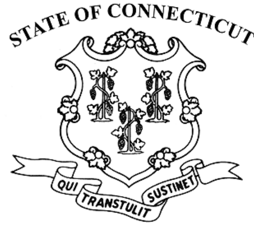

House Bill No. 7424

Public Act No. 19-117

AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATE BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDING JUNE 30, 2021, AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS THEREFOR, AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO REVENUE AND OTHER ITEMS TO IMPLEMENT THE STATE BUDGET.

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

Section 1. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The following sums are appropriated from the GENERAL FUND for the annual periods indicated for the purposes described:

	2019-2020	2020-2021
LEGISLATIVE		
LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT		
Personal Services	47,000,000	50,000,000
Other Expenses	14,930,000	14,930,000
Equipment	2,172,000	1,172,000
Flag Restoration	65,000	65,000
Minor Capital Improvements		1,800,000
Interim Salary/Caucus Offices	677,642	536,102
Redistricting	475,000	475,000
Old State House	550,000	600,000
Interstate Conference Fund	409,038	425,400

New England Board of Higher Education	183,750	183,750
AGENCY TOTAL	66,462,430	70,187,252
AUDITORS OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS		
Personal Services	11,446,794	12,196,119
Other Expenses	272,143	272,143
AGENCY TOTAL	11,718,937	12,468,262
COMMISSION ON WOMEN, CHILDREN, SENIORS, EQUITY AND OPPORTUNITY		
Personal Services	600,000	636,000
Other Expenses	60,000	60,000
AGENCY TOTAL	660,000	696,000
GENERAL GOVERNMENT		
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE		
Personal Services	2,043,764	2,154,748
Other Expenses	174,483	174,483
New England Governors' Conference	74,391	74,391
National Governors' Association	106,600	106,600
AGENCY TOTAL	2,399,238	2,510,222
SECRETARY OF THE STATE		
Personal Services	2,681,168	2,826,337
Other Expenses	1,606,594	1,606,594
Commercial Recording Division	4,672,490	4,819,503
AGENCY TOTAL	8,960,252	9,252,434
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S OFFICE		
Personal Services	618,549	648,244
Other Expenses	57,251	57,251
AGENCY TOTAL	675,800	705,495
ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION		

Elections Enforcement Commission	3,366,080	3,589,636
OFFICE OF STATE ETHICS		
Office of State Ethics	1,515,986	1,610,143
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION		
Freedom of Information Commission	1,618,072	1,707,192
STATE TREASURER		
Personal Services	2,903,527	3,052,378
Other Expenses	284,999	124,999
AGENCY TOTAL	3,188,526	3,177,377
STATE COMPTROLLER		
Personal Services	23,014,883	24,235,594
Other Expenses	5,200,883	5,199,293
AGENCY TOTAL	28,215,766	29,434,887
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE SERVICES		
Personal Services	55,899,207	58,985,625
Other Expenses	7,782,623	7,332,623
AGENCY TOTAL	63,681,830	66,318,248
OFFICE OF GOVERNMENTAL ACCOUNTABILITY		
Other Expenses	30,662	32,287
Child Fatality Review Panel	101,202	108,354
Contracting Standards Board	167,239	176,909
Judicial Review Council	128,996	132,963
Judicial Selection Commission	86,713	91,816
Office of the Child Advocate	670,062	711,931
Office of the Victim Advocate	406,323	428,651
Board of Firearms Permit Examiners	114,611	121,016
AGENCY TOTAL	1,705,808	1,803,927

OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT		
Personal Services	10,975,537	11,679,172
Other Expenses	1,233,684	1,188,684
Automated Budget System and Data Base Link	26,776	26,776
Justice Assistance Grants	823,001	826,328
Project Longevity	998,750	998,750
Tax Relief For Elderly Renters	25,020,226	25,020,226
Private Providers	3,000,000	6,000,000
MRDA	500,000	500,000
Reimbursement to Towns for Loss of Taxes on State Property	54,944,031	54,944,031
Reimbursements to Towns for Private Tax-Exempt Property	109,889,434	109,889,434
Reimbursement Property Tax - Disability Exemption	364,713	364,713
Distressed Municipalities	1,500,000	1,500,000
Property Tax Relief Elderly Freeze Program	40,000	40,000
Property Tax Relief for Veterans	2,708,107	2,708,107
Municipal Revenue Sharing	36,819,135	36,819,135
Municipal Transition	29,917,078	32,331,732
Municipal Stabilization Grant	37,953,335	38,253,335
Municipal Restructuring	7,300,000	7,300,000
AGENCY TOTAL	324,013,807	330,390,423
DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS		
Personal Services	19,375,575	20,415,930
Other Expenses	2,903,207	2,903,207
SSMF Administration	511,396	511,396
Burial Expenses	6,666	6,666
Headstones	307,834	307,834
AGENCY TOTAL	23,104,678	24,145,033
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES		
Personal Services	48,933,645	51,482,515
Other Expenses	30,143,935	31,181,530

Loss Control Risk Management	92,634	92,634
Employees' Review Board	17,611	17,611
Surety Bonds for State Officials and Employees	69,000	73,500
Refunds Of Collections	21,453	21,453
Rents and Moving	10,571,577	10,571,577
W. C. Administrator	5,000,000	5,000,000
State Insurance and Risk Mgmt Operations	12,239,855	12,239,855
IT Services	13,919,176	16,325,576
Firefighters Fund	400,000	400,000
AGENCY TOTAL	121,408,886	127,406,251
ATTORNEY GENERAL		
Personal Services	30,379,331	30,870,633
Other Expenses	1,019,910	1,019,910
AGENCY TOTAL	31,399,241	31,890,543
DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE		
Personal Services	44,746,899	46,809,521
Other Expenses	2,394,240	2,394,240
Witness Protection	164,148	164,148
Training And Education	27,398	27,398
Expert Witnesses	135,413	135,413
Medicaid Fraud Control	1,197,897	1,254,282
Criminal Justice Commission	409	409
Cold Case Unit	228,213	228,213
Shooting Taskforce	1,074,222	1,127,052
AGENCY TOTAL	49,968,839	52,140,676
REGULATION AND PROTECTION		
DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION		
Personal Services	142,169,082	145,635,390
Other Expenses	27,882,589	28,349,417
Stress Reduction	25,354	25,354

Fleet Purchase	5,581,737	5,581,737
Workers' Compensation Claims	4,136,817	4,136,817
Criminal Justice Information System	2,684,610	2,684,610
Fire Training School - Willimantic	150,076	150,076
Maintenance of County Base Fire Radio Network	19,528	19,528
Maintenance of State-Wide Fire Radio Network	12,997	12,997
Police Association of Connecticut	172,353	172,353
Connecticut State Firefighter's Association	176,625	176,625
Fire Training School - Torrington	81,367	81,367
Fire Training School - New Haven	48,364	48,364
Fire Training School - Derby	37,139	37,139
Fire Training School - Wolcott	100,162	100,162
Fire Training School - Fairfield	70,395	70,395
Fire Training School - Hartford	169,336	169,336
Fire Training School - Middletown	68,470	68,470
Fire Training School - Stamford	55,432	55,432
AGENCY TOTAL	183,642,433	187,575,569
MILITARY DEPARTMENT		
Personal Services	2,777,206	2,945,438
Other Expenses	2,171,221	2,171,221
Honor Guards	469,000	469,000
Veteran's Service Bonuses	93,333	93,333
AGENCY TOTAL	5,510,760	5,678,992
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION		
Personal Services	13,357,897	14,110,498
Other Expenses	1,153,928	1,148,428
AGENCY TOTAL	14,511,825	15,258,926
LABOR DEPARTMENT		
Personal Services	9,094,519	9,610,588
Other Expenses	1,074,985	1,014,985

CETC Workforce	562,744	567,979
Workforce Investment Act	34,614,361	34,614,361
Job Funnels Projects	700,000	700,000
Connecticut's Youth Employment Program	5,000,040	5,000,096
Jobs First Employment Services	12,521,662	12,562,412
Apprenticeship Program	482,706	499,921
Connecticut Career Resource Network	111,327	116,385
STRIVE	76,058	76,058
Opportunities for Long Term Unemployed	3,104,229	3,104,573
Veterans' Opportunity Pilot	233,070	240,823
Second Chance Initiative	311,481	311,594
Cradle To Career	100,000	100,000
New Haven Jobs Funnel	350,000	350,000
Healthcare Apprenticeship Initiative	500,000	500,000
Manufacturing Pipeline Initiative	2,001,332	2,003,251
Workforce Training Authority	500,000	500,000
AGENCY TOTAL	71,338,514	71,873,026
COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND OPPORTUNITIES		
Personal Services	6,106,429	6,426,842
Other Expenses	293,958	289,958
Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission	5,977	5,977
AGENCY TOTAL	6,406,364	6,722,777
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT		
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE		
Personal Services	3,802,309	3,985,079
Other Expenses	800,959	800,959
Senior Food Vouchers	351,939	354,104
Dairy Farmer - Agriculture Sustainability	1,000,000	1,000,000
WIC Coupon Program for Fresh Produce	167,938	167,938
AGENCY TOTAL	6,123,145	6,308,080

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION		
Personal Services	19,915,349	20,881,883
Other Expenses	469,569	449,569
Mosquito Control	230,354	236,055
State Superfund Site Maintenance	399,577	399,577
Laboratory Fees	129,015	129,015
Dam Maintenance	118,956	124,850
Emergency Spill Response	6,511,519	6,763,389
Solid Waste Management	3,656,481	3,751,297
Underground Storage Tank	890,592	921,535
Clean Air	3,974,654	4,117,754
Environmental Conservation	4,856,000	5,010,909
Environmental Quality	8,562,360	8,898,044
Fish Hatcheries	2,115,785	2,161,194
Interstate Environmental Commission	3,333	3,333
New England Interstate Water Pollution Commission	26,554	26,554
Northeast Interstate Forest Fire Compact	3,082	3,082
Connecticut River Valley Flood Control Commission	30,295	30,295
Thames River Valley Flood Control Commission	45,151	45,151
AGENCY TOTAL	51,938,626	53,953,486
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT		
Personal Services	7,374,954	7,773,044
Other Expenses	664,382	664,382
Spanish-American Merchants Association	452,782	454,694
Office of Military Affairs	194,620	202,411
CCAT-CT Manufacturing Supply Chain	100,000	100,000
Capital Region Development Authority	6,249,121	6,249,121
Manufacturing Growth Initiative	150,000	150,000
Hartford 2000	20,000	20,000
AGENCY TOTAL	15,205,859	15,613,652

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING		
Personal Services	1,877,176	1,953,445
Other Expenses	164,893	164,893
Elderly Rental Registry and Counselors	1,014,722	1,014,722
Homeless Youth	2,292,929	2,292,929
Subsidized Assisted Living Demonstration	2,612,000	2,678,000
Congregate Facilities Operation Costs	7,189,480	7,189,480
Elderly Congregate Rent Subsidy	1,942,424	1,942,424
Housing/Homeless Services	80,388,870	85,779,130
Housing/Homeless Services - Municipality	575,226	575,226
AGENCY TOTAL	98,057,720	103,590,249
AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION		
Personal Services	5,755,367	6,012,727
Other Expenses	865,032	865,032
Mosquito and Tick Disease Prevention	512,276	522,880
Wildlife Disease Prevention	95,809	99,149
AGENCY TOTAL	7,228,484	7,499,788
HEALTH		
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH		
Personal Services	34,869,904	36,847,046
Other Expenses	7,639,067	7,618,240
LGBTQ Health and Human Services Network	250,000	250,000
Community Health Services	1,486,753	1,486,753
Rape Crisis	548,128	548,128
Local and District Departments of Health	4,210,499	4,210,499
School Based Health Clinics	10,550,187	10,550,187
AGENCY TOTAL	59,554,538	61,510,853
OFFICE OF HEALTH STRATEGY		
Personal Services	2,029,556	2,111,198
Other Expenses	1,038,042	38,042
AGENCY TOTAL	3,067,598	2,149,240

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER		
Personal Services	5,527,527	5,838,564
Other Expenses	1,442,198	1,442,198
Equipment	23,310	23,310
Medicolegal Investigations	22,150	22,150
AGENCY TOTAL	7,015,185	7,326,222
DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES		
Personal Services	200,282,835	209,745,951
Other Expenses	15,133,419	15,069,356
Housing Supports and Services	350,000	1,400,000
Family Support Grants	3,700,840	3,700,840
Clinical Services	2,340,271	2,337,724
Workers' Compensation Claims	14,598,415	15,404,040
Behavioral Services Program	23,044,686	22,571,979
Supplemental Payments for Medical Services	3,233,467	3,008,132
ID Partnership Initiatives	1,529,000	1,529,000
Emergency Placements	5,630,000	5,630,000
Rent Subsidy Program	4,782,312	4,782,312
Employment Opportunities and Day Services	277,945,780	289,183,217
AGENCY TOTAL	552,571,025	574,362,551
DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES		
Personal Services	197,451,035	213,878,173
Other Expenses	25,171,554	25,171,554
Housing Supports and Services	22,966,163	22,966,163
Managed Service System	55,924,095	56,333,880
Legal Services	706,179	706,179
Connecticut Mental Health Center	7,848,323	7,848,323
Professional Services	12,900,697	12,900,697
General Assistance Managed Care	40,377,409	40,722,054
Workers' Compensation Claims	14,493,430	15,021,165

Nursing Home Screening	652,784	652,784
Young Adult Services	76,675,067	77,970,521
TBI Community Services	8,385,284	8,452,441
Behavioral Health Medications	6,720,754	6,720,754
Medicaid Adult Rehabilitation Option	4,184,260	4,184,260
Discharge and Diversion Services	24,216,478	24,216,478
Home and Community Based Services	20,980,076	22,220,669
Nursing Home Contract	409,594	409,594
Katie Blair House	15,150	15,150
Forensic Services	10,145,246	10,275,522
Grants for Substance Abuse Services	17,913,225	17,913,225
Grants for Mental Health Services	66,316,598	66,316,598
Employment Opportunities	8,791,514	8,791,514
AGENCY TOTAL	623,244,915	643,687,698
PSYCHIATRIC SECURITY REVIEW BOARD		
Personal Services	284,612	299,756
Other Expenses	25,068	25,068
AGENCY TOTAL	309,680	324,824
HUMAN SERVICES		
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES		
Personal Services	132,339,071	139,336,819
Other Expenses	154,204,427	147,663,485
Genetic Tests in Paternity Actions	81,906	81,906
HUSKY B Program	8,870,000	14,830,000
Medicaid	2,691,610,660	2,816,874,660
Old Age Assistance	42,619,500	43,569,500
Aid To The Blind	529,100	523,900
Aid To The Disabled	59,713,700	59,683,700
Temporary Family Assistance - TANF	59,734,200	58,374,200
Emergency Assistance	1	1
Food Stamp Training Expenses	9,832	9,832
DMHAS-Disproportionate Share	108,935,000	108,935,000
Connecticut Home Care Program	37,040,000	37,830,000

Human Resource Development-Hispanic Programs	1,546,885	1,546,885
Community Residential Services	622,412,127	638,014,602
Safety Net Services	1,334,544	1,334,544
Refunds Of Collections	94,699	94,699
Services for Persons With Disabilities	276,362	276,362
Nutrition Assistance	749,040	749,040
State Administered General Assistance	18,062,600	17,722,600
Connecticut Children's Medical Center	10,125,737	10,125,737
Community Services	1,775,376	1,805,376
Human Services Infrastructure Community Action Program	3,292,432	3,292,432
Teen Pregnancy Prevention	1,255,827	1,255,827
Domestic Violence Shelters	5,289,049	5,289,049
Hospital Supplemental Payments	453,331,102	453,331,102
Teen Pregnancy Prevention - Municipality	98,281	98,281
AGENCY TOTAL	4,415,331,458	4,562,649,539
DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION SERVICES		
Personal Services	7,024,983	7,408,609
Other Expenses	1,422,517	1,422,517
Educational Aid for Children - Blind or Visually Impaired	4,145,301	4,337,011
Employment Opportunities – Blind & Disabled	1,021,990	1,021,990
Vocational Rehabilitation - Disabled	7,279,075	7,279,075
Supplementary Relief and Services	44,847	44,847
Special Training for the Deaf Blind	265,269	265,269
Connecticut Radio Information Service	70,194	70,194
Independent Living Centers	612,725	612,725
Programs for Senior Citizens	3,278,743	3,278,743
Elderly Nutrition	2,626,390	2,626,390
AGENCY TOTAL	27,792,034	28,367,370
EDUCATION		

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION		
Personal Services	16,689,546	17,534,577
Other Expenses	3,485,381	3,035,381
Development of Mastery Exams Grades 4, 6, and 8	10,449,592	10,490,334
Primary Mental Health	345,288	345,288
Leadership, Education, Athletics in Partnership (LEAP)	312,211	312,211
Adult Education Action	194,534	194,534
Connecticut Writing Project	20,250	20,250
Neighborhood Youth Centers	613,866	613,866
Sheff Settlement	10,250,966	10,277,534
Parent Trust Fund Program	267,193	267,193
Regional Vocational-Technical School System	135,153,018	140,398,647
Commissioner's Network	10,009,398	10,009,398
Local Charter Schools	600,000	690,000
Bridges to Success	27,000	27,000
Talent Development	2,164,593	2,183,986
School-Based Diversion Initiative	900,000	900,000
Technical High Schools Other Expenses	22,668,577	22,668,577
EdSight	1,095,806	1,100,273
Sheff Transportation	44,750,421	45,781,798
Curriculum and Standards	2,215,782	2,215,782
American School For The Deaf	8,357,514	8,357,514
Regional Education Services	262,500	262,500
Family Resource Centers	5,802,710	5,802,710
Charter Schools	120,622,500	124,678,750
Child Nutrition State Match	2,354,000	2,354,000
Health Foods Initiative	4,151,463	4,151,463
Vocational Agriculture	14,952,000	15,124,200
Adult Education	20,383,960	20,383,960
Health and Welfare Services Pupils Private Schools	3,438,415	3,438,415
Education Equalization Grants	2,054,281,297	2,092,033,975
Bilingual Education	3,177,112	3,177,112
Priority School Districts	30,818,778	30,818,778

Interdistrict Cooperation	1,537,500	1,537,500
School Breakfast Program	2,158,900	2,158,900
Excess Cost - Student Based	140,619,782	140,619,782
Open Choice Program	26,835,214	27,682,027
Magnet Schools	304,204,848	306,033,302
After School Program	5,720,695	5,750,695
Extended School Hours	2,919,883	2,919,883
School Accountability	3,412,207	3,412,207
AGENCY TOTAL	3,018,224,700	3,069,764,302
OFFICE OF EARLY CHILDHOOD		
Personal Services	8,655,055	9,156,554
Other Expenses	458,987	458,987
Birth to Three	22,845,964	23,452,407
Evenstart	295,456	295,456
2Gen - TANF	412,500	412,500
Nurturing Families Network	10,278,822	10,278,822
Head Start Services	5,083,238	5,083,238
Care4Kids TANF/CCDF	54,627,096	59,527,096
Child Care Quality Enhancements	6,855,033	6,855,033
Early Head Start-Child Care Partnership	1,130,750	100,000
Early Care and Education	127,848,399	130,548,399
Smart Start	3,325,000	3,325,000
AGENCY TOTAL	241,816,300	249,493,492
STATE LIBRARY		
Personal Services	5,098,798	5,364,021
Other Expenses	421,879	421,879
State-Wide Digital Library	1,575,174	1,575,174
Interlibrary Loan Delivery Service	256,795	266,392
Legal/Legislative Library Materials	574,540	574,540
Support Cooperating Library Service Units	124,402	124,402
Connecticard Payments	703,638	703,638
AGENCY TOTAL	8,755,226	9,030,046
OFFICE OF HIGHER EDUCATION		

Personal Services	1,477,763	1,535,334
Other Expenses	166,466	166,466
Minority Advancement Program	1,614,726	1,619,090
National Service Act	239,668	244,912
Minority Teacher Incentive Program	570,134	570,134
Roberta B. Willis Scholarship Fund	33,388,637	33,388,637
AGENCY TOTAL	37,457,394	37,524,573
UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT		
Operating Expenses	198,083,555	208,979,109
Workers' Compensation Claims	2,271,228	2,271,228
AGENCY TOTAL	200,354,783	211,250,337
UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT HEALTH CENTER		
Operating Expenses	109,785,175	116,556,690
AHEC	375,179	375,832
Workers' Compensation Claims	2,670,431	2,917,484
Bioscience	15,400,000	16,000,000
AGENCY TOTAL	128,230,785	135,850,006
TEACHERS' RETIREMENT BOARD		
Personal Services	1,631,971	1,722,838
Other Expenses	431,727	544,727
Retirement Contributions	1,208,783,000	1,248,029,000
Retirees Health Service Cost	26,001,300	29,849,400
Municipal Retiree Health Insurance Costs	5,532,120	5,535,640
AGENCY TOTAL	1,242,380,118	1,285,681,605
CONNECTICUT STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES		
Workers' Compensation Claims	3,289,276	3,289,276
Charter Oak State College	3,112,823	3,284,028
Community Tech College System	141,440,942	149,218,817
Connecticut State University	145,330,562	153,315,495
Board of Regents	387,053	408,341

Developmental Services	8,912,702	8,912,702
Outcomes-Based Funding Incentive	1,202,027	1,202,027
Institute for Municipal and Regional Policy	400,000	400,000
AGENCY TOTAL	304,075,385	320,030,686
CORRECTIONS		
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION		
Personal Services	393,516,245	412,958,209
Other Expenses	65,729,965	69,596,565
Workers' Compensation Claims	30,008,856	31,115,914
Inmate Medical Services	85,640,077	107,970,535
Board of Pardons and Paroles	6,567,994	6,927,233
STRIDE	73,342	73,342
Aid to Paroled and Discharged Inmates	3,000	3,000
Legal Services To Prisoners	797,000	797,000
Volunteer Services	87,725	87,725
Community Support Services	34,129,544	34,129,544
AGENCY TOTAL	616,553,748	663,659,067
DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES		
Personal Services	269,468,513	279,496,655
Other Expenses	28,964,687	29,160,237
Workers' Compensation Claims	10,470,082	10,158,413
Family Support Services	946,451	946,451
Differential Response System	13,120,002	15,812,975
Regional Behavioral Health Consultation	1,646,024	1,646,024
Health Assessment and Consultation	1,415,723	1,415,723
Grants for Psychiatric Clinics for Children	16,182,464	16,182,464
Day Treatment Centers for Children	7,275,589	7,275,589
Child Abuse and Neglect Intervention	9,874,101	9,874,101
Community Based Prevention Programs	7,527,785	7,527,785
Family Violence Outreach and Counseling	3,745,395	3,745,395
Supportive Housing	19,886,064	19,886,064
No Nexus Special Education	1,904,652	1,952,268

Family Preservation Services	6,593,987	6,593,987
Substance Abuse Treatment	8,629,640	8,629,640
Child Welfare Support Services	2,560,026	2,560,026
Board and Care for Children - Adoption	102,078,733	104,750,134
Board and Care for Children - Foster	136,196,712	135,981,796
Board and Care for Children - Short-term and Residential	89,246,759	88,983,554
Individualized Family Supports	5,885,205	5,885,205
Community Kidcare	44,221,621	44,103,938
Covenant to Care	161,412	161,412
Juvenile Review Boards	1,315,147	1,315,147
Youth Transition and Success Programs	450,000	450,000
Youth Service Bureau Enhancement	1,093,973	1,093,973
Youth Service Bureaus	2,626,772	2,626,772
AGENCY TOTAL	793,487,519	808,215,728
JUDICIAL		
JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT		
Personal Services	339,801,606	353,827,190
Other Expenses	60,439,025	60,339,025
Forensic Sex Evidence Exams	1,348,010	1,348,010
Alternative Incarceration Program	50,257,733	50,257,733
Justice Education Center, Inc.	469,714	469,714
Juvenile Alternative Incarceration	20,063,056	20,063,056
Probate Court	7,200,000	12,500,000
Workers' Compensation Claims	6,042,106	6,042,106
Youthful Offender Services	9,725,677	9,725,677
Victim Security Account	8,792	8,792
Children of Incarcerated Parents	493,728	493,728
Legal Aid	1,397,144	1,397,144
Youth Violence Initiative	1,939,758	1,939,758
Youth Services Prevention	3,311,078	3,311,078
Children's Law Center	92,445	92,445
Juvenile Planning	430,000	430,000
Juvenile Justice Outreach Services	19,961,142	19,455,142

Board and Care for Children - Short-term and Residential	7,798,474	7,732,474
AGENCY TOTAL	530,779,488	549,433,072
PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICES COMMISSION		
Personal Services	40,153,930	42,299,163
Other Expenses	1,181,163	1,181,163
Assigned Counsel - Criminal	22,442,284	22,442,284
Expert Witnesses	2,875,604	2,875,604
Training And Education	119,748	119,748
AGENCY TOTAL	66,772,729	68,917,962
NON-FUNCTIONAL		
DEBT SERVICE - STATE TREASURER		
Debt Service	1,896,900,160	1,967,208,185
UConn 2000 - Debt Service	212,225,089	221,406,539
CHEFA Day Care Security	5,500,000	5,500,000
Pension Obligation Bonds - TRB	118,400,521	118,400,521
Municipal Restructuring	45,666,625	56,314,629
AGENCY TOTAL	2,278,692,395	2,368,829,874
STATE COMPTROLLER - MISCELLANEOUS		
Nonfunctional - Change to Accruals	11,111,545	22,326,243
STATE COMPTROLLER - FRINGE BENEFITS		
Unemployment Compensation	6,132,100	4,974,400
Higher Education Alternative Retirement System	11,034,700	24,034,700
Pensions and Retirements - Other Statutory	1,974,003	2,029,134
Judges and Compensation Commissioners Retirement	27,010,989	28,522,111
Insurance - Group Life	8,514,800	8,770,200
Employers Social Security Tax	208,540,754	218,208,651

State Employees Health Service Cost	678,375,327	715,320,807
Retired State Employees Health Service Cost	776,021,000	847,309,000
Tuition Reimbursement - Training and Travel	3,475,000	3,508,500
Other Post Employment Benefits	95,764,285	83,648,639
SERS Defined Contribution Match	2,150,171	3,257,268
State Employees Retirement Contributions - Normal Cost	168,330,352	149,045,118
State Employees Retirement Contributions - UAL	1,143,138,185	1,246,717,529
AGENCY TOTAL	3,130,461,666	3,335,346,057
RESERVE FOR SALARY ADJUSTMENTS		
Reserve For Salary Adjustments	18,226,900	23,893,500
WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS - ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES		
Workers' Compensation Claims	7,982,375	8,259,800
TOTAL - GENERAL FUND	19,528,277,395	20,291,393,193
LESS:		
Unallocated Lapse	-29,015,570	-26,215,570
Unallocated Lapse - Judicial	-5,000,000	-5,000,000
Statewide Hiring Reduction - Executive	-7,000,000	-7,000,000
Contracting Savings Initiatives	-5,000,000	-15,000,000
Pension and Healthcare Savings	-163,200,000	-256,200,000
NET - GENERAL FUND	19,319,061,825	19,981,977,623

Sec. 2. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The following sums are appropriated from the SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION FUND for the annual periods indicated for the purposes described:

	2019-2020	2020-2021
GENERAL GOVERNMENT		

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES		
State Insurance and Risk Mgmt Operations	8,934,370	8,934,370
REGULATION AND PROTECTION		
DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES		
Personal Services	51,720,146	54,672,496
Other Expenses	15,405,556	15,405,556
Equipment	468,756	468,756
Commercial Vehicle Information Systems and Networks Project	324,676	324,676
AGENCY TOTAL	67,919,134	70,871,484
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT		
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION		
Personal Services	2,051,204	2,163,394
Other Expenses	701,974	701,974
AGENCY TOTAL	2,753,178	2,865,368
TRANSPORTATION		
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION		
Personal Services	186,011,005	196,012,288
Other Expenses	53,346,796	53,346,796
Equipment	1,341,329	1,341,329
Minor Capital Projects	449,639	449,639
Highway Planning And Research	3,060,131	3,060,131
Rail Operations	215,598,790	215,927,417
Bus Operations	196,616,501	201,522,710
ADA Para-transit Program	43,303,827	44,819,461
Non-ADA Dial-A-Ride Program	576,361	576,361
Pay-As-You-Go Transportation Projects	13,652,577	13,676,378

