant to the extent
305 that such improvements address impacts to state highway safety
306 created by the addition of the applicant's proposed development or
307 activity. If the Office of the State Traffic Administration determines that
308 such improvements, including traffic signals, pavement markings,

309 channelization, pavement widening or other changes or traffic control
310 devices, are required to handle traffic safely and efficiently, one
311 hundred per cent of the cost thereof shall be borne by the [group]
312 person, firm, corporation or agency building, establishing or operating
313 such open air theater, shopping center or other development generating
314 large volumes of traffic, except that such cost shall not be borne by any
315 municipal agency. The Commissioner of Transportation may issue a
316 permit to [said group] such person, firm, corporation or agency to
317 construct or install the changes required by the Office of the State Traffic
318 Administration, in consultation with the local traffic authority.

319 (e) Any [group] person, firm, corporation or agency building,
320 establishing or operating such open air theater, shopping center or other
321 development generating large volumes of traffic aggrieved by any
322 decision of the Office of the State Traffic Administration [hereunder]
323 under this section may appeal therefrom in accordance with the
324 provisions of section 4-183, except venue for such appeal shall be in the
325 judicial district in which it is proposed to operate such establishment.
326 The provisions of this section except insofar as such provisions relate to
327 expansion shall not apply to any open air theater, shopping center or
328 other development generating large volumes of traffic which has
329 received all necessary permits, variances, exceptions and approvals
330 from the municipal zoning commission, planning commission,
331 combined planning and zoning commission and zoning board of
332 appeals in which such development is located prior to or on July 1, 1985,
333 or to any such development which is in operation on that date.

334 (f) Before submitting an application for any development generating
335 large volumes of traffic pursuant to subsection (a) of this section to the
336 Office of the State Traffic Administration, the person, firm, corporation
337 or agency submitting such application shall attend a mandatory
338 meeting with the Office of the State Traffic Administration and other
339 staff from the Department of Transportation. At such meeting, such
340 person, firm, corporation or agency shall present the applicant's
341 proposed development and receive feedback, including, but not limited
342 to, information as to what materials need to be submitted for an

343 application to be considered complete.

344 Sec. 5. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Connecticut Training and
345 Technical Assistance Center at The University of Connecticut shall
346 conduct training sessions for traffic authorities, at least three times a
347 year, concerning the powers and responsibilities of traffic authorities,
348 the installation of official traffic control devices and an overview of the
349 applicable provisions of the general statutes and any regulations
350 adopted by the Office of the State Traffic Administration.

351 (b) On or before January 1, 2024, and annually thereafter, each traffic
352 authority, or such authority's appointed representative, shall complete
353 one training offered pursuant to subsection (a) of this section. The
354 Connecticut Training and Technical Assistance Center shall maintain
355 records indicating when a traffic authority, or such authority's
356 representative, completed such training.

357 Sec. 6. Subsection (b) of section 14-218a of the general statutes is
358 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October*
359 *1, 2023*):

360 (b) (1) Except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, the
361 Office of the State Traffic Administration shall establish a speed limit
362 [of] not to exceed sixty-five miles per hour on [any] each multiple lane,
363 limited access [highways] highway. The office shall establish speed
364 limits that are suitable for [a speed limit of sixty-five miles per hour]
365 each such highway, taking into consideration relevant factors including
366 design, population of area and traffic flow.

367 (2) The Commissioner of Transportation may establish the speed
368 limit on limited access highways during a weather event or an
369 emergency, provided the commissioner erects electronic signs
370 indicating such speed limit.

371 Sec. 7. Section 13b-212b of the general statutes is repealed and the
372 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

373 (a) There is established a Connecticut [Commuter Rail] Public
374 Transportation Council which shall consist of fifteen members,
375 [appointed with the advice and consent of the General Assembly,] all of
376 whom shall be (1) [commuters] residents who regularly use the
377 transportation services of the New Haven commuter railroad line which
378 includes the New Canaan, Danbury and Waterbury branches of such
379 line, (2) [commuters] residents who regularly use the transportation
380 services of the [Shoreline] Shore Line East railroad line, [or] (3) residents
381 [of a municipality in which the Commissioner of Transportation has
382 proposed a new rail line or in which a rail line has commenced operation
383 after July 1, 2013] who regularly use the transportation services of the
384 Hartford railroad line, or (4) residents who regularly use public transit
385 services funded by the state. Members shall be appointed as follows: (A)
386 The Governor shall appoint four members; [, one of whom shall be the
387 chief elected official of a municipality located on an operating or
388 proposed new rail line;] (B) the president pro tempore of the Senate shall
389 appoint [three] two members, one of whom regularly uses public transit
390 services funded by the state and one of whom regularly uses the
391 transportation services of the New Haven railroad line; (C) the speaker
392 of the House of Representatives shall appoint [three] two members, one
393 of whom regularly uses public transit services funded by the state and
394 one of whom regularly uses the transportation services of the Hartford
395 railroad line; (D) the majority leader of the Senate shall appoint one
396 member; (E) the majority leader of the House of Representatives shall
397 appoint one member; (F) the minority leader of the Senate shall appoint
398 one member; [(E)] (G) the minority leader of the House of
399 Representatives shall appoint one member; [(F)] (H) the chairpersons of
400 the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having
401 cognizance of matters relating to transportation shall each appoint one
402 member, one of whom [shall be from a municipality in which the
403 Commissioner of Transportation has proposed a new rail line or in
404 which a rail line has commenced operation after July 1, 2013, and one of
405 whom shall be from a municipality in which a station for the Shoreline
406 East railroad line is located] regularly uses public transit services funded
407 by the state and one of whom regularly uses the transportation services

408 of the Shore Line East railroad line; and [(G)] (I) the ranking members
409 of said committee shall jointly appoint one member who [shall be from
410 a municipality served by the Danbury or Waterbury branches of the
411 New Haven commuter railroad line] regularly uses public transit
412 services funded by the state. Each member shall serve for a term of four
413 years. All initial appointments to the council shall be made by August
414 1, [2013] 2023, and initial members shall serve a four-year term
415 commencing on August 1, [2013] 2023, except that any member
416 appointed prior to July 1, 2023, to serve on the former Connecticut
417 Commuter Rail Council and serving on June 30, 2023, shall be deemed
418 appointed to serve on the Connecticut Public Transportation Council
419 and may continue to serve until the expiration of such member's term
420 and a successor has qualified. Any vacancy shall be filled by the original
421 appointing authority by appointment for the unexpired portion of any
422 term. Members of the council shall serve until their respective
423 successors are appointed. [and approved by the General Assembly.]

424 (b) [The] Notwithstanding the provisions of section 4-9a, the
425 members of the council shall choose one of the members of the council
426 to be chairperson of the council. A majority of the members of the
427 council then in office shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any
428 business, and action shall be by vote of a majority of the members
429 present at a meeting. The council shall meet at least once during each
430 calendar quarter and at such other times as the chairperson deems
431 necessary or upon the request of a majority of the members in office.
432 Special meetings shall be held at the request of such majority after notice
433 in accordance with the provisions of section 1-225. Any member who
434 fails to attend fifty per cent of all meetings held during any calendar
435 year or who fails to attend three consecutive meetings shall be deemed
436 to have resigned from office. Not later than ten days after a vacancy
437 occurs in the council or the resignation of a member, the chairperson
438 shall notify the appointing authority of such vacancy or resignation.

439 (c) The Department of Transportation shall maintain records of each
440 request for information and data received from the council and denote
441 the status of any such request.

442 Sec. 8. Section 13b-212c of the general statutes is repealed and the
443 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

444 The Connecticut [Commuter Rail] Public Transportation Council
445 shall study and investigate all aspects of the daily operation of
446 [commuter rail lines in] the commuter railroad systems and public
447 transit services funded by the state, monitor their performance and
448 recommend changes to improve the efficiency, equity and [the] quality
449 of service [of the operation of such lines] on such commuter rail systems
450 and public transit services. The council may request and shall receive, if
451 available, from any department, division, board, bureau, commission,
452 agency [,] or public authority of the state, or any political subdivision
453 thereof, such assistance and data [as it requests and] that will enable it
454 to properly carry out its activities for the purposes set forth in this
455 section. The council shall also [work with the Department of
456 Transportation to] serve as an advocate for customers of all commuter
457 [lines in] railroad systems and public transit services funded by the
458 state. [and shall make recommendations for improvements to such
459 lines.] The Department of Transportation shall (1) submit monthly
460 reports with information and data concerning the on-time performance
461 and passenger ridership of the commuter railroad systems and public
462 transit services funded by the state, and (2) make quarterly
463 presentations at the meetings of the council concerning such reports and
464 respond to reasonable inquiries made in advance of any meeting by the
465 council. The council shall report its findings and recommendations
466 annually on or before January fifteenth, to the Governor, the
467 Commissioner of Transportation, the General Assembly, the Metro
468 North Rail Commuter Council located in the state of New York and the
469 management advisory board of the office of the inspector general of the
470 Metropolitan Transportation Authority located in the state of New York.
471 The council shall also annually present its findings and
472 recommendations to the joint standing committee of the General
473 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to transportation.

474 Sec. 9. (*Effective from passage*) On or before February 1, 2024, the
475 Connecticut Public Transportation Council, established under section

476 13b-212b of the general statutes, as amended by this act, shall submit, in
477 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,
478 to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having
479 cognizance of matters relating to transportation, a report regarding the
480 organizational structure of the council and any recommendations to
481 improve or modify such structure and the mission of the council.

482 Sec. 10. Section 20 of public act 21-175 is repealed and the following
483 is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

484 The Commissioner of Transportation shall study the feasibility of (1)
485 extending the Shore Line East rail line to the state of Rhode Island, (2)
486 establishing a new passenger rail service from the town of New London
487 to the town of Norwich, (3) establishing a new passenger train station in
488 the town of Groton and the borough of Stonington, and (4) extending
489 ground transportation systems in the eastern region of the state and
490 providing interconnection between such systems and rail lines. The
491 commissioner may seek and use any available federal funds to conduct
492 such study. On or before [January] December 1, 2023, the commissioner
493 shall submit the results of such study to the joint standing committee of
494 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
495 transportation, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the
496 general statutes.

497 Sec. 11. Section 13b-103 of the general statutes is repealed and the
498 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2023*):

499 (a) (1) No person, association, limited liability company or
500 corporation shall operate a motor vehicle in livery service until such
501 person, association, limited liability company or corporation has
502 obtained a permit from the Department of Transportation, specifying
503 the nature and extent of the service to be rendered and certifying that
504 public convenience and necessity will be improved by the operation and
505 conduct of such livery service. Such permits shall be issued only after a
506 written application for the same has been made and a public hearing has
507 been held thereon. Upon receipt of such application, together with the

508 payment of a fee of two hundred dollars, the department shall fix a time
509 and place of hearing thereon, within a reasonable time, and shall
510 promptly give written notice of the pendency of such application and of
511 the time and place of such hearing to each applicant, the mayor of each
512 city, the warden of each borough and the first selectman of each town,
513 within which any such applicant desires to maintain an office or
514 headquarters, to any carrier legally operating motor vehicles in livery
515 service within the same territory and to other interested parties as
516 determined by the department. (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of
517 subdivision (1) of this subsection, the department may issue a permit for
518 the operation of vehicles (A) having a capacity of less than eleven adults
519 or to be used exclusively at funerals, weddings, christenings,
520 processions or celebrations, without holding a hearing and certifying
521 that public convenience and necessity would be improved by the
522 operation of such vehicles, or (B) having a capacity of not less than
523 eleven or more than fourteen adults and used for sightseeing and
524 related purposes, without holding a hearing, provided the department
525 issues a legal notice, as provided under section 1-2, of such application
526 and no objection is filed with the department within thirty days of
527 publication of such notice. (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of
528 subdivision (1) of this subsection, the department may issue a
529 temporary or permanent permit to any person, association, limited
530 liability company or corporation operating a motor vehicle engaged in
531 the transportation of passengers for hire by virtue of a contract with, or
532 a lower tier contract for, any federal, state or municipal agency that (A)
533 is in effect on July 1, 1997, with or without hearing, after a written
534 application for the same has been made and the department has
535 determined that the applicant meets the requirements of subsection (b)
536 of this section except with respect to public convenience and necessity,
537 or (B) becomes effective after July 1, 1997, with or without hearing, after
538 a written application for the same has been made and the department
539 has determined that the applicant meets the requirements of subsection
540 (b) of this section. Any such permit issued under the provisions of this
541 subdivision (i) shall be limited to service provided under any such
542 contract, and (ii) with respect to any contract under the provisions of

543 subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, shall not authorize a total number
544 of motor vehicles exceeding the number required to provide service
545 existing under such contract on July 1, 1997. (4) Notwithstanding the
546 provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection, the department shall
547 issue to any person who has an intrastate livery permit for at least one
548 year, upon the application of such person, up to two additional vehicle
549 authorizations each year without a hearing and without written notice
550 of the pendency of the application, if all the existing permits held by
551 such person are registered and in use and if there are no outstanding
552 violations or matters pending adjudication against such person. Such
553 person may submit a second application for up to two additional vehicle
554 authorizations each year. The department shall have thirty calendar
555 days to issue such amended permit upon receipt of an application and
556 the payment of the fee described in subdivision (1) of this subsection.