Port Authority	400,000	400,000
Transportation to Work	2,370,629	2,370,629
AGENCY TOTAL	716,727,585	733,503,139
NON-FUNCTIONAL		
DEBT SERVICE - STATE TREASURER		
Debt Service	697,080,233	767,938,231
STATE COMPTROLLER - MISCELLANEOUS		
Nonfunctional - Change to Accruals	1,181,008	1,296,031
STATE COMPTROLLER - FRINGE BENEFITS		
Unemployment Compensation	203,548	203,548
Insurance - Group Life	282,900	288,600
Employers Social Security Tax	16,471,765	17,222,866
State Employees Health Service Cost	51,210,045	54,613,417
Other Post Employment Benefits	6,099,123	5,235,623
SERS Defined Contribution Match	236,758	354,879
State Employees Retirement Contributions - Normal Cost	21,610,640	19,091,316
State Employees Retirement Contributions - UAL	141,193,360	156,836,684
AGENCY TOTAL	237,308,139	253,846,933
RESERVE FOR SALARY ADJUSTMENTS		
Reserve For Salary Adjustments	1,932,200	2,055,500
WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS - ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES		
Workers' Compensation Claims	6,723,297	6,723,297
TOTAL - SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION FUND	1,740,559,144	1,848,034,353

LESS:		
Unallocated Lapse	-12,000,000	-12,000,000
Pension and Healthcare Savings	-18,300,000	-19,700,000
NET - SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION FUND	1,710,259,144	1,816,334,353

Sec. 3. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The following sums are appropriated from the MASHANTUCKET PEQUOT AND MOHEGAN FUND for the annual periods indicated for the purposes described:

	2019-2020	2020-2021
GENERAL GOVERNMENT		
OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT		
Grants To Towns	51,472,796	51,472,796

Sec. 4. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The following sums are appropriated from the REGIONAL MARKET OPERATION FUND for the annual periods indicated for the purposes described:

	2019-2020	2020-2021
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT		
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE		
Personal Services	449,091	470,898
Other Expenses	273,007	273,007
Fringe Benefits	361,316	361,316
AGENCY TOTAL	1,083,414	1,105,221
NON-FUNCTIONAL		
STATE COMPTROLLER - MISCELLANEOUS		
Nonfunctional - Change to Accruals	1,264	1,636

TOTAL - REGIONAL MARKET OPERATION FUND	1,084,678	1,106,857

Sec. 5. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The following sums are appropriated from the BANKING FUND for the annual periods indicated for the purposes described:

	2019-2020	2020-2021
REGULATION AND PROTECTION		
DEPARTMENT OF BANKING		
Personal Services	11,536,406	12,062,616
Other Expenses	1,535,297	1,535,297
Equipment	44,900	44,900
Fringe Benefits	10,384,846	10,859,335
Indirect Overhead	121,193	121,193
AGENCY TOTAL	23,622,642	24,623,341
LABOR DEPARTMENT		
Opportunity Industrial Centers	475,000	475,000
Customized Services	950,000	950,000
AGENCY TOTAL	1,425,000	1,425,000
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT		
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING		
Fair Housing	670,000	670,000
JUDICIAL		
JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT		
Foreclosure Mediation Program	1,879,000	2,005,000
NON-FUNCTIONAL		

STATE COMPTROLLER - MISCELLANEOUS		
Nonfunctional - Change to Accruals	37,367	39,541
TOTAL - BANKING FUND	27,634,009	28,762,882

Sec. 6. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The following sums are appropriated from the INSURANCE FUND for the annual periods indicated for the purposes described:

	2019-2020	2020-2021
GENERAL GOVERNMENT		
OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT		
Personal Services	332,056	349,339
Other Expenses	6,012	6,012
Fringe Benefits	236,348	251,038
AGENCY TOTAL	574,416	606,389
REGULATION AND PROTECTION		
INSURANCE DEPARTMENT		
Personal Services	14,649,306	15,496,303
Other Expenses	1,850,916	1,725,916
Equipment	52,500	52,500
Fringe Benefits	13,138,962	13,898,634
Indirect Overhead	228,468	228,468
AGENCY TOTAL	29,920,152	31,401,821
OFFICE OF THE HEALTHCARE ADVOCATE		
Personal Services	1,573,775	1,655,805
Other Expenses	245,000	245,000
Equipment	5,000	5,000
Fringe Benefits	1,544,438	1,626,111
Indirect Overhead	100	100

AGENCY TOTAL	3,368,313	3,532,016
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT		
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING		
Crumbling Foundations	146,000	156,000
HEALTH		
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH		
Needle and Syringe Exchange Program	460,741	460,741
Children's Health Initiatives	2,963,506	2,988,430
AIDS Services	4,987,064	4,987,064
Breast and Cervical Cancer Detection and Treatment	2,170,035	2,189,256
Immunization Services	53,664,013	60,883,073
X-Ray Screening and Tuberculosis Care	965,148	965,148
Venereal Disease Control	197,341	197,341
AGENCY TOTAL	65,407,848	72,671,053
OFFICE OF HEALTH STRATEGY		
Personal Services	966,086	1,021,026
Other Expenses	2,136,767	2,136,767
Equipment	10,000	10,000
Fringe Benefits	815,093	860,664
AGENCY TOTAL	3,927,946	4,028,457
DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES		
Managed Service System	412,377	412,377
HUMAN SERVICES		
DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION SERVICES		
Fall Prevention	377,955	377,955

NON-FUNCTIONAL		
STATE COMPTROLLER - MISCELLANEOUS		
Nonfunctional - Change to Accruals	61,673	71,133
TOTAL - INSURANCE FUND	104,196,680	113,257,201

Sec. 7. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The following sums are appropriated from the CONSUMER COUNSEL AND PUBLIC UTILITY CONTROL FUND for the annual periods indicated for the purposes described:

	2019-2020	2020-2021
REGULATION AND PROTECTION		
OFFICE OF CONSUMER COUNSEL		
Personal Services	1,349,679	1,414,178
Other Expenses	332,907	332,907
Equipment	2,200	2,200
Fringe Benefits	1,228,208	1,286,902
Indirect Overhead	40,568	40,568
AGENCY TOTAL	2,953,562	3,076,755
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT		
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION		
Personal Services	12,333,038	12,837,077
Other Expenses	1,479,367	1,479,367
Equipment	19,500	19,500
Fringe Benefits	10,603,413	11,039,886
Indirect Overhead	100	100
AGENCY TOTAL	24,435,418	25,375,930
NON-FUNCTIONAL		

STATE COMPTROLLER - MISCELLANEOUS		
Nonfunctional - Change to Accruals	37,296	42,640
TOTAL - CONSUMER COUNSEL AND PUBLIC UTILITY CONTROL FUND	27,426,276	28,495,325

Sec. 8. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The following sums are appropriated from the WORKERS' COMPENSATION FUND for the annual periods indicated for the purposes described:

	2019-2020	2020-2021
GENERAL GOVERNMENT		
DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE		
Personal Services	387,926	408,464
Other Expenses	10,428	10,428
Fringe Benefits	407,322	428,887
AGENCY TOTAL	805,676	847,779
REGULATION AND PROTECTION		
LABOR DEPARTMENT		
Occupational Health Clinics	689,452	691,122
WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION		
Personal Services	10,648,775	10,971,397
Other Expenses	2,799,545	2,709,545
Equipment	1	1
Fringe Benefits	10,222,827	10,533,241
Indirect Overhead	635,967	635,967
AGENCY TOTAL	24,307,115	24,850,151
HUMAN SERVICES		

DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION SERVICES		
Personal Services	532,952	556,240
Other Expenses	53,822	53,822
Rehabilitative Services	1,111,913	1,111,913
Fringe Benefits	493,567	515,134
AGENCY TOTAL	2,192,254	2,237,109
NON-FUNCTIONAL		
STATE COMPTROLLER - MISCELLANEOUS		
Nonfunctional - Change to Accruals	29,681	27,484
TOTAL - WORKERS' COMPENSATION FUND	28,024,178	28,653,645

Sec. 9. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The following sums are appropriated from the CRIMINAL INJURIES COMPENSATION FUND for the annual periods indicated for the purposes described:

	2019-2020	2020-2021
JUDICIAL		
JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT		
Criminal Injuries Compensation	2,934,088	2,934,088

Sec. 10. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The following sums are appropriated from the TOURISM FUND for the annual periods indicated for the purposes described:

	2019-2020	2020-2021
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT		

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT		
Statewide Marketing	4,280,912	4,280,912
Hartford Urban Arts Grant	242,371	242,371
New Britain Arts Council	39,380	39,380
Main Street Initiatives	100,000	100,000
Neighborhood Music School	80,540	80,540
Nutmeg Games	40,000	40,000
Discovery Museum	196,895	196,895
National Theatre of the Deaf	78,758	78,758
Connecticut Science Center	446,626	446,626
CT Flagship Producing Theaters Grant	259,951	259,951
Performing Arts Centers	787,571	787,571
Performing Theaters Grant	356,753	381,753
Arts Commission	1,497,298	1,497,298
Art Museum Consortium	287,313	287,313
Litchfield Jazz Festival	29,000	29,000
Arte Inc.	20,735	20,735
CT Virtuosi Orchestra	15,250	15,250
Barnum Museum	20,735	20,735
Various Grants	393,856	393,856
Creative Youth Productions	150,000	150,000
Music Haven	100,000	
Greater Hartford Arts Council	74,079	74,079
Stepping Stones Museum for Children	30,863	30,863
Maritime Center Authority	303,705	303,705
Connecticut Humanities Council	850,000	850,000
Amistad Committee for the Freedom Trail	36,414	36,414
New Haven Festival of Arts and Ideas	414,511	414,511
New Haven Arts Council	52,000	52,000
Beardsley Zoo	253,879	253,879
Mystic Aquarium	322,397	322,397
Northwestern Tourism	400,000	400,000
Eastern Tourism	400,000	400,000
Central Tourism	400,000	400,000

Twain/Stowe Homes	81,196	81,196
Cultural Alliance of Fairfield	52,000	52,000
Stamford Downtown Special Services District	50,000	50,000
AGENCY TOTAL	13,144,988	13,069,988

Sec. 11. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) (a) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may make reductions in allotments for the executive branch for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, in order to achieve budget savings in the General Fund of $29,015,570 during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and $26,215,570 during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021.

(b) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may make reductions in allotments for the judicial branch for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, in order to achieve budget savings in the General Fund of $5,000,000 during each such fiscal year. Such reductions shall be achieved as determined by the Chief Justice and Chief Public Defender.

Sec. 12. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes or any public or special act, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall not reduce allotment requisitions or allotments in force concerning any of the following in order to achieve any unallocated lapse in the General Fund pursuant to section 1 of this act for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021: (1) Aid to municipalities, including education equalization aid grants, established and paid under sections 10-262h and 10-262i of the general statutes; (2) mental health and substance abuse services; (3) the Connecticut Children's Medical Center; (4) the Justice Education Center, Inc.; (5) the Connecticut Youth Employment Program; (6) fire training schools; (7) the Youth Violence Initiative; (8) Youth Services Prevention; (9) the Capitol Child Development Center; (10) the Probate Court; and (11) Juvenile Justice Outreach Services.

Sec. 13. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may make reductions in allotments in any budgeted agency of the executive branch for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, in order to achieve state-wide hiring savings in the General Fund of $7,000,000 during each such fiscal year.

Sec. 14. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 2-35, 4-73, 10a-77, 10a-99, 10a-105 and 10a-143 of the general statutes, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may make reductions in allotments in any budgeted agency and fund of the state, except the Special Transportation Fund, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, in order to reduce pension and healthcare expenditures by $163,200,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and by $256,200,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 10a-77, 10a-99, 10a-105 and 10a-143 of the general statutes, any reductions in allotments pursuant to subsection (a) of this section that are applicable to the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities, The University of Connecticut and The University of Connecticut Health Center shall be credited to the General Fund.

Sec. 15. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 2-35 of the general statutes, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may make reductions in allotments in any budgeted agency in the Special Transportation Fund for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, in order to reduce pension and healthcare expenditures by $18,300,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and by $19,700,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021.

Sec. 16. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, the Department of Social Services and the Department of Children and Families may, with the approval of the Office of Policy and Management, and in compliance with any

advanced planning document approved by the federal Department of Health and Human Services, establish receivables for the reimbursement anticipated from approved projects.

Sec. 17. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 4-85 of the general statutes, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall not allot funds appropriated in sections 1 to 10, inclusive, of this act for Nonfunctional – Change to Accruals.

Sec. 18. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) (a) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may transfer amounts appropriated for Personal Services in sections 1 to 10, inclusive, of this act from agencies to the Reserve for Salary Adjustments account to reflect a more accurate impact of collective bargaining and related costs.

(b) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may transfer funds appropriated in section 1 of this act, for Reserve for Salary Adjustments, to any agency in any appropriated fund to give effect to salary increases, other employee benefits, agency costs related to staff reductions including accrual payments, achievement of agency personal services reductions, or other personal services adjustments authorized by this act, any other act or other applicable statute.

Sec. 19. (*Effective from passage*) (a) That portion of unexpended funds, as determined by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, appropriated in public act 17-2 of the June special session, as amended by public act 17-4 of the June special session, public act 17-1 of the January special session and public act 18-81, that relate to collective bargaining agreements and related costs, shall not lapse on June 30, 2019, and such funds shall continue to be available for such purpose during the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021.

(b) That portion of unexpended funds, as determined by the

Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, appropriated in sections 1 to 10, inclusive, of this act, that relate to collective bargaining agreements and related costs for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, shall not lapse on June 30, 2020, and such funds shall continue to be available for such purpose during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021.

Sec. 20. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) Any appropriation, or portion thereof, made to any agency, under sections 1 to 10, inclusive, of this act, may be transferred at the request of such agency to any other agency by the Governor, with the approval of the Finance Advisory Committee, to take full advantage of federal matching funds, provided both agencies shall certify that the expenditure of such transferred funds by the receiving agency will be for the same purpose as that of the original appropriation or portion thereof so transferred. Any federal funds generated through the transfer of appropriations between agencies may be used for reimbursing appropriated expenditures or for expanding program services or a combination of both as determined by the Governor, with the approval of the Finance Advisory Committee.

Sec. 21. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) (a) Any appropriation, or portion thereof, made to any agency under sections 1 to 10, inclusive, of this act, may be adjusted by the Governor, with approval of the Finance Advisory Committee, in order to maximize federal funding available to the state, consistent with the relevant federal provisions of law.

(b) The Governor shall report on any such adjustment permitted under subsection (a) of this section, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies and finance, revenue and bonding.

Sec. 22. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) Any appropriation, or portion thereof,

made to The University of Connecticut Health Center in section 1 of this act may be transferred by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management to the Medicaid account in the Department of Social Services for the purpose of maximizing federal reimbursement.

Sec. 23. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) All funds appropriated to the Department of Social Services for DMHAS – Disproportionate Share shall be expended by the Department of Social Services in such amounts and at such times as prescribed by the Office of Policy and Management. The Department of Social Services shall make disproportionate share payments to hospitals in the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services for operating expenses and for related fringe benefit expenses. Funds received by the hospitals in the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, for fringe benefits, shall be used to reimburse the Comptroller. All other funds received by the hospitals in the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services shall be deposited to grants - other than federal accounts. All disproportionate share payments not expended in grants - other than federal accounts shall lapse at the end of the fiscal year.

Sec. 24. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) During the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, $1,000,000 of the federal funds received by the Department of Education, from Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), shall be transferred to the Office of Early Childhood in each such fiscal year, for the Birth-to-Three program, in order to carry out Part B responsibilities consistent with the IDEA.

Sec. 25. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 17a-17 of the general statutes, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, the provisions of said section shall not be considered in any increases or decreases to residential rates or allowable per diem payments to private residential treatment centers licensed pursuant to section 17a-145 of the general statutes.

Sec. 26. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) (a) For all allowable expenditures made pursuant to a contract subject to cost settlement with the Department of Developmental Services by an organization in compliance with performance requirements of such contract, eighty per cent of the difference between actual expenditures incurred and the amount received by the organization from the Department of Developmental Services pursuant to such contract shall be reimbursed to the Department of Developmental Services during each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021. Not later than October 1, 2020, and October 1, 2021, the Department of Developmental Services shall provide the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management with a report detailing the amount of funding retained by contracted providers during the previous fiscal year pursuant to this subsection and the purposes for which such funds were used by such providers.

(b) For expenditures incurred by nonprofit providers with purchase of service contracts with the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services for which year-end cost reconciliation currently occurs, and where such providers are in compliance with performance requirements of such contract, one hundred per cent, or an alternative amount as identified by the Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services and approved by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and as allowed by applicable state and federal laws and regulations, of the difference between actual expenditures incurred and the amount received by the organization from the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services pursuant to such contract shall be reimbursed to the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021.

Sec. 27. (*Effective from passage*) The unexpended balance of funds appropriated to the Office of Early Childhood in section 1 of public act 17-2 of the June special session, as amended by section 16 of public act

17-4 of the June special session, section 1 of public act 17-1 of the January special session, and section 1 of public act 18-81, for Care4Kids TANF/CCDF, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, shall not lapse on June 30, 2019, and such funds shall continue to be available for child care provider reimbursement rate increases during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.

Sec. 28. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) (a) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may allocate funds appropriated in section 1 of this act to the Office of Policy and Management, for Private Providers, to increase wages of employees of private providers contracted by the state as a result of increases in the minimum wage. The secretary may transfer available funds to affected agencies.

(b) Within available appropriations, the secretary shall reimburse such private providers for the cost of employer taxes, expansion of benefits and other costs associated with such wage increases.

(c) Not later than June 1, 2020, and June 1, 2021, such private providers shall provide documentation to the secretary that such funds shall only be used for increasing the minimum wage of employees in accordance with subsection (i) of section 31-58 of the general statutes.

Sec. 29. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) For each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall distribute $4,106,250, out of the total of any moneys required by law to be deposited into the regional planning incentive account, to regional councils of governments formed pursuant to section 4-124j of the general statutes for regional services grants pursuant to section 4-66r of the general statutes, with each such distribution being made in accordance with the provisions of subsection (c) of section 4-66k of the general statutes. Such distributions shall be in addition to the annual distributions required under said subsection (c).

Sec. 30. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 4-66aa of the general statutes, for each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, an additional $1,500,000 shall be transferred from the community investment account established in said section to the agriculture sustainability account established in section 4-66cc of the general statutes.

Sec. 31. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The amounts appropriated in section 1 of this act to the Department of Agriculture, for Other Expenses, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, shall be made available in each said fiscal year for the following grants: $40,000 to the New London County 4-H Camp in North Franklin; and $15,000 to the Ellington Farmers' Market in Ellington.

Sec. 32. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The sum of $450,000 of the amount appropriated in section 1 of this act to the State Comptroller, for Other Expenses, for each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, shall be made available in each said fiscal year for a grant-in-aid to the Women's Business Development Council in Stamford.

Sec. 33. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The sum of $100,000 of the amount appropriated in section 2 of this act to the Department of Transportation, for Other Expenses, for each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, shall be made available in each said fiscal year for a grant-in-aid to the Thames River Heritage Park for the park's water taxi.

Sec. 34. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (j) of section 45a-82 of the general statutes, any balance in the Probate Court Administration Fund on June 30, 2019, shall remain in said fund and shall not be transferred to the General Fund, regardless of whether such balance is in excess of an amount equal to fifteen per cent of the total expenditures authorized pursuant to subsection (a) of section 45a-84 of the general statutes for the

immediately succeeding fiscal year.

Sec. 35. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) (a) The sum of $125,000 of the amount appropriated in section 1 of this act to the Department of Education, for Technical High Schools Other Expenses, for each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, shall be made available in each said fiscal year for a grant to the Career Pathways TECH Collaborative administered by The Justice Education Center, Inc., through the city of New Haven, at Eli Whitney Technical High School in New Haven.

(b) The sum of $50,000 of the amount appropriated in section 1 of this act to the Department of Education, for After School Program, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, shall be made available in each said fiscal year for grants to FIRST Robotics Competition (FRC) teams in municipalities with a population greater than fifty thousand, provided no such grant shall exceed $10,000.

(c) The sum of $20,250 of the amount appropriated in section 1 of this act to the Department of Education, for Connecticut Writing Project, for each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, shall be made available for grants to The University of Connecticut and Fairfield University for the operation of the Connecticut Writing Project in each said fiscal year.

(d) The sum of $463,479 of the amount appropriated in section 1 of this act to the Department of Education, for Interdistrict Cooperation, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, shall be made available for a grant to Project Oceanology in Groton in each said fiscal year.

(e) The sum of $27,000 of the amount appropriated in section 1 of this act to the Department of Education, for Bridges to Success, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, shall be made available for a grant to the Bridge Family Center in West Hartford in

each of said fiscal years.

(f) The amounts appropriated in section 1 of this act to the Department of Education, for Neighborhood Youth Centers, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, shall be made available in each said fiscal year for the following grants: $25,000 to the East Hartford YMCA and $150,000 to the Wilson-Gray YMCA.

Sec. 36. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) Not later than January 1, 2020, July 1, 2020, January 1, 2021, and June 30, 2021, the president of the Board of Regents for Higher Education, established under section 10a-1a of the general statutes, shall report on the status of the implementation of the Students First Initiative to the Higher Education Consolidation Committee, established under section 10a-55i of the general statutes, and the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to higher education, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes. Each such report shall include for each reporting period (1) a summary of the personnel changes made for the purpose of implementing the administrative consolidation portion of the Students First initiative, (2) an estimate of the total annual cost or savings anticipated as a result of such personnel changes, (3) an updated five-year budget projection for the regional community-technical college system, with the impact of Students First specifically identified, and (4) copies of all written communication between the Board of Regents for Higher Education and the New England Commission of Higher Education.

Sec. 37. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) On or before December 15, 2019, and on or before December 15, 2020, the Department of Housing, in collaboration with the Department of Children and Families, shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, detailing in each report, for the

immediately preceding fiscal year (1) the number of Department of Children and Families-involved families who were accepted into the Department of Housing's rental assistance program from the program's waitlist, (2) the services provided to such families as part of the program, (3) the average cost of such services per family, (4) the average number of days that families participated in the program, and (5) the outcome for such families six months after leaving the program.

Sec. 38. (*Effective from passage*) The sum of $17,600,000 of the amount appropriated in section 1 of public act 17-2 of the June special session, as amended by section 16 of public act 17-4 of the June special session, section 1 of public act 17-1 of the January special session and section 1 of public act 18-81, to the Department of Social Services, for Medicaid, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, shall not lapse on said date, and such amount shall be carried forward and made available for such purpose for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.

Sec. 39. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The amount appropriated in section 1 of this act to the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, for Other Expenses, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, shall be made available in said fiscal year for the following grants: $20,000 for a grant-in-aid to the town of Sherman for an air quality study; and $20,000 for a grant-in-aid to the Middlesex County Fire School in Middletown for Phase I and Phase II environmental site assessments.

Sec. 40. (*Effective from passage*) Not later than June 30, 2019, the sum of $100,000 of the amount appropriated in section 1 of public act 17-2 of the June special session, as amended by section 16 of public act 17-4 of the June special session, section 1 of public act 17-1 of the January special session and section 1 of public act 18-81, to the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, for Other Expenses, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, shall be made available for a grant-in-aid to the Connecticut Fund for the Environment for projects concerning the West River Watershed.

Sec. 41. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 23-15h of the general statutes, not later than June 30, 2019, the sum of $20,000 shall be paid by the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection from the Passport to the Parks account to the North Branch Park River regional watershed.

Sec. 42. (*Effective from passage*) The sum of $500,000 of the unexpended balance appropriated in section 1 of public act 17-2 of the June special session, as amended by section 16 of public act 17-4 of the June special session, section 1 of public act 17-1 of the January special session and section 1 of public act 18-81, to the Office of Policy and Management, for Tax Relief for Elderly Renters, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, shall not lapse on June 30, 2019, and such funds shall be transferred to Other Expenses and made available to support procurement streamlining efforts during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.

Sec. 43. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Up to $20,000 of the unexpended balance appropriated in section 1 of public act 17-2 of the June special session, as amended by section 16 of public act 17-4 of the June special session, section 1 of public act 17-1 of the January special session, and section 1 of public act 18-81, to the Secretary of the State, for Personal Services, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, shall not lapse on June 30, 2019, and such funds shall be transferred to Other Expenses and made available to support voter registration at higher education institutions and voter registration agencies during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.

(b) Up to $90,000 of the unexpended balance appropriated in section 1 of public act 17-2 of the June special session, as amended by section 16 of public act 17-4 of the June special session, section 1 of public act 17-1 of the January special session, and section 1 of public act 18-81, to the Secretary of the State, for Commercial Recording Division, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, shall not lapse on June 30, 2019, and

such funds shall be transferred to Other Expenses and made available to support voter registration at higher education institutions and voter registration agencies during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.

(c) Up to $40,000 of the unexpended balance appropriated in section 1 of public act 17-2 of the June special session, as amended by section 16 of public act 17-4 of the June special session, section 1 of public act 17-1 of the January special session, and section 1 of public act 18-81, to the Secretary of the State, for Other Expenses, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, shall not lapse on June 30, 2019, and such funds shall be carried forward and made available to support voter registration at higher education institutions and voter registration agencies during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.

Sec. 44. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) (a) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the Comptroller shall fund the portion of the state employees' retirement system fringe benefit recovery rate attributable to the unfunded liability of said system, for employees of The University of Connecticut Health Center who are supported by resources other than the General Fund, in an amount not to exceed $33,200,000 from the amount appropriated in section 1 of this act to the State Comptroller, for State Employees' Retirement System Unfunded Liability.

(b) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the Comptroller shall fund the portion of the state employees' retirement system fringe benefit recovery rate attributable to the unfunded liability of said system, for employees of the community college system who are supported by resources other than the General Fund, in an amount not to exceed $8,200,000 from the amount appropriated in section 1 of this act to the State Comptroller, for State Employees' Retirement System Unfunded Liability, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.

(c) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, the Comptroller shall fund the portion of the state employees' retirement system fringe

benefit recovery rate attributable to the unfunded liability of said system, for employees of the community college system who are supported by resources other than the General Fund, in an amount not to exceed $20,350,000 from the amount appropriated in section 1 of this act to the State Comptroller, for State Employees' Retirement System Unfunded Liability, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021.

Sec. 45. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, any reduction by the Commissioner of Social Services in rate payments to a hospital for a readmission shall not apply to mental health readmissions or readmissions at the Connecticut Children's Medical Center and Yale New Haven Children's Hospital. For purposes of this section, "readmission" means, in the case of an individual who is discharged from an applicable hospital, the admission of the individual for observation services provided to the individual for the same or similar diagnosis or diagnoses not later than thirty days from the date of such discharge.

Sec. 46. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) Notwithstanding the provisions of title 2 of the general statutes and any personnel policies adopted pursuant to said provisions, the Office of Legislative Management shall apply terms consistent with those contained in section I(c) of Attachment F to the ratified 2017 SEBAC agreement, dated June 25, 2017, between the state and the State Employees Bargaining Agent Coalition, approved pursuant to subsection (f) of section 5-278 of the general statutes, to nonpartisan legislative employees for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021.

Sec. 47. (*Effective from passage*) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, the Department of Social Services may, with the approval of the Office of Policy and Management, establish a receivable for the reimbursement anticipated from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to support the federal share of costs for rate changes associated with the application of an adjustment factor to the payment

methodology under diagnosis-related groups and one-time hospital supplemental payments made under the Medicaid account in said department.

Sec. 48. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The following amounts appropriated in section 1 of this act to the Judicial Department, for Youth Services Prevention, for each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, shall be made available in each said fiscal year for the following grants:

Grantee	Grant
Access Educational	10,000
Advocacy Academy Accomplish Education, Inc.	5,000
Arte, Inc.	50,000
Artists' Collective, Inc.	10,000
Barnard Environmental Studies School	15,000
Beat the Street Community Center	10,000
Bethel High School All Sports Booster Club, Inc.	33,333
Blue Hills Civic Association	20,000
Boy Scouts of America, Troop 105	37,000
Boys & Girls Club of Greater Waterbury, Inc.	33,333
Boys & Girls Club of Meriden	10,000
Boys & Girls Club of the Lower Naugatuck Valley - Ansonia Branch	50,000
Boys & Girls Club of Stamford	40,000
Bregamos Theater	20,000
Brennan-Rogers School of Communication and Media	15,000
Bridgeport Caribe Youth Leaders	130,000
Bridgeport YMCA	15,000

BSL Education Foundation, Inc.	22,500
Buddy Jordan Foundation	45,000
Business Industry Foundation of Middlesex County, Inc.	5,000
Center for Latino Progress	37,000
Center for Urban Research, Education & Training	20,000
Central Connecticut Coast YMCA Hamden Branch	50,000
Chandler Boys and Girls Club	15,000
Charter Oak Amateur Boxing Academy	10,000
Charter Oak Cultural Center	37,000
Citadel of Love	22,500
City of Meriden/Police Cadets	10,000
Danbury Youth Services, Inc.	33,333
Divas on the Move	5,000
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Trust Fund	12,000
Dream Drivers Foundation	20,000
Drop-in Learning & Resource Center, Inc.	8,000
Ebony Horsewomen, Inc.	15,000
Friends of Pope Park Digital Program	45,000
Friends of the Babcock Library	25,000
Girls, Inc. of Meriden	5,000
Good Works, Inc.	20,000
Greater Bridgeport OIC - Program East End NRZ Pop-up Market & Cafe	20,000
Greek Orthodox Holy Trinity Church in Bridgeport	25,000
Green Village Imitative	25,000
Groton Little League	50,000

Guardians Youth Development	22,500
Haitian Women Association	30,000
Hartford Boxing Center - Foster Buddies	25,000
Hartford Communities that Care	15,000
Hartford Friendship Camp	10,000
Hartford Premier and Development League	5,000
Hartford's Proud	15,000
Hearing Youth Voices	8,000
Hero Project, Inc.	33,333
Higher Edge, Inc.	10,000
Higher Heights Youth Empowerment Program	20,000
Hispanic Coalition of Greater Waterbury, Inc.	33,333
Historically Black College Alumni	8,000
Human Resources Agency of New Britain, Inc.	50,000
Institute For Municipal Regional Policy	50,000
L.W. Beecher Museum School of Arts and Sciences	15,000
Legacy Foundation of Hartford	25,000
Lift Foundation, Inc.	45,000
Lincoln-Bassett Community School	15,000
M.G. Baseball Little League	30,000
M.L. Keefe Community Center	15,000
McGivney Center	30,000
Meriden Wallingford Chrysalis	10,000
Meriden YMCA	10,000
Middlesex United Way	90,000
Mothers United Against Violence	10,000
Mount Olive Church Ministries	20,000

New Haven Symphony Orchestra	25,000
New London Babe Ruth	8,000
New London Football League	10,000
New London Little League	60,000
New London NAACP Youth Council	8,000
New Opportunities Of Greater Meriden - Boys To Men Program	10,000
New Vision International Youth Summer Program	20,000
Odd Fellows Playhouse Youth Theater	25,000
OIC of New Britain, Inc. - Project G.R.E.A.T.	25,000
Orcutt Boy's and Girls Club	10,000
Organized Parents Make a Difference	30,000
Our Piece of the Pie	30,000
Pathways Sandero Center - Greater New Britain Teen Pregnancy Prevention, Inc.	25,000
Project Music	25,000
Project Overcome, Inc.	20,000
Puerto Rican United	20,000
'r kids Family Center	25,000
Rivera Memorial Foundation, Inc.	33,333
Rushford Center Inc.-Youth Program	10,000
S.P.O.R.T. Academy	10,000
Safe Futures	8,000
Sankofa Kuumba Consortium	10,000
Serving All Vessels Equally	55,000
Shawon Moncrief Skills Camp, Inc.	5,000
St. Margaret Willow Plaza, Assoc. Inc.	33,333

Steam Train, Inc.	30,000
Stratford Police Department Youth Development	10,000
Supreme Athlete	20,000
Take A Chance	10,000
The Bridge Family Center	100,000
The Gifted Onez	30,000
The Klein Memorial	22,500
The Perfect Blend	10,000
The Piller	10,000
The Walter E. Luckett Jr. Foundation, Inc.	70,000
The WorkPlace	15,000
Tolland Public Schools - Social Equity & Skills for Adolescents	50,000
Town of East Hartford, Youth Services/Youth Taskforce	50,000
Town of Manchester Youth Service Bureau	50,000
Union Baptist Church	10,000
Upper Albany Collaborative	10,000
Veterans Empowering Teens Through Support	100,000
Village Initiative Project, Inc.	100,000
Walnut Orange Walsh Neighborhood - Revitalization	33,333
Waterbury Young Men's Christian Association - Greater Waterbury YMCA	33,333
West Rock Stream Academy	15,000
Wexler-Grant Community School	15,000
Whaling City Wresting Club - Heavy Hitters	10,000
William E Edwards Academic College Tours, Inc.	15,000
Willington Parent/Teachers Association - After School Support	25,000

Women & Families Center	10,000
YMCA Wilson-Gray	30,000

Sec. 49. (*Effective from passage*) Up to $400,000 of the amount appropriated in section 1 of public act 17-2 of the June special session, as amended by section 16 of public act 17-4 of the June special session, section 1 of public act 17-1 of the January special session and section 1 of public act 18-81, to Legislative Management, for Personal Services, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, shall not lapse on said date, and such amount shall be carried forward and made available for such purpose for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.

Sec. 50. (*Effective from passage*) (a) In the event of and upon approval by the General Assembly, pursuant to section 3-125a of the general statutes, of a comprehensive court settlement between the state and hospitals regarding all outstanding litigation and administrative matters related to pending claims of such hospitals against the state concerning the user fee that was sunset on June 30, 2017, and Medicaid reimbursement: (1) The General Assembly shall adjust the state budget for the biennium ending June 30, 2021, to reflect the state's costs and revenues related to such settlement; and (2) the parties to such settlement shall take all steps necessary to effectuate such settlement, including, but not limited to, working in collaboration to establish quality measures that will improve overall health outcomes and patient experience and reduce unnecessary costs and readmissions, as defined in section 45 of this act.

(b) For the purpose of funding a portion of the state's costs related to such settlement, such budget adjustment shall include the following: (1) $160,000,000 shall be transferred from the resources of the General Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, and made available for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021; and (2) for the

fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, $30,000,000 shall be made available from the resources of the General Fund.

Sec. 51. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may make reductions in allotments in any budgeted agency of the executive branch for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, in order to achieve savings in the General Fund of $5,000,000 during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, and $15,000,000 during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, associated with contracting savings initiatives.

Sec. 52. (*Effective from passage*) Up to $50,000 of the amount appropriated in section 1 of public act 17-2 of the June special session, as amended by section 16 of public act 17-4 of the June special session, section 1 of public act 17-1 of the January special session and section 1 of public act 18-81, to the Department of Administrative Services, for Other Expenses, to fund the Office of the Claims Commissioner, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, shall not lapse on June 30, 2019, and shall continue to be available for such purpose for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.

Sec. 53. (*Effective from passage*) Up to $13,000,000 of the unexpended balance of funds in the State Comptroller - Fringe Benefits Higher Education Alternative Retirement System account shall not lapse on June 30, 2019, and such amount shall be carried forward and made available for such purpose for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.

Sec. 54. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, each town, city and borough listed below shall receive the following payment in lieu of taxes for state-owned property not later than October thirty-first of each year:

Grantee	Grant Amount For	Grant Amount For
	Fiscal Year 2020	Fiscal Year 2021
Andover	9,631	9,631
Ansonia	61,845	61,845
Ashford	2,817	2,817
Avon	27,370	27,370
Barkhamsted	9,887	9,887
Beacon Falls	24,899	24,899
Berlin	6,108	6,108
Bethany	20,648	20,648
Bethel	15,360	15,360
Bethlehem	527	527
Bloomfield	13,651	13,651
Bolton	24,288	24,288
Bozrah	3,044	3,044
Branford	12,155	12,155
Bridgeport	2,319,865	2,319,865
Bridgewater	639	639
Bristol	47,877	47,877
Brookfield	-	-
Brooklyn	79,919	79,919
Burlington	22,931	22,931
Canaan	58,344	58,344
Canterbury	5,357	5,357
Canton	9,325	9,325
Chaplin	31,817	31,817
Cheshire	1,317,410	1,317,410
Chester	9,068	9,068
Clinton	16,949	16,949
Colchester	74,928	74,928
Colebrook	2,813	2,813
Columbia	3,666	3,666
Cornwall	9,753	9,753
Coventry	23,414	23,414
Cromwell	8,749	8,749
Danbury	1,597,717	1,597,717
Darien	10,948	10,948

Deep River	7,424	7,424
Derby	29,550	29,550
Durham	6,251	6,251
Eastford	32,004	32,004
East Granby	3,868	3,868
East Haddam	18,370	18,370
East Hampton	19,217	19,217
East Hartford	69,451	69,451
East Haven	462,357	462,357
East Lyme	192,581	192,581
Easton	49,981	49,981
East Windsor	548,433	548,433
Ellington	4,540	4,540
Enfield	655,840	655,840
Essex	277	277
Fairfield	19,259	19,259
Farmington	2,069,061	2,069,061
Franklin	9,390	9,390
Glastonbury	-	-
Goshen	8,655	8,655
Granby	1,061	1,061
Greenwich	-	-
Griswold	32,943	32,943
Groton	564,150	564,150
Guilford	-	-
Haddam	33,979	33,979
Hamden	662,757	662,757
Hampton	12,327	12,327
Hartford	10,162,953	10,162,953
Hartland	56,100	56,100
Harwinton	5,872	5,872
Hebron	7,647	7,647
Kent	28,889	28,889
Killingly	149,332	149,332
Killingworth	50,606	50,606
Lebanon	14,807	14,807
Ledyard	379,330	379,330
Lisbon	3,830	3,830

Litchfield	42,754	42,754
Lyme	9,054	9,054
Madison	295,398	295,398
Manchester	428,017	428,017
Mansfield	5,566,517	5,566,517
Marlborough	14,788	14,788
Meriden	258,466	258,466
Middlebury	25,793	25,793
Middlefield	4,920	4,920
Middletown	2,217,276	2,217,276
Milford	281,776	281,776
Monroe	-	-
Montville	1,079,480	1,079,480
Morris	11,872	11,872
Naugatuck	46,475	46,475
New Britain	2,996,392	2,996,392
New Canaan	-	-
New Fairfield	3,348	3,348
New Hartford	10,288	10,288
New Haven	5,146,251	5,146,251
Newington	14,719	14,719
New London	397,802	397,802
New Milford	323,944	323,944
Newtown	456,363	456,363
Norfolk	38,529	38,529
North Branford	2,986	2,986
North Canaan	12,906	12,906
North Haven	62,062	62,062
North Stonington	12,148	12,148
Norwalk	269,172	269,172
Norwich	680,137	680,137
Old Lyme	9,966	9,966
Old Saybrook	34,274	34,274
Orange	5,952	5,952
Oxford	108,327	108,327
Plainfield	34,173	34,173
Plainville	8,596	8,596
Plymouth	5,936	5,936

Pomfret	29,556	29,556
Portland	13,439	13,439
Preston	7,233	7,233
Prospect	1,038	1,038
Putnam	18,421	18,421
Redding	75,147	75,147
Ridgefield	22,112	22,112
Rocky Hill	512,303	512,303
Roxbury	1,402	1,402
Salem	35,653	35,653
Salisbury	3,342	3,342
Scotland	15,937	15,937
Seymour	11,453	11,453
Sharon	13,010	13,010
Shelton	-	-
Sherman	7	7
Simsbury	35,655	35,655
Somers	715,904	715,904
Southbury	-	-
Southington	6,766	6,766
South Windsor	142,250	142,250
Sprague	6,156	6,156
Stafford	28,118	28,118
Stamford	931,423	931,423
Sterling	2,904	2,904
Stonington	-	-
Stratford	213,514	213,514
Suffield	1,801,140	1,801,140
Thomaston	19,583	19,583
Thompson	6,524	6,524
Tolland	24,569	24,569
Torrington	162,755	162,755
Trumbull	98	98
Union	15,426	15,426
Vernon	123,084	123,084
Voluntown	119,254	119,254
Wallingford	33,319	33,319
Warren	2,084	2,084

Washington	13,927	13,927
Waterbury	3,021,121	3,021,121
Waterford	143,075	143,075
Watertown	9,723	9,723
Westbrook	51,571	51,571
West Hartford	16,127	16,127
West Haven	181,198	181,198
Weston	-	-
Westport	305,404	305,404
Wethersfield	135,355	135,355
Willington	24,965	24,965
Wilton	10,271	10,271
Winchester	59,944	59,944
Windham	2,558,128	2,558,128
Windsor	27,298	27,298
Windsor Locks	45,282	45,282
Wolcott	1,140	1,140
Woodbridge	-	-
Woodbury	-	-
Woodstock	3,987	3,987
Danielson (Bor.)	10,980	10,980
Litchfield (Bor.)	288	288
TOTALS	54,944,031	54,944,031

Sec. 55. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, each town, city and borough listed below shall receive the following payment in lieu of taxes for college and hospital property not later than October thirty-first of each year:

Grantee	Grant Amount For	Grant Amount For
	Fiscal Year 2020	Fiscal Year 2021
Andover	-	-
Ansonia	-	-
Ashford	-	-

Avon	-	-
Barkhamsted	-	-
Beacon Falls	-	-
Berlin	-	-
Bethany	14,650	14,650
Bethel	10,175	10,175
Bethlehem	-	-
Bloomfield	110,126	110,126
Bolton	-	-
Bozrah	-	-
Branford	105,041	105,041
Bridgeport	7,464,762	7,464,762
Bridgewater	-	-
Bristol	380,562	380,562
Brookfield	-	-
Brooklyn	-	-
Burlington	-	-
Canaan	1,406	1,406
Canterbury	-	-
Canton	-	-
Chaplin	-	-
Cheshire	100,980	100,980
Chester	-	-
Clinton	-	-
Colchester	-	-
Colebrook	-	-
Columbia	-	-
Cornwall	-	-
Coventry	-	-
Cromwell	37,974	37,974
Danbury	1,401,114	1,401,114
Darien	-	-
Deep River	-	-
Derby	690,309	690,309
Durham	-	-
Eastford	-	-
East Granby	-	-
East Haddam	-	-

East Hampton	-	-
East Hartford	1,102,257	1,102,257
East Haven	-	-
East Lyme	28,062	28,062
Easton	-	-
East Windsor	-	-
Ellington	-	-
Enfield	17,209	17,209
Essex	10,116	10,116
Fairfield	1,828,166	1,828,166
Farmington	23,644	23,644
Franklin	-	-
Glastonbury	-	-
Goshen	-	-
Granby	-	-
Greenwich	674,786	674,786
Griswold	-	-
Groton	25,380	25,380
Guilford	-	-
Haddam	-	-
Hamden	2,359,751	2,359,751
Hampton	-	-
Hartford	20,009,758	20,009,758
Hartland	-	-
Harwinton	-	-
Hebron	-	-
Kent	-	-
Killingly	-	-
Killingworth	-	-
Lebanon	-	-
Ledyard	-	-
Lisbon	-	-
Litchfield	-	-
Lyme	138	138
Madison	-	-
Manchester	552,286	552,286
Mansfield	7,583	7,583
Marlborough	-	-

Meriden	772,912	772,912
Middlebury	-	-
Middlefield	-	-
Middletown	9,221,035	9,221,035
Milford	285,985	285,985
Monroe	-	-
Montville	-	-
Morris	-	-
Naugatuck	-	-
New Britain	2,066,516	2,066,516
New Canaan	101,728	101,728
New Fairfield	-	-
New Hartford	-	-
New Haven	36,545,385	36,545,385
Newington	1,939,870	1,939,870
New London	4,620,940	4,620,940
New Milford	146,478	146,478
Newtown	-	-
Norfolk	27,093	27,093
North Branford	1,202	1,202
North Canaan	-	-
North Haven	604,327	604,327
North Stonington	-	-
Norwalk	1,929,770	1,929,770
Norwich	747,378	747,378
Old Lyme	33,136	33,136
Old Saybrook	-	-
Orange	194,842	194,842
Oxford	-	-
Plainfield	26,401	26,401
Plainville	-	-
Plymouth	-	-
Pomfret	-	-
Portland	-	-
Preston	-	-
Prospect	-	-
Putnam	108,104	108,104
Redding	-	-

Ridgefield	-	-
Rocky Hill	-	-
Roxbury	-	-
Salem	-	-
Salisbury	-	-
Scotland	-	-
Seymour	-	-
Sharon	-	-
Shelton	-	-
Sherman	-	-
Simsbury	-	-
Somers	-	-
Southbury	-	-
Southington	94,474	94,474
South Windsor	-	-
Sprague	-	-
Stafford	140,952	140,952
Stamford	1,619,805	1,619,805
Sterling	-	-
Stonington	-	-
Stratford	-	-
Suffield	-	-
Thomaston	-	-
Thompson	1,436	1,436
Tolland	-	-
Torrington	217,645	217,645
Trumbull	10,178	10,178
Union	-	-
Vernon	219,351	219,351
Voluntown	56,182	56,182
Wallingford	257,444	257,444
Warren	-	-
Washington	-	-
Waterbury	3,706,103	3,706,103
Waterford	109,838	109,838
Watertown	-	-
Westbrook	73,882	73,882
West Hartford	883,308	883,308

West Haven	5,527,988	5,527,988
Weston	-	-
Westport	96,952	96,952
Wethersfield	12,859	12,859
Willington	-	-
Wilton	-	-
Winchester	27,324	27,324
Windham	504,376	504,376
Windsor	-	-
Windsor Locks	-	-
Wolcott	-	-
Woodbridge	-	-
Woodbury	-	-
Woodstock	-	-
Danielson (Bor.)	-	-
Litchfield (Bor.)	-	-
TOTALS	109,889,434	109,889,434

Sec. 56. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, each municipality listed below shall receive a municipal sharing grant payable not later than October thirty-first of each year. The total amount of the grant payable is as follows:

Grantee	Grant Amount For	Grant Amount For
	Fiscal Year 2020	Fiscal Year 2021
Andover	-	-
Ansonia	-	-
Ashford	-	-
Avon	-	-
Barkhamsted	-	-
Beacon Falls	-	-
Berlin	-	-
Bethany	-	-

Bethel	-	-
Bethlehem	-	-
Bloomfield	-	-
Bolton	-	-
Bozrah	-	-
Branford	-	-
Bridgeport	3,236,058	3,236,058
Bridgewater	-	-
Bristol	-	-
Brookfield	-	-
Brooklyn	-	-
Burlington	-	-
Canaan	-	-
Canterbury	-	-
Canton	-	-
Chaplin	-	-
Cheshire	-	-
Chester	-	-
Clinton	-	-
Colchester	-	-
Colebrook	-	-
Columbia	-	-
Cornwall	-	-
Coventry	-	-
Cromwell	-	-
Danbury	-	-
Darien	-	-
Deep River	-	-
Derby	-	-
Durham	-	-
Eastford	-	-
East Granby	-	-
East Haddam	-	-
East Hampton	-	-
East Hartford	-	-
East Haven	-	-
East Lyme	-	-
Easton	-	-

East Windsor	-	-
Ellington	-	-
Enfield	-	-
Essex	-	-
Fairfield	-	-
Farmington	-	-
Franklin	-	-
Glastonbury	-	-
Goshen	-	-
Granby	-	-
Greenwich	-	-
Griswold	-	-
Groton	-	-
Guilford	-	-
Haddam	-	-
Hamden	-	-
Hampton	-	-
Hartford	12,422,113	12,422,113
Hartland	-	-
Harwinton	-	-
Hebron	-	-
Kent	-	-
Killingly	-	-
Killingworth	-	-
Lebanon	-	-
Ledyard	-	-
Lisbon	-	-
Litchfield	-	-
Lyme	-	-
Madison	-	-
Manchester	-	-
Mansfield	2,630,447	2,630,447
Marlborough	-	-
Meriden	-	-
Middlebury	-	-
Middlefield	-	-
Middletown	-	-
Milford	-	-

Monroe	-	-
Montville	-	-
Morris	-	-
Naugatuck	-	-
New Britain	-	-
New Canaan	-	-
New Fairfield	-	-
New Hartford	-	-
New Haven	15,246,372	15,246,372
Newington	-	-
New London	-	-
New Milford	-	-
Newtown	-	-
Norfolk	-	-
North Branford	-	-
North Canaan	-	-
North Haven	-	-
North Stonington	-	-
Norwalk	-	-
Norwich	-	-
Old Lyme	-	-
Old Saybrook	-	-
Orange	-	-
Oxford	-	-
Plainfield	-	-
Plainville	-	-
Plymouth	-	-
Pomfret	-	-
Portland	-	-
Preston	-	-
Prospect	-	-
Putnam	-	-
Redding	-	-
Ridgefield	-	-
Rocky Hill	-	-
Roxbury	-	-
Salem	-	-
Salisbury	-	-

Scotland	-	-
Seymour	-	-
Sharon	-	-
Shelton	-	-
Sherman	-	-
Simsbury	-	-
Somers	-	-
Southbury	-	-
Southington	-	-
South Windsor	-	-
Sprague	-	-
Stafford	-	-
Stamford	-	-
Sterling	-	-
Stonington	-	-
Stratford	-	-
Suffield	-	-
Thomaston	-	-
Thompson	-	-
Tolland	-	-
Torrington	-	-
Trumbull	-	-
Union	-	-
Vernon	-	-
Voluntown	-	-
Wallingford	-	-
Warren	-	-
Washington	-	-
Waterbury	3,284,145	3,284,145
Waterford	-	-
Watertown	-	-
Westbrook	-	-
West Hartford	-	-
West Haven	-	-
Weston	-	-
Westport	-	-
Wethersfield	-	-
Willington	-	-

Wilton	-	-
Winchester	-	-
Windham	-	-
Windsor	-	-
Windsor Locks	-	-
Wolcott	-	-
Woodbridge	-	-
Woodbury	-	-
Woodstock	-	-
Danielson (Bor.)	-	-
Litchfield (Bor.)	-	-
TOTALS	36,819,135	36,819,135

Sec. 57. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, each municipality listed below shall receive a municipal stabilization grant payable not later than October thirty-first of each year. The total amount of the grant payable is as follows:

Grantee	Grant Amount For	Grant Amount For
	Fiscal Year 2020	Fiscal Year 2021
Andover	43,820	43,820
Ansonia	-	-
Ashford	44,498	44,498
Avon	142,054	142,054
Barkhamsted	-	-
Beacon Falls	-	-
Berlin	258,989	258,989
Bethany	26,746	26,746
Bethel	-	-
Bethlehem	40,552	40,552
Bloomfield	291,027	291,027
Bolton	11,053	11,053
Bozrah	-	-
Branford	-	-
Bridgeport	2,823,501	2,823,501

Bridgewater	-	-
Bristol	234,651	234,651
Brookfield	272,396	272,396
Brooklyn	-	-
Burlington	34,417	34,417
Canaan	24,132	24,132
Canterbury	94,624	94,624
Canton	-	-
Chaplin	34,779	34,779
Cheshire	241,134	241,134
Chester	-	-
Clinton	288,473	288,473
Colchester	134,167	134,167
Colebrook	-	-
Columbia	28,393	28,393
Cornwall	-	-
Coventry	113,156	113,156
Cromwell	-	-
Danbury	1,218,855	1,218,855
Darien	-	-
Deep River	-	-
Derby	205,327	205,327
Durham	244,059	244,059
Eastford	-	-
East Granby	-	-
East Haddam	-	-
East Hampton	120,397	120,397
East Hartford	200,959	200,959
East Haven	-	-
East Lyme	524,097	524,097
Easton	-	-
East Windsor	-	-
Ellington	-	-
Enfield	-	-
Essex	-	-
Fairfield	191,245	191,245
Farmington	802,461	802,461
Franklin	25,666	25,666

Glastonbury	385,930	385,930
Goshen	-	-
Granby	-	-
Greenwich	-	-
Griswold	-	-
Groton	466,668	766,668
Guilford	496,560	496,560
Haddam	-	-
Hamden	1,646,236	1,646,236
Hampton	28,585	28,585
Hartford	3,370,519	3,370,519
Hartland	76,110	76,110
Harwinton	39,036	39,036
Hebron	125,020	125,020
Kent	-	-
Killingly	268,063	268,063
Killingworth	155,954	155,954
Lebanon	162,740	162,740
Ledyard	-	-
Lisbon	139,316	139,316
Litchfield	46,905	46,905
Lyme	-	-
Madison	175,790	175,790
Manchester	780,354	780,354
Mansfield	661,283	661,283
Marlborough	48,977	48,977
Meriden	622,306	622,306
Middlebury	15,067	15,067
Middlefield	14,971	14,971
Middletown	-	-
Milford	1,130,086	1,130,086
Monroe	443,723	443,723
Montville	20,897	20,897
Morris	-	-
Naugatuck	283,399	283,399
New Britain	2,176,332	2,176,332
New Canaan	-	-
New Fairfield	265,666	265,666

New Hartford	-	-
New Haven	1,675,450	1,675,450
Newington	-	-
New London	1,112,913	1,112,913
New Milford	-	-
Newtown	267,960	267,960
Norfolk	9,911	9,911
North Branford	152,031	152,031
North Canaan	11,334	11,334
North Haven	-	-
North Stonington	-	-
Norwalk	1,780,046	1,780,046
Norwich	210,834	210,834
Old Lyme	-	-
Old Saybrook	-	-
Orange	221,467	221,467
Oxford	267,543	267,543
Plainfield	-	-
Plainville	-	-
Plymouth	-	-
Pomfret	23,434	23,434
Portland	-	-
Preston	-	-
Prospect	73,271	73,271
Putnam	71,039	71,039
Redding	57,277	57,277
Ridgefield	117,659	117,659
Rocky Hill	65,602	65,602
Roxbury	-	-
Salem	132,694	132,694
Salisbury	-	-
Scotland	13,960	13,960
Seymour	-	-
Sharon	-	-
Shelton	-	-
Sherman	-	-
Simsbury	-	-
Somers	240,198	240,198

Southbury	74,062	74,062
Southington	-	-
South Windsor	57,854	57,854
Sprague	-	-
Stafford	-	-
Stamford	1,846,049	1,846,049
Sterling	-	-
Stonington	218,992	218,992
Stratford	-	-
Suffield	206,051	206,051
Thomaston	-	-
Thompson	204,459	204,459
Tolland	322,977	322,977
Torrington	72,539	72,539
Trumbull	604,706	604,706
Union	-	-
Vernon	330,755	330,755
Voluntown	-	-
Wallingford	-	-
Warren	-	-
Washington	-	-
Waterbury	2,298,414	2,298,414
Waterford	-	-
Watertown	-	-
Westbrook	-	-
West Hartford	-	-
West Haven	-	-
Weston	70,181	70,181
Westport	66,133	66,133
Wethersfield	-	-
Willington	-	-
Wilton	93,135	93,135
Winchester	105,432	105,432
Windham	1,349,376	1,349,376
Windsor	357,943	357,943
Windsor Locks	150,116	150,116
Wolcott	136,938	136,938
Woodbridge	120,477	120,477

Woodbury	-	-
Woodstock	-	-
Danielson (Bor.)	-	-
Litchfield (Bor.)	-	-
TOTALS	37,953,333	38,253,333

Sec. 58. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, the total grants paid to municipalities from the moneys available in the Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund established by section 3-55i of the general statutes shall be as follows:

Grantee	Grant Amount For	Grant Amount For
	Fiscal Year 2020	Fiscal Year 2021
Andover	6,680	6,680
Ansonia	113,045	113,045
Ashford	12,010	12,010
Avon	-	-
Barkhamsted	6,728	6,728
Beacon Falls	12,467	12,467
Berlin	-	-
Bethany	881	881
Bethel	-	-
Bethlehem	4,125	4,125
Bloomfield	94,314	94,314
Bolton	3,244	3,244
Bozrah	9,143	9,143
Branford	-	-
Bridgeport	5,606,925	5,606,925
Bridgewater	3,734	3,734
Bristol	400,282	400,282
Brookfield	-	-
Brooklyn	191,703	191,703
Burlington	-	-
Canaan	6,202	6,202

Canterbury	15,208	15,208
Canton	-	-
Chaplin	73,052	73,052
Cheshire	1,962,440	1,962,440
Chester	3,278	3,278
Clinton	-	-
Colchester	23,167	23,167
Colebrook	6,045	6,045
Columbia	4,857	4,857
Cornwall	4,434	4,434
Coventry	13,336	13,336
Cromwell	-	-
Danbury	678,398	678,398
Darien	-	-
Deep River	4,490	4,490
Derby	207,304	207,304
Durham	1,003	1,003
Eastford	7,529	7,529
East Granby	987	987
East Haddam	3,042	3,042
East Hampton	6,742	6,742
East Hartford	156,898	156,898
East Haven	82,006	82,006
East Lyme	270,204	270,204
Easton	-	-
East Windsor	15,432	15,432
Ellington	4,081	4,081
Enfield	1,224,751	1,224,751
Essex	-	-
Fairfield	114,941	114,941
Farmington	-	-
Franklin	9,738	9,738
Glastonbury	-	-
Goshen	2,687	2,687
Granby	-	-
Greenwich	-	-
Griswold	55,478	55,478
Groton	1,232,069	1,232,069

Guilford	-	-
Haddam	908	908
Hamden	725,946	725,946
Hampton	8,881	8,881
Hartford	6,136,523	6,136,523
Hartland	6,593	6,593
Harwinton	3,676	3,676
Hebron	3,350	3,350
Kent	1,298	1,298
Killingly	94,184	94,184
Killingworth	-	-
Lebanon	13,139	13,139
Ledyard	1,391,000	1,391,000
Lisbon	11,287	11,287
Litchfield	-	-
Lyme	1,997	1,997
Madison	-	-
Manchester	412,450	412,450
Mansfield	179,151	179,151
Marlborough	1,807	1,807
Meriden	698,609	698,609
Middlebury	-	-
Middlefield	5,616	5,616
Middletown	1,060,747	1,060,747
Milford	236,690	236,690
Monroe	-	-
Montville	1,446,162	1,446,162
Morris	5,059	5,059
Naugatuck	147,899	147,899
New Britain	1,980,822	1,980,822
New Canaan	-	-
New Fairfield	-	-
New Hartford	822	822
New Haven	5,503,352	5,503,352
Newington	164,924	164,924
New London	1,667,837	1,667,837
New Milford	2,049	2,049
Newtown	829,098	829,098

Norfolk	8,899	8,899
North Branford	2,647	2,647
North Canaan	12,383	12,383
North Haven	86,789	86,789
North Stonington	880,690	880,690
Norwalk	577,059	577,059
Norwich	2,360,229	2,360,229
Old Lyme	-	-
Old Saybrook	-	-
Orange	6,408	6,408
Oxford	-	-
Plainfield	82,099	82,099
Plainville	27,635	27,635
Plymouth	33,955	33,955
Pomfret	9,172	9,172
Portland	2,902	2,902
Preston	1,165,290	1,165,290
Prospect	1,085	1,085
Putnam	75,902	75,902
Redding	-	-
Ridgefield	-	-
Rocky Hill	213,545	213,545
Roxbury	2,188	2,188
Salem	7,370	7,370
Salisbury	-	-
Scotland	11,620	11,620
Seymour	24,111	24,111
Sharon	2,001	2,001
Shelton	-	-
Sherman	109	109
Simsbury	-	-
Somers	1,564,515	1,564,515
Southbury	-	-
Southington	7,160	7,160
South Windsor	-	-
Sprague	17,479	17,479
Stafford	60,839	60,839
Stamford	625,635	625,635

Sterling	24,317	24,317
Stonington	30,000	30,000
Stratford	30,567	30,567
Suffield	2,760,598	2,760,598
Thomaston	16,872	16,872
Thompson	38,307	38,307
Tolland	-	-
Torrington	196,642	196,642
Trumbull	-	-
Union	19,013	19,013
Vernon	79,820	79,820
Voluntown	80,641	80,641
Wallingford	33,058	33,058
Warren	4,369	4,369
Washington	-	-
Waterbury	2,637,435	2,637,435
Waterford	-	-
Watertown	11,631	11,631
Westbrook	-	-
West Hartford	27,820	27,820
West Haven	807,097	807,097
Weston	-	-
Westport	-	-
Wethersfield	137,556	137,556
Willington	17,399	17,399
Wilton	-	-
Winchester	49,474	49,474
Windham	793,155	793,155
Windsor	-	-
Windsor Locks	387,713	387,713
Wolcott	16,939	16,939
Woodbridge	-	-
Woodbury	-	-
Woodstock	5,694	5,694
Danielson (Bor.)	-	-
Litchfield (Bor.)	-	-
TOTALS	51,472,789	51,472,789

Sec. 59. (*Effective from passage*) The following sums are appropriated from the GENERAL FUND for the purposes herein specified for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019:

GENERAL FUND	2018-2019
DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES	
Personal Services	3,600,000
Workers Compensation Claims	600,000
OFFICE OF EARLY CHILDHOOD	
Care4Kids TANF/CCDF	14,300,000
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION	
Personal Services	34,900,000
Inmate Medical Services	10,000,000
DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES	
Board and Care for Children - Foster	4,500,000
TOTAL – GENERAL FUND	67,900,000

Sec. 60. (*Effective from passage*) The amounts appropriated to the following agencies in section 1 of public act 17-2 of the June special session, as amended by section 16 of public act 17-4 of the June special session, section 1 of public act 17-1 of the January special session and section 1 of public act 18-81, are reduced by the following amounts for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019:

GENERAL FUND	2018-2019
LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT	
Personal Services	250,000

OFFICE OF THE STATE COMPTROLLER	
Personal Services	900,000
STATE COMPTROLLER – FRINGE BENEFITS	
Unemployment Compensation	2,800,000
Insurance - Group Life	500,000
State Employees Health Service Cost	17,000,000
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE SERVICES	
Personal Services	2,000,000
OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT	
Reimbursement to Towns for Loss of Taxes on State Property	250,000
DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS	
Personal Services	700,000
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL	
Personal Services	600,000
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION	
Personal Services	500,000
DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES	
Personal Services	3,000,000
Behavioral Services Program	3,000,000
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES	
Personal Services	2,600,000
Aid To The Disabled	1,900,000
Temporary Family Assistance	11,600,000
Connecticut Home Care Program	12,000,000
Hospital Supplemental Payments	3,000,000
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION	
Commissioner's Network	250,000

Charter Schools	2,000,000
OFFICE OF EARLY CHILDHOOD	
Early Care and Education	2,000,000
STATE LIBRARY	
Personal Services	150,000
OFFICE OF HIGHER EDUCATION	
Personal Services	400,000
JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT	
Personal Services	500,000
TOTAL – GENERAL FUND	67,900,000

Sec. 61. (*Effective from passage*) The following sums are appropriated from the SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION FUND for the purposes herein specified for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019:

SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION FUND	2018-2019
STATE COMPTROLLER – FRINGE BENEFITS	
State Employees Health Service Cost	1,000,000
Other Post Employment Benefits	141,000
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	
State Insurance and Risk Mgmt Operations	1,800,000
TOTAL – SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION FUND	2,941,000

Sec. 62. (*Effective from passage*) The amounts appropriated to the following agencies in section 2 of public act 17-2 of the June special session, as amended by section 2 of public act 18-81, are reduced by the

following amounts for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019:

SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION FUND	2018-2019
DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES	
Personal Services	241,000
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION	
Personal Services	1,400,000
Rail Operations	300,000
Non-ADA Dial-A-Ride Program	1,000,000
TOTAL – SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION FUND	2,941,000

Sec. 63. (*Effective from passage*) The following sum is appropriated from the BANKING FUND for the purposes herein specified for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019:

BANKING FUND	2018-2019
DEPARTMENT OF BANKING	
Fringe Benefits	299,399
TOTAL – BANKING FUND	299,399

Sec. 64. (*Effective from passage*) The amount appropriated to the following agency in section 5 of public act 17-2 of the June special session is reduced by the following amount for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019:

BANKING FUND	2018-2019

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT	
Foreclosure Mediation Program	299,399
TOTAL – BANKING FUND	299,399

Sec. 65. (*Effective from passage*) The following sum is appropriated from the INSURANCE FUND for the purposes herein specified for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019:

INSURANCE FUND	2018-2019
DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE	
Fringe Benefits	1,600,000
TOTAL – INSURANCE FUND	1,600,000

Sec. 66. (*Effective from passage*) The amount appropriated to the following agency in section 6 of public act 17-2 of the June special session, as amended by section 17 of public act 17-4 of the June special session and section 3 of public act 18-81, is reduced by the following amount for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019:

INSURANCE FUND	2018-2019
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH	
Immunization Services	1,600,000
TOTAL – INSURANCE FUND	1,600,000

Sec. 67. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and each fiscal year thereafter, the Board of Regents for

Higher Education shall waive tuition and fees for students enrolled at Ansonia High School who participate in the College Connections program at Derby High School in an amount equal to the appropriation for such purpose.

Sec. 68. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2019*) (a) For the purposes of this section, "ombudsman services" includes (1) the receipt of complaints by the ombudsman from persons eighteen years of age or younger in the custody of the Commissioner of Correction regarding decisions, actions, omissions, policies, procedures, rules or regulations of the Department of Correction, (2) investigating such complaints, rendering a decision on the merits of each complaint and communicating the decision to the complainant, (3) recommending to the commissioner a resolution of any complaint found to have merit, (4) recommending policy revisions to the department, and (5) publishing a quarterly report of all ombudsman services activities.

(b) The Commissioner of Correction shall hire a person to provide ombudsman services and shall annually report the name of such person to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the Department of Correction in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes. In addition to the executive assistant positions authorized under subdivision (10) of section 5-198 of the general statutes, the commissioner may hire an executive assistant to carry out the duties of this section.

(c) Prior to any person eighteen years of age or younger in the custody of the Commissioner of Correction obtaining ombudsman services, such person shall have reasonably pursued a resolution of the complaint through any existing internal grievance of appellate procedures of the Department of Correction.

(d) All oral and written communications, and records relating to

such communications between a person eighteen years of age or younger in the custody of the Commissioner of Correction and the ombudsman or a member of the ombudsman's staff, including, but not limited to, the identity of a complainant, the details of a complaint and the investigative findings and conclusions of the ombudsman shall be confidential and shall not be disclosed without the consent of the person, except that the ombudsman may disclose without the consent of the person (1) such communications or records as may be necessary for the ombudsman to conduct an investigation and support any recommendations the ombudsman may make, or (2) the formal disposition of a person's complaint when requested in writing by a court that is hearing such person's application for a writ of habeas corpus that was filed subsequent to an adverse finding by the ombudsman on such person's complaint.

(e) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (d) of this section, whenever in the course of providing ombudsman services, the ombudsman or a member of the ombudsman's staff becomes aware of the commission or planned commission of a criminal act or a threat to the health and safety of any person or the security of a correctional facility, the ombudsman shall notify the Commissioner of Correction or a facility administrator of such act or threat and the nature and target of the act or threat.

(f) If the Commissioner of Correction has a reasonable belief that a person eighteen years of age or younger in the custody of the commissioner has made or provided to the ombudsman an oral or written communication concerning a safety or security threat within the Department of Correction or directed against an employee of the department, the ombudsman shall provide to the commissioner all oral or written communications relevant to such threat.

Sec. 69. Section 8-71 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

(a) In lieu of real property taxes, special benefit assessments and sewerage system use charges otherwise payable to such municipality, except in such municipalities as, by special act or charter, on May 20, 1957, had a sewer use charge, an authority shall pay each year to the municipality in which any of its moderate rental housing projects are located a sum to be determined by the municipality, with the approval of the Commissioner of Housing, not in excess of twelve and one-half per cent of the shelter rent per annum for each occupied dwelling unit in any such housing project; except that the amount of such payment shall not be so limited in any case where funds are made available for such payment by an agency or department of the United States government, but no payment shall exceed the amount of taxes which would be paid on the property were the property not exempt from taxation.

(b) **[**For the period commencing on June 2, 2016, and ending June 30, 2019, each**]** Each municipality that received a grant-in-aid pursuant to section 8-216 in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, shall waive any payment that becomes payable, **[**during such period**]** pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, during any fiscal year in which no grant-in-aid for such amount is made, pursuant to section 8-216, except that no waiver shall be required in any case where funds are made available for such payment by an agency or department of the United States government.

Sec. 70. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (c) of section 4-66*l* of the general statutes:

(1) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, municipal transition grants to municipalities that impose mill rates on real property and personal property other than motor vehicles greater than 45 mills or that, when combined with the mill rate of any district located within the municipality, impose mill rates greater than 45 mills, shall be made in an amount equal to the difference between the amount of property

taxes levied by the municipality and any district located within the municipality on motor vehicles for the assessment year commencing October 1, 2016, and the amount such levy would have been if the mill rate on motor vehicles for said assessment year was equal to the mill rate imposed by such municipality and any district located within the municipality on real property and personal property other than motor vehicles; and

(2) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, municipal transition grants to municipalities that impose mill rates on real property and personal property, other than motor vehicles, greater than 45 mills or that, when combined with the mill rate of any district located within the municipality, impose mill rates greater than 45 mills, shall be made in an amount equal to the difference between the amount of property taxes levied by the municipality and any district located within the municipality on motor vehicles for the assessment year commencing October 1, 2017, and the amount such levy would have been if the mill rate on motor vehicles for said assessment year was equal to the mill rate imposed by such municipality and any district located within the municipality on real property and personal property other than motor vehicles.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the following districts shall receive a municipal transition grant in addition to any other municipal transition grant received pursuant to this section:

(1) West Haven: Allingtown FD in the amount of one hundred sixty thousand one hundred seventy dollars;

(2) West Haven: West Shore FD in the amount of eighty thousand dollars;

(3) West Haven: First Center FD 1 in the amount of eighty thousand

dollars.

Sec. 71. Section 12-578h of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "municipal gaming account" which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund established by section 3-55i. The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Office of Policy and Management for the purpose of providing annual grants pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.

(b) On and after the date the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management finds that a minimum of seven million five hundred thousand dollars has been deposited in the municipal gaming account pursuant to subsection (c) of section 12-578g, the Office of Policy and Management shall provide an annual grant of seven hundred fifty thousand dollars to each of the following municipalities: Bridgeport, East Hartford, Ellington, Enfield, Hartford, New Haven, Norwalk, South Windsor, Waterbury<u>, West Hartford, Windsor</u> and Windsor Locks. The amount of the grant payable to each municipality during any fiscal year shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such grants exceeds the amount of funds available for such year.

Sec. 72. Subsection (a) of section 19a-7p of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) Not later than September first, annually, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, in consultation with the Commissioner of Public Health, shall (1) determine the amounts appropriated for the syringe services program, AIDS services, breast and cervical cancer detection and treatment, x-ray screening and

tuberculosis care, [and] sexually transmitted disease control and children's health initiatives; and (2) inform the Insurance Commissioner of such amounts.

Sec. 73. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding any provision of title 19a or 25 of the general statutes and not later than March 1, 2020, a director of health of a town, city or borough or of a district department of health appointed pursuant to section 19a-200 or 19a-242 of the general statutes may issue a permit for a replacement public well if the Department of Public Health has approved such replacement public well pursuant to subsection (b) of section 25-33 of the general statutes. For purposes of this section, "replacement public well" means a public well that (1) replaces an existing public well in a town in southeastern Connecticut with a population between fifteen thousand and fifteen thousand three hundred, as enumerated by the 2010 federal decennial census, and (2) does not meet the sanitary radius and minimum setback requirements as specified in the regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

Sec. 74. Subsection (b) of section 25-33 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

(b) No system of water supply owned or used by a water company shall be constructed or expanded or a new additional source of water supply utilized until the plans therefor have been submitted to and reviewed and approved by the department, except that no such prior review or approval is required for distribution water main installations that are constructed in accordance with sound engineering standards and all applicable laws and regulations. A plan for any proposed new source of water supply submitted to the department pursuant to this subsection shall include documentation that provides for: (1) A brief description of potential effects that the proposed new source of water supply may have on nearby water supply systems including public

and private wells; and (2) the water company's ownership or control of the proposed new source of water supply's sanitary radius and minimum setback requirements as specified in the regulations of Connecticut state agencies and that such ownership or control shall continue to be maintained as specified in such regulations. If the department determines, based upon documentation provided, that the water company does not own or control the proposed new source of water supply's sanitary radius or minimum setback requirements as specified in the regulations of Connecticut state agencies, the department shall require the water company proposing a new source of water supply to supply additional documentation to the department that adequately demonstrates the alternative methods that will be utilized to assure the proposed new source of water supply's long-term purity and adequacy. In reviewing any plan for a proposed new source of water supply, the department shall consider the issues specified in this subsection. The Commissioner of Public Health may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to carry out the provisions of this subsection and subsection (c) of this section. For purposes of this subsection and subsection (c) of this section, "distribution water main installations" means installations, extensions, replacements or repairs of public water supply system mains from which water is or will be delivered to one or more service connections and which do not require construction or expansion of pumping stations, storage facilities, treatment facilities or sources of supply. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, the department may approve any location of a replacement public well, if such replacement public well is (A) necessary for the water company to maintain and provide to its consumers a safe and adequate water supply, (B) located in an aquifer of adequate water quality determined by historical water quality data from the source of water supply it is replacing, and (C) in a more protected location when compared to the source of water supply it is replacing, as determined by the department. For purposes of this subsection, "replacement public well"

means a public well that (i) replaces an existing public well in a town in southeastern Connecticut with a population between fifteen thousand and fifteen thousand three hundred, as enumerated by the 2010, federal decennial census, and (ii) does not meet the sanitary radius and minimum setback requirements as specified in the regulations of Connecticut state agencies.

Sec. 75. (*Effective from passage*) (a) As used in this section:

(1) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's designee;

(2) "Community water system" means a public water system that regularly serves at least twenty-five residents;

(3) "Consumer" has the same meaning as provided in section 25-32a of the general statutes;

(4) "Customer" means any (A) person, (B) firm, (C) corporation, (D) company, (E) association, (F) governmental unit, except a state agency, (G) lessee that, by the terms of a written lease or agreement, is responsible for the water bill, or (H) owner of property, that receives water service furnished by a water company;

(5) "Department" means the Department of Public Health;

(6) "Noncommunity water system" means a public water system that serves at least twenty-five persons at least sixty days of the year and is not a community water system;

(7) "Nontransient noncommunity water system" means a noncommunity water system that regularly serves at least twenty-five of the same persons over six months per year;

(8) "Public water system" means a water company that supplies drinking water to fifteen or more consumers or twenty-five or more

persons daily at least sixty days of the year;

(9) "Sanitary survey" means the review of a public water system by the department to evaluate the adequacy of the public water system, its sources of supply and operations and the distribution of safe drinking water;

(10) "Service connection" means the service pipe from the water main to the curb stop or adjacent to the street line or property line, but does not include a service pipe used only for fire service or irrigation purposes; and

(11) "Water company" has the same meaning as provided in section 25-32a of the general statutes.

(b) On or before August 1, 2019, and August 1, 2020, the department shall issue a statement, in such manner as the department determines, to each water company that owns a community water system or systems showing the number of service connections and the source of such number each community water system or systems has listed in the department's records as of the date of issuance of the statement. For purposes of this subsection, the department shall combine the number of service connections of all water systems owned and operated by the same water company for a total count of service connections. If any water company disagrees with the number of service connections listed in such statement, the water company shall, not later than thirty days after the date of issuance of such statement, report to the department, in a form and manner prescribed by the department, the accurate number of services connections the water company's community water system or systems serve.

(c) On or before October 1, 2019, and October 1, 2020, the department, in consultation with the Office of Policy and Management, shall post on the department's Internet web site (1) the staff and costs

to support the department's ability to maintain primacy under the federal Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 USC 300f, et seq., as amended from time to time, which costs, taking into consideration funding received from state and federal sources, shall constitute the safe drinking water primacy assessment for the current fiscal year, and (2) the assessment amounts due, based on the posted costs and in accordance with subsection (d) of this section.

(d) (1) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2019, June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, each water company that owns a community or nontransient noncommunity water system or systems shall pay annually to the department a safe drinking water primacy assessment amount in accordance with the following: (A) Each community water system having less than fifty service connections and nontransient noncommunity water system shall be assessed one hundred twenty-five dollars; (B) each community water system having at least fifty but less than one hundred service connections shall be assessed one hundred fifty dollars; and (C) each community water system having at least one hundred service connections shall be assessed an amount established by the commissioner, not to exceed three dollars per service connection. For purposes of this subdivision, a community water system's service connections shall be determined in accordance with subsection (b) of this section.

(2) On or before January 1, 2020, and January 1, 2021, the department shall issue an invoice, in such manner as the department determines, to each water company that owns a community or nontransient noncommunity water system or systems for the amount due pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection. Each such water company shall pay the amount invoiced, in the same year the department issued in the invoice, in accordance with the following schedule:

(A) A nontransient noncommunity water system shall pay one

hundred per cent of the amount invoiced on or before March first;

(B) A community water system having less than one hundred service connections shall pay one hundred per cent of the amount invoiced on or before May first; and

(C) A community water system having one hundred or more service connections shall pay fifty per cent of the invoiced amount by March first and the remaining fifty per cent of the amount invoiced by May first.

(e) If a water company is acquired by another water company for any reason, the acquiring water company shall pay the amount due to the department for the acquired water company's assessment under subsection (d) of this section.

(f) (1) A water company that owns a community water system may collect the assessment amount due for the community water system from a customer of such community water system. The amount collected by the water company from an individual customer may be a pro rata share of such assessment amount and may be adjusted by the water company to reflect the bad debt component and surplus or deficit related to primacy assessment collections of the water company for the prior billing period. Such amount may appear as a separate item on the customer's bills.

(2) The assessment amount due for a community water system under subdivision (1) of this subsection may be adopted in rates through the existing rate approval process for the water company or may appear as a separate item identified as an assessment on each customer's bill without requiring a revision to or approval of the schedule of authorized rates and charges for the water company that is otherwise required pursuant to section 7-239 or 16-19 of the general statutes or any special act or enabling legislation establishing a water

company. Such charges shall be subject to the past due and collection procedures, including interest charges, of the water company as are applicable to any other authorized customer charge or fee.

(g) The requirement for a water company to pay the assessment shall terminate immediately if the department no longer has primacy under the federal Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 USC 300f, et seq., as amended from time to time, whether removed by the federal Environmental Protection Agency or through any other action by a state or federal authority. If the assessment is terminated and not reinstated on or before one hundred eighty days after such termination, the water company shall credit its customers any amounts collected from such customers for such assessment amount that the water company is no longer required to pay to the department.

(h) If any assessment or part thereof is not paid on or before thirty days after the date when such assessment is due, the commissioner may impose a fee equal to one and one-half per cent on the balance due of such assessment for each month of nonpayment beyond such initial thirty-day period unless the water company that has not paid such assessment or part thereof is a town, city or borough, in which case the water company shall be subject to the provisions of section 12-38 of the general statutes.

(i) On or before November 1, 2019, and November 1, 2020, the department shall post on its Internet web site a report that includes: (1) Resources, activities and costs that support the department's ability to maintain primacy under the federal Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 USC 300f, et seq., as amended from time to time, in the previous fiscal year; (2) the number of full-time equivalent positions that performed the required functions to maintain primacy in the previous fiscal year; and (3) quality improvement strategies the department has deployed to streamline operations to make efficient and effective use of staff and resources. The commissioner shall provide for a comment period of

thirty days following the posting of such report. At the conclusion of such public comment period, but not later than January 1, 2020, and not later than January 1, 2021, the commissioner shall submit such report and summary of comments received to the Governor and the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public health, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.

(j) The commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to carry out the provisions of this section.

(k) State agencies shall be exempt from the requirements of subsections (d) to (h), inclusive, of this section.

Sec. 76. Section 19a-202 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) Upon application to the Department of Public Health any municipal health department shall annually receive from the state an amount equal to one dollar and eighteen cents per capita, provided such municipality (1) employs a full-time director of health, except that if a vacancy exists in the office of director of health or the office is filled by an acting director for more than three months, such municipality shall not be eligible for funding unless the Commissioner of Public Health waives this requirement; (2) submits a public health program and budget which is approved by the Commissioner of Public Health; (3) appropriates not less than one dollar per capita, from the annual tax receipts, for health department services; (4) has a population of fifty thousand or more; and (5) meets the requirements of section 19a-207a, within available appropriations. Such municipal department of health may use additional funds, which the Department of Public Health may secure from federal agencies or any other source and which it may allot to such municipal department of health. The money so received

shall be disbursed upon warrants approved by the chief executive officer of such municipality. The Comptroller shall annually in July and upon a voucher of the Commissioner of Public Health, draw the Comptroller's order on the State Treasurer in favor of such municipal department of health for the amount due in accordance with the provisions of this section and under rules prescribed by the commissioner. Any moneys remaining unexpended at the end of a fiscal year shall be included in the budget of such municipal department of health for the ensuing year. This aid shall be rendered from appropriations made from time to time by the General Assembly to the Department of Public Health for this purpose.

(b) The amount of payments made by the state to municipal health departments under subsection (a) of this section shall be reduced proportionately in the event that the total amount of such payments and the payments made under subsection (a) of section 19a-245 in a fiscal year exceeds the amount appropriated for purposes of said subsections with respect to such fiscal year.

Sec. 77. Section 19a-245 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) Upon application to the Department of Public Health, each health district that has a total population of fifty thousand or more, or serves three or more municipalities irrespective of the combined total population of such municipalities, shall annually receive from the state an amount equal to one dollar and eighty-five cents per capita for each town, city and borough of such district, provided (1) the Commissioner of Public Health approves the public health program and budget of such health district, (2) the towns, cities and boroughs of such district appropriate for the maintenance of the health district not less than one dollar per capita from the annual tax receipts, and (3) the health district meets the requirements of section 19a-207a, within available appropriations. Such district departments of health are

authorized to use additional funds, which the Department of Public Health may secure from federal agencies or any other source and which it may allot to such district departments of health. The district treasurer shall disburse the money so received upon warrants approved by a majority of the board and signed by its chairman and secretary. The Comptroller shall quarterly, in July, October, January and April, upon such application and upon the voucher of the Commissioner of Public Health, draw the Comptroller's order on the State Treasurer in favor of such district department of health for the amount due in accordance with the provisions of this section and under rules prescribed by the commissioner. Any moneys remaining unexpended at the end of a fiscal year shall be included in the budget of the district for the ensuing year. This aid shall be rendered from appropriations made from time to time by the General Assembly to the Department of Public Health for this purpose.

(b) The amount of payments made by the state to health districts under subsection (a) of this section shall be reduced proportionately in the event that the total amount of such payments and the payments made under subsection (a) of section 19a-202 in a fiscal year exceeds the amount appropriated for purposes of said subsections with respect to such fiscal year.

Sec. 78. Subsection (p) of section 3-20j of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(p) (1) Prior to July 1, **[**2019**]** 2021, net earnings of investments of proceeds of bonds issued pursuant to section 3-20 or pursuant to this section and accrued interest on the issuance of such bonds and premiums on the issuance of such bonds shall be deposited to the credit of the General Fund, after (A) payment of any expenses incurred by the Treasurer or State Bond Commission in connection with such issuance, or (B) application to interest on bonds, notes or other

obligations of the state.