557 (b) In determining whether or not such a permit will be granted, the
558 Department of Transportation shall take into consideration the present
559 or future public convenience and necessity for the service the applicant
560 proposes to render, the suitability of the applicant or the suitability of
561 the management if the applicant is a limited liability company or
562 corporation, the financial responsibility of the applicant, the ability of
563 the applicant efficiently and properly to perform the service for which
564 authority is requested and the fitness, willingness and ability of the
565 applicant to conform to the provisions of this chapter and the
566 requirements and regulations of the department under this chapter.

567 (c) Any interested party may bring a written petition to the
568 Department of Transportation in respect to fares, service, operation or
569 equipment, or the convenience, protection and safety of the public with
570 regard to any carrier operating a motor vehicle in livery service.
571 Thereupon, the department may fix a time and place for a hearing upon
572 such petition and give notice thereof. No permit shall be sold or
573 transferred until the department, upon written application to it setting
574 forth the purpose, terms and conditions thereof and accompanied by a
575 fee of two hundred dollars, after investigation, approves the same. The
576 department may amend or, for sufficient cause shown, may suspend or

577 revoke any such permit. The department may order appropriate
578 corrective action as the department deems necessary, including, but not
579 limited to, the attendance of a motor vehicle operator retraining
580 program. The department may impose a civil penalty on any person or
581 any officer of any association, limited liability company or corporation
582 who violates any provision of this chapter or any regulation adopted
583 under section 13b-102, as amended by this act, with respect to fares,
584 service, operation, [or] equipment, management or staffing, in an
585 amount not to exceed one thousand dollars per day for each violation.
586 Prior to the imposition of a civil penalty under this subsection, the
587 department shall provide notice to [said] such person or officer no later
588 than fifteen business days after receipt of information concerning an
589 alleged violation and shall provide an opportunity for a hearing.

590 [(d) The owner or operator of each motor vehicle in livery service
591 shall display in such vehicle such permit or a memorandum thereof.]

592 [(e)] (d) (1) Any person who holds himself or herself out to be the
593 operator of a motor vehicle in livery service who has not received a
594 permit under this section shall be guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

595 (2) The state shall remit to a municipality fifty per cent of the fine
596 amount received for a violation of subdivision (1) of this subsection with
597 respect to each summons issued by such municipality. Each clerk of the
598 Superior Court or the Chief Court Administrator, or any other official of
599 the Superior Court designated by the Chief Court Administrator, shall,
600 on or before the thirtieth day of January, April, July and October in each
601 year, certify to the Comptroller the amount due for the previous quarter
602 under this subsection to each municipality served by the office of the
603 clerk or official.

604 [(f)] (e) The Department of Transportation may revoke a permit
605 issued under this section or section 13b-105 without a hearing, provided
606 (1) the department sends a notice of revocation to the permit holder at
607 the address of the permit holder on file with the department and (A) the
608 notice is returned as undeliverable or could not be delivered, or (B) the

609 permit holder fails to respond to the notice within the time period
610 specified by the department in such notice, (2) the department conducts
611 a physical inspection of the address of the permit holder on file with the
612 department and determines that no livery service is operated at such
613 address, and (3) no motor vehicle is registered by the permit holder with
614 the Department of Motor Vehicles to be used as specified in the permit
615 pursuant to section 13b-106.

616 Sec. 12. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 13b-102 of the
617 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
618 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2023*):

619 (a) (1) Each person, association, limited liability company or
620 corporation owning or operating a motor vehicle in livery service shall
621 be subject to the jurisdiction of the Department of Transportation, and
622 the department may prescribe adequate service and reasonable rates
623 and charges and prescribe and establish such reasonable regulations, in
624 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, with respect to fares,
625 service, operation, [and] equipment, management and staffing as it
626 deems necessary for the convenience, protection, safety and best
627 interests of passengers and the public.

628 Sec. 13. Subsection (f) of section 13a-26 of the general statutes is
629 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
630 *passage*):

631 (f) The provisions of this part restricting the use and accommodation
632 of motor vehicle traffic on parkways to noncommercial vehicles shall
633 not apply to use of the Merritt and Wilbur Cross Parkways by (1)
634 taxicabs, as defined in section 13b-95, (2) vanpool vehicles, as defined in
635 section 14-1, [or] (3) service buses, service buses for students with special
636 needs, or two-axle, four-wheeled type II, registered school buses with a
637 gross vehicle weight rating of ten thousand pounds or less, which are
638 owned by or under contract to a public, private or religious school or
639 public school district and which are engaged in the transportation of
640 school children to and from school or school activities, provided (A)

641 such service buses conform to the regulations establishing the
642 maximum weight, length, height or width of vehicles permitted to use
643 such parkways; (B) such school buses are not more than ninety-eight
644 inches high, eighty-four inches wide and two hundred three inches
645 long; and (C) such service buses for students with special needs are not
646 more than one hundred twenty inches high, ninety inches wide and two
647 hundred eighty-eight inches long, (4) vehicles with a gross vehicle
648 weight rating of seven thousand five hundred pounds or less, even if
649 such vehicles contain any branding, advertising or logos thereon, or (5)
650 commercial motor vehicles used by an automobile club or association,
651 licensed in accordance with the provisions of section 14-67, solely for the
652 purpose of providing roadside assistance to vehicles located on the
653 parkway, provided such commercial motor vehicles confirm to the
654 regulations establishing the maximum length, height or width of
655 vehicles permitted to use such parkways. The Office of the State Traffic
656 Administration shall adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54,
657 establishing the maximum allowable length and height for any vanpool
658 vehicle using said Merritt and Wilbur Cross Parkways and [, not later
659 than July 1, 1984, publish in the Connecticut Law Journal a notice of
660 intent to adopt proposed regulations, as defined in section 4-166,]
661 reducing the maximum weight, length, height or width of, or limiting
662 the registration classes of, motor vehicles permitted to use such
663 parkways, in order to fully carry out the prohibition on the operation of
664 commercial motor vehicles on such parkways.

665 Sec. 14. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2023*) (a) For the purposes of this
666 section, (1) "commercial motor vehicle" means any motor vehicle
667 designed or used to transport merchandise or freight and bearing
668 commercial registration, and (2) "parkway" has the same meaning as
669 provided in section 13a-26, as amended by this act.

670 (b) No person shall operate any commercial motor vehicle, nor shall
671 the owner or lessee of any commercial motor vehicle allow such motor
672 vehicle to be operated, upon a parkway in this state.

673 (c) The provisions of subsection (b) of this section shall not apply to a

674 person operating a commercial motor vehicle upon a parkway pursuant
675 to subdivision (4) or (5) of subsection (f) of section 13a-26 of the general
676 statutes, as amended by this act, or any regulation adopted by the Office
677 of State Traffic Administration under section 14-298 of the general
678 statutes.

679 (d) Any person who violates the provisions of this section shall, for a
680 first violation, be fined five hundred dollars and, for any subsequent
681 violation, be fined one thousand dollars. Such fines shall be assessed
682 against the owner of a commercial motor vehicle when the owner, the
683 owner's agent or employee is the operator of such vehicle, or against the
684 lessee of such vehicle when the lessee, the lessee's agent or employee is
685 the operator of a leased or rented commercial motor vehicle.

686 Sec. 15. Subsection (b) of section 51-164n of the general statutes is
687 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October*
688 *1, 2023*):

689 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, any person
690 who is alleged to have committed (1) a violation under the provisions of
691 section 1-9, 1-10, 1-11, 2-71h, 4b-13, 7-13, 7-14, 7-35 or 7-41, subsection (c)
692 of section 7-66, section 7-83, 7-147h, 7-148, 7-148f, 7-148o, 7-283, 7-325, 7-
693 393, 8-12, 8-25, 8-27, 9-63, 9-322, 9-350, 10-185, 10-193, 10-197, 10-198, 10-
694 230, 10-251, 10-254, 10a-35, 12-52, 12-54, 12-129b or 12-170aa, subdivision
695 (3) of subsection (e) of section 12-286, section 12-286a, 12-292, 12-314b or
696 12-326g, subdivision (4) of section 12-408, subdivision (3), (5) or (6) of
697 section 12-411, section 12-435c, 12-476a, 12-476b, 12-476c, or 12-487,
698 section 14 of this act, section 13a-71, 13a-107, 13a-113, 13a-114, 13a-115,
699 13a-117b, 13a-123, 13a-124, 13a-139, 13a-140, 13a-143b, 13a-253, 13a-263
700 or 13b-39f, subsection (f) of section 13b-42, section 13b-90 or 13b-100,
701 subsection (a) of section 13b-108, section 13b-221 or 13b-292, subsection
702 (a) or (b) of section 13b-324, section 13b-336, 13b-337, 13b-338, 13b-410a,
703 13b-410b or 13b-410c, subsection (a), (b) or (c) of section 13b-412, section
704 13b-414 or 14-4, subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 14-12,
705 subsection (d) of section 14-12, subsection (f) of section 14-12a,
706 subsection (a) of section 14-15a, section 14-16c, 14-20a or 14-27a,