(2) On and after July 1, **[**2019**]** 2021, notwithstanding subsection (f) of section 3-20, (A) net earnings of investments of proceeds of bonds issued pursuant to section 3-20 or pursuant to this section and accrued interest on the issuance of such bonds shall be deposited to the credit of the General Fund, and (B) premiums, net of any original issue discount, on the issuance of such bonds shall, after payment of any expenses incurred by the Treasurer or State Bond Commission in connection with such issuance, be deposited at the direction of the Treasurer to the credit of an account or fund to fund all or a portion of any purpose or project authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to any bond act up to the amount authorized by the State Bond Commission, provided the bonds for such purpose or project are unissued, and provided further the certificate of determination the Treasurer files with the secretary of the State Bond Commission for such authorized bonds sets forth the amount of the deposit applied to fund each such purpose and project. Upon such filing, the Treasurer shall record bonds in the amount of net premiums credited to each purpose and project as set forth in the certificate of determination of the Treasurer as deemed issued and retired and the Treasurer shall not thereafter exercise authority to issue bonds in such amount for such purpose or project. Upon such recording by the Treasurer, such bonds shall be deemed to have been issued, retired and no longer authorized for issuance or outstanding for the purposes of section 3-21, and for the purpose of aligning the funding of such authorized purpose and project with amounts generated by net premiums, but shall not constitute an actual bond issuance or bond retirement for any other purposes including, but not limited to, financial reporting purposes.

Sec. 79. Subsection (l) of section 16-2 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(l) The **[**Public Utilities Regulatory Authority shall include a**]** chairperson of the authority shall assign authority staff to fulfill the duties of procurement manager **[**whose duties shall include, but not be limited to, overseeing the procurement of electricity for standard service and who shall have experience in energy markets and procuring energy on a commercial scale**]** where required pursuant to this title and title 16a.

Sec. 80. Subsections (a) to (c), inclusive, of section 16-2 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) There shall continue to be a Public Utilities Regulatory Authority within the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, which shall consist of **[**three**]** five electors of this state, appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of both houses of the General Assembly. Not more than **[**two**]** three members of said authority in office at any one time shall be members of any one political party. **[**On or before July 1, 2011, the**]** The Governor shall appoint **[**three**]** five members to the authority. **[**The first**]** The procedure prescribed in section 4-7 shall apply to such appointments, except that the Governor shall submit each nomination on or before May first, and both houses shall confirm or reject it before adjournment sine die. Any utility commissioner appointed by the Governor **[**on or before July 1, 2011, who is of the same political party as that of the Governor shall serve a term of five years. The second**]** and confirmed by both chambers of the General Assembly between February 1, 2019, and June 1, 2019, shall serve a term expiring on March 1, 2024. Any utility commissioner appointed by the Governor **[**on or before July 1, 2011, who is of the same political party as that of the Governor shall serve a term of four years. The first utility commissioner appointed by the Governor on or before July 1, 2011, who is of a different political party as that of the Governor shall serve a

term of three years.] and confirmed by both houses of the General Assembly between February 1, 2018, and June 1, 2018, shall serve a term expiring on March 1, 2022. Between July 1, 2019, and May 1, 2020, the Governor shall appoint three utility commissioners, provided one such commissioner shall serve a term expiring on March 1, 2021, and two such commissioners shall serve terms expiring on March 1, 2023. Any utility commissioner appointed on or after [January 1, 2014,] May 1, 2020, shall serve a term of four years. [The procedure prescribed by section 4-7 shall apply to such appointments, except that the Governor shall submit each nomination on or before May first, and both houses shall confirm or reject it before adjournment sine die.] The utility commissioners shall be sworn to the faithful performance of their duties. [The term of any utility commissioner serving on June 30, 2011, shall be terminated.]

(b) The authority shall elect a chairperson and vice-chairperson each June for one-year terms starting on July first of the same year. The vice-chairperson shall perform the duties of the chairperson in his or her absence.

(c) Any matter coming before the authority may be assigned by the chairperson to a panel of [one] three or more utility commissioners. Except as otherwise provided by statute or regulation, the panel shall determine whether a public hearing shall be held on the matter, and may designate one or [two] more of its members to conduct such hearing or may assign a hearing officer to ascertain the facts and report thereon to the panel. The decision of the panel, if unanimous, shall be the decision of the authority. If the decision of the panel is not unanimous, the matter shall be approved by a majority vote of the utility commissioners.

Sec. 81. Subsection (a) of section 29-5 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) The Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection may, within available appropriations, appoint suitable persons from the regular state police force as resident state policemen in addition to the regular state police force to be employed and empowered as state policemen in any town or two or more adjoining towns lacking an organized police force, and such officers may be detailed by said commissioner as resident state policemen for regular assignment to such towns, provided each town shall pay eighty-five per cent of the cost of compensation, maintenance and other expenses of the first two state policemen detailed to such town, and one hundred per cent of such costs of compensation, maintenance and other expenses for any additional state policemen detailed to such town, provided further such town shall pay one hundred per cent of any overtime costs and such portion of fringe benefits directly associated with such overtime costs, except for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and for each fiscal year thereafter, fifty per cent of the portion of the state employees' retirement system fringe recovery rate attributable to the unfunded liability of said system shall be paid by the Comptroller from the resources appropriated for State Comptroller-State Employees' Retirement System Unfunded Liability. Such town or towns and the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection are authorized to enter into agreements and contracts for such police services, with the approval of the Attorney General, for periods not exceeding two years.

Sec. 82. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established the Connecticut Teachers' Retirement Fund Bonds Special Capital Reserve Fund, which shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the fund, including, but not limited to, deposits from the Connecticut Lottery Corporation in accordance with section 12-812 of the general statutes. The purpose of the fund shall be to provide, and it is determined that such fund does provide, adequate provision for the protection of the holders of bonds of the state issued pursuant to

section 10-183qq of the general statutes and any bonds refunding such bonds. The fund shall secure the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and shall be held in trust for the benefit of the holders of the bonds secured thereby, separate and apart from other funds of the state. During any period when any bonds secured by the fund remain outstanding, amounts on deposit in the fund shall not be commingled with other state funds and the state shall have no claim to or against, or interest in, the fund, except as hereinafter provided. Amounts in such fund shall be deposited in a separate account or accounts in a trust company or bank having the powers of a trust company within the state, which shall serve as the trustee of the fund. The Treasurer shall enter into an agreement with such trust company or bank in accordance with the provisions of this section, sections 89 and 90 of this act and sections 10-183b, 10-183z, 12-801, 12-806 and 12-812 of the general statutes.

(b) The moneys held in the Connecticut Teachers' Retirement Fund Bonds Special Capital Reserve Fund, except as provided in this section, shall be pledged to payment on bonds secured by the fund and shall be used solely for the payment of the principal of bonds secured by the fund as such bonds become due by reason of maturity or sinking fund redemption, the purchase of such bonds, the payment of interest on such bonds and the payment of any redemption premium required to be paid when such bonds are redeemed prior to maturity. In the event the state has not otherwise timely made available moneys to pay principal or interest due on such bonds, the Treasurer shall direct the trustee of the fund to transfer from the fund to the paying agent for such bonds the amount necessary to timely pay such principal or interest then due. Except for the payment of the principal of bonds secured by the fund as such bonds become due and the payment of interest on such bonds, no moneys shall be withdrawn from the fund in such amount as would reduce the amount on deposit in the fund to less than the required minimum capital reserve. The pledge made by

the state pursuant to this section shall be valid and binding from the time when the pledge is made. The lien of such pledge shall be valid and binding as against all parties having claims of any kind in tort, contract or otherwise against the state, irrespective of whether the parties have notice of the claims. Notwithstanding any provision of the Uniform Commercial Code, no instrument by which such pledge is created need be recorded or filed. Any moneys so pledged and later received by the state shall be subject immediately to the lien of the pledge without any physical delivery thereof or further act and such lien shall have priority over all other liens. For the purpose of evaluation of such fund, obligations acquired as an investment shall be valued at market. For purposes of this section, "required minimum capital reserve" means the maximum amount of principal and interest becoming due on bonds of the state issued pursuant to section 10-183qq of the general statutes, and any bonds refunding such bonds then outstanding, by reason of maturity or a required sinking fund installment in any succeeding fiscal year.

(c) The amounts payable from the Connecticut Lottery Corporation into such fund as provided in section 12-812 of the general statutes shall be sufficient for the payment of the principal of and interest on the bonds secured by the Connecticut Teachers' Retirement Fund Bonds Special Capital Reserve Fund when due, whether at maturity or by mandatory sinking fund installments.

(d) The Treasurer shall certify to the Governor, the Teachers' Retirement Board and the president of the Connecticut Lottery Corporation the amount on deposit in the Connecticut Teachers' Retirement Fund Bonds Special Capital Reserve Fund when such amount first equals or exceeds the required minimum capital reserve. Whenever the amount on deposit in the fund is in excess of the required minimum capital reserve, the Treasurer may direct the trustee for the fund to remit to the Treasurer for deposit into the General Fund

any amount in excess of the required minimum capital reserve.

(e) The Connecticut Teachers' Retirement Fund Bonds Special Capital Reserve Fund shall terminate and, upon direction of the Treasurer, any moneys remaining therein shall be transferred to the Budget Reserve Fund, established in section 4-30a of the general statutes: (1) Upon payment in full of the principal and interest on all bonds secured by the fund; (2) if there has been deposited in an irrevocable trust for the benefit of the holders of the bonds secured by the fund either (A) moneys in an amount that shall be sufficient to pay, when due, the principal of and interest on such bonds, and any redemption premium required to be paid when such bonds are redeemed prior to maturity, or (B) noncallable and nonprepayable direct obligations of, or obligations the timely payment of principal of and interest on which are unconditionally guaranteed by, the United States of America, the principal of and the interest on which when due, without reinvestment, will provide moneys that together with the moneys, if any, deposited with the trustee at the same time, shall be sufficient to pay when due the principal of and interest on such bonds, and any redemption premium required to be paid when such bonds are redeemed prior to maturity; (3) if the amount of the annual required contribution to the fund for the Connecticut teachers' retirement system is determined in accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) of section 10-183*l* of the general statutes and section 10-183z of the general statutes, as such sections were in effect on April 30, 2008; or (4) if the Teachers' Retirement Board fails to approve the credited interest percentage for member accounts and return assumption in accordance with subsection (a) of section 89 of this act.

(f) Pending the use or application of amounts in the fund, moneys in the fund may be invested and reinvested at the direction of the Treasurer in such obligations, securities and investments as are set forth in subsection (f) of section 3-20 of the general statutes and in

participation certificates in the Short Term Investment Fund created under section 3-27a of the general statutes.

(g) The state pledges to the holders of the bonds of the state issued pursuant to section 10-183qq of the general statutes, and any bonds refunding such bonds, that the state shall not limit or alter the rights of such holders under this section or reduce the transfer or deposit of moneys into the fund pursuant to section 12-812 of the general statutes or section 89 of this act until all such bonds are fully paid or until provision for the payment of such bonds has been made as provided in subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of this section, provided nothing contained in this section shall preclude such limitation, alteration or reduction if adequate provision is made by law for the protection of the holders of such bonds.

Sec. 83. Subdivision (6) of section 12-801 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(6) "Lottery fund" means a fund or funds established by, and under the management and control of, the corporation, into which all lottery revenues of the corporation are deposited, from which all payments and expenses of the corporation are paid and from which transfers to the General Fund or the Connecticut Teachers' Retirement Fund Bonds Special Capital Reserve Fund, established in section 82 of this act, are made pursuant to section 12-812; and

Sec. 84. Subsection (a) of section 12-806 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) The purposes of the corporation shall be to: (1) Operate and manage the lottery in an entrepreneurial and business-like manner free from the budgetary and other constraints that affect state agencies; (2)

provide continuing and increased revenue to the people of the state through the lottery by being responsive to market forces and acting generally as a corporation engaged in entrepreneurial pursuits; (3) pay to the trustee of the Connecticut Teachers' Retirement Fund Bonds Special Capital Reserve Fund, established in section 82 of this act, the amounts, if any, required pursuant to subsection (c) of section 12-812; and **[**(3)**]** (4) ensure that the lottery continues to be operated with integrity and for the public good.

Sec. 85. Subsection (c) of section 12-812 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(c) On a weekly basis, the president shall estimate, and certify to the State Treasurer, that portion of the balance in the lottery fund which exceeds the current needs of the corporation for the payment of prizes, the payment of current operating expenses and funding of approved reserves of the corporation. The corporation shall transfer the amount so certified from the lottery fund of the corporation to the General Fund **[**,**]** upon notification of receipt of such certification by the Treasurer, except that if the amount on deposit in the Connecticut Teachers' Retirement Fund Bonds Special Capital Reserve Fund, established in section 82 of this act, is less than the required minimum capital reserve, as defined in subsection (b) of said section, the corporation shall pay such amount so certified to the trustee of the fund for deposit in the fund. If the corporation transfers any moneys to the General Fund at any time when the amount on deposit in said capital reserve fund is less than the required minimum capital reserve, the amount of such transfer shall be deemed appropriated from the General Fund to the Connecticut Teachers' Retirement Fund Bonds Special Capital Reserve Fund.

Sec. 86. Subdivision (2) of section 10-183b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective on the*

date the Treasurer certifies, pursuant to section 82 of this act, that the amount on deposit in the Connecticut Teachers' Retirement Fund Bonds Special Capital Reserve Fund equals or exceeds the required minimum capital reserve, as defined in said section):

(2) "Amortization of unfunded liabilities" means: (A) For fiscal years ending on or before June 30, 2019, a systematic program of annual payments determined as a level per cent of expected member annual salaries in lieu of a lump sum payment; and (B) for fiscal years ending on or after June 30, 2020, a systematic program of annual payments, transitioning equally over five consecutive fiscal years from a level per cent of expected annual member salaries to a level payment, in lieu of a lump sum payment.

Sec. 87. Subsection (h) of section 10-183g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(h) (1) A benefit computed under subsections (a) to (d), inclusive, of this section and under subsections (a) to (g), inclusive, of section 10-183aa shall continue until the death of the member. **[**If**]**

(2) For any member who retires prior to July 1, 2019, if twenty-five per cent of the aggregate benefits paid to a member prior to death are less than such member's accumulated regular contributions, including any one per cent contributions withheld prior to July 1, 1989, and any voluntary contributions plus credited interest, the member's designated beneficiary shall be paid on the death of the member a lump sum amount equal to the difference between such aggregate payments and such accumulated contributions plus credited interest that had been accrued to the date benefits commenced.

(3) For any member who retires on or after July 1, 2019, notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (2) of section 10-183c, if

twenty-five per cent of the aggregate benefits paid to a member before July 1, 2019, and prior to death, plus fifty per cent of the aggregate benefits paid to a member on or after July 1, 2019, and prior to death, are less than such member's accumulated regular contributions, including any one per cent contributions withheld prior to July 1, 1989, and any voluntary contributions plus credited interest, the member's designated beneficiary shall be paid on the death of the member a lump sum amount equal to the difference between such aggregate payments and such accumulated contributions plus credited interest that had been accrued to the date benefits commenced.

Sec. 88. Section 10-183z of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective on the date the Treasurer certifies, pursuant to section 82 of this act, that the amount on deposit in the Connecticut Teachers' Retirement Fund Bonds Special Capital Reserve Fund equals or exceeds the required minimum capital reserve, as defined in said section*):

(a) The retirement system for teachers shall be funded on an actuarial reserve basis. The retirement board shall, on or before December first, annually, certify to the General Assembly the amount necessary, on the basis of an actuarial determination, to establish and maintain the retirement fund on such determined actuarial reserve basis and make such other recommendations with regard to the fund and its administration as the board deems necessary. **[**For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and each fiscal year thereafter, the retirement board shall, in making such actuarial determination, assume that the amount of the contributions required to be withheld under this chapter is six per cent "regular contributions" instead of seven per cent "regular contributions".**]** On the basis of each evaluation, the retirement board shall redetermine the normal rate of contribution and, until it is amortized, the unfunded past service liability. The General Assembly shall review the board's

recommendations and certification and shall appropriate to the retirement fund the amount certified by the retirement board as necessary, provided said certification is in compliance with this section. On and after the effective date of this section, no public or special act of the General Assembly shall reduce such appropriation to an amount below such amount certified unless the Governor declares an emergency or the existence of extraordinary circumstances, in which the provisions of section 4-85 are invoked, and at least three-fifths of the members of each chamber of the General Assembly vote to reduce such appropriation during the biennium for which the emergency or existence of extraordinary circumstances is declared. The amount appropriated by the General Assembly shall be deposited by the Treasurer into the retirement fund in quarterly allotments on July fifteenth, October first, January first and April first.

(b) The board shall determine on an actuarial basis (1) a normal rate of contribution which the state shall be required to make into the retirement fund in order to meet the actuarial cost of current service and (2) the unfunded past service liability. In making such determination the board shall assume that the annual rate of interest earned by the funds of the system invested by the State Treasurer pursuant to section 10-183m equals the total assumed rate of return adopted by the board under the provisions of section 10-183nn. For the first eight years, the funding program for the actuarial reserve basis shall consist of the following percentages of the sum of normal cost and the amount required for a forty-year amortization of unfunded liabilities, provided, if in any such year the amount required to be paid by this section is less than the amount which would be required to fund the system on a terminal basis and to pay the annual cost of benefits payable under subsection (j) of section 10-183g or under other prior legislative adjustments to retirement benefits, the state shall pay the greater amount:

FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING	PERCENTAGE TO BE PAID OF NORMAL COST PLUS FULL FORTY-YEAR AMORTIZATION FROM THE BEGINNING OF SUCH FISCAL YEAR
7-1-85	65
7-1-86	70
7-1-87	75
7-1-88	80
7-1-89	85
7-1-90	90
7-1-91	95
7-1-92	100

Commencing with the fiscal year **[**beginning July 1, 1992**]** ending June 30, 1993, and through the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, the unfunded liability shall be amortized over a period of forty years. Commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the unfunded liability as of June 30, 2018, shall be separately amortized over a closed period of thirty years and future actuarial gains and losses shall be amortized over separate closed periods of twenty-five years, beginning the year each separate base is established. The phrase "fund the system on a terminal basis" means contribution by the state of such moneys as are certified by the Teachers' Retirement Board as necessary, according to the mortality table adopted yearly, for the full reserve for pensions for retiring teachers provided under sections 10-183f, 10-183j and 10-183aa, but not such moneys as are necessary to make payments under subsection (j) of section 10-183g or under other prior legislative amendments to retirement benefits.

(c) No act liberalizing the benefits of the retirement system shall be enacted by the General Assembly until the assembly has requested and received from the retirement board a certification of the unfunded

liability created by such change and the cost of such change under the actuarial funding basis adopted by section 10-183b. [and this section using full normal cost plus thirty-year amortization.] Any unfunded liability created by such change shall be amortized over a period [of thirty years] consistent with actuarial recommendations approved by the retirement board.

(d) The funds of the teachers' retirement system, except the expense fund, shall not be reduced or used for other than the purposes of said system.

Sec. 89. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) Not later than fourteen business days after the last action necessary to make effective a state budget act for the biennium ending June 30, 2021, subject to the approval of the Teachers' Retirement Board, the credited interest percentage for member accounts shall be not more than four per cent per annum and the return assumption shall be six and nine-tenths per cent per annum. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 82 of this act and sections 12-801, 12-806 and 12-812 of the general statutes, if the board fails to revise such percentage and adopt such return assumption: (1) No moneys shall be deposited in the Connecticut Teachers' Retirement Fund Bonds Special Capital Reserve Fund, established in section 82 of this act; (2) the Treasurer's duties and obligations under section 82 of this act shall terminate; and (3) the pledges made in section 82 of this act shall not be in effect.

(b) If the board revises such percentage and adopts such return assumption in accordance with subsection (a) of this section, the board shall, on or before July 1, 2019, and notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of section 10-183z of the general statutes: (1) Request a revised actuarial valuation for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, based on changes to the benefit program, amortization period and the systematic program of annual payments applied to determine the amortization of unfunded liabilities of the

Connecticut teachers' retirement system as provided in subdivision (2) of section 10-183b of the general statutes and section 10-183z of the general statutes; and (2) certify to the General Assembly for such fiscal years the amount necessary, based on such revised actuarial valuation, to maintain the Teachers' Retirement Fund on an actuarial reserve basis.

Sec. 90. (*Effective from passage or upon approval by the Teachers' Retirement Board of the credited interest percentage for member accounts and return assumption in accordance with subsection (a) of section 89 of this act, whichever is later*) The sum of $380,901,255 is appropriated to the State Treasurer, for Debt Service, from the General Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, for deposit in the Connecticut Teachers' Retirement Fund Bonds Special Capital Reserve Fund established in section 82 of this act.

Sec. 91. Section 2-36b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

(a) No later than **[**November thirtieth**]** <u>December fifteenth</u> each year, the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies and finance, revenue and bonding shall meet with the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, the director of the legislative Office of Fiscal Analysis, and such other persons as they deem appropriate, to consider the items submitted pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.

(b) On or before November **[**fifteenth**]** <u>twentieth</u>, annually, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the director of the legislative Office of Fiscal Analysis shall each submit the following to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies and finance, revenue and bonding: (1) For the current

biennium and the next ensuing three fiscal years, a consensus estimate of state revenues developed in accordance with subsection (a) of section 2-36c, an estimate of the level of expenditure change from current year expenditures allowable by consensus revenue estimates in each fund, any changes to current year expenditures necessitated by fixed cost drivers, and the aggregate changes to current year expenditures required to accommodate fixed cost drivers without exceeding current revenue estimates; (2) the projected tax credits to be used in the current biennium and the next ensuing three fiscal years, and the assumptions on which such projections are based; (3) a summary of any estimated deficiencies in the current fiscal year, the reasons for such deficiencies, and the assumptions upon which such estimates are based; (4) the projected balance in the Budget Reserve Fund at the end of each uncompleted fiscal year of the current biennium and the next ensuing three fiscal years; (5) the projected bond authorizations, allocations and issuances in each of the next ensuing five fiscal years and their impact on the debt service of the major funds of the state; (6) an analysis of revenue and expenditure trends and of the major cost drivers affecting state spending, including identification of any areas of concern and efforts undertaken to address such areas, including, but not limited to, efforts to obtain federal funds; and (7) an analysis of possible uses of surplus funds, including, but not limited to, the Budget Reserve Fund, debt retirement and funding of pension liabilities. For purposes of this section, "fixed cost drivers" may include costs related to debt service, pension contributions, retiree health care, entitlement programs and federal mandates.

(c) On or before November 15, 2010, and annually thereafter, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall submit to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies and finance, revenue and bonding for the biennium commencing July

1, 2011, and each biennium thereafter, a summary in electronic database format of all nonappropriated moneys held by each budgeted agency, which shall be an accounting of moneys received or held by the agency that are authorized or received by any manner other than as an appropriation, at the end of the last-completed fiscal year in a form consistent with accepted accounting practice.

Sec. 92. Subsection (a) of section 12-7c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) The Commissioner of Revenue Services shall, on or before February 15, **[**2020**]** 2022, and biennially thereafter, submit to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to finance, revenue and bonding, and post on the department's Internet web site a report on the overall incidence of the income tax, sales and excise taxes, the corporation business tax and property tax. The report shall present information on the distribution of the tax burden as follows:

(1) For individuals:

(A) Income classes, including income distribution expressed for every ten percentage points; and

(B) Other appropriate taxpayer characteristics, as determined by said commissioner.

(2) For businesses:

(A) Business size as established by gross receipts;

(B) Legal organization; and

(C) Industry by NAICS code.

Sec. 93. Section 4a-67d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

(a) The fleet average for cars or light duty trucks purchased by the state shall: (1) On and after October 1, 2001, have a United States Environmental Protection Agency estimated highway gasoline mileage rating of at least thirty-five miles per gallon and on and after January 1, 2003, have a United States Environmental Protection Agency estimated highway gasoline mileage rating of at least forty miles per gallon, (2) comply with the requirements set forth in 10 CFR 490 concerning the percentage of alternative-fueled vehicles required in the state motor vehicle fleet, and (3) obtain the best achievable mileage per pound of carbon dioxide emitted in its class. The alternative-fueled vehicles purchased by the state to comply with said requirements shall be capable of operating on natural gas or electricity or any other system acceptable to the United States Department of Energy that operates on fuel that is available in the state.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section, (1) on and after January 1, 2008: (A) At least fifty per cent of all cars and light duty trucks purchased or leased by the state shall be alternative-fueled, hybrid electric or plug-in electric vehicles, (B) all alternative-fueled vehicles purchased or leased by the state shall be certified to the California Air Resources Board's Low Emission Vehicle II Ultra Low Emission Vehicle Standard, and (C) all gasoline-powered light duty and hybrid vehicles purchased or leased by the state shall, at a minimum, be certified to the California Air Resource Board's Low Emission Vehicle II Ultra Low Emission Vehicle Standard, **[**and**]** (2) on and after January 1, 2012, one hundred per cent of such cars and light duty trucks shall be alternative-fueled, hybrid electric or plug-in electric vehicles, and (3) on and after January 1, 2030, at least fifty per cent of such cars and light duty trucks shall be zero-emission vehicles.

(c) On and after January 1, 2030, at least thirty per cent of all buses

purchased or leased by the state shall be zero-emission buses.

(d) If the Commissioner of Administrative Services determines that the vehicles required by the provisions of **[**this subsection**]** subsections (b) and (c) of this section are not available for purchase or lease, the Commissioner of Administrative Services shall include an explanation of such determination in the annual report described in subsection **[**(e)**]** (g) of this section.

[(c)**]** (e) The provisions of subsections (a) **[**and (b)**]** to (c), inclusive, of this section shall not apply to any emergency vehicle.

[(d)**]** (f) As used in this section, (1) **[**the terms "car" and "light duty truck" have the same meaning as provided in the United States Department of Energy Publication DOE/CE-0019/8, or any successor publication, (2)**]** "emergency vehicle" means a vehicle used by the Department of Motor Vehicles, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, Department of Correction, Office of State Capitol Police, Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Department of Developmental Services, Department of Social Services, Department of Children and Families, Department of Transportation, Judicial Department, Board of Pardons and Paroles, Board of Regents for Higher Education, The University of Connecticut or The University of Connecticut Health Center for law enforcement or emergency response purposes, **[**and (3)**]** (2) "hybrid" means a passenger car that draws acceleration energy from two on-board sources of stored energy that consists of either an internal combustion or heat engine which uses combustible fuel and a rechargeable energy storage system, and, for any passenger car or light duty truck with a model year of 2004 or newer, that is certified to meet or exceed the California Air Resources Board's LEV (Low Emission Vehicle) II LEV Standard, (3) "zero-emission vehicle" means a battery electric vehicle, hybrid electric vehicle, range-extended electric vehicle and any vehicle that is certified

by the executive officer of the California Air Resources Board to produce zero emissions of any criteria pollutant under all operational modes and conditions, and (4) "zero-emission bus" means any urban bus certified by the executive officer of the California Air Resources Board to produce zero emissions of any criteria pollutant under all operational modes and conditions.

[(e)] (g) On or before January 1, 2008, and annually thereafter, the Commissioner of Administrative Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Transportation, shall file a report with the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to government administration, the environment and energy that includes: (1) Details on the composition of the state fleet, including, but not limited to, a listing of all vehicles owned, leased or used by the Departments of Transportation and Emergency Services and Public Protection, the make, model and fuel type of vehicles that compose the state fleet and the amount of fuel, including alternative fuels, that each vehicle uses, (2) any changes to the determination made by the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection pursuant to subsection (a) of section 35 of public act 07-4 of the June special session or any update concerning the waiver application submitted pursuant to subsection (a) of section 35 of public act 07-4 of the June special session, as applicable, (3) any changes or amendments to the plan required by subsection (b) of section 35 of public act 07-4 of the June special session, [and] (4) any changes or amendments to the plan required by subsection (c) of section 35 of public act 07-4 of the June special session, (5) a vehicle purchasing and procurement three-year plan that aligns with the requirements of subdivision (3) of subsection (b) of this section and subsection (c) of this section, and (6) an assessment of the availability of zero-emission medium and heavy duty trucks and the feasibility of the state purchasing or leasing zero-emission medium and heavy duty trucks. The Departments of Transportation and Emergency Services and Public Protection shall

submit all data requested of said departments by the Department of Administrative Services in connection with the preparation of such report.

[(f)] (h) The Commissioner of Administrative Services may enter into any agreement necessary to carry out the provisions of subsection [(e)] (g) of this section.

[(g)] (i) In performing the requirements of this section, the Commissioners of Administrative Services, [and] Energy and Environmental Protection and Transportation shall, whenever possible, consider the use of and impact on Connecticut-based companies.

(j) The Commissioner of Administrative Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Transportation, shall study the feasibility of creating a competitive bid process for the aggregate procurement of zero-emission vehicles and zero-emission buses and determine whether such aggregate procurement would achieve a cost savings on the purchase of such vehicles and buses and related administrative costs. On or before January 1, 2020, the Commissioner of Administrative Services shall report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, on the results of such study to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to government administration and transportation. The Commissioner of Administrative Services may proceed with such aggregate procurement if the commissioner determines such aggregate procurement would achieve a cost savings.

Sec. 94. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) (a) There is established a Connecticut Hydrogen and Electric Automobile Purchase Rebate Board, which shall be within the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection for administrative purposes only. The board shall consist of the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental

Protection or the commissioner's designee, the Commissioner of Consumer Protection or the commissioner's designee, the president of the Connecticut Green Bank or the president's designee and six members appointed as follows: (1) One representative of an environmental organization knowledgeable in electric vehicle policy appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives; (2) one member appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate; (3) one representative of an organization that represents the interests of an environmental justice community, as defined in subsection (a) of section 22a-20a of the general statutes, appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives; (4) one representative of an association representing automotive retailers in the state appointed by the majority leader of the Senate; (5) one member appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives; and (6) one member appointed by the minority leader of the Senate. The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection may appoint to the board not more than three additional representatives from other industrial fleet or transportation companies. The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection, or the commissioner's designee, shall serve as chairperson of the board. The board shall meet at such times as it deems necessary.

(b) On and after January 1, 2020, until December 31, 2025, inclusive, the board shall establish and administer a program to provide rebates that total at least three million dollars annually to residents of this state who (1) purchase or lease a battery electric vehicle, plug-in hybrid electric vehicle or fuel cell electric vehicle, or (2) purchase a used hydrogen vehicle or electric vehicle. The board shall establish and revise, as necessary, appropriate rebate levels and maximum income eligibility for rebates for used hydrogen vehicles or electric vehicles. The board shall evaluate such program on an annual basis.

(c) There is established an account to be known as the "Connecticut

hydrogen and electric automobile purchase rebate program account" which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the General Fund. The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Connecticut Hydrogen and Electric Automobile Purchase Rebate Board for the purposes of administering the program established pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.

Sec. 95. Section 22a-201c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

[(a) As used in this section, "motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle, as defined in section 14-1, with a gross vehicle weight rating, as defined in section 14-1, of ten thousand pounds or less, except for a motorcycle.]

[(b) On and after January 1, 2007,] (a) For each registration of a new motor vehicle with the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles [shall charge] pursuant to chapter 246, the person registering such vehicle shall pay to the commissioner a fee of [five] ten dollars, in addition to any other fees required for registration, for [each new motor vehicle. Said fee] registration for a biennial period for the following registration types: Passenger, motor home, combination or antique. Any person who is sixty-five years or older and who obtains a one-year registration for a new motor vehicle under section 14-49 for such registration type shall pay five dollars for the annual registration period.

(b) For each new registration or renewal of registration of any motor vehicle, except a new motor vehicle, with the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles pursuant to chapter 246, the person registering such vehicle shall pay to the commissioner a fee of five dollars for registration for a biennial period for the following registration types: Passenger, motor home, combination or antique. Any person who is sixty-five years or older and who obtains a one-year registration or one-year registration

renewal for any motor vehicle, except a new motor vehicle, under section 14-49 for such registration type shall pay two dollars fifty cents for the annual registration period.

(c) The fee imposed by this subsection may be identified as the "greenhouse gas reduction fee" on any registration form, or combined with the fee specified by subdivision (3) of subsection (k) of section 14-164c **[**. All receipts**]** on any registration form. The first three million dollars received from the payment of such fee shall be deposited into the Connecticut hydrogen and electric automobile purchase rebate program account, established pursuant to subsection (c) of section 94 of this act. Any revenue from such fee in excess of the first three million dollars in each fiscal year shall be deposited into the General Fund. No part of the greenhouse gas reduction fee shall be subject to a refund under subsection (aa) of section 14-49.

Sec. 96. Section 17a-503 of the general statutes is amended by adding subsection (e) as follows (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(NEW) (e) Each advanced practice registered nurse licensed under chapter 378 and employed by the Department of Correction to provide mental health care in a correctional facility who, based on direct evaluation of an inmate, has reasonable cause to believe that such inmate has psychiatric disabilities and is dangerous to himself or herself or others or is gravely disabled, and in need of immediate care and treatment, may issue an emergency certificate in writing that authorizes and directs that such inmate be taken to a general hospital for purposes of medical examination. The inmate shall be examined within twenty-four hours and shall not be held for more than seventy-two hours unless committed under section 17a-502. The Commissioner of Correction shall collect and maintain statistical and demographic information pertaining to emergency certificates issued under this subsection.

Sec. 97. Section 10-193 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) The superintendent of schools of any local or regional board of education, or an agent designated by such superintendent, or the supervisory agent of a nonpublic school shall, upon application and in accordance with procedures established by the State Board of Education, furnish, to any person desiring to employ a minor under the age of eighteen years (1) in any manufacturing, mechanical or theatrical industry, restaurant or public dining room, or in any bowling alley, shoe-shining establishment or barber shop, a certificate showing that such minor is sixteen years of age or older, (2) in any mercantile establishment, a certificate showing that such minor is fifteen years of age or older, and (3) at any municipal or private golf course, a certificate showing that such minor is fourteen years of age or older.

(b) Nothing in subsection (a) of this section shall be construed to apply to any person desiring to employ a minor through a youth development program of a regional workforce development board.

[(b)**]** (c) The State Board of Education shall establish procedures governing the issuance of such certificates.

Sec. 98. Section 10-194 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) Any person, whether acting for himself or herself or as agent for another, who employs any minor under the age of eighteen years at any occupation described in subsection (a) of section 10-193 without having obtained a certificate as provided therein shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars.

(b) Nothing in subsection (a) of this section shall be construed to apply to any person desiring to employ a minor under the age of

eighteen years through a youth development program of a regional workforce development board.

Sec. 99. Subsection (a) of section 31-418 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) There is established the Connecticut Retirement Security Exchange the purpose of which shall be to promote and enhance retirement savings for private sector employees in the state. The board of directors of the Connecticut Retirement Security Authority may:

(1) Adopt bylaws for the regulation of the affairs of the board and the conduct of its business;

(2) Adopt an official seal and alter the same at the pleasure of the board;

(3) Maintain an office at such place or places in the state as the board may designate;

(4) Sue and be sued in its own name;

(5) Establish criteria and guidelines for the program to offer qualified retirement investment choices. **[**that shall be offered by multiple vendors as selected by the authority.**]** Such criteria and guidelines shall establish a cap on total annual fees and shall provide participants with information regarding each retirement investment choice's historical investment performance;

(6) Receive and invest moneys in the program in any instruments, obligations, securities or property in accordance with section 31-423;

(7) Contract with financial institutions or other organizations offering or servicing retirement programs. The authority may require that each participant be charged a fee to defray the costs of the

program. The amount and method of collection of such fee shall be determined by the authority. No employer shall be required to fund or be responsible for collecting fees from plan participants;

(8) Employ such employees as may be necessary in the board's judgment, and to fix the compensation of such persons;

(9) Charge and equitably apportion among participants the administrative costs and expenses incurred in the exercise of the board's powers and duties as granted by this section;

(10) Borrow working capital funds and other funds as may be necessary for the start-up and continuing operation of the program, provided such funds are borrowed in the name of the authority only. Such borrowings shall be payable solely from revenues of the authority;

(11) Make and enter into contracts or agreements with the state and any instrumentalities thereof and professional service providers, including, but not limited to, financial consultants and lawyers, as may be necessary or incidental to the performance of the board's duties and the execution of its powers under this section;

(12) Establish policies and procedures for the protection of program participants' personal and confidential information; and

(13) Do all things necessary or convenient to carry out the provisions of section 31-71e, sections 31-417 to 31-427, inclusive, and section 12 of public act 16-29.

Sec. 100. Subsection (b) of section 31-419 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(b) Not less than quarterly, the board shall provide a statement to

each participant that shall include, but need not be limited to, the following information:

(1) The account balance in a participant's individual retirement account, including the value of the participant's investment in each investment option selected by the participant;

(2) The **[**various vendors'**]** investment options available to each participant and the process by which a participant may select investment options for his or her contributions in accordance with subsection (b) of section 31-71j or as prescribed by the authority;

(3) The amount of fees charged to each participant's individual retirement account and a description of the services to which such charges relate; and

(4) At the election of the board, an estimate of the amount of income the account is projected to generate for a participant's retirement based on reasonable assumptions.

Sec. 101. Section 31-423 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

[(a)**]** The Connecticut Retirement Security Authority shall provide for each participant's account to be invested in (1) an age-appropriate target date fund, **[**with the vendor selected by the participant, except as provided in subsection (b) of this section,**]** or (2) **[**such**]** other investment vehicles **[**as**]** the authority may prescribe if affirmatively selected by the participant.

[(b) If a participant does not affirmatively select a specific vendor or investment option within the program, such participant's contribution shall be invested in an age-appropriate target date fund that most closely matches the participant's normal retirement age, rotationally assigned by the program.**]**

Sec. 102. Section 31-428 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

The Connecticut Retirement Security Authority board of directors shall establish and maintain a secure Internet web site to provide Connecticut Retirement Security Exchange participants with information regarding [approved vendors that offer individual retirement accounts through the program and the various investment options] the various investment options offered through the program, including the historical investment performance of such options. [, that may be available for such individual retirement accounts.]

Sec. 103. Section 4-215 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

(a) Each personal service agreement executed on or after July 1, 1994, and having a cost of more than twenty thousand dollars but not more than fifty thousand dollars and a term of not more than one year shall be based on competitive negotiation or competitive quotations, unless the state agency purchasing the personal services determines that a sole source purchase is required and applies to the secretary for a waiver from such requirement and the secretary grants the waiver. Not later than March 1, 1994, the secretary shall adopt guidelines for determining the types of services that may qualify for such waivers. The qualifying services shall include, but not be limited to, (1) services for which the cost to the state of a competitive selection procedure would outweigh the benefits of such procedure, as documented by the state agency, (2) proprietary services, (3) services to be provided by a contractor mandated by the general statutes or a public or special act, and (4) emergency services, including services needed for the protection of life or health. The secretary shall post any approvals of requests for a waiver received under this section on the State Contracting Portal. Not later than January 15, 2020, and annually thereafter, the secretary shall submit a report, in accordance with the

provisions of section 11-4a, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies and government administration and the State Contracting Standards Board listing any such waiver requests received during the prior year and the justification for the grant or denial of such request.

(b) The secretary shall immediately notify the Auditors of Public Accounts of any application that the secretary receives for approval of a sole source purchase of audit services and give the auditors the opportunity to review the application to advise the secretary as to whether such services are necessary and, if so, whether such services could be provided by said auditors.

Sec. 104. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) Not later than January 1, 2020, and every three years thereafter, each state agency, as defined in section 4-212 of the general statutes, shall submit to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management for approval an agency procurement plan that includes, but is not limited to, a list of all services and programs the agency intends to contract for over the three-year period next succeeding such report, and a planned schedule of procurements indicating whether such procurements shall be based on competitive negotiation or competitive quotations, or whether the state agency has determined that a sole source purchase of services is required and the agency intends to apply to the secretary for a waiver in accordance with the guidelines adopted under section 4-215 of the general statutes.

Sec. 105. Section 2-127 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) There is established a Commission on Women, Children, Seniors, Equity and Opportunity which shall be part of the Legislative Department. The commission shall focus on issues affecting each of the

following underrepresented and underserved populations: Women, children and the family, elderly persons, African Americans, Asian Pacific Americans, and Latinos and Puerto Ricans. The Commission on Women, Children, Seniors, Equity and Opportunity shall constitute a successor to the [African-American Affairs Commission, Latino and Puerto Rican Affairs Commission and Asian Pacific American Affairs Commission] Commission on Equity and Opportunity and the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors, in accordance with the provisions of subsections (b) to (d), inclusive, and subsection (f) of section 4-38d and section 4-38e.

(b) The Commission on Women, Children, Seniors, Equity and Opportunity shall consist of an advisory board, an executive committee and six subcommissions. On and after July 1, 2019, the advisory board shall consist of the following members:

[(1) With respect to members appointed prior to July 1, 2016, to serve on either the African-American Affairs Commission, Latino and Puerto Rican Affairs Commission or Asian Pacific American Affairs Commission and whose term has not expired as of July 1, 2016, such members shall be deemed appointed to serve on the Commission on Equity and Opportunity until the expiration of the term of the member on such former commission, the occurrence of a vacancy or June 30, 2018, whichever occurs first. Upon the expiration of any such member's term or the occurrence of a vacancy on or after July 1, 2018, the vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority who made the original appointment, except such appointment shall be made in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (2) of this subsection.

(2) On and after July 1, 2018, the Commission on Equity and Opportunity shall consist of thirty-nine members, appointed as follows:]

[(A)] (1) Three members appointed by a joint appointment of the

speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro tempore of the Senate, one of whom has experience in the field of African-American affairs, one of whom has experience in the field of Asian Pacific-American affairs and one of whom has experience in the field of Latino and Puerto Rican affairs, provided at least one of such members shall also be from the central region of the state;

[(B) Six] (2) Three members appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, [two of whom have] one of whom has experience in the field of African-American affairs, [two of whom have] one of whom has experience in the field of Asian Pacific-American affairs and [two of whom have] one of whom has experience in the field of Latino and Puerto Rican affairs, provided at least two of such members shall also be from the northeastern region of the state;

[(C) Six] (3) Three members appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, [two of whom have] one of whom has experience in the field of African-American affairs, [two of whom have] one of whom has experience in the field of Asian Pacific-American affairs and [two of whom have] one of whom has experience in the field of Latino and Puerto Rican affairs, provided at least [two] one of such members shall also be from the southeastern region of the state;

[(D) Six] (4) Three members appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, [two of whom have] one of whom has experience in the field of African-American affairs, [two of whom have] one of whom has experience in the field of Asian Pacific-American affairs and [two of whom have] one of whom has experience in the field of Latino and Puerto Rican affairs;

[(E) Six] (5) Three members appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, [two of whom have] one of whom has experience in the field of African-American affairs, [two of whom have] one of whom has experience in the field of Asian Pacific-

American affairs and **[**two of whom have**]** one of whom has experience in the field of Latino and Puerto Rican affairs;

[(F) Six**]** (6) Three members appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, **[**two of whom have**]** one of whom has experience in the field of African-American affairs, **[**two of whom have**]** one of whom has experience in the field of Asian Pacific-American affairs and **[**two of whom have**]** one of whom has experience in the field of Latino and Puerto Rican affairs, provided at least **[**two**]** one of such members shall also be from the northwestern region of the state; **[**and**]**

[(G) Six**]** (7) Three members appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives, **[**two of whom have**]** one of whom has experience in the field of African-American affairs, **[**two of whom have**]** one of whom has experience in the field of Asian Pacific-American affairs and **[**two of whom have**]** one of whom has experience in the field of Latino and Puerto Rican affairs, provided at least **[**two**]** one of such members shall also be from the southwestern region of the state.

(8) Three members appointed by a joint appointment of the speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro tempore of the Senate, one of whom has expertise in issues concerning women, one of whom has expertise in issues concerning children or the family and one of whom has expertise in issues concerning elderly persons, provided at least one of such members shall also be from the central region of the state;

(9) Three members appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one of whom has expertise in issues concerning women, one of whom has expertise in issues concerning children or the family and one of whom has expertise in issues concerning elderly persons, provided at least one of such members shall also be from the northeastern region of the state;

(10) Three members appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, one of whom has expertise in issues concerning women, one of whom has expertise in issues concerning children or the family and one of whom has expertise in issues concerning elderly persons, provided at least one of such members shall also be from the southeastern region of the state;

(11) Three members appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, one of whom has expertise in issues concerning women, one of whom has expertise in issues concerning children or the family and one of whom has expertise in issues concerning elderly persons;

(12) Three members appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, one of whom has expertise in issues concerning women, one of whom has expertise in issues concerning children or the family and one of whom has expertise in issues concerning elderly persons;

(13) Three members appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, one of whom has expertise in issues concerning women, one of whom has expertise in issues concerning children or the family and one of whom has expertise in issues concerning elderly persons, provided at least one of such members shall also be from the northwestern region of the state;

(14) Three members appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives, one of whom has expertise in issues concerning women, one of whom has expertise in issues concerning children or the family and one of whom has expertise in issues concerning elderly persons, provided at least one of such members shall also be from the southwestern region of the state; and

(15) Two members appointed by the Joint Committee on Legislative Management, who have experience in equity and culturally responsive

leadership, who shall serve as chairpersons of the advisory board and executive committee, except that the former chairpersons of the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors and the Commission on Equity and Opportunity serving on June 30, 2019, shall be deemed appointed to serve as the chairpersons of the board of the Commission on Women, Children, Seniors, Equity and Opportunity until June 30, 2021. Other than said chairpersons, the term of any members appointed prior to July 1, 2019, to serve on either the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors or the Commission on Equity and Opportunity and whose term has not expired as of June 30, 2019, shall expire on June 30, 2019.

[(H) In the event of a vacancy for any member appointed pursuant to this subdivision, such vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority.]

(c) All initial appointments to the [commission] board, other than appointments made pursuant to subdivision [(1)] (15) of subsection (b) of this section, shall be made not later than July 31, [2016] 2019, and the term of such initial members shall terminate on June 30, [2018] 2021, regardless of when the initial appointment was made. [The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro tempore of the Senate shall jointly select the chairperson of the commission from among the members of the commission. Such chairperson] The chairpersons shall schedule the first meeting of the [commission] board.

(d) Members of the [commission] advisory board appointed on or after July 1, [2018] 2019, shall serve for two-year terms. [which shall commence on the date of appointment.] Members shall continue to serve until their successors are appointed. Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority. Any vacancy occurring other than by expiration of term shall be filled for the balance of the unexpired term except as provided in subdivision (15) of subsection (b) of this section.

The members of the [commission] board shall serve without compensation, but shall, within the limits of available funds, be reimbursed for expenses necessarily incurred in the performance of their duties.

(e) (1) The advisory board shall be organized into an executive committee and six subcommissions with members to be designated by the chairpersons of the advisory board: (A) One subcommission to advise on policies affecting members of the African-American population, (B) one subcommission to advise on policies affecting members of the Asian Pacific-American population, (C) one subcommission to advise on policies affecting members of the Latino and Puerto Rican population, (D) one subcommission to advise on policies affecting women, (E) one subcommission to advise on policies affecting children and family, and (F) one subcommission to advise on policies affecting elderly persons. Each subcommission shall select a chairperson from among its members.

(2) The executive committee shall be comprised of the chairpersons of the advisory board and the chairpersons of each of the six subcommissions. The chairpersons of the advisory board shall serve as the chairpersons of the executive committee and the chairpersons of the subcommissions shall serve as vice-chairpersons of the executive committee. The executive committee shall meet no less than bimonthly, and at special meetings called by one or both of the chairpersons. The chairpersons of the executive committee shall establish standing committees and designate the chairperson of each standing committee, which shall include, but not be limited to, committees on equity, opportunity, communications, civic engagement and programs.

[(e)] (f) A majority of the [commission] advisory board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business of the board. A majority of the membership of a subcommission shall constitute a

quorum for the transaction of any business of such subcommission. The [commission] advisory board shall meet as often as deemed necessary by the [chairperson] chairpersons or a majority of the [commission] board. Any appointed member who fails to attend three consecutive meetings of the board or of a subcommission or who fails to attend fifty per cent of all meetings of the board or its subcommissions held during any calendar year shall be deemed to have resigned from the [commission] board.

[(f)] (g) The commission shall have no authority over staffing or personnel matters. There shall be an executive director of the commission. The executive director and any necessary staff shall be employed by the Joint Committee on Legislative Management, which shall have authority over the hiring, termination and performance review of the executive director and any staff.

[(g) The commission shall be organized into three policy divisions, one of which shall advise on policies affecting members of the African-American population, one of which shall advise on policies affecting members of the Asian Pacific-American population and one of which shall advise on policies affecting members of the Latino and Puerto Rican population.]

Sec. 106. Section 2-128 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) The Commission on Women, Children, Seniors, Equity and Opportunity shall:

(1) Focus its efforts on the following quality of life desired results for women, children and their families, seniors and members of the African-American, Asian Pacific-American and Latino and Puerto Rican populations of the state: That all such [members] persons are (A) healthy, safe and achieve educational success; (B) free from poverty;

and (C) free from discrimination;

(2) [Make] With the advice of the executive committee of the commission, make recommendations to the General Assembly and the Governor for new or enhanced policies, programs and services that will foster progress in achieving the desired results described in subdivision (1) of this subsection. Such recommendations shall, when applicable, include, but need not be limited to: (A) Systems innovations, model policies and practices which embed two-generational practice in program, policy and systems change on the state and local levels, in accordance with section 17b-112*l*; (B) strategies for reducing family poverty, promoting parent leadership and family civics; (C) the promotion of youth leadership opportunities that keep youth engaged in the community; and (D) strategies and programs that address equitable access, impede bias, and narrow the opportunity gap for women, children and their families, seniors and members of the African-American, Asian Pacific-American and Latino and Puerto Rican populations of the state. Such recommendations may include other state and national best practices, and recommendations on federal funding maximization;

(3) [Review] With the advice of the executive committee of the commission, review and comment, as necessary, on any specific proposed state legislation or recommendations that may affect women, children and their families, seniors and members of the African-American, Asian Pacific-American and Latino and Puerto Rican populations of the state and provide copies of any such comments to members of the General Assembly;

(4) [Advise] With the advice of the executive committee of the commission, advise the General Assembly concerning the coordination and administration of state programs that affect [families] women, children and their families, seniors and members of the African-American, Asian Pacific-American and Latino and Puerto Rican

populations of the state;

(5) Gather and maintain, as necessary, current information regarding women, children and their families, seniors and members of the African-American, Asian Pacific-American and Latino and Puerto Rican populations of the state that can be used to better understand the status, condition, and contributions of such [populations] groups. Such information, as appropriate and pertinent to the desired results delineated in subdivision (1) of this subsection, shall be included in the annual report submitted in accordance with subsection (b) of this section and shall be made available to legislators and other interested parties upon request;

(6) Maintain liaisons between women, children and their families, seniors and members of the African-American, Asian Pacific-American and Latino and Puerto Rican populations of the state and government agencies, including the General Assembly; and

(7) Conduct educational and outreach activities intended to raise awareness of and address critical issues for women, children and their families, seniors and members of the African-American, Asian Pacific-American and Latino and Puerto Rican populations of the state.

(b) Not later than January first, annually, the executive director of the commission shall submit a status report, organized by [policy division] subcommission, concerning its efforts [and any progress made in achieving] in promoting the desired results listed in subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a.

(c) The Commission on Equity and Opportunity may: (1) Request, and shall receive, from any state agency such information and

assistance as the commission may require; (2) use such funds as may be available from federal, state or other sources and may enter into contracts to carry out [its] the purposes of the commission; (3) utilize voluntary and uncompensated services of private individuals, state or federal agencies and organizations as may, from time to time, be offered and needed; (4) recommend policies to federal agencies and political subdivisions of the state relative to women, children and their families, seniors and members of the African-American, Asian Pacific-American and Latino and Puerto Rican populations of the state; (5) accept any gift, donation or bequest for the purpose of performing [its] the duties of the commission; (6) hold public hearings; (7) establish task forces or [advisory] standing committees, as necessary, to perform [its] the duties of the commission; (8) adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, as it may deem necessary to carry out [its] the duties of the commission; and (9) inform leaders of business, education, state and local governments and the communications media of the nature and scope of the problems faced by women, children and their families, seniors and members of the African-American, Asian Pacific-American and Latino and Puerto Rican populations of the state.

(d) The executive director of the commission may enter into any agreement with a state agency for the purpose of maximizing the receipt of federal funds by such state agency, provided such state agency shall utilize any federal funds received as a result of such agreement to perform those statutory duties of such agency that relate to the commission's duties. The commission may accept that portion of federal funds received by any such state agency as a result of any such agreement which federal law otherwise permits to be received by the commission.

Sec. 107. Section 2-129 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) Wherever the terms ["African-American Affairs Commission",

"Asian Pacific American Affairs Commission" or "Latino and Puerto Rican Affairs Commission"**]** "Commission on Women, Children and Seniors" are used in any public or special act of the **[**2016**]** 2019 regular session, **[**or May special session,**]** the term **[**"Commission on Equity and Opportunity"**]** "Commission on Women, Children, Seniors, Equity and Opportunity" shall be substituted in lieu thereof. Wherever the terms **[**"Commission on Children", "Permanent Commission on the Status of Women" and "Commission on Aging"**]** "Commission on Equity and Opportunity" are used in any public or special act of the **[**2016**]** 2019 regular session, **[**or May special session,**]** the term **[**"Commission on Women, Children and Seniors"**]** "Commission on Women, Children, Seniors, Equity and Opportunity" shall be substituted in lieu thereof.

(b) The Legislative Commissioners' Office shall, in codifying the provisions of this section, make such technical, grammatical and punctuation changes as are necessary to carry out the purposes of this section.

Sec. 108. Subsections (b) and (c) of section 2-111 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(b) The committee shall consist of the following members:

(1) Four members of the General Assembly, one of whom shall be appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, one of whom shall be appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one of whom shall be appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives, and one of who shall be appointed by the minority leader of the Senate;

(2) The Chief Court Administrator, or the Chief Court Administrator's designee;

(3) The Comptroller, or the Comptroller's designee;

(4) The director of the Office of Fiscal Analysis;

(5) The director of the Office of Legislative Research;

(6) The director of the Institute for Municipal and Regional Policy at Central Connecticut State University;

(7) The executive director of the Commission on Women, Children, **[**and**]** Seniors, Equity and Opportunity, or a designee;

(8) A representative of private higher education, appointed by the Connecticut Conference of Independent Colleges;

(9) Two representatives of the Connecticut business community, one of whom shall be appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, and one who shall be appointed by the majority leader of the Senate; and

(10) Such other members as the committee may prescribe.

(c) All appointments to the committee under subdivisions (1) to (10), inclusive, of subsection (b) of this section shall be made not later than thirty days after June 19, 2013. Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority.

Sec. 109. Subsection (a) of section 4-67x of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) There shall be a Child Poverty and Prevention Council consisting of the following members or their designees: The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, the president pro tempore of the Senate, the speaker of the House of Representatives, the minority leader of the Senate and the minority leader of the House of Representatives, the Commissioners of Children and Families, Social Services, Correction, Developmental Services, Mental Health and

Addiction Services, Transportation, Public Health, Education, Housing, Agriculture and Economic and Community Development, the Labor Commissioner, the Chief Court Administrator, the chairperson of the Board of Regents for Higher Education, the Child Advocate, the executive directors of the Office of Early Childhood and the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities and the executive director of the Commission on Women, Children, [and] Seniors, Equity and Opportunity or a designee. The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the secretary's designee, shall be the chairperson of the council. The council shall (1) develop and promote the implementation of a ten-year plan, to begin June 8, 2004, to reduce the number of children living in poverty in the state by fifty per cent, and (2) within available appropriations, establish prevention goals and recommendations and measure prevention service outcomes in accordance with this section in order to promote the health and well-being of children and families.

Sec. 110. Subsection (h) of section 4-67x of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(h) Not later than July 1, 2006, the Office of Policy and Management shall, within available appropriations, develop a protocol requiring state contracts for programs aimed at reducing poverty for children and families to include performance-based standards and outcome measures related to the child poverty reduction goal specified in subsection (a) of this section. Not later than July 1, 2007, the Office of Policy and Management shall, within available appropriations, require such state contracts to include such performance-based standards and outcome measures. The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may consult with the Commission on Women, Children, [and] Seniors, Equity and Opportunity to identify academic, private and other available funding sources and may accept and utilize funds

from private and public sources to implement the provisions of this section.