707 subsection (f) of section 14-34a, subsection (d) of section 14-35, section
708 14-43, 14-44j, 14-49, 14-50a, 14-58 or 14-62a, subsection (b) of section 14-
709 66, section 14-66a or 14-67a, subsection (g) of section 14-80, subsection
710 (f) or (i) of section 14-80h, section 14-97a or 14-98, subsection (a), (b) or
711 (d) of section 14-100a, section 14-100b, 14-103a, 14-106a, 14-106c, 14-145a
712 or 14-146, subsection (b) of section 14-147, section 14-152, 14-153, 14-161
713 or 14-163b, subsection (f) of section 14-164i, section 14-213b or 14-219,
714 subdivision (1) of section 14-223a, subsection (d) of section 14-224, as
715 amended by this act, section 14-240, 14-250, 14-253a, 14-261a, 14-262, 14-
716 264, 14-266, 14-267a, 14-269, 14-270, 14-272b, 14-274, 14-275 or 14-275a,
717 subsection (c) of section 14-275c, section 14-276, subsection (a) or (b) of
718 section 14-277, section 14-278, 14-279 or 14-280, subsection (b), (e) or (h)
719 of section 14-283, section 14-283d, 14-283e, 14-283f, 14-283g, 14-291, 14-
720 293b, 14-296aa, 14-298a, 14-300, as amended by this act, 14-300d, 14-300f,
721 14-319, 14-320, 14-321, 14-325a, 14-326, 14-330 or 14-332a, subdivision
722 (1), (2) or (3) of section 14-386a, section 15-15e, 15-25 or 15-33,
723 subdivision (1) of section 15-97, subsection (a) of section 15-115, section
724 16-15, 16-16, 16-44, 16-256e, 16-278 or 16a-15, subsection (a) of section
725 16a-21, section 16a-22, subsection (a) or (b) of section 16a-22h, section
726 16a-106, 17a-24, 17a-145, 17a-149 or 17a-152, subsection (b) of section
727 17a-227, section 17a-465, subsection (c) of section 17a-488, section 17b-
728 124, 17b-131, 17b-137, 19a-33, 19a-39 or 19a-87, subsection (b) of section
729 19a-87a, section 19a-91, 19a-102a, 19a-102b, 19a-105, 19a-107, 19a-113,
730 19a-215, 19a-216a, 19a-219, 19a-222, 19a-224, 19a-286, 19a-287, 19a-297,
731 19a-301, 19a-309, 19a-335, 19a-336, 19a-338, 19a-339, 19a-340, 19a-425,
732 19a-442, 19a-502, 19a-565, 20-7a, 20-14, 20-153a, 20-158, 20-231, 20-233,
733 20-249, 20-257, 20-265, 20-324e, 20-329c or 20-329g, subsection (b) of
734 section 20-334, section 20-341l, 20-366, 20-482, 20-597, 20-608, 20-610, 20-
735 623, 21-1, 21-38, 21-39, 21-43, 21-47, 21-48 or 21-63, subsection (d) of
736 section 21-71, section 21-76a or 21-100, subsection (c) of section 21a-2,
737 subdivision (1) of section 21a-19, section 21a-20 or 21a-21, subdivision
738 (1) of subsection (b) of section 21a-25, section 21a-26 or 21a-30,
739 subsection (a) of section 21a-37, section 21a-46, 21a-61, 21a-63, 21a-70b
740 or 21a-77, subsection (b) or (c) of section 21a-79, section 21a-85 or 21a-
741 154, subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 21a-159, section 21a-278b,

742 subsection (c), (d) or (e) of section 21a-279a, section 21a-421eee, 21a-
743 421fff, 21a-421hhh, subsection (a) of section 21a-430, section 22-12b, 22-
744 13, 22-14, 22-15, 22-16, 22-26g, 22-30, 22-34, 22-35, 22-36, 22-38, 22-39, 22-
745 39f, 22-49, 22-54, 22-61j or 22-61l, subdivision (1) of subsection (n) of
746 section 22-61l, subsection (f) of section 22-61m, subdivision (1) of
747 subsection (f) of section 22-61m, section 22-84, 22-89, 22-90, 22-96, 22-98,
748 22-99, 22-100 or 22-111o, subsection (d) of section 22-118l, section 22-167,
749 subsection (c) of section 22-277, section 22-278, 22-279, 22-280a, 22-318a,
750 22-320h, 22-324a or 22-326, subsection (b), subdivision (1) or (2) of
751 subsection (e) or subsection (g) of section 22-344, subsection (a) or (b) of
752 section 22-344b, section 22-344c, subsection (d) of section 22-344d,
753 section 22-344f, 22-350a, 22-354, 22-359, 22-366, 22-391, 22-413, 22-414,
754 22-415, 22-415c, 22a-66a or 22a-246, subsection (a) of section 22a-250,
755 section 22a-256g, subsection (e) of section 22a-256h, section 22a-363 or
756 22a-381d, subsections (c) and (d) of section 22a-381e, section 22a-449,
757 22a-450, 22a-461, 23-4b, 23-38, 23-45, 23-46 or 23-61b, subsection (a) or
758 subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of section 23-65, section 25-37 or 25-40,
759 subsection (a) of section 25-43, section 25-43d, 25-135, 26-18, 26-19, 26-
760 21, 26-31, 26-40, 26-40a, 26-42, 26-43, 26-49, 26-54, 26-55, 26-56, 26-58 or
761 26-59, subdivision (1) of subsection (d) of section 26-61, section 26-64,
762 subdivision (1) of section 26-76, section 26-79, 26-87, 26-89, 26-91, 26-94,
763 26-97, 26-98, 26-104, 26-105, 26-107, 26-114a, 26-117, subsection (b) of
764 section 26-127, 26-128, 26-128a, 26-131, 26-132, 26-138, 26-139 or 26-141,
765 subdivision (1) of section 26-186, section 26-207, 26-215, 26-217 or 26-
766 224a, subdivision (1) of section 26-226, section 26-227, 26-230, 26-231, 26-
767 232, 26-244, 26-257a, 26-260, 26-276, 26-280, 26-284, 26-285, 26-286, 26-
768 287, 26-288, 26-290, 26-291a, 26-292, 26-294, 27-107, 28-13, 29-6a, 29-16,
769 29-17, 29-25, 29-143o, 29-143z or 29-156a, subsection (b), (d), (e), (g) or
770 (h) of section 29-161q, section 29-161y or 29-161z, subdivision (1) of
771 section 29-198, section 29-210, 29-243 or 29-277, subsection (c) of section
772 29-291c, section 29-316 or 29-318, subsection (b) of section 29-335a,
773 section 29-381, 30-19f, 30-48a or 30-86a, subsection (b) of section 30-89,
774 subsection (c) or (d) of section 30-117, section 31-3, 31-10, 31-11, 31-12,
775 31-13, 31-14, 31-15, 31-16, 31-18, 31-23, 31-24, 31-25, 31-32, 31-36, 31-38,
776 31-40, 31-44, 31-47 or 31-48, subsection (b) of section 31-48b, section 31-

777 51, 31-51g, 31-52, 31-52a, 31-53 or 31-54, subsection (a) or (c) of section
778 31-69, section 31-70, 31-74, 31-75, 31-76, 31-76a, 31-89b or 31-134,
779 subsection (i) of section 31-273, section 31-288, 31-348, 33-624, 33-1017,
780 34-13d or 34-412, subdivision (1) of section 35-20, subsection (a) of
781 section 36a-57, subsection (b) of section 36a-665, section 36a-699, 36a-
782 739, 36a-787, 38a-2 or 38a-140, subsection (a) or (b) of section 38a-278,
783 section 38a-479qq, 38a-479rr, 38a-506, 38a-548, 38a-626, 38a-680, 38a-713,
784 38a-733, 38a-764, 38a-786, 38a-828, 38a-829, 38a-885, 42-133hh, 42-230,
785 42-470 or 42-480, subsection (a) or (c) of section 43-16q, section 45a-283,
786 45a-450, 45a-634 or 45a-658, subdivision (13) or (14) of section 46a-54,
787 section 46a-59, 46a-81b, 46b-22, 46b-24, 46b-34, 46b-38d, 47-34a, 47-47 or
788 47-53, subsection (i) of section 47a-21, subdivision (1) of subsection (k)
789 of section 47a-21, section 49-2a, 49-8a, 49-16, 52-143 or 52-289, subsection
790 (j) of section 52-362, section 53-133, 53-199, 53-212a, 53-249a, 53-252, 53-
791 264, 53-280, 53-290a, 53-302a, 53-303e, 53-311a, 53-314, 53-321, 53-322, 53-
792 323 or 53-331, subsection (b) of section 53-343a, section 53-344,
793 subsection (b) or (c) of section 53-344b, subsection (b) of section 53-345a,
794 section 53-377, 53-422 or 53-450 or subsection (i) of section 54-36a, or (2)
795 a violation under the provisions of chapter 268, or (3) a violation of any
796 regulation adopted in accordance with the provisions of section 12-484,
797 12-487 or 13b-410, or (4) a violation of any ordinance, regulation or
798 bylaw of any town, city or borough, except violations of building codes
799 and the health code, for which the penalty exceeds ninety dollars but
800 does not exceed two hundred fifty dollars, unless such town, city or
801 borough has established a payment and hearing procedure for such
802 violation pursuant to section 7-152c, shall follow the procedures set
803 forth in this section.

804 Sec. 16. Section 13b-39a of the general statutes is repealed and the
805 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

806 [(a) The executive director of the Connecticut Airport Authority shall
807 establish a program of registration for all aircraft in the state, in
808 accordance with which the] The owner of any aircraft, as defined in
809 subdivision (5) of section 15-34, which is based or primarily used at any
810 airport facility, heliport, air navigation facility, restricted landing area

811 or seaplane base in a municipality within this state shall, not later than
812 October 1, 1993, and annually thereafter, be required to register with the
813 municipality in which such aircraft is based or primarily used, by filing
814 an application form, or renewal thereof, and paying the appropriate
815 registration fee, as provided for in section 12-71, this section and section
816 13b-39b, as amended by this act. The owner of any aircraft which is
817 based or primarily used at any such air navigation facility or restricted
818 landing area in this state shall register such aircraft not later than July 1,
819 1994, and annually thereafter not later than the first of October. Any
820 aircraft shall be deemed to be based or primarily used in a municipality
821 when in the normal course of its use, it leaves from and returns to or
822 remains at one or more points within the municipality more often or
823 longer than at any other single location outside of the municipality.

824 [(b) The executive director, subject to the provisions of section 1-121,
825 shall adopt such rules and procedures as deemed necessary by said
826 executive director to implement the provisions of section 12-71, this
827 section and sections 13b-39b to 13b-39g, inclusive.]

828 Sec. 17. Section 13b-39b of the general statutes is repealed and the
829 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

830 The executive director of the Connecticut Airport Authority shall
831 prepare and distribute to each municipality in which aircraft are based
832 or primarily used, forms and decals for the registration of aircraft and
833 the renewal of such registrations. [The registration forms shall contain
834 such information as the authority may prescribe, including, but not
835 limited to, information concerning (1) the form and identity of
836 ownership, including information as to whether such ownership is by
837 an individual, partnership, corporation or other entity, (2) the type of
838 aircraft, including the year of manufacture, the manufacturer, the model
839 and the certified gross weight, (3) the Federal Aviation Certificate
840 number, and (4) the location at which such aircraft is based or primarily
841 used in this state.] Each municipality shall designate a municipal
842 registration official who may be an official or employee of the
843 municipality or of any airport facility, heliport or seaplane base located

844 within the municipality, to utilize the information obtained pursuant to
 845 section 13b-49a, as amended by this act, and perform the duties of
 846 registration of aircraft as set forth in sections 13b-39a to 13b-39g,
 847 inclusive, as amended by this act, and shall furnish to the executive
 848 director, in writing, the name, address and telephone number of each
 849 such official. The municipality shall immediately notify the executive
 850 director upon any changes relative to the municipal registration official.

851 Sec. 18. Section 13b-39d of the general statutes is repealed and the
 852 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

853 The owner shall pay a fee to the municipal registration official for
 854 each aircraft so numbered or registered in accordance with the
 855 following schedule:

T1	Gross Weight (lbs.)	Fee
T2	Less than 3,000	\$90.00
T3	3,001 - 4,500	250.00
T4	4,501 - 8,000	700.00
T5	8,001 - 12,500	1,500.00
T6	12,501 and over	2,500.00

856 Aircraft manufactured before 1946 shall pay the lesser of one hundred
 857 dollars or the fee as required on the basis of gross weight as set forth in
 858 this section. [The executive director may establish, by procedures
 859 adopted in accordance with the provisions of section 1-121, a uniform
 860 schedule for the expiration and renewal of registrations and may
 861 prorate the fees in this section accordingly.] Any person or firm that
 862 acquires ownership of an aircraft shall obtain a new registration in the
 863 name of such owner within thirty days of the date of such acquisition,
 864 provided no additional registration fee shall be payable in cases where
 865 one or more new ownership interests are being added to the registration
 866 or in cases of legal change of name of the registrant. All registrations
 867 shall be renewed within thirty days of the date of expiration as stated in
 868 the certificate. If a valid certificate or number decal is lost, mutilated or
 869 destroyed, the aircraft owner shall notify the municipal registration

870 official within fifteen days, and such owner shall be issued a duplicate
871 certificate or number decal upon payment of a fee of five dollars.

872 Sec. 19. Section 13b-39g of the general statutes is repealed and the
873 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

874 Each municipality which issues and renews registrations for aircraft
875 in accordance with this section and sections 13b-39a to [13b-39g] 13b-
876 39f, inclusive, as amended by this act, may retain for its own use and
877 purposes, as a grant in lieu of property taxes, all revenue received from
878 the receipt of aircraft registration fees. [Each] On or before February 1,
879 2024, and annually thereafter, each such [participating] municipality
880 shall furnish the executive director with [such reports] a report
881 concerning [the total amount of fees received pursuant to sections 12-71
882 and 13b-39a to 13b-39g, inclusive,] the number of registrations issued,
883 the names of registrants and the descriptions of aircraft registered
884 during the preceding calendar year.

885 Sec. 20. Section 13b-50 of the general statutes is repealed and the
886 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

887 (a) The executive director of the Connecticut Airport Authority is
888 authorized to cooperate with the government of the United States or any
889 agency or department thereof in the acquisition, construction,
890 improvement, maintenance and operation of airports, heliports, landing
891 fields and other aeronautical facilities in this state where federal
892 financial aid is received and to comply with the provisions of the laws
893 of the United States and any regulations made thereunder for the
894 expenditure of federal moneys upon such airports, heliports and
895 facilities. The executive director is authorized to accept, receive and
896 receipt for federal or other moneys for and on behalf of this state or any
897 political subdivision thereof for the acquisition, construction,
898 improvement, maintenance and operation of facilities within this state.
899 All moneys accepted for disbursement by the executive director
900 pursuant to this subsection shall be [deposited in the state treasury and]
901 disbursed in accordance with the provisions of the respective grants.

902 (b) Any municipality is authorized to accept, receive and receipt for
903 federal moneys and other moneys, either public or private, for the
904 acquisition, construction, enlargement, improvement, maintenance,
905 equipment or operation of airports and other air navigation facilities
906 and sites therefor and to comply with the provisions of the laws of the
907 United States and any rules and regulations made thereunder for the
908 expenditure of federal moneys upon such airports and facilities. No
909 municipality shall submit to the administrator of civil aeronautics of the
910 United States any project application under the provisions of Section
911 9(a) of Public Law 377, 79th Congress, or any amendment thereof, unless
912 the project and the project application have been approved by the
913 executive director.

914 (c) Any municipality is authorized to designate by ordinance the
915 executive director as its agent to accept, receive and receipt for federal
916 moneys in its behalf for airport purposes and to contract for the
917 acquisition, construction, enlargement, improvement, maintenance,
918 equipment or operation of such airports or other air navigation facilities,
919 and may enter into an agreement with the executive director prescribing
920 the terms and conditions of such agency in accordance with federal
921 laws, rules and regulations and applicable laws of this state. Such
922 moneys as are paid by the United States government shall be paid to
923 such municipality under such terms and conditions as may be imposed
924 by the United States in making such grant.

925 (d) All contracts for the acquisition, construction, enlargement,
926 improvement, maintenance, equipment or operation of airports or other
927 air navigation facilities, made by the municipality itself or through the
928 executive director, shall be made pursuant to the laws of this state
929 governing the making of like contracts; provided, where such
930 acquisition, construction, improvement, enlargement, maintenance,
931 equipment or operation is financed wholly or partly with federal
932 moneys, the municipality, or the executive director as its agent, may let
933 contracts in the manner prescribed by the federal authorities, acting
934 under the laws of the United States, and any rules or regulations made
935 thereunder, notwithstanding any other state law to the contrary.

936 (e) The executive director may render financial assistance by grant of
937 funds to any municipality or municipalities acting jointly in the
938 planning, acquisition, construction or improvement of an airport owned
939 or controlled, or to be owned or controlled, by such municipality or
940 municipalities. [, out of appropriations made by the General Assembly
941 for such purposes.] Such financial assistance may be furnished in
942 connection with federal or other financial aid for the same purposes for
943 not more than seventy-five per cent of the cost exclusive of federal aid.
944 The executive director may establish procedures to be followed in
945 granting funds under this subsection and may prescribe forms to be
946 used in connection therewith.

947 (f) The executive director may, whenever the executive director
948 considers such assistance desirable or feasible, make available
949 engineering and other technical services of the executive director, with
950 or without charge, to any municipality or owner of a commercial airport
951 requesting such services in connection with the planning, acquisition,
952 construction, improvement, maintenance or operation of airports or
953 aeronautical facilities.

954 (g) Any town, city or borough may lease any airport or contract for
955 any airport facilities or privileges from any person, firm or corporation,
956 municipal or private, operating a municipal or private airport in any
957 location which has been approved by the executive director.

958 Sec. 21. Section 13b-47 of the general statutes is repealed and the
959 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

960 (a) In determining whether to issue a certificate of approval or license
961 for the use or operation of any proposed [commercial] public use air
962 navigation facility, the executive director of the Connecticut Airport
963 Authority shall take into consideration (1) its proposed location, size
964 and layout, (2) its relationship to any comprehensive plan for state-wide
965 and nation-wide development, (3) the availability of areas suitable for
966 safe future expansion, (4) the freedom of adjoining areas from
967 obstructions based on a proper glide ratio, (5) the nature of the terrain

968 and of the uses to which the proposed [airport] facility will be put, and
969 (6) the possibilities for future development. Prior to the issuance of a
970 certificate of approval, license or license renewal, each proposed or
971 existing public use air navigation facility shall provide documentation
972 to the authority, in such form as the executive director may prescribe,
973 that the factors described in subdivisions (1) to (6), inclusive, of this
974 subsection demonstrate that such facility will provide or currently
975 provides for safe aircraft operations.

976 (b) In determining whether to issue a certificate of approval or license
977 for the use or operation of any proposed private use air navigation
978 facility, the executive director shall take into consideration: (1) Its
979 proposed location, size and layout; (2) the freedom of adjacent areas
980 from obstructions based on a proper glide ratio; (3) the nature of the
981 terrain and the uses to which the proposed air navigation facility will be
982 put; (4) the type of equipment to be utilized and the flight experience of
983 the operator; (5) the amount of noise to be produced at such facility; and
984 (6) such other factors as the executive director deems appropriate. Prior
985 to the issuance of a certificate of approval, license or license renewal,
986 each proposed or existing private use air navigation facility shall
987 provide documentation to the authority, in such form as the executive
988 director may prescribe, that the factors described in subdivisions (1) to
989 (6), inclusive, of this subsection demonstrate that such facility will
990 provide or currently provides for safe aircraft operations.

991 Sec. 22. Section 13b-49a of the general statutes is repealed and the
992 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

993 (a) Not later than July thirty-first annually, the owner or operator of
994 any airport, heliport, restricted landing area, seaplane base or other air
995 navigation facility licensed under the provisions of section 13b-46 shall
996 submit to the executive director and the municipality in which the
997 aircraft is based, the following information with respect to an aircraft
998 which is based or primarily used at such facility as of July first of such
999 year: (1) The [name] identity and address of the owner [thereof] and
1000 form of ownership, including information as to whether the owner is an

1001 individual, partnership, corporation or other entity; (2) the type of
1002 aircraft, including the year of manufacture, the manufacturer, the model
1003 and the certified gross weight; and (3) the Federal Aviation Aircraft
1004 Registration number. [The executive director shall forward such
1005 information to the municipality in which an aircraft is based.]

1006 (b) The executive director, after notice and opportunity for hearing,
1007 may suspend or revoke the license of any such facility in the event the
1008 owner or operator thereof knowingly or intentionally fails to comply
1009 with the provisions of subsection (a) of this section.

1010 Sec. 23. Section 13b-50a of the general statutes is repealed and the
1011 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

1012 The following initiatives shall be established to preserve
1013 Connecticut's licensed privately owned, publicly used airports which
1014 have a paved runway and a minimum of five thousand operations per
1015 year: (1) The state shall have the right of first refusal to purchase, via fair
1016 market value and state property acquisition procedures, an airport, if
1017 that airport is threatened with sale or closure, for the express purpose of
1018 preserving the airport; (2) the executive director may acquire the
1019 development rights, based on fair market value for such rights, of such
1020 airports, provided the airport remains a public airport; (3) the state
1021 [shall] may fund capital improvements to private airports, in which case
1022 the state [shall participate in] may fund not more than ninety per cent of
1023 the eligible costs and the balance by the sponsor, with budget and
1024 priorities to be determined by the executive director, and engineering in
1025 accordance with Federal Aviation Administration Advisory Circulars;
1026 and (4) the establishment of a new airport zoning category for the
1027 airport's imaginary surfaces as defined by Federal Aviation Regulations
1028 and a program to mitigate noise in airport neighborhoods in which the
1029 noise exceeds applicable Federal Aviation Administration standards.
1030 Such program may be combined with existing energy conservation
1031 programs. Funding for such program shall be from available federal
1032 resources.

1033 Sec. 24. Section 15-44 of the general statutes is repealed and the
1034 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

1035 The executive director [, and] of the Connecticut Airport Authority,
1036 aeronautics inspectors of the authority, [and] each state, county and
1037 municipal officer charged with the enforcement of state and municipal
1038 laws and each special police officer, appointed under section 29-19, shall
1039 enforce and assist in the enforcement of this chapter and of all
1040 regulations made pursuant thereto, and of all other laws of this state
1041 relating to aeronautics.

1042 Sec. 25. Subsection (a) of section 15-76 of the general statutes is
1043 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*
1044 *2023*):

1045 (a) The executive director of the Connecticut Airport Authority, any
1046 employee of the authority, any officer attached to an organized police
1047 department, any state police officer or any constable, within his or her
1048 precinct, upon discovery of any aircraft apparently abandoned, whether
1049 situated within or without any airport or landing field in this state, shall
1050 take such aircraft into custody and may cause the same to be taken to
1051 and stored in a suitable place. All charges necessarily incurred by such
1052 person in the performance of such duty shall be a lien upon such aircraft.
1053 The owner or keeper of any hangar or other place where such aircraft is
1054 stored shall have a lien upon the same for storage charges. If such
1055 aircraft has been so stored for a period of ninety days, such owner or
1056 keeper may sell the same at public auction for cash, at such owner's or
1057 keeper's place of business, and apply the avails of such sale toward the
1058 payment of such owner's or keeper's charges and the payment of any
1059 debt or obligation incurred by the person who placed the same in
1060 storage, provided such sale shall be advertised three times in a
1061 newspaper published or having a circulation in the town where such
1062 hangar or other place is located, such advertisement to commence at
1063 least five days before such sale; and, if the last place of abode of the
1064 owner of such aircraft is known to or may be ascertained by such hangar
1065 owner or keeper by the exercise of reasonable diligence, notice of the

1066 time and place of sale shall be given such owner by mailing such notice
1067 to the owner in a registered or certified letter, postage paid, at such last
1068 usual place of abode, at least five days before the time of sale. The
1069 proceeds of such sale, after deducting the amount due such hangar
1070 owner or keeper and all expenses connected with such sale, including
1071 the expenses of the officer who placed such aircraft in storage, shall be
1072 paid to the owner of such aircraft or the owner's legal representatives, if
1073 claimed by such owner or representatives, at any time within one year
1074 from the date of such sale. If such balance is not claimed within [said]
1075 such period, it shall escheat to the [state] authority.