Sec. 111. Subsection (d) of section 7-127c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(d) The Department of Education may adopt and disseminate to municipalities guidelines as to the role and duties of municipal agents and such informational and technical materials as may assist such agents in the performance of their duties. The department, in collaboration with the Commission on Women, Children, **[**and**]** Seniors, Equity and Opportunity may provide training for municipal agents within the available resources of the department and the commission.

Sec. 112. Subsection (c) of section 10-16n of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(c) There is established a committee to advise the commissioner concerning the coordination, priorities for allocation and distribution, and utilization of funds for Head Start and Early Head Start and concerning the competitive grant program established under this section, and to evaluate programs funded pursuant to this section. The committee shall consist of the following members: (1) One member designated by the commissioner; (2) six members who are directors of Head Start programs, two from community action agency program sites or school readiness liaisons, one of whom shall be appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate and one by the speaker of the House of Representatives, two from public school program sites, one of whom shall be appointed by the majority leader of the Senate and one by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, and two from other nonprofit agency program sites, one of whom shall be

appointed by the minority leader of the Senate and one by the minority leader of the House of Representatives; (3) one member designated by the Commission on Women, Children, [and] Seniors, Equity and Opportunity; (4) one member designated by the Early Childhood Cabinet, established pursuant to section 10-16z; (5) two members designated by the Head Start Association, one of whom shall be the parent of a present or former Head Start student; (6) one member designated by the Connecticut Association for Community Action who shall have expertise and experience concerning Head Start; (7) one member designated by the Region I Office of Head Start within the federal Administration of Children and Families of the Department of Health and Human Services; and (8) the director of the Head Start Collaboration Office.

Sec. 113. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 10-16v of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) The Commissioner of Education, in consultation with the Commissioner of Social Services, and the executive director of the Commission on Women, Children, [and] Seniors, Equity and Opportunity, shall establish an after school committee.

(b) The after school committee shall be appointed by the Commissioner of Education, in consultation with the Commissioner of Social Services, and the executive director of the Commission on Women, Children, [and] Seniors, Equity and Opportunity and shall include, but not be limited to, persons having expertise in after school programs, after school program providers, local elected officials, members of community agencies, members of the business community and professional educators.

Sec. 114. Subsection (a) of section 10-16z of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*

1, 2019):

(a) There is established the Early Childhood Cabinet. The cabinet shall consist of: (1) The Commissioner of Early Childhood, or the commissioner's designee, (2) the Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's designee, (3) the Commissioner of Social Services, or the commissioner's designee, (4) the president of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities, or the president's designee, (5) the Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's designee, (6) the Commissioner of Developmental Services, or the commissioner's designee, (7) the Commissioner of Children and Families, or the commissioner's designee, (8) the executive director of the Commission on Women, Children, **[**and**]** Seniors, Equity and Opportunity or the executive director's designee, (9) the project director of the Connecticut Head Start State Collaboration Office, (10) a parent or guardian of a child who attends or attended a school readiness program appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives, (11) a representative of a local provider of early childhood education appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, (12) a representative of the Connecticut Family Resource Center Alliance appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, (13) a representative of a state-funded child care center appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, (14) two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, one of whom is a member of a board of education for a town designated as an alliance district, as defined in section 10-262u, and one of whom is a parent who has a child attending a school in an educational reform district, as defined in section 10-262u, (15) two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one of whom is a representative of an association of early education and child care providers and one of whom is a representative of a public elementary school with a prekindergarten program, (16) eight appointed by the Governor, one of whom is a representative of the Connecticut Head Start Association, one of whom is a representative of the business

community in this state, one of whom is a representative of the philanthropic community in this state, one of whom is a representative of the Connecticut State Employees Association, one of whom is an administrator of the child care development block grant pursuant to the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990, one of whom is responsible for administering grants received under section 1419 of Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 USC 1419, as amended from time to time, one of whom is responsible for administering the provisions of Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, 20 USC 6301 et seq., and one of whom is responsible for coordinating education services to children and youth who are homeless, (17) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the secretary's designee, (18) the Lieutenant Governor, or the Lieutenant Governor's designee, (19) the Commissioner of Housing, or the commissioner's designee, and (20) the Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services, or the commissioner's designee.

Sec. 115. Subsection (a) of section 10-76i of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) There shall be an Advisory Council for Special Education which shall advise the General Assembly, State Board of Education and the Commissioner of Education, and which shall engage in such other activities as described in this section. On and after July 1, 2012, the advisory council shall consist of the following members: (1) Nine appointed by the Commissioner of Education, (A) six of whom shall be (i) the parents of children with disabilities, provided such children are under the age of twenty-seven, or (ii) individuals with disabilities, (B) one of whom shall be an official of the Department of Education, (C) one of whom shall be a state or local official responsible for carrying out activities under Subtitle B of Title VII of the McKinney-Vento

Homeless Assistance Act, 42 USC 11431 et seq., as amended from time to time, and (D) one of whom shall be a representative of an institution of higher education in the state that prepares teacher and related services personnel; (2) one appointed by the Commissioner of Developmental Services who shall be an official of the department; (3) one appointed by the Commissioner of Children and Families who shall be an official of the department; (4) one appointed by the Commissioner of Correction who shall be an official of the department; (5) one appointed by the director of the Parent Leadership Training Institute within the Commission on Women, Children, **[**and**]** Seniors, Equity and Opportunity who shall be (A) the parent of a child with a disability, provided such child is under the age of twenty-seven, or (B) an individual with a disability; (6) a representative from the parent training and information center for Connecticut established pursuant to the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act, 20 USC 1400 et seq., as amended from time to time; (7) the Commissioner of Rehabilitation Services, or the commissioner's designee; (8) five who are members of the General Assembly who shall serve as nonvoting members of the advisory council, one appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, one appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, one appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives, one appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate and one appointed by the minority leader of the Senate; (9) one appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate who shall be a member of the Connecticut Speech-Language-Hearing Association; (10) one appointed by the majority leader of the Senate who shall be a public school teacher; (11) one appointed by the minority leader of the Senate who shall be a representative of a vocational, community or business organization concerned with the provision of transitional services to children with disabilities; (12) one appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives who shall be a member of the Connecticut Council of Special Education Administrators and who is a local education official; (13) one appointed by the majority leader of

the House of Representatives who shall be a representative of charter schools; (14) one appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives who shall be a member of the Connecticut Association of Private Special Education Facilities; (15) one appointed by the Chief Court Administrator of the Judicial Department who shall be an official of such department responsible for the provision of services to adjudicated children and youth; (16) seven appointed by the Governor, all of whom shall be (A) the parents of children with disabilities, provided such children are under the age of twenty-seven, or (B) individuals with disabilities; (17) the executive director of the nonprofit entity designated by the Governor in accordance with section 46a-10b to serve as the Connecticut protection and advocacy system, or the executive director's designee; and (18) such other members as required by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 USC 1400 et seq., as amended from time to time, appointed by the Commissioner of Education. Appointments made pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be representative of the ethnic and racial diversity of, and the types of disabilities found in, the state population. The terms of the members of the council serving on June 8, 2010, shall expire on June 30, 2010. Appointments shall be made to the council by July 1, 2010. Members shall serve two-year terms, except that members appointed pursuant to subdivisions (1) to (3), inclusive, of this subsection whose terms commenced July 1, 2010, shall serve three-year terms and the successors to such members appointed pursuant to subdivisions (1) to (3), inclusive, of this subsection shall serve two-year terms.

Sec. 116. Subsection (a) of section 10-145a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) Any candidate in a program of teacher preparation leading to professional certification shall be encouraged to successfully complete

an intergroup relations component of such a program which shall be developed with the participation of both sexes, and persons of various ethnic, cultural and economic backgrounds. Such intergroup relations program shall have the following objectives: (1) The imparting of an appreciation of the contributions to American civilization of the various ethnic, cultural and economic groups composing American society and an understanding of the life styles of such groups; (2) the counteracting of biases, discrimination and prejudices; and (3) the assurance of respect for human diversity and personal rights. The State Board of Education, the Board of Regents for Higher Education, the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities and the Commission on Women, Children, **[**and**]** Seniors, Equity and Opportunity shall establish a joint committee composed of members of the four agencies, which shall develop and implement such programs in intergroup relations.

Sec. 117. Subsection (b) of section 10-156aa of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

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

(1) One appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;

(2) One appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;

(3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, who is a member of the Black and Puerto Rican Caucus of the General Assembly;

(4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;

(5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives;

(6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate;

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

(8) The president of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities, or the president's designee;

(9) The executive director of the Commission on Women, Children, [and] Seniors, Equity and Opportunity, or the executive director's designee;

(10) Three appointed by the executive director of the Commission on Women, Children, Seniors, Equity and Opportunity, one of whom has expertise in African American affairs, one of whom has expertise in Latino and Puerto Rican affairs, and one of whom has expertise in Asian Pacific American affairs; and

(11) On and after July 1, 2018, one appointed by the chairpersons of the task force.

Sec. 118. Subsection (a) of section 10-222i of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) The Department of Education, in consultation with the State Education Resource Center, established pursuant to section 10-357a, the Governor's Prevention Partnership, the Commission on Women, Children, [and] Seniors, Equity and Opportunity and the Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence, shall establish, within available appropriations, a state-wide safe school climate resource network for the identification, prevention and education of school bullying and teen dating violence in the state. Such state-wide safe school climate resource network shall make available to all schools information, training opportunities and resource materials to improve the school climate to diminish bullying and teen dating violence.

Sec. 119. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 17a-22ff of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) There is established a Children's Mental, Emotional and Behavioral Health Plan Implementation Advisory Board that shall advise (1) the Departments of Children and Families, Developmental Services, Social Services, Public Health, Mental Health and Addiction Services, and Education, the Insurance Department, the Offices of Early Childhood, the Child Advocate and the Healthcare Advocate, the Court Support Services Division of the Judicial Branch and the Commission on Women, Children, **[**and**]** Seniors, Equity and Opportunity, (2) providers of mental, emotional or behavioral health services for children and families, (3) advocates, and (4) others interested in the well-being of children and families in the state regarding: (A) The execution of the comprehensive implementation plan developed pursuant to section 17a-22bb; (B) cataloging the mental, emotional and behavioral health services offered for families with children in the state by agency, service type and funding allocation to reflect capacity and utilization of services; (C) adopting standard definitions and measurements for the services that are delivered, when applicable; and (D) the collaboration of such agencies, providers, advocates and other stakeholders enumerated in said section in order to prevent or reduce the long-term negative impact of mental, emotional and behavioral health issues on children.

(b) The board shall consist of the following members:

(1) Eight appointed by the Commissioner of Children and Families, who shall represent families of children who have been diagnosed with mental, emotional or behavioral health issues;

(2) Two appointed by the Commissioner of Children and Families, who shall represent a private foundation providing mental, emotional

or behavioral health care services for children and families in the state;

(3) Four appointed by the Commissioner of Children and Families, who shall be providers of mental, emotional or behavioral health care services for children in the state, at least one of whom shall be a provider of services to children involved with the juvenile justice system;

(4) Three appointed by the Commissioner of Children and Families, who shall represent private advocacy groups that provide services for children and families in the state;

(5) One appointed by the Commissioner of Children and Families, who shall represent the United Way of Connecticut 2-1-1 Infoline program;

(6) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, who shall be a medical doctor representing the Connecticut Children's Medical Center Emergency Department;

(7) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who shall be a superintendent of schools in the state;

(8) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives, who shall represent the Connecticut Behavioral Healthcare Partnership;

(9) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate who shall represent the Connecticut Association of School-Based Health Centers;

(10) The Commissioner of Children and Families, or the commissioner's designee;

(11) The Commissioner of Developmental Services, or the commissioner's designee;

(12) The Commissioner of Social Services, or the commissioner's designee;

(13) The Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's designee;

(14) The Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services, or the commissioner's designee;

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

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

(17) The Insurance Commissioner, or the commissioner's designee;

(18) The executive director of the Court Support Services Division of the Judicial Branch, or the executive director's designee;

(19) The Child Advocate, or the Child Advocate's designee;

(20) The Healthcare Advocate, or the Healthcare Advocate's designee; and

(21) The executive director of the Commission on Women, Children, **[**and**]** Seniors, Equity and Opportunity, or the executive director's designee.

Sec. 120. Subsection (b) of section 17a-22gg of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(b) The consortium shall consist of the following members:

(1) Four representing families who are receiving services or have received services within the last five years from one or more home

visitation programs in the state;

(2) Not more than ten representing home visitation programs in the state, at least four of whom shall utilize different home visitation models;

(3) Two representing private advocacy organizations that provide services for children and families in the state;

(4) One representing the United Way of Connecticut 2-1-1 Infoline program;

(5) One representing the birth-to-three program established under section 17a-248b;

(6) The director of the Connecticut Head Start State Collaboration Office, or the director's designee;

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

(8) The Commissioner of Children and Families, or the commissioner's designee;

(9) The Commissioner of Developmental Services, or the commissioner's designee;

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

(11) The Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services, or the commissioner's designee;

(12) The Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's designee;

(13) The Child Advocate, or the Child Advocate's designee;

(14) The executive director of the Commission on Women, Children, **[**and**]** Seniors, Equity and Opportunity, or the executive director's designee; and

(15) The director of the Maternal, Infant Early Childhood Home Visiting program in the state, or the director's designee.

Sec. 121. Subsection (a) of section 17a-219c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) There is established a Family Support Council to assist the Department of Developmental Services and other state agencies that administer or fund family support services to act in concert and, within available appropriations, to (1) establish a comprehensive, coordinated system of family support services, (2) use existing state and other resources efficiently and effectively as appropriate for such services, (3) identify and address services that are needed for families of children with disabilities, and (4) promote state-wide availability of such services. The council shall consist of twenty-six voting members including the Commissioners of Public Health, Developmental Services, Children and Families, Education and Social Services, or their designees, the Child Advocate or the Child Advocate's designee, the chairperson of the State Interagency Birth-to-Three Coordinating Council, established pursuant to section 17a-248b, or the chairperson's designee, the executive director of the Commission on Women, Children, **[**and**]** Seniors, Equity and Opportunity, or the executive director's designee, and family members of, or individuals who advocate for, children with disabilities. The family members or individuals who advocate for children with disabilities shall comprise two-thirds of the council and shall be appointed as follows: Six by the Governor, three by the president pro tempore of the Senate, two by the majority leader of the Senate, one by the minority leader of the Senate, three by the speaker of the House of Representatives, two by the

majority leader of the House of Representatives and one by the minority leader of the House of Representatives. All appointed members serving on or after October 5, 2009, including members appointed prior to October 5, 2009, shall serve in accordance with the provisions of section 4-1a. Members serving on or after October 5, 2009, including members appointed prior to October 5, 2009, shall serve no more than eight consecutive years on the council. The council shall meet at least quarterly and shall select its own chairperson. Council members shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred. The costs of administering the council shall be within available appropriations in accordance with this section and sections 17a-219a and 17a-219b.

Sec. 122. Section 17a-302a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

The Department of Rehabilitation Services shall hold quarterly meetings with nutrition service stakeholders to (1) develop recommendations to address complexities in the administrative processes of nutrition services programs, (2) establish quality control benchmarks in such programs, and (3) help move toward greater quality, efficiency and transparency in the elderly nutrition program. Stakeholders shall include, but need not be limited to, (A) one representative of each of the following: (i) Area agencies on aging, (ii) access agencies, (iii) the Commission on Women, Children, **[**and**]** Seniors, Equity and Opportunity, and (iv) nutrition providers, and (B) one or more representatives of (i) food security programs, (ii) contractors, (iii) nutrition host sites, and (iv) consumers.

Sec. 123. Subsection (c) of section 17b-28 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(c) On and after October 31, 2017, the council shall be composed of

the following members:

(1) The chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to aging, human services, public health and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, or their designees;

(2) Five appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, one of whom shall be a member of the General Assembly, one of whom shall be a community provider of adult Medicaid health services, one of whom shall be a recipient of Medicaid benefits for the aged, blind and disabled or an advocate for such a recipient, one of whom shall be a representative of the state's federally qualified health clinics and one of whom shall be a member of the Connecticut Hospital Association;

(3) Five appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one of whom shall be a member of the General Assembly, one of whom shall be a representative of the home health care industry, one of whom shall be a primary care medical home provider, one of whom shall be an advocate for Department of Children and Families foster families and one of whom shall be a representative of the business community with experience in cost efficiency management;

(4) Three appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, one of whom shall be an advocate for persons with substance abuse disabilities, one of whom shall be a Medicaid dental provider and one of whom shall be a representative of the for-profit nursing home industry;

(5) Three appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, one of whom shall be a representative of school-based health centers, one of whom shall be a recipient of benefits under the HUSKY Health program and one of whom shall be a physician who serves Medicaid

clients;

(6) Three appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives, one of whom shall be an advocate for persons with disabilities, one of whom shall be a dually eligible Medicaid-Medicare beneficiary or an advocate for such a beneficiary and one of whom shall be a representative of the not-for-profit nursing home industry;

(7) Three appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, one of whom shall be a low-income adult recipient of Medicaid benefits or an advocate for such a recipient, one of whom shall be a representative of hospitals and one of whom shall be a representative of the business community with experience in cost efficiency management;

(8) The executive director of the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors, or the executive director's designee;

(9) A member of the Commission on Women, Children, [and] Seniors, Equity and Opportunity, designated by the executive director;

(10) A representative of the Long-Term Care Advisory Council;

(11) The Commissioners of Social Services, Children and Families, Public Health, Developmental Services, Rehabilitation Services and Mental Health and Addiction Services, or their designees, who shall be ex-officio nonvoting members;

(12) The Comptroller, or the Comptroller's designee, who shall be an ex-officio nonvoting member;

(13) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the secretary's designee, who shall be an ex-officio nonvoting member; and

(14) One representative of an administrative services organization which contracts with the Department of Social Services in the administration of the Medicaid program, who shall be a nonvoting

member.

Sec. 124. Subsections (c) and (d) of section 17b-112*l* of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(c) The initiative shall foster the comprehensive two-generational service delivery approach for early care and education and workforce readiness in learning communities that may include, but need not be limited to, New Haven, Hartford, East Hartford, West Hartford, Norwalk, Meriden, Windham, Enfield, Waterbury and Bridgeport. The initiative shall be informed by members of low-income households within these communities and foster a peer-to-peer exchange and technical assistance in best practices that shall be shared with the advisory council established pursuant to subsection (d) of this section. The staff of the Commission on Women, Children, **[**and**]** Seniors, Equity and Opportunity shall serve as the organizing and administrative staff to the learning communities.

(d) A Two-Generational Advisory Council shall be established as part of the initiative to advise the state on how to foster family economic self-sufficiency in low-income households through a comprehensive two-generational service delivery approach for early care and education and workforce readiness. The council shall consist of one member of the General Assembly appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, who shall serve as a cochairperson; one member of the Senate appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, who shall serve as a cochairperson; one member representing the interests of business or trade organizations appointed by the majority leader of the Senate; one member with expertise on issues concerning health and mental health appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives; one member on issues concerning children and families appointed by the minority leader of the Senate; one member of the General Assembly appointed by the minority

leader of the House of Representatives; a member of a low-income household selected by the Commission on Women, Children, [and] Seniors, Equity and Opportunity; representatives of nonprofit and philanthropic organizations and scholars who are experts in two-generational programs and policies; and other business and academic professionals as needed to achieve goals for two-generational systems planning, evaluations and outcomes selected by the cochairpersons. The Commissioners of Social Services, Early Childhood, Education, Housing, Transportation, Public Health and Correction and the Labor Commissioner, or each commissioner's designee; and the Chief Court Administrator, or the Chief Court Administrator's designee, shall serve as ex-officio members of the advisory council. The staff of the Commission on Women, Children, [and] Seniors, Equity and Opportunity shall serve as the organizing and administrative staff of the advisory council.

Sec. 125. Subsection (a) of section 17b-338 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) There is established a Long-Term Care Advisory Council which shall consist of the following: (1) The executive director of the Commission on Women, Children, [and] Seniors, Equity and Opportunity, or the executive director's designee; (2) the State Nursing Home Ombudsman, or the ombudsman's designee; (3) the president of the Coalition of Presidents of Resident Councils, or the president's designee; (4) the executive director of the Legal Assistance Resource Center of Connecticut, or the executive director's designee; (5) the state president of AARP, or the president's designee; (6) one representative of a bargaining unit for health care employees, appointed by the president of the bargaining unit; (7) the president of LeadingAge Connecticut, Inc., or the president's designee; (8) the president of the Connecticut Association of Health Care Facilities, or the president's

designee; (9) the president of the Connecticut Association of Residential Care Homes, or the president's designee; (10) the president of the Connecticut Hospital Association or the president's designee; (11) the executive director of the Connecticut Assisted Living Association or the executive director's designee; (12) the executive director of the Connecticut Association for Homecare or the executive director's designee; (13) the president of Connecticut Community Care, Inc. or the president's designee; (14) one member of the Connecticut Association of Area Agencies on Aging appointed by the agency; (15) the president of the Connecticut chapter of the Connecticut Alzheimer's Association; (16) one member of the Connecticut Association of Adult Day Centers appointed by the association; (17) the president of the Connecticut Chapter of the American College of Health Care Administrators, or the president's designee; (18) the president of the Connecticut Council for Persons with Disabilities, or the president's designee; (19) the president of the Connecticut Association of Community Action Agencies, or the president's designee; (20) a personal care attendant appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives; (21) the president of the Family Support Council, or the president's designee; (22) a person who, in a home setting, cares for a person with a disability and is appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate; (23) three persons with a disability appointed one each by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, the majority leader of the Senate and the minority leader of the House of Representatives; (24) a legislator who is a member of the Long-Term Care Planning Committee; (25) one member who is a nonunion home health aide appointed by the minority leader of the Senate; and (26) the executive director of the nonprofit entity designated by the Governor in accordance with section 46a-10b to serve as the Connecticut protection and advocacy system or the executive director's designee.

Sec. 126. Section 17b-420a of the general statutes is repealed and the

following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) For purposes of this section, (1) "livable community" means a community with affordable and appropriate housing, infrastructure, community services and transportation options for residents of all ages, and (2) "age in place" means the ability of residents to stay in their own homes or community settings of their choice regardless of age or disability.

(b) The Commission on Women, Children, **[**and**]** Seniors, Equity and Opportunity shall establish a "Livable Communities" initiative to serve as a forum for best practices and a clearinghouse for resources to help municipal and state leaders to design livable communities to allow residents of this state to age in place.

(c) The Commission on Women, Children, **[**and**]** Seniors, Equity and Opportunity shall establish and facilitate partnerships with (1) municipal leaders, (2) representatives of municipal senior and social services offices, (3) community stakeholders, (4) planning and zoning boards and commissions, (5) representatives of philanthropic organizations, and (6) representatives of social services and health organizations to (A) plan informational forums on livable communities, (B) investigate innovative approaches to livable communities nationwide, and (C) identify various public, private and philanthropic funding sources to design such communities.

(d) The Commission on Women, Children, **[**and**]** Seniors, Equity and Opportunity shall establish a single portal on its Internet web site for information and resources concerning the "Livable Communities" initiative.

(e) Not later than July 1, 2017, and annually thereafter, the Commission on Women, Children, **[**and**]** Seniors, Equity and Opportunity, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, shall

submit a report on the initiative to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to aging, housing, human services and transportation.

(f) The Commission on Women, Children, [and] Seniors, Equity and Opportunity, as part of the livable community initiative established pursuant to this section, shall recognize communities that have implemented livable community initiatives allowing individuals to age in place and to remain in the home setting of their choice. Such initiatives shall include, but not be limited to: (1) Affordable and accessible housing, (2) community and social services, (3) planning and zoning regulations, (4) walkability, and (5) transportation-related infrastructure.

Sec. 127. Subsection (b) of section 17b-463 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(b) A financial agent shall participate in mandatory training to detect potential fraud, exploitation and financial abuse of elderly persons, including utilizing the resources available on the Commission on Women, Children, [and] Seniors, Equity and Opportunity portal established pursuant to section 17b-463a. All financial agents shall complete such training within six months from availability of training resources on the Commission on Women, Children, [and] Seniors, Equity and Opportunity web portal, or within the first six months of their employment, if later.

Sec. 128. Section 17b-463a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

The Commission on Women, Children, [and] Seniors, Equity and Opportunity shall establish a forum and clearing house for best practices and free training resources to help financial institutions and

financial agents detect potential fraud, exploitation and financial abuse. Not later than January 1, 2017, the Commission on Women, Children, [and] Seniors, Equity and Opportunity shall establish a single portal for training resources and materials.

Sec. 129. Subsection (b) of section 19a-6i of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(b) The committee shall be composed of the following members:

(1) One appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, who shall be a family advocate or a parent whose child utilizes school-based health center services;

(2) One appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, who shall be a school nurse;

(3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, who shall be a representative of a school-based health center that is sponsored by a community health center;

(4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who shall be a representative of a school-based health center that is sponsored by a nonprofit health care agency;

(5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives, who shall be a representative of a school-based health center that is sponsored by a school or school system;

(6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, who shall be a representative of a school-based health center that does not receive state funds;

(7) Two appointed by the Governor, one each of whom shall be a representative of the Connecticut Chapter of the American Academy

of Pediatrics and a representative of a school-based health center that is sponsored by a hospital;

(8) Three appointed by the Commissioner of Public Health, one of whom shall be a representative of a school-based health center that is sponsored by a local health department, one of whom shall be from a municipality that has a population of at least fifty thousand but less than one hundred thousand and that operates a school-based health center and one of whom shall be from a municipality that has a population of at least one hundred thousand and that operates a school-based health center;

(9) The Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's designee;

(10) The Commissioner of Social Services, or the commissioner's designee;

(11) The Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services, or the commissioner's designee;

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

(13) The Commissioner of Children and Families, or the commissioner's designee;

(14) The executive director of the Commission on Women, Children, **[**and**]** Seniors, Equity and Opportunity, or the executive director's designee; and

(15) Three school-based health center providers, one of whom shall be the executive director of the Connecticut Association of School-Based Health Centers and two of whom shall be appointed by the board of directors of the Connecticut Association of School-Based

Health Centers.

Sec. 130. Subsection (a) of section 19a-112a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) There is created a Commission on the Standardization of the Collection of Evidence in Sexual Assault Investigations composed of fifteen members as follows: (1) The Chief State's Attorney or a designee; (2) the executive director of the Commission on Women, Children, [and] Seniors, Equity and Opportunity or a designee; (3) the Commissioner of Children and Families or a designee; (4) one member from the Division of State Police and one member from the Division of Scientific Services appointed by the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection; (5) one member from Connecticut Alliance to End Sexual Violence appointed by its board of directors; (6) one member from the Connecticut Hospital Association appointed by the president of the association; (7) one emergency physician appointed by the president of the Connecticut College of Emergency Physicians; (8) one obstetrician-gynecologist and one pediatrician appointed by the president of the Connecticut State Medical Society; (9) one nurse appointed by the president of the Connecticut Nurses' Association; (10) one emergency nurse appointed by the president of the Emergency Nurses' Association of Connecticut; (11) one police chief appointed by the president of the Connecticut Police Chiefs Association; (12) one member of the Office of Victim Services within the Judicial Department; and (13) one member of Disability Rights Connecticut, Inc. appointed by its board of directors. The Chief State's Attorney or a designee shall be chairman of the commission. The commission shall be within the Division of Criminal Justice for administrative purposes only.

Sec. 131. Subsection (c) of section 28-5 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*

1, 2019):

(c) The Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection shall, within available appropriations and in consultation with the Commissioners of Social Services, Public Health, Children and Families, Mental Health and Addiction Services and Education, and the Commission on Women, Children, **[**and**]** Seniors, Equity and Opportunity, update and amend the state civil preparedness plan and program established pursuant to subsection (b) of this section to address the needs of children during natural disasters, man-made disasters and terrorism. The plan may also be amended in consultation with parents, local emergency services and child care providers. The amended plan shall include, but not be limited to, a requirement that all schools and licensed and regulated child care services, as defined in section 19a-77, have written multihazard disaster response plans that address (1) the evacuation and removal of children to a safe location, (2) notification of parents in the event of a disaster or terrorism, (3) reunification of parents with their children, and (4) care for children with special needs during a disaster or terrorism.