1076 Sec. 26. Section 15-90 of the general statutes is repealed and the
1077 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2023*):

1078 [The executive director of the Connecticut Airport Authority is
1079 directed to] Each publicly owned airport owner or operator shall
1080 formulate and adopt, and [from time to time as may be] revise as
1081 necessary, [revise,] an airport approach plan. [for each publicly owned
1082 airport in the state.] Each such plan shall indicate the circumstances in
1083 which structures or trees or both are or would be airport hazards, the
1084 area within which measures for the protection of the airport's aerial
1085 approaches should be taken and what the height limits and other
1086 objectives of such measures should be. In adopting or revising any such
1087 plan, [the executive director] such owner or operator shall consider,
1088 among other things, the character of the flying operations expected to
1089 be conducted at the airport, the nature of the terrain, the height of
1090 existing structures and trees above the level of the airport, the
1091 practicability of lowering or removing existing obstructions and all
1092 other material matters. [, and the executive director] Such owner or
1093 operator may obtain and consider the views of the agency of the federal
1094 government charged with the fostering of civil aeronautics as to the
1095 aerial approaches necessary to safe flying operations at the airport.

1096 Sec. 27. Section 15-101m of the general statutes is repealed and the
1097 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

1098 [(a)] Subject to the provisions of the general statutes and resolution
1099 authorizing the issuance of bonds pursuant to subsection (a) of section
1100 15-101l, the [Commissioner of Transportation is authorized to] executive
1101 director of the Connecticut Airport Authority shall fix, revise, charge
1102 and collect rates, rents, fees and charges for the use of and for the
1103 services furnished or to be furnished by the facilities of Bradley
1104 International Airport and to contract with any person, partnership,
1105 association or corporation, or other body, public or private, in respect
1106 thereof. [except that, the commissioner shall not impose any fee, charge
1107 or commission on the gross revenues of off-airport parking operators
1108 for the right to access said airport that exceeds five per cent of such gross
1109 revenues for calendar quarters commencing on or after July 1, 1997, and
1110 prior to July 1, 1998, and four per cent of such gross revenues for
1111 calendar quarters commencing on or after July 1, 1998.] Such rates, rents,
1112 fees and charges shall be fixed and adjusted in respect of the aggregate
1113 of rates, rents, fees and charges from the operation of Bradley
1114 International Airport so as to provide funds sufficient with other
1115 revenues or moneys available therefor, if any, (1) to pay the cost of
1116 maintaining, repairing and operating the facilities of Bradley
1117 International Airport and each and every portion thereof, to the extent
1118 that the payment of such cost has not otherwise been adequately
1119 provided for, (2) to pay the principal of and the interest on any
1120 outstanding revenue obligations of the state or the authority issued in
1121 respect of the project as the same shall become due and payable, and (3)
1122 to create and maintain reserves and sinking funds required or provided
1123 for in any resolution authorizing, or trust agreement securing, such
1124 bonds. A sufficient amount of the revenues as may be necessary to pay
1125 the cost of maintenance, repair and operation and to provide reserves
1126 and for renewals, replacements, extensions, enlargements and
1127 improvements as may be provided for in the resolution authorizing the
1128 issuance of any bonds or in the trust agreement securing the same, shall
1129 be set aside at such regular intervals as may be provided in such
1130 resolution or trust agreement in a reserve, sinking or other similar fund
1131 which is hereby pledged to, and charged with, the payment of the
1132 principal of and the interest on such bonds as the same shall become

1133 due, and the redemption price or the purchase price of bonds retired by
1134 call or purchase as therein provided. The use and disposition of moneys
1135 to the credit of such reserve, sinking or other similar fund shall be
1136 subject to the provisions of the resolution authorizing the issuance of
1137 such bonds or of such trust agreement.

1138 [(b) The Department of Transportation shall designate the beginning
1139 and ending dates of the fiscal year for the operation of Bradley
1140 International Airport. Each year, within ninety days prior to the
1141 beginning of the next ensuing fiscal year, the Department of
1142 Transportation shall prepare and submit to the Secretary of the Office of
1143 Policy and Management an annual operating budget for Bradley
1144 International Airport for such fiscal year, providing for (1) payment of
1145 the costs of maintaining, repairing and operating the facilities of Bradley
1146 International Airport and each and every portion thereof during such
1147 fiscal year, to the extent that the payment of such costs has not otherwise
1148 been adequately provided for, (2) the payment of the principal of and
1149 interest on any outstanding revenue obligations of the state issued in
1150 respect of the project and becoming due and payable in such fiscal year
1151 and (3) the creation and maintenance of reserves and sinking funds
1152 required or provided for in any resolution authorizing, or trust
1153 agreement securing, such bonds. Such annual operating budget shall
1154 include an estimate of revenues from the rates, rents, fees and charges
1155 fixed by the Department of Transportation pursuant to subsection (a),
1156 and from any and all other sources, to meet the estimated expenditures
1157 of Bradley International Airport for such fiscal year. Within thirty days
1158 prior to the first day of such fiscal year the Secretary of the Office of
1159 Policy and Management shall approve said annual operating budget,
1160 with such changes, amendments, additions and deletions as shall be
1161 agreed upon prior to that date by the Department of Transportation and
1162 the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management. The annual
1163 operating budget of Bradley International Airport as so approved shall
1164 take effect as of the date of its approval. On or before the twentieth day
1165 of each month, including the month next preceding the first month of
1166 the fiscal year to which the annual operating budget applies, the

1167 Treasurer or the trustee under any trust indenture securing the bonds
1168 issued under subsection (a) of section 15-101l shall pay to the
1169 Department of Transportation out of the funds available for such
1170 purpose such amount as may be necessary to make the amount then
1171 held by said department for the payment of operating expenses of
1172 Bradley International Airport equal to such amount as shall be
1173 necessary for the payment of such operating expenses during the next
1174 ensuing two months, as shown by the annual operating budget for such
1175 fiscal year. Except as otherwise provided in sections 15-101k to 15-101p,
1176 inclusive, either expressly or by implication, all provisions of the general
1177 statutes governing state employees and state property, and all other
1178 provisions of the general statutes applicable to Bradley International
1179 Airport, shall continue in effect. All pension, retirement or other similar
1180 benefits vested or acquired at any time before or after July 1, 1981, with
1181 respect to any state employees shall continue unaffected and as if the
1182 salaries and wages of such employees continued to be paid out of the
1183 general funds of the state.

1184 (c) On the day the Department of Transportation submits an annual
1185 operating budget for Bradley International Airport to the Secretary of
1186 the Office of Policy and Management pursuant to subsection (b) of this
1187 section, the department shall submit a copy of such budget to the joint
1188 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
1189 matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies,
1190 through the legislative Office of Fiscal Analysis. Upon the approval of
1191 the annual operating budget, the department shall submit a copy of the
1192 budget as so approved to said joint standing committee, through the
1193 Office of Fiscal Analysis.]

1194 Sec. 28. Subsection (b) of section 15-120ii of the general statutes is
1195 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*
1196 *2023*):

1197 (b) The authority shall designate the beginning and ending dates of
1198 the fiscal year for the operation of Bradley, the general aviation airports
1199 and any other airports. [Each year, within thirty days prior to the

1200 beginning of the next ensuing fiscal year, the] The authority shall
1201 approve an annual operating budget for Bradley, the general aviation
1202 airports and any other airports for each such fiscal year, providing for
1203 (1) payment of the costs of maintaining, repairing and operating the
1204 facilities of Bradley, the general aviation airports and any other airports
1205 and each and every portion thereof during such fiscal year, to the extent
1206 that the payment of such costs has not otherwise been adequately
1207 provided for, (2) the payment of the principal of and interest on any
1208 outstanding revenue obligations of the authority, including obligations
1209 of the state that may be assumed by the authority, becoming due and
1210 payable in such fiscal year, and (3) the creation and maintenance of
1211 reserves and sinking funds, and compliance with rate covenants,
1212 required, permitted or provided for in any resolution authorizing, or
1213 trust agreement securing, such obligations. Such annual operating
1214 budget shall include an estimate of revenues from the rates, rents, fees
1215 and charges fixed by the authority pursuant to subsection (a) of this
1216 section, and from any and all other sources, to meet the estimated
1217 expenditures of Bradley, the general aviation airports and any other
1218 airports for such fiscal year. The annual operating budget of Bradley,
1219 the general aviation airports and any other airports as so approved shall
1220 take effect as of the date of its approval. On or before the twentieth day
1221 of each month, including the month next preceding the first month of
1222 the fiscal year to which the annual operating budget applies, the
1223 authority or the trustee under any trust indenture securing the bonds
1224 issued under section 15-120ff, at the direction of the authority, shall
1225 transfer to operating advance accounts established by the authority
1226 from the funds available for such purpose such amount as may be
1227 necessary to make the amount then held within such accounts for the
1228 payment of operating expenses of Bradley, the general aviation airports
1229 and any other airports equal to such amount as shall be necessary for
1230 the payment of such operating expenses during the next ensuing two
1231 months, as shown by the annual operating budget for such fiscal year.
1232 Except as otherwise provided in sections 15-120aa to 15-120oo,
1233 inclusive, either expressly or by implication, all provisions of the general
1234 statutes governing state employees and state property, and all other

1235 provisions of the general statutes applicable to Bradley, the general
1236 aviation airports and any other airports, shall continue in effect. All
1237 pension, retirement or other similar benefits vested or acquired at any
1238 time before or after July 1, 1981, with respect to any state employees
1239 shall continue unaffected and as if the salaries and wages of such
1240 employees continued to be paid out of the general funds of the state.

1241 Sec. 29. Subsection (d) of section 13b-97 of the general statutes is
1242 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*
1243 *2023*):

1244 (d) Any person, association, limited liability company or corporation
1245 which has obtained a certificate under subsection (a) of this section, after
1246 providing proof that service has been active [, adequate within the
1247 territory specified in such certificate] and in compliance with all relevant
1248 statutes and regulations, [for a period of not less than two years since
1249 such certificate was obtained,] may solicit, receive and discharge taxicab
1250 passengers at Bradley International Airport, subject to formal
1251 agreement with the [Commissioner of Transportation provided such
1252 agreement shall not take precedence over its obligation to provide
1253 taxicab service within the territory specified in such certificate]
1254 executive director of the Connecticut Airport Authority. Any such
1255 person, association, limited liability company or corporation may
1256 discharge taxicab passengers received at such airport within a territory
1257 other than the territory specified in its certificate. The [commissioner]
1258 executive director may charge and collect a reasonable fee from any
1259 such person, association, limited liability company or corporation for
1260 the privilege of solicitation of such passengers.

1261 Sec. 30. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2023*) (a) No person shall operate,
1262 nor any owner permit operation of, an aircraft based or hangered in this
1263 state unless there is a liability insurance policy on such aircraft that
1264 covers the owner and pilot for claims by passengers or other persons for
1265 any injuries to such passengers or other persons or their property that
1266 might arise out of the operation of such aircraft.

1267 (b) The liability insurance shall provide coverage of at least (1) five
1268 hundred thousand dollars for damages by reason of bodily injury or
1269 death or for property damages per accident, and (2) one hundred
1270 thousand dollars for damages by reason of bodily injury or death or for
1271 property damages per passenger seat.

1272 (c) Each owner or operator of an air navigation facility in the state
1273 shall maintain a list of aircraft based or hangered at such air navigation
1274 facility. Such list shall include for each such aircraft: (1) The registration
1275 number, type and model of the aircraft, (2) the name and address of the
1276 owner or operator of the aircraft, (3) the period of time the aircraft has
1277 been based or hangered at the air navigation facility, (4) the liability
1278 insurance policy or binder number, (5) the name of the insurance
1279 company as shown on the liability insurance policy, and (6) the name of
1280 the liability insurance agent or broker.

1281 (d) The owner or operator of an aircraft based or hangered in the state
1282 shall provide proof of aircraft liability insurance satisfying the coverage
1283 required pursuant to this section upon request of the executive director
1284 of the Connecticut Airport Authority, any official of the authority or a
1285 law enforcement officer.

1286 (e) The provisions of this section shall not apply to aircraft regulated
1287 under 14 CFR 205, as amended from time to time.

1288 Sec. 31. Section 15-120bb of the general statutes is repealed and the
1289 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

1290 (a) There is hereby established and created a body politic and
1291 corporate, constituting a public instrumentality and political
1292 subdivision of the state of Connecticut established and created for the
1293 performance of an essential public and governmental function, to be
1294 known as the Connecticut Airport Authority. The authority shall not be
1295 construed to be a department, institution or agency of the state.

1296 (b) The powers of the authority shall be vested in and exercised by a
1297 board of directors, which shall consist of eleven members, appointed as

1298 follows: (1) (A) The Treasurer or the Treasurer's designee, (B) the
1299 Commissioner of Transportation or the commissioner's designee, and
1300 (C) the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development or
1301 the commissioner's designee, each serving ex officio; (2) one appointed
1302 by the speaker of the House of Representatives for a term of four years;
1303 (3) one appointed by the minority leader of the House of
1304 Representatives for a term of four years; (4) one appointed by the
1305 president pro tempore of the Senate for a term of four years; and (5) one
1306 appointed by the minority leader of the Senate for a term of four years.
1307 Thereafter, such members of the General Assembly shall appoint
1308 members of the board to succeed such appointees whose terms expire
1309 and each member so appointed shall hold office for a period of four
1310 years from the first day of July in the year of his or her appointment. The
1311 Governor shall appoint four members to the board as follows: (A) Two
1312 members for two years; and (B) two members for four years. Thereafter,
1313 the Governor shall appoint members of the board to succeed such
1314 appointees whose terms expire and each member so appointed shall
1315 hold office for a period of four years from July first in the year of his or
1316 her appointment. Appointed directors shall have business and
1317 management experience and shall include individuals who have
1318 experience and expertise in one or more of the following areas: (i)
1319 Financial planning, (ii) budgeting and assessment, (iii) marketing, (iv)
1320 master planning, (v) aviation, and (vi) transportation management.

1321 (c) Appointed directors may not designate a representative to
1322 perform in their absence their respective duties under this section. Any
1323 appointed director who fails to attend three consecutive meetings of the
1324 board or who fails to attend fifty per cent of all meetings of the board
1325 held during any calendar year shall be deemed to have resigned from
1326 the board. Any vacancy occurring other than by expiration of term shall
1327 be filled in the same manner as the original appointment for the balance
1328 of the unexpired term.

1329 (d) The board of directors of the authority shall appoint an executive
1330 director who shall not be a member of the board and who shall serve at
1331 the pleasure of the board and receive such compensation as shall be

1332 fixed by the board. The executive director shall be the chief
1333 administrative officer of the authority and shall direct and supervise
1334 administrative affairs and technical activities in accordance with the
1335 directives of the board. The executive director shall approve all accounts
1336 for salaries, allowable expenses of the authority or of any employee or
1337 consultant thereof, and expenses incidental to the operation of the
1338 authority. The executive director shall perform such other duties as may
1339 be directed by the board in carrying out the purposes of subdivision (12)
1340 of section 1-79, sections 1-120, 1-124 and 1-125, subsection (f) of section
1341 4b-3, sections 13b-4 and 13b-42, subsection (a) of section 13b-44 and
1342 sections 15-101aa and 15-120aa to 15-120oo, inclusive. The executive
1343 director shall be exempt from the classified service. The executive
1344 director shall attend all meetings of the board, keep a record of the
1345 proceedings of the authority and shall maintain and be custodian of all
1346 books, documents and papers filed with the authority and of the minute
1347 book or journal of the authority and of its official seal. The executive
1348 director may cause copies to be made of all minutes and other records
1349 and documents of the authority and may give certificates under the
1350 official seal of the authority to the effect that such copies are true copies,
1351 and all persons dealing with the authority may rely upon such
1352 certificates.

1353 (e) Each director shall be entitled to reimbursement for such director's
1354 actual and necessary expenses incurred during the performance of such
1355 director's official duties.

1356 (f) Directors may engage in private employment, or in a profession or
1357 business, subject to any applicable laws, rules and regulations of the
1358 state or federal government regarding official ethics or conflict of
1359 interest.

1360 (g) Six directors of the authority shall constitute a quorum for the
1361 transaction of any business or the exercise of any power of the authority.
1362 For the transaction of any business or the exercise of any power of the
1363 authority, and except as otherwise provided in this section, the
1364 authority may act by a majority of the directors present at any meeting

1365 at which a quorum is in attendance.

1366 (h) The board may delegate to six or more directors such board
1367 powers and duties as it may deem necessary and proper in conformity
1368 with the provisions of this section and its bylaws.

1369 (i) The appointing authority for any director may remove such
1370 director for inefficiency, neglect of duty or misconduct in office after
1371 giving the director a copy of the charges against the director and an
1372 opportunity to be heard, in person or by counsel, in the director's
1373 defense, upon not less than ten days' notice. If any director shall be so
1374 removed, the appointing authority for such director shall file in the
1375 office of the Secretary of the State a complete statement of charges made
1376 against such director and the appointing authority's findings on such
1377 statement of charges, together with a complete record of the
1378 proceedings.

1379 (j) The authority shall continue as long as it has bonds or other
1380 obligations outstanding and until its existence is terminated by law.
1381 Upon the termination of the existence of the authority, all its rights and
1382 properties shall pass to and be vested in the state of Connecticut.

1383 (k) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, it shall not
1384 constitute a conflict of interest for a trustee, director, partner or officer
1385 of any person, firm or corporation, or any individual having a financial
1386 interest in a person, firm or corporation, to serve as a director of the
1387 authority, provided such trustee, director, partner, officer or individual
1388 shall abstain from deliberation, action or vote by the authority in specific
1389 respect to such person, firm or corporation.

1390 (l) The Governor shall appoint the chairperson of the board, who shall
1391 serve for a term of four years. The board shall elect from its members a
1392 vice chairperson and such other officers as it deems necessary.
1393 Vacancies among any officers shall be filled within thirty days following
1394 the occurrence of such vacancy in the same manner as the original
1395 selection. Said board shall establish bylaws to govern its procedures and
1396 shall appoint such committees and advisory boards as may be

1397 convenient or necessary in the transaction of its business.

1398 (m) The initial members of the board may begin service immediately
1399 upon appointment, but shall not serve past the sixth Wednesday of the
1400 next regular session of the General Assembly unless qualified in the
1401 manner provided in section 4-7. Thereafter, all appointments shall be
1402 made with the advice and consent of both houses of the General
1403 Assembly, in the manner provided in section 4-19.

1404 [(n) The executive director of the Connecticut Airport Authority shall
1405 establish an advisory committee to consult with on matters relating to
1406 Bradley International Airport and business related to said airport. The
1407 committee may consist of not more than six members, one of whom
1408 shall be appointed by the cochairpersons of the joint standing committee
1409 of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
1410 transportation, and one of whom shall be appointed by the ranking
1411 members of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly
1412 having cognizance of matters relating to transportation. The advisory
1413 committee shall consist of residents of and representatives of businesses
1414 located in the Bradley Airport development zone, as well as one or more
1415 representatives from western Massachusetts. Members of such advisory
1416 committee may attend public meetings of the Connecticut Airport
1417 Authority and monthly managers' meetings of the Connecticut Airport
1418 Authority.]

1419 Sec. 32. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2023*) (a) Not later than October 1,
1420 2030, and biennially thereafter, the Commissioner of Transportation, in
1421 consultation with the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental
1422 Protection, shall establish a transportation carbon dioxide reduction
1423 target for the state that sets the maximum amount of carbon dioxide
1424 emissions permitted from the transportation sector. The commissioners
1425 shall consider the long-term emission reductions required by section
1426 22a-200a of the general statutes when establishing the transportation
1427 carbon dioxide reduction target.

1428 (b) The Commissioner of Transportation shall develop and

1429 implement a strategic plan to ensure transportation projects that are
1430 included in the state transportation improvement plan, developed
1431 pursuant to 49 USC 5304(g), as amended from time to time, do not
1432 exceed the maximum amount of carbon dioxide emissions established
1433 in the transportation carbon dioxide reduction target for the state
1434 pursuant to subsection (a) of this section. The strategic plan shall
1435 include, but need not be limited to, (1) a definition of "transportation
1436 project" that excludes transportation projects designated as exempt
1437 pursuant to 40 CFR 93.126 to 40 CFR 93.128, inclusive, as amended from
1438 time to time, (2) the methodology for calculating the carbon dioxide
1439 emissions expected from future transportation projects, and (3) a
1440 description of carbon dioxide mitigation transportation projects,
1441 including, but not limited to, improving public transportation,
1442 constructing bikeways, pedestrian walkways or other multiuse trails or
1443 paths and installing electric vehicle charging infrastructure. Not later
1444 than July 1, 2028, the commissioner shall submit, in accordance with the
1445 provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, the strategic plan to
1446 the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having
1447 cognizance of matters relating to transportation and the environment.

1448 (c) The Commissioner of Transportation, in consultation with the
1449 Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection, shall
1450 implement a public outreach plan to ensure sufficient public and
1451 stakeholder engagement in the development of the transportation
1452 carbon dioxide reduction target and the strategic plan required under
1453 subsection (b) of this section.

1454 (d) On or before January 1, 2025, and annually thereafter until
1455 January 1, 2030, the Commissioner of Transportation shall submit, in
1456 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,
1457 a report to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly
1458 having cognizance of matters relating to transportation and the
1459 environment. Such report shall include, but need not be limited to, the
1460 status of the development of the transportation carbon dioxide
1461 reduction target for the state, the strategic plan and a description and
1462 the results of any public outreach conducted pursuant to subsection (c)

1463 of this section.

1464 (e) On or before October 1, 2030, and biennially thereafter, the
1465 Commissioner of Transportation shall submit, in accordance with the
1466 provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing
1467 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
1468 relating to transportation and the environment, a copy of the
1469 transportation carbon dioxide reduction target for the state and any
1470 recommendations for legislation to implement such target.

1471 Sec. 33. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Department of
1472 Transportation shall develop, and thereafter revise as necessary,
1473 guidelines governing tree and vegetation management, removal and
1474 replacement along state highways for use by its employees and
1475 contractors when undertaking maintenance and construction projects.
1476 The goal of the guidelines shall be to ensure the impacts of maintenance
1477 and construction projects on the environment, landscape and noise
1478 pollution are balanced or outweighed by measures taken to avoid and
1479 minimize the impacts.

1480 (b) Such guidelines shall include, but need not be limited to,
1481 provisions addressing (1) the safety of the traveling public; (2) general
1482 roadside vegetation management activities performed by the
1483 department, including, but not limited to, mowing, herbicide
1484 application, grassing, replanting with native species whenever
1485 practicable, limb management, tree removal and debris removal; (3)
1486 beautification, enhancements and the effect on scenic roads designated
1487 pursuant to section 13b-31c of the general statutes; (4) visibility
1488 enhancement; and (5) the environmental impact of such work, including
1489 (A) preventing invasive tree, brush or plant species' growth and impact,
1490 (B) storm water run-off, (C) erosion, (D) replanting of vegetation species
1491 to expand and improve pollinator habitats, as described in section 22-
1492 90b of the general statutes, and (E) reduced mowing. Such guidelines
1493 shall apply to construction projects financed, in whole or in part, with
1494 federal funds to the extent such guidelines do not conflict with federal
1495 laws and regulations.

1496 (c) Such guidelines shall not apply to the removal of any trees or
1497 vegetation necessary to maintain public safety or that is performed
1498 because of a weather-related civil preparedness emergency declared
1499 pursuant to section 28-9 of the general statutes.