Sec. 132. Section 31-3cc of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

The Connecticut Employment and Training Commission, in cooperation with the Commission on Women, Children, **[**and**]** Seniors, Equity and Opportunity and the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities, shall regularly collect and analyze data on state-supported training programs that measure the presence of gender or other systematic bias and work with the relevant boards and agencies to correct any problems that are found.

Sec. 133. Section 46a-4b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

The Commission on Women, Children, [and] Seniors, Equity and Opportunity, in conjunction with the Police Officer Standards and Training Council, shall develop a training program on trafficking in persons and make such training program available, upon request, to the Division of State Police within the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, the office of the Chief State's Attorney, local police departments and community organizations.

Sec. 134. Subsection (b) of section 46a-68 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(b) (1) Each state agency, department, board or commission shall designate a full-time or part-time equal employment opportunity officer. If such equal employment opportunity officer is an employee of the agency, department, board or commission, the executive head of the agency, department, board or commission shall be directly responsible for the supervision of the officer.

(2) The Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities shall provide training and technical assistance to equal employment opportunity officers in plan development and implementation.

(3) The Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities and the Commission on Women, Children, [and] Seniors, Equity and Opportunity shall provide training concerning state and federal discrimination laws and techniques for conducting investigations of discrimination complaints to persons designated by state agencies, departments, boards or commissions as equal employment opportunity officers and persons designated by the Attorney General or the Attorney General's designee to represent such agencies, departments, boards or commissions pursuant to subdivision (5) of this subsection. On or after October 1, 2011, such training shall be provided for a minimum of five hours during the first year of service

or designation, and a minimum of three hours every two years thereafter.

(4) (A) Each person designated by a state agency, department, board or commission as an equal employment opportunity officer shall (i) be responsible for mitigating any discriminatory conduct within the agency, department, board or commission, (ii) investigate all complaints of discrimination made against the state agency, department, board or commission, except if any such complaint has been filed with the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities or the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the state agency, department, board or commission may rely upon the process of the applicable commission, as applicable, in lieu of such investigation, and (iii) report all findings and recommendations upon the conclusion of an investigation to the commissioner or director of the state agency, department, board or commission for proper action.

(B) Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraphs (A)(i), (A)(ii) and (A)(iii) of this subdivision, if a discrimination complaint is made against the executive head of a state agency or department, any member of a state board or commission or any equal employment opportunity officer alleging that the executive head, member or officer directly or personally engaged in discriminatory conduct, or if a complaint of discrimination is made by the executive head of a state agency, any member of a state board or commission or any equal employment opportunity officer, the complaint shall be referred to the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities for review and, if appropriate, investigation by the Department of Administrative Services, except if any such complaint has been filed with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission or the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities, the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities or Department of Administrative Services may rely upon the process of the applicable commission in lieu of such

investigation. If the discrimination complaint is made by or against the executive head, any member or the equal employment opportunity officer of the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities alleging that the executive head, member or officer directly or personally engaged in discriminatory conduct, the commission shall refer the complaint to the Department of Administrative Services for review and, if appropriate, investigation. If the complaint is by or against the executive head or equal employment opportunity officer of the Department of Administrative Services, the complaint shall be referred to the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities for review and, if appropriate, investigation. Each person who conducts an investigation pursuant to this subparagraph shall report all findings and recommendations upon the conclusion of such investigation to the appointing authority of the individual who was the subject of the complaint for proper action. The provisions of this subparagraph shall apply to any such complaint pending on or after July 5, 2007.

(5) Each person designated by a state agency, department, board or commission as an equal employment opportunity officer, and each person designated by the Attorney General or the Attorney General's designee to represent an agency pursuant to subdivision (6) of this subsection, shall complete training provided by the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities and the Commission on Women, Children, [and] Seniors, Equity and Opportunity pursuant to subdivision (3) of this subsection.

(6) No person designated by a state agency, department, board or commission as an equal employment opportunity officer shall represent such agency, department, board or commission before the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities or the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission concerning a discrimination complaint. If a discrimination complaint is filed with the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities or the Equal Employment

Opportunity Commission against a state agency, department, board or commission, the Attorney General, or the Attorney General's designee, other than the equal employment opportunity officer for such agency, department, board or commission, shall represent the state agency, department, board or commission before the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities or the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. In the case of a discrimination complaint filed against the Metropolitan District of Hartford County, the Attorney General, or the Attorney General's designee, shall not represent such district before the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities or the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

Sec. 135. Section 46a-128 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

The Commission on Women, Children, **[**and**]** Seniors, Equity and Opportunity shall review the general statutes with regard to matters involving children and shall, on or before February 1, 2017, and annually thereafter on or before September first, make a report of its findings with regard to any matter before it with specific recommendations for legislation to the Governor and the General Assembly.

Sec. 136. Section 46a-131a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) The Commission on Women, Children, **[**and**]** Seniors, Equity and Opportunity shall develop, within available appropriations, an annual social health index report for the state of Connecticut to monitor the social health of its citizens and assist the state in analyzing and publicizing social health issues and in evaluating the state's progress in addressing these issues.

(b) Said commission may accept for the development of said index,

any and all grants, contributions or donations of money and may receive, utilize and dispose of the same.

Sec. 137. Section 46a-131b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

The Commission on Women, Children, **[**and**]** Seniors, Equity and Opportunity shall coordinate information on youth leadership opportunities that keep youth engaged in the community. The commission shall inform the General Assembly and the public of such opportunities.

Sec. 138. Subsection (c) of section 46b-69c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(c) The advisory committee shall consist of not more than ten members to be appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and shall include members who represent the Commission on Women, Children, **[**and**]** Seniors, Equity and Opportunity, the family law section of the Connecticut Bar Association, educators specializing in children studies, agencies representing victims of family violence, service providers and the Judicial Department. The members shall serve for terms of two years and may be reappointed for succeeding terms. The members shall elect a chairperson from among their number and shall receive no compensation for their services.

Sec. 139. Subsection (b) of section 46b-215a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(b) The commission shall consist of thirteen members as follows:

(1) The Chief Court Administrator, or the Chief Court Administrator's designee;

(2) The Commissioner of Social Services, or the commissioner's designee;

(3) The Attorney General, or the Attorney General's designee;

(4) The chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing committee on judiciary, or their designees;

(5) The Child Advocate, or the Child Advocate's designee;

(6) A representative of the Connecticut Bar Association, designated by the Connecticut Bar Association; and

(7) Four members appointed by the Governor, one of whom represents an agency that delivers legal services to the poor, one of whom represents the financial concerns of child support obligors, one of whom represents the Commission on Women, Children, **[**and**]** Seniors, Equity and Opportunity and one of whom represents the rights and best interests of children.

Sec. 140. Subdivision (3) of subsection (c) of section 19a-59i of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(3) A community health worker, appointed by the Commission on Women, Children, Seniors, Equity and Opportunity;

Sec. 141. Subsection (a) of section 51-10c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) There is established a Commission on Racial and Ethnic Disparity in the Criminal Justice System. The commission shall consist of the Chief Court Administrator, the Chief State's Attorney, the Chief Public Defender, the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection, the Commissioner of Correction, the Commissioner of

Children and Families, the Child Advocate, the Victim Advocate, the chairperson of the Board of Pardons and Paroles, the chairperson of the Commission on Equity and Opportunity, or their designees, two members of the Commission on Women, Children, Seniors, Equity and Opportunity designated by the executive director of the commission, a representative of municipal police chiefs, a representative of a coalition representing police and correctional officers, six members appointed one each by the president pro tempore of the Senate, the speaker of the House of Representatives, the majority leader of the Senate, the majority leader of the House of Representatives, the minority leader of the Senate and the minority leader of the House of Representatives, and two members appointed by the Governor. The Chief Court Administrator or said administrator's designee shall serve as chairperson of the commission. The commission shall meet quarterly and at such other times as the chairperson deems necessary.

Sec. 142. Subsection (b) of section 54-1s of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(b) The board shall include the following members:

(1) The Chief State's Attorney, or a designee;

(2) The Chief Public Defender, or a designee;

(3) The president of the Connecticut Police Chiefs Association, or a designee;

(4) The executive director of the Commission on Women, Children, Seniors, Equity and Opportunity, or a designee;

(5) Two members of the Commission on Women, Children, Seniors, Equity and Opportunity, designated by the executive director;

(6) The executive director of the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities, or a designee;

(7) The Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection, or a designee;

(8) The Commissioner of Transportation, or a designee;

(9) The director of the Institute for Municipal and Regional Policy at Central Connecticut State University, or a designee; and

(10) Such other members as the board may prescribe.

Sec. 143. Subsections (a) to (c), inclusive, of section 46a-170 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) There is established a Trafficking in Persons Council that shall be within the Commission on Women, Children, **[**and**]** Seniors, Equity and Opportunity for administrative purposes only.

(b) The council shall consist of the following members: (1) The Chief State's Attorney, or a designee; (2) the Chief Public Defender, or a designee; (3) the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection, or the commissioner's designee; (4) the Labor Commissioner, or the commissioner's designee; (5) the Commissioner of Social Services, or the commissioner's designee; (6) the Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's designee; (7) the Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services, or the commissioner's designee; (8) the Commissioner of Children and Families, or the commissioner's designee; (9) the Commissioner of Consumer Protection, or the commissioner's designee; (10) the director of the Basic Training Division of the Police Officer Standards and Training Council, or the director's designee; (11) the Child Advocate, or the Child Advocate's designee; (12) the Victim Advocate, or the

Victim Advocate's designee; (13) **[**the**]** a chairperson of the Commission on Women, Children, **[**and**]** Seniors, Equity and Opportunity or the chairperson's designee; (14) one representative of the Office of Victim Services of the Judicial Branch appointed by the Chief Court Administrator; (15) a municipal police chief appointed by the Connecticut Police Chiefs Association, or a designee; (16) the Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's designee; (17) an adult victim of trafficking, appointed by the Governor; and (18) ten public members appointed as follows: The Governor shall appoint two members, one of whom shall represent victims of commercial exploitation of children and one of whom shall represent sex trafficking victims who are children, the president pro tempore of the Senate shall appoint two members, one of whom shall represent the Connecticut Alliance to End Sexual Violence and one of whom shall represent an organization that provides civil legal services to low-income individuals, the speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint two members, one of whom shall represent the Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence and one of whom shall represent the Connecticut Lodging Association, the majority leader of the Senate shall appoint one member who shall represent an organization that deals with behavioral health needs of women and children, the majority leader of the House of Representatives shall appoint one member who shall represent an organization that advocates on social justice and human rights issues, the minority leader of the Senate shall appoint one member who shall represent the Connecticut Immigrant and Refugee Coalition, and the minority leader of the House of Representatives shall appoint one member who shall represent the Motor Transport Association of Connecticut, Inc.

(c) The chairperson of the Commission on Women, Children, **[**and**]** Seniors, Equity and Opportunity, or a designee, shall serve as chairperson of the council. The members of the council shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses

incurred in the performance of their duties.

Sec. 144. (NEW) (*Effective from passage and applicable to any notification made on or after January 1, 2019*) Notwithstanding any other provision of the general statutes, any elected or appointed state official of the executive, legislative or judicial branch may, at such official's sole discretion, elect to decline any compensation or benefit paid by the state that the official is otherwise entitled to receive pursuant to any provision of the general statutes or regulations by notifying the State Comptroller of such election. Such election shall be effective upon the date indicated in such notification.

Sec. 145. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) If the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management enters into a contract with an actuarial consulting firm or actuarial software service provider, the Teachers' Retirement Board shall promptly provide, in the form and format specified by the secretary, any data requested by the secretary during the term of such contact.

(b) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may, by interagency agreement, share actuarial data, analyses or software services with any other state agency, including, but not limited to, the office of the State Treasurer, the office of the State Comptroller and the Office of Fiscal Analysis.

Sec. 146. (*Effective from passage*) The Hartford Community Court in the city of Hartford shall be renamed the "Honorable Raymond R. Norko Community Court".

Sec. 147. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2019*) (a) For the purposes of this section:

(1) "Open educational resource" means a college level resource made available on an Internet web site to be used by students, faculty and members of the public on an unlimited basis at a cost lower than

the market value of the printed textbook or other educational resource, including full courses, course materials, modules, textbooks, streaming videos, tests, software and other similar teaching, learning and research resources that reside in the public domain or have been released under a creative commons attribution license that permits the free use and repurposing of such resources;

(2) "Creative commons attribution license" means a copyright crediting the author of a digital work product that allows for the free use and distribution of such work product; and

(3) "High-impact course" means a course of instruction for which open educational resources would make a significant positive financial impact on the students taking the course due to the number of students taking the course or the market value of the printed textbook or other educational resources required for such course.

(b) There is established the Connecticut Open Educational Resource Coordinating Council, which shall be part of the Executive Department. The executive director of the Office of Higher Education shall appoint the members of the council which shall consist of the following: (1) A state-wide coordinator, who shall collaborate with all institutions of higher education to promote open educational resources and administer grants; (2) one faculty member, one administrator and one staff member from The University of Connecticut; (3) one faculty member, one administrator and one staff member from the regional community-technical college system; (4) one faculty member, one administrator and one staff member from Charter Oak State College; (5) one faculty member, one administrator and one staff member from the Connecticut State University System; (6) one faculty member, one administrator and one staff member from the independent institutions of higher education; and (7) one student from any public or independent institution of higher education in the state. All initial appointments to the council shall be made not later than September 1,

2019, and shall expire on August 30, 2022, regardless of when the initial appointment was made. Any member of the council may serve more than one term.

(c) The state-wide coordinator appointed by the executive director of the Office of Higher Education shall serve as the chairperson of the council. The chairperson shall schedule the first meeting of the council, which shall be held not later than October 1, 2019. The administrative staff of the Office of Higher Education shall serve as administrative staff of the council.

(d) Appointed members of the council shall serve for three-year terms which shall commence on the date of appointment, except as provided in subsection (b) of this section. Members shall continue to serve until their successors are appointed. Any vacancy shall be filled by the executive director of the Office of Higher Education. Any vacancy occurring other than by expiration of term shall be filled for the balance of the unexpired term. A majority of the council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business. The members of the council shall serve without compensation, but shall, within the limits of available funds, be reimbursed for expenses necessarily incurred in the performance of their duties.

(e) The council shall perform the following functions:

(1) Identify high-impact courses for which open educational resources will be developed, converted or adopted;

(2) Establish a program of competitive grants for faculty members of institutions of higher education in the state for the development, conversion or adoption of open educational resources for high-impact courses with any funds identified by the council and within available appropriations;

(3) Accept, review and approve competitive grant applications,

provided any faculty member who is approved for a competitive grant shall license such open educational resources through a creative commons attribution license;

(4) Administer a standardized review and approval process for the development, conversion or adoption of open educational resources; and

(5) Promote strategies for the production, use and access of open educational resources.

(f) The council shall meet quarterly, or as often as deemed necessary by a majority of the council.

(g) Not later than January 1, 2021, and annually thereafter, the council shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to higher education regarding (1) the number and percentage of high-impact courses for which open educational resources have been developed, (2) the degree to which institutions of higher education promote the use and access to open educational resources, (3) the amount of grants awarded by the council and the number of open educational resources developed by grant recipients, and (4) its recommendations for any amendments to the general statutes necessary to develop open educational resources.

Sec. 148. Subsection (a) of section 19a-55 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

(a) The administrative officer or other person in charge of each institution caring for newborn infants shall cause to have administered to every such infant in its care an HIV-related test, as defined in section 19a-581, a test for phenylketonuria and other metabolic diseases,

hypothyroidism, galactosemia, sickle cell disease, maple syrup urine disease, homocystinuria, biotinidase deficiency, congenital adrenal hyperplasia, severe combined immunodeficiency disease, adrenoleukodystrophy and such other tests for inborn errors of metabolism as shall be prescribed by the Department of Public Health. The tests shall be administered as soon after birth as is medically appropriate. If the mother has had an HIV-related test pursuant to section 19a-90 or 19a-593, the person responsible for testing under this section may omit an HIV-related test. The Commissioner of Public Health shall (1) administer the newborn screening program, (2) direct persons identified through the screening program to appropriate specialty centers for treatments, consistent with any applicable confidentiality requirements, and (3) set the fees to be charged to institutions to cover all expenses of the comprehensive screening program including testing, tracking and treatment. The fees to be charged pursuant to subdivision (3) of this subsection shall be set at a minimum of ninety-eight dollars. The Commissioner of Public Health shall publish a list of all the abnormal conditions for which the department screens newborns under the newborn screening program, which shall include screening for amino acid disorders, organic acid disorders, **[**and**]** fatty acid oxidation disorders, including, but not limited to, long-chain 3-hydroxyacyl CoA dehydrogenase (L-CHAD) and medium-chain acyl-CoA dehydrogenase (MCAD), and, subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, any other disorder included on the recommended uniform screening panel pursuant to 42 USC 300b-10, as amended from time to time.

Sec. 149. Section 31-230 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) An individual's benefit year shall commence with the beginning of the week with respect to which the individual has filed a valid initiating claim and shall continue through the Saturday of the fifty-

first week following the week in which it commenced, provided no benefit year shall end until after the end of the third complete calendar quarter, plus the remainder of any uncompleted calendar week that began in such quarter, following the calendar quarter in which it commenced, and provided further, the benefit year of an individual who has filed a combined wage claim, as described in subsection (b) of section 31-255, shall be the benefit year prescribed by the law of the paying state. In no event shall a benefit year be established before the termination of an existing benefit year previously established under the provisions of this chapter. Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the base period of a benefit year shall be the first four of the five most recently completed calendar quarters prior to such benefit year, provided such quarters were not previously used to establish a prior valid benefit year and provided further, the base period with respect to a combined wage claim, as described in subsection (b) of section 31-255, shall be the base period of the paying state, except that for any individual who is eligible to receive or is receiving workers' compensation or who is properly absent from work under the terms of the employer's sick leave or disability leave policy, the base period shall be the first four of the five most recently worked quarters prior to such benefit year, provided such quarters were consecutive and not previously used to establish a prior valid benefit year and provided further, the last most recently worked calendar quarter is no more than twelve calendar quarters prior to the date such individual makes an initiating claim. As used in this section, an initiating claim shall be deemed valid if the individual is unemployed and meets the requirements of subdivisions (1) and (3) of subsection (a) of section 31-235. The base period of an individual's benefit year shall include wages paid by any nonprofit organization electing reimbursement in lieu of contributions, or by the state and by any town, city or other political or governmental subdivision of or in this state or of any municipality to such person with respect to whom such employer is subject to the provisions of this chapter. With respect to

weeks of unemployment beginning on or after January 1, 1978, wages for insured work shall include wages paid for previously uncovered services. For purposes of this section, the term "previously uncovered services" means services that (1) were not employment, as defined in section 31-222, and were not services covered pursuant to section 31-223, at any time during the one-year period ending December 31, 1975; and (2) (A) are agricultural labor, as defined in subparagraph (H) of subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 31-222, or domestic service, as defined in subparagraph (J) of subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 31-222, or (B) are services performed by an employee of this state or a political subdivision of this state, as provided in subparagraph (C) of subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 31-222, or by an employee of a nonprofit educational institution that is not an institution of higher education, as provided in subparagraph (E)(iii) of subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 31-222, except to the extent that assistance under Title II of the Emergency Jobs and Unemployment Assistance Act of 1974 was paid on the basis of such services.

(b) The base period of a benefit year for any individual who is ineligible to receive benefits using the base period set forth in subsection (a) of this section shall be the four most recently completed calendar quarters prior to the individual's benefit year, provided such quarters were not previously used to establish a prior valid benefit year, except that for any such individual who is eligible to receive or is receiving workers' compensation or who is properly absent from work under the terms of an employer's sick leave or disability leave policy, the base period shall be the four most recently worked calendar quarters prior to such benefit year, provided such quarters were <u>consecutive and</u> not previously used to establish a prior valid benefit year and provided further, the last most recently worked calendar quarter is not more than twelve calendar quarters prior to the date such individual makes the initiating claim. If the wage information for

an individual's most recently worked calendar quarter is unavailable to the administrator from regular quarterly reports of systematically accessible wage information, the administrator shall promptly contact the individual's employer to obtain such wage information.

Sec. 150. Subsection (b) of section 31-273 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(b) (1) Any person who, by reason of fraud, wilful misrepresentation or wilful nondisclosure by such person or by another of a material fact, has received any sum as benefits under this chapter while any condition for the receipt of benefits imposed by this chapter was not fulfilled in such person's case, or has received a greater amount of benefits than was due such person under this chapter, shall be charged with an overpayment and shall be liable to repay to the administrator for the Unemployment Compensation Fund a sum equal to the amount so overpaid to such person. If such person does not make repayment in full of the sum overpaid, the administrator shall recoup such sum by offset from such person's unemployment benefits. The deduction from benefits shall be one hundred per cent of the person's weekly benefit entitlement until the full amount of the overpayment has been recouped. Where such offset is insufficient to recoup the full amount of the overpayment, the claimant shall repay the remaining amount plus, for any determination of an overpayment made on or after July 1, 2005, interest at the rate of one per cent of the amount so overpaid per month, in accordance with a repayment schedule as determined by the examiner. If the claimant fails to repay according to the schedule, the administrator may recover such overpayment plus interest through a wage execution against the claimant's earnings upon the claimant's return to work in accordance with the provisions of section 52-361a. In addition, the administrator may request the Commissioner of Administrative Services to seek reimbursement for

such amount pursuant to section 12-742. If the administrator's actions are insufficient to recover such overpayment, the administrator may submit the outstanding balance to the Internal Revenue Service for the purpose of offsetting the claimant's federal tax refund pursuant to 26 USC 6402(f), 31 USC 3720A or other applicable federal laws. The administrator is authorized, eight years after the payment of any benefits described in this subsection, to cancel any claim for such repayment or recoupment which in the administrator's opinion is uncollectible. Effective January 1, 1996, and annually thereafter, the administrator shall report to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to finance, revenue and bonding and the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to labor and public employees, the aggregate number and value of all such claims deemed uncollectible and therefore cancelled during the previous calendar year.

(2) (A) For any determination of an overpayment made prior to October 1, 2013, any person who has made a claim for benefits under this chapter and has knowingly made a false statement or representation or has knowingly failed to disclose a material fact in order to obtain benefits or to increase the amount of benefits to which such person may be entitled under this chapter shall forfeit benefits for not less than one or more than thirty-nine compensable weeks following determination of such offense or offenses, during which weeks such person would otherwise have been eligible to receive benefits. For the purposes of section 31-231b, such person shall be deemed to have received benefits for such forfeited weeks. This penalty shall be in addition to any other applicable penalty under this section and in addition to the liability to repay any moneys so received by such person and shall not be confined to a single benefit year. The provisions of this subparagraph shall not be applicable to claims deemed payable as of October 1, 2019. (B) For any determination of an

overpayment made on or after October 1, 2013, any person who has made a claim for benefits under this chapter and has knowingly made a false statement or representation or has knowingly failed to disclose a material fact in order to obtain benefits or to increase the amount of benefits to which such person may be entitled under this chapter shall be subject to a penalty of fifty per cent of the amount of overpayment for the first offense and a penalty of one hundred per cent of the amount of overpayment for any subsequent offense. This penalty shall be in addition to the liability to repay the full amount of overpayment and shall not be confined to a single benefit year. Thirty-five per cent of any such penalty shall be paid into the Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund and sixty-five per cent of such penalty shall be paid into the Employment Security Administration Fund. The penalty amounts computed in this subparagraph shall be rounded to the nearest dollar with fractions of a dollar of exactly fifty cents rounded upward.

(3) Any person charged with the fraudulent receipt of benefits or the making of a fraudulent claim, as provided in this subsection, shall be entitled to a determination of eligibility by the administrator that shall be based upon evidence or testimony presented in a manner prescribed by the administrator including in writing, by telephone or by other electronic means. The administrator may prescribe a hearing by telephone or in person at his or her discretion, provided if an in person hearing is requested, the request may not be unreasonably denied by the administrator. Notice of the time and place of such hearing, and the reasons for such hearing, shall be given to the person not less than five days prior to the date appointed for such hearing. The administrator shall determine, on the basis of facts found by the administrator, whether or not a fraudulent act subject to the penalties of this subsection has been committed and, upon such finding, shall fix the penalty for any such offense according to the provisions of this subsection. Any person determined by the administrator to have

committed fraud under the provisions of this section shall be liable for repayment to the administrator of the Unemployment Compensation Fund for any benefits determined by the administrator to have been collected fraudulently, as well as any other penalties assessed by the administrator in accordance with the provisions of this subsection. Until such liabilities have been met to the satisfaction of the administrator, such person shall forfeit any right to receive benefits under the provisions of this chapter. Notification of such decision and penalty shall be provided to such person and shall be final unless such person files an appeal not later than twenty-one days after the date such notification was provided to such person, except that (A) any such appeal that is filed after such twenty-one-day period may be considered to be timely filed if the filing party shows good cause, as defined in regulations adopted pursuant to section 31-249h, for the late filing, (B) if the last day for filing an appeal falls on any day when the offices of the Employment Security Division are not open for business, such last day shall be extended to the next business day, (C) if any such appeal is filed by mail, the appeal shall be considered timely filed if the appeal was received within such twenty-one-day period or bears a legible United States postal service postmark that indicates that within such twenty-one-day period the appeal was placed in the possession of postal authorities for delivery to the appropriate office, except posting dates attributable to private postage meters shall not be considered in determining the timeliness of appeals filed by mail, and (D) if any such appeal is filed electronically, such appeal shall be considered timely filed if it was received within such twenty-one-day period. Such appeal shall be heard by a referee in the same manner provided in section 31-242 for an appeal from the decision of an examiner on a claim for benefits. The manner in which such appeals shall be heard and appeals taken therefrom to the board of review and then to the Superior Court, either by the administrator or the claimant, shall be in accordance with the provisions set forth in section 31-249 or 31-249b, as the case may be. Any determination of overpayment made

under this subsection which becomes final on or after October 1, 1995, may be enforced in the same manner as a judgment of the Superior Court when the claimant fails to pay according to the claimant's repayment schedule. The court may issue execution upon any final determination of overpayment in the same manner as in cases of judgments rendered in the Superior Court; and upon the filing of an application to the court for an execution, the administrator shall send to the clerk of the court a certified copy of such determination.

Sec. 151. Subsection (a) of section 31-250 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) In administering this chapter, the administrator may adopt such regulations, employ such persons, make such expenditures, require such reports, make such investigations and take such other action as may be necessary or suitable, including, but not limited to, entering into a consortium with other states and entering into any contract or memorandum of understanding associated with such consortium. Such regulations shall be effective upon publication in the manner which the administrator prescribes. As provided in section 4-60, the administrator shall submit to the Governor a report covering the administration and operation of this chapter during the preceding fiscal year and shall make such recommendations for amendments to this chapter as he deems proper. The administrator shall comply with the provisions of Section 303(a)(6) and (7) of the federal Social Security Act, and of Section 303(c), added to the federal Social Security Act by Section 13(g) of the federal Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act. The administrator is authorized to receive the reimbursement of the federal share of extended benefits paid under the provisions of sections 31-232b to 31-232h, inclusive, and section 31-232k that are reimbursable under the provisions of federal law.

Sec. 152. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 1 of public act

19-3 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(1) "Cannabidiol" or "CBD" means the nonpsychotropic compound by the same name and with a **[**delta-a**]** delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol concentration of not more than 0.3 per cent on a dry weight basis derived from hemp, as defined in the federal act;

Sec. 153. Subdivision (12) of subsection (a) of section 1 of public act 19-3 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(12) "Hemp products" means products with a **[**delta-a**]** delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol concentration of not more than 0.3 per cent on a dry weight basis derived from, or made by, the processing of hemp plants or hemp plant parts;

Sec. 154. Subsection (n) of section 2 of public act 19-3 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(n) If a sample does not pass the microbiological, mycotoxin, heavy metal or pesticide chemical residue test, based on the standards prescribed by the Commissioner of Consumer Protection **[**in regulations adopted in accordance with chapter 54 of the general statutes**]** and published on the Internet web site of the Department