1500 (d) On or before January 1, 2024, the Commissioner of Transportation
1501 shall submit such guidelines to the joint standing committees of the
1502 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
1503 transportation and the environment, in accordance with the provisions
1504 of section 11-4a of the general statutes. The committees shall hold a joint
1505 public hearing on such guidelines and the commissioner shall present
1506 such guidelines at the public hearing.

1507 Sec. 34. (*Effective from passage*) For the purposes of this section, "Type
1508 II project" has the same meaning as provided in 23 CFR 772.5, as
1509 amended from time to time. The Department of Transportation shall (1)
1510 conduct a state-wide evaluation of the feasibility and reasonableness of
1511 constructing noise barriers for Type II projects, (2) establish a priority
1512 rating system to rank such projects, and (3) use such system to establish
1513 a priority list of such projects. On or before February 1, 2024, the
1514 department shall submit the results of the evaluation and a description
1515 of the priority ranking system and the priority list to the joint standing
1516 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
1517 relating to transportation, in accordance with the provisions of section
1518 11-4a of the general statutes.

1519 Sec. 35. Section 19 of public act 22-44 is repealed and the following is
1520 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*)

1521 Not later than [January] October 1, 2023, the Commissioner of Motor
1522 Vehicles shall submit, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-
1523 4a of the general statutes, a plan to implement a state-wide decibel level
1524 testing program for motor vehicles and motorcycles at official emissions
1525 inspection stations, as defined in section 14-164b of the general statutes,
1526 and any recommendations for legislation and funding necessary for
1527 such implementation, to the joint standing committees of the General

1528 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to transportation,
1529 appropriations and the budgets of state agencies and finance, revenue
1530 and bonding.

1531 Sec. 36. Subsection (c) of section 14-80a of the general statutes is
1532 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*
1533 *2023*):

1534 (c) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall, with the advice of the
1535 Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection, adopt
1536 regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54,
1537 establishing (1) the maximum decibel levels permissible for motor
1538 vehicles, which shall not exceed the maximum decibel levels established
1539 for motor vehicles by federal law or regulation, and (2) the procedure
1540 for testing maximum decibel levels. The commissioner shall amend such
1541 regulations to reflect industry standards and advancements in
1542 technology and shall submit the amended regulations to the standing
1543 legislative regulation review committee under section 4-170 not later
1544 than ~~January~~ October 1, 2024.

1545 Sec. 37. (*Effective October 1, 2023*) On and after October 1, 2023, and
1546 until October 1, 2024, the Department of Motor Vehicles shall establish
1547 a pilot program to test different methodologies for inspecting the
1548 maximum decibel level produced by a motor vehicle at five official
1549 emission inspection stations, as defined in section 14-164b of the general
1550 statutes, selected by the department for inclusion in such program. Such
1551 decibel level inspection shall be conducted at the time a motor vehicle is
1552 presented for inspection pursuant to subsection (c) of section 14-164c of
1553 the general statutes at a selected official emissions inspection station.
1554 The maximum decibel level for a motor vehicle shall not exceed the
1555 maximum decibel level permitted pursuant to section 14-80a of the
1556 general statutes, as amended by this act, and any regulation adopted
1557 thereunder. The different methodologies used to conduct such decibel
1558 level inspections shall reflect industry standards and advancements in
1559 technology. Not later than January 1, 2025, the department shall submit,
1560 in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,

1561 a report to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly
1562 having cognizance of matters relating to transportation, appropriations
1563 and the budgets of state agencies, and finance, revenue and bonding,
1564 concerning the implementation of the pilot program, the results of the
1565 different methodologies used to conduct such decibel level inspections
1566 and recommendations for a state-wide decibel level testing program.

1567 Sec. 38. Section 22a-201e of the general statutes is repealed and the
1568 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1569 On and after January 1, [2023] 2024, the Commissioner of Energy and
1570 Environmental Protection, in consultation with the Commissioners of
1571 Motor Vehicles, Transportation and Education, may establish, within
1572 available funding, a voucher program to support the (1) deployment of
1573 any vehicle [classified within Class 5 to Class 13, inclusive, by the
1574 Federal Highway Administration's vehicle category classification
1575 system, as amended from time to time, and any school bus classified
1576 within Class 3 to Class 8, inclusive, by said classification system,] that is
1577 equipped with zero-emission technology, including, but not limited to,
1578 battery electric and fuel cell systems, and classified as a Class 2b vehicle
1579 or Class 3 through Class 8 vehicles, as such terms are defined in 49 CFR
1580 523.2, as amended from time to time, or a medium duty passenger
1581 vehicle, as defined in 49 CFR 523.2, as amended from time to time, when
1582 sold for use by a commercial or institutional fleet, and (2) installation of
1583 electric vehicle charging infrastructure. Applications for the voucher
1584 program shall be filed with the Commissioner of Energy and
1585 Environmental Protection at such time and in such manner as the
1586 commissioner prescribes. In awarding any such voucher, the
1587 Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall consider
1588 the amount of funding available and set aside forty per cent of such
1589 funding to be used toward maximizing air pollution reductions in
1590 environmental justice communities, [. Vouchers] as defined in
1591 subsection (a) of section 22a-20a. Such vouchers shall not be awarded
1592 for vehicle classes where there is no commercially available zero-
1593 emission technology or for vehicles that are eligible for a rebate or
1594 voucher under the Connecticut Hydrogen and Electric Automobile

1595 Purchase Rebate program established pursuant to section 22a-202.

1596 Sec. 39. Subsections (c) to (h), inclusive, of section 14-224 of the
1597 general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
1598 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2023*):

1599 (c) (1) No person shall operate a motor vehicle upon any public
1600 highway or parking area for any race, contest, [or] demonstration of
1601 speed or skill, street takeover or motor vehicle stunt. As used in this
1602 section, "street takeover" means taking over a portion of a public
1603 highway or parking area by blocking or impeding the regular flow of
1604 traffic for the purpose of causing disorder or creating a nuisance to other
1605 users of such highway or parking area.

1606 (2) No person shall (A) possess a motor vehicle under circumstances
1607 manifesting an intent that it be used in a race, contest, [or]
1608 demonstration, [of speed or skill] street takeover or motor vehicle stunt
1609 prohibited under subdivision (1) of this subsection, (B) act as a starter,
1610 timekeeper [, judge or spectator at a] or judge at any such race, contest,
1611 [or] demonstration, [of speed or skill prohibited under subdivision (1)
1612 of this subsection, or] street takeover or motor vehicle stunt, (C) wager
1613 on the outcome of [a] any such race, contest, [or] demonstration, [of
1614 speed or skill prohibited under subdivision (1) of this subsection] street
1615 takeover or motor vehicle stunt, or (D) knowingly encourage, promote,
1616 instigate, assist, facilitate or aid or abet any person in the performance
1617 of any such race, contest, demonstration, street takeover or motor
1618 vehicle stunt.

1619 (d) Each person operating a motor vehicle who is knowingly
1620 involved in an accident on a limited access highway which causes
1621 damage to property only shall immediately move or cause [his] such
1622 person's motor vehicle to be moved from the traveled portion of the
1623 highway to an untraveled area which is adjacent to the accident site if it
1624 is possible to move the motor vehicle without risk of further damage to
1625 property or injury to any person.

1626 (e) No person who acts in accordance with the provisions of

1627 subsection (d) of this section may be considered to have violated
1628 subdivision (3) of subsection (b) of this section.

1629 (f) Any person who violates the provisions of subsection (a) or
1630 subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of this section shall be fined not more
1631 than twenty thousand dollars or be imprisoned not less than two years
1632 or more than twenty years or be both fined and imprisoned.

1633 (g) (1) Any person who violates the provisions of subdivision (2) of
1634 subsection (b) of this section shall be fined not less than seventy-five
1635 dollars or more than six hundred dollars or be imprisoned not more
1636 than five years or be both fined and imprisoned, and for any subsequent
1637 offense shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars or more than
1638 one thousand dollars or be imprisoned not more than five years or be
1639 both fined and imprisoned.

1640 (2) Any person who violates the provisions of subdivision (3) of
1641 subsection (b) of this section shall be fined not less than seventy-five
1642 dollars or more than six hundred dollars or be imprisoned not more
1643 than one year or be both fined and imprisoned, and for any subsequent
1644 offense shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars or more than
1645 one thousand dollars or be imprisoned not more than one year or be
1646 both fined and imprisoned.

1647 ~~[(2)]~~ (3) Any person who violates the provisions of subdivision (1) of
1648 subsection (c) of this section shall be fined not less than one hundred
1649 fifty dollars or more than six hundred dollars or be imprisoned not more
1650 than one year or be both fined and imprisoned, and for any subsequent
1651 offense shall be fined not less than three hundred dollars or more than
1652 one thousand dollars or be imprisoned not more than one year or be
1653 both fined and imprisoned.

1654 [(3) Any person who violates the provisions of subdivision (3) of
1655 subsection (b) or subdivision (2) of subsection (c) of this section shall be
1656 fined not less than seventy-five dollars or more than six hundred dollars
1657 or be imprisoned not more than one year or be both fined and
1658 imprisoned, and for any subsequent offense shall be fined not less than

1659 one hundred dollars or more than one thousand dollars or be
1660 imprisoned not more than one year or be both fined and imprisoned.]

1661 (4) Any person who violates the provisions of subdivision (2) of
1662 subsection (c) of this section shall be fined not more than one thousand
1663 dollars or be imprisoned not more than six months or be both fined and
1664 imprisoned.

1665 (h) In addition to any penalty imposed pursuant to subsection (g) of
1666 this section: (1) If any person is convicted of a violation of subdivision
1667 (1) of subsection (c) of this section and the motor vehicle being operated
1668 by such person at the time of the violation is registered to such person,
1669 the court may order such motor vehicle to be impounded for not more
1670 than thirty days and such person shall be responsible for any fees or
1671 costs resulting from such impoundment; or (2) if any person is convicted
1672 of a violation of subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of this section and the
1673 motor vehicle being operated by such person at the time of the violation
1674 is not registered to such person, the court may fine such person not more
1675 than two thousand dollars, and for any subsequent offense may fine
1676 such person not more than three thousand dollars.

1677 Sec. 40. Section 14-96q of the general statutes is repealed and the
1678 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2023*):

1679 (a) A permit is required for the use of colored or flashing lights on all
1680 motor vehicles or equipment specified in this section except: (1) Motor
1681 vehicles not registered in this state used for transporting or escorting
1682 any vehicle or load, or combinations thereof, which is either oversize or
1683 overweight, or both, when operating under a permit issued by the
1684 Commissioner of Transportation pursuant to section 14-270; or (2)
1685 motor vehicles or equipment that are (A) equipped with lights in
1686 accordance with this section, (B) owned or leased by the federal
1687 government, the state of Connecticut, or any other state, commonwealth
1688 or local municipality, and (C) registered to such governmental entity.
1689 When used in this section, the term "flashing" shall be considered to
1690 include the term "revolving".

1691 (b) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, or such other person
1692 specifically identified in this section, [is authorized to] may issue
1693 permits for the use of colored or flashing lights on vehicles in accordance
1694 with this section, at the commissioner's or such person's discretion. Any
1695 person, firm or corporation other than the state or any metropolitan
1696 district, town, city or borough shall pay an annual permit fee of twenty
1697 dollars to the commissioner for each such vehicle. Such fee shall apply
1698 only to permits issued by the commissioner.

1699 (c) A flashing blue light or lights may be used on a motor vehicle
1700 operated by an active member of a volunteer fire department or
1701 company or an active member of an organized civil preparedness
1702 auxiliary fire company who has been issued a permit by the chief
1703 executive officer of such department or company to use a flashing blue
1704 light or lights while on the way to or at the scene of a fire or other
1705 emergency requiring such member's services. Such permit shall be on a
1706 form provided by the commissioner and may be revoked by such chief
1707 executive officer or successor. The chief executive officer of each
1708 volunteer fire department or company or organized civil preparedness
1709 auxiliary fire company shall keep on file, on forms provided by the
1710 commissioner, the names and addresses of members who have been
1711 authorized to use a flashing blue light or lights as provided in this
1712 subsection. Such listing shall also designate the registration number of
1713 the motor vehicle on which authorized a flashing blue light or lights are
1714 to be used.

1715 (d) A [green light or lights, including a] flashing green or blue light
1716 or lights [,] may be used on a motor vehicle operated by an active
1717 member of a volunteer ambulance association or company who has
1718 been issued a permit by the chief executive officer of such association or
1719 company to use such a light or lights, while on the way to or at the scene
1720 of an emergency requiring such member's services. Such permit shall be
1721 on a form provided by the commissioner and may be revoked by such
1722 chief executive officer or successor. The chief executive officer of each
1723 volunteer ambulance association or company shall keep on file, on
1724 forms provided by the commissioner, the names and addresses of

1725 members who have been authorized to use a flashing green or blue light
1726 or lights as provided in this subsection. Such listing shall also designate
1727 the registration number of the motor vehicle on which the authorized
1728 flashing green or blue light or lights are to be used.

1729 (e) The commissioner may issue a permit for a flashing red light or
1730 lights which may be used on a motor vehicle or equipment (1) used by
1731 paid fire chiefs and their deputies and assistants, up to a total of five
1732 individuals per department, (2) used by volunteer fire chiefs and their
1733 deputies and assistants, up to a total of five individuals per department,
1734 (3) used by members of the fire police on a stationary vehicle as a
1735 warning signal during traffic directing operations at the scene of a fire
1736 or emergency, (4) used by chief executive officers of emergency medical
1737 service organizations, as defined in section 19a-175, the first or second
1738 deputies, or if there are no deputies, the first or second assistants, of such
1739 an organization that is a municipal or volunteer or licensed
1740 organization, (5) used by local fire marshals, [or] (6) used by directors of
1741 emergency management, or (7) used by a constable, appointed pursuant
1742 to an ordinance authorized by section 9-185 or elected pursuant to
1743 section 9-200, on a stationary vehicle as a warning signal during traffic
1744 directing operations.

1745 (f) The commissioner may issue a permit for a yellow or amber light
1746 or lights, including a flashing yellow or amber light or lights, which may
1747 be used on motor vehicles or equipment that are (1) specified in
1748 subsection (e) of this section, (2) maintenance vehicles, or (3) vehicles
1749 transporting or escorting any vehicle or load or combinations thereof,
1750 which is or are either oversize or overweight, or both, and being
1751 operated or traveling under a permit issued by the Commissioner of
1752 Transportation pursuant to section 14-270. A yellow or amber light or
1753 lights, including a flashing yellow or amber light or lights, may be used
1754 without obtaining a permit from the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles
1755 on wreckers registered pursuant to section 14-66, on vehicles of carriers
1756 in rural mail delivery service or on vehicles operated by construction
1757 inspectors employed by the state of Connecticut, authorized by the
1758 Commissioner of Transportation, used during the performance of

1759 inspections on behalf of the state. The Commissioner of Transportation
1760 shall maintain a list of such authorized construction inspectors,
1761 including the name and address of each inspector and the registration
1762 number for each vehicle on which the light or lights are to be used.

1763 (g) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles may issue a permit for a
1764 white light or lights, including a flashing white light or lights, which
1765 may be used on a motor vehicle or equipment as specified in subdivision
1766 (1), (2), (4), (5) or (6) of subsection (e) of this section. A vehicle being
1767 operated by a member of a volunteer fire department or company or a
1768 volunteer emergency medical technician may use flashing white head
1769 lamps, provided such member or emergency medical technician is on
1770 the way to the scene of a fire or medical emergency and has received
1771 written authorization from the chief law enforcement officer of the
1772 municipality to use such head lamps. Such head lamps shall only be
1773 used within the municipality granting such authorization or from a
1774 personal residence or place of employment, if located in an adjoining
1775 municipality. Such authorization may be revoked for use of such head
1776 lamps in violation of this subdivision. For the purposes of this
1777 subsection, the term "flashing white lights" shall not include the
1778 simultaneous flashing of head lamps.

1779 (h) The commissioner may issue a permit for emergency vehicles, as
1780 defined in subsection (a) of section 14-283, to use a blue, red, yellow, or
1781 white light or lights, including a flashing light or lights or any
1782 combination thereof, except as provided in subsection (k) of this section.

1783 (i) The commissioner may issue a permit for ambulances, as defined
1784 in section 19a-175, which may, in addition to the flashing light or lights
1785 allowed in subsection (h) of this section, use flashing lights of other
1786 colors specified by federal requirements for the manufacture of an
1787 ambulance. If the commissioner issues a permit for any ambulance, such
1788 permit shall be issued at the time of registration and upon each renewal
1789 of such registration.

1790 (j) A green, yellow or amber light or lights, including a flashing green,

1791 yellow or amber light or lights or any combination thereof, may be used
1792 on a maintenance vehicle owned and operated by the Department of
1793 Transportation.

1794 (k) No person, other than a police officer or inspector of the
1795 Department of Motor Vehicles operating a state or local police vehicle,
1796 shall operate a motor vehicle displaying a steady blue or steady red
1797 illuminated light or both steady blue and steady red illuminated lights
1798 that are visible externally from the front of the vehicle.

1799 (l) Use of colored and flashing lights except as authorized by this
1800 section shall be an infraction.

1801 Sec. 41. (*Effective from passage*) A portion of Connecticut Route 3 from
1802 the intersection with Connecticut Route 99 travelling in an easterly
1803 direction to Elm Street in the town of Wethersfield shall be designated
1804 as the "Edwin H. May, Jr. Memorial Highway".

1805 Sec. 42. (*Effective from passage*) Local Bridge No. 06581 carrying
1806 Church Street South No. 2 in the city of New Haven shall be designated
1807 as the "William "King" Lanson Memorial Bridge".

1808 Sec. 43. (*Effective from passage*) Bridge No. 01487 carrying Connecticut
1809 Route 177 over the Farmington River in the town of Farmington shall be
1810 designated as "The Unionville Bridge".

1811 Sec. 44. (*Effective from passage*) A portion of Connecticut Route 185
1812 from the intersection with Connecticut Route 10 travelling in an easterly
1813 direction to the Simsbury-Bloomfield town line in the town of Simsbury
1814 shall be designated as the "Simsbury Volunteer Fire Company Memorial
1815 Highway".

1816 Sec. 45. (*Effective from passage*) A portion of Connecticut Route 337
1817 from Pope Street traveling in a southerly direction to Fort Hale Park
1818 Road in the city of New Haven shall be designated as the "Zayne
1819 Thomas Memorial Highway".

1820 Sec. 46. Section 35 of public act 01-105 is repealed and the following

1821 is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1822 Bridge [Number] No. 5337 [, located] on Connecticut Route 175 [in
1823 Newington, running in a generally easterly direction, passing over]
1824 overpassing Mill Brook [,] in the town of Newington shall be designated
1825 the ["Andrew"] "Police Chief Andrew J. McCusker, Jr. Memorial Bridge".

1826 Sec. 47. (*Effective from passage*) Bridge No. 00505 carrying State Road
1827 816 (Church Hill Road) over Interstate 84 eastbound and westbound in
1828 the town of Newtown shall be designated as the "Chief William T.
1829 Halstead Memorial Bridge".

1830 Sec. 48. (*Effective from passage*) A portion of Connecticut Route 372
1831 from the intersection of Olson Avenue travelling in a westerly direction
1832 to the intersection of Hicksville Road in the town of Cromwell shall be
1833 designated as the "Mayor Allan Spotts Memorial Highway".

1834 Sec. 49. (*Effective from passage*) A portion of Connecticut Route 156
1835 from the Lieutenant River Bridge (Bridge No. 01392) travelling in an
1836 easterly direction to Black Hall River Bridge (Bridge No. 01395) in the
1837 town of Old Lyme shall be designated as the "Mervin F. Roberts
1838 Memorial Highway".

1839 Sec. 50. (*Effective from passage*) A portion of Connecticut Route 154
1840 from the intersection of Mill Rock Road East travelling in a northerly
1841 direction to the northern junction with Bokum Road in the town of Old
1842 Saybrook shall be designated as the "Velma Thomas Memorial
1843 Highway".

1844 Sec. 51. (*Effective from passage*) A portion of Connecticut Route 145
1845 from the intersection of Grove Beach Road North travelling in a
1846 northerly direction to the intersection of Lost Pond Lane in the town of
1847 Westbrook shall be designated as the "Paul J. Connelly Memorial
1848 Highway".

1849 Sec. 52. Subsection (c) of section 15-120nn of the general statutes is
1850 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*

1851 2023):

1852 (c) The authority may purchase or acquire title in fee simple to, or any
 1853 lesser estate, interest or right in, any airport, restricted landing area or
 1854 other air navigation facility owned or controlled by any municipality or
 1855 by any two or more municipalities jointly or by any other person, except
 1856 any such purchase of an airport owned by a municipality shall be subject
 1857 to the approval of the legislative body of the municipality within whose
 1858 territorial limits the airport is located.

1859 Sec. 53. Sections 13b-44a, 13b-50b, 15-101t and 15-101pp of the general
 1860 statutes are repealed. (*Effective July 1, 2023*)"

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	14-299
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	14-300(a) and (b)
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	14-311
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	14-311c
Sec. 5	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 6	<i>October 1, 2023</i>	14-218a(b)
Sec. 7	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	13b-212b
Sec. 8	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	13b-212c
Sec. 9	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 10	<i>from passage</i>	PA 21-175, Sec. 20
Sec. 11	<i>October 1, 2023</i>	13b-103
Sec. 12	<i>October 1, 2023</i>	13b-102(a)(1)
Sec. 13	<i>from passage</i>	13a-26(f)
Sec. 14	<i>October 1, 2023</i>	New section
Sec. 15	<i>October 1, 2023</i>	51-164n(b)
Sec. 16	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	13b-39a
Sec. 17	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	13b-39b
Sec. 18	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	13b-39d
Sec. 19	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	13b-39g
Sec. 20	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	13b-50
Sec. 21	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	13b-47
Sec. 22	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	13b-49a
Sec. 23	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	13b-50a
Sec. 24	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	15-44

Sec. 25	July 1, 2023	15-76(a)
Sec. 26	October 1, 2023	15-90
Sec. 27	July 1, 2023	15-101m
Sec. 28	July 1, 2023	15-120ii(b)
Sec. 29	July 1, 2023	13b-97(d)
Sec. 30	October 1, 2023	New section
Sec. 31	July 1, 2023	15-120bb
Sec. 32	July 1, 2023	New section
Sec. 33	from passage	New section
Sec. 34	from passage	New section
Sec. 35	from passage	PA 22-44, Sec. 19
Sec. 36	July 1, 2023	14-80a(c)
Sec. 37	October 1, 2023	New section
Sec. 38	from passage	22a-201e
Sec. 39	October 1, 2023	14-224(c) to (h)
Sec. 40	October 1, 2023	14-96q
Sec. 41	from passage	New section
Sec. 42	from passage	New section
Sec. 43	from passage	New section
Sec. 44	from passage	New section
Sec. 45	from passage	New section
Sec. 46	from passage	PA 01-105, Sec. 35
Sec. 47	from passage	New section
Sec. 48	from passage	New section
Sec. 49	from passage	New section
Sec. 50	from passage	New section
Sec. 51	from passage	New section
Sec. 52	July 1, 2023	15-120nn(c)
Sec. 53	July 1, 2023	Repealer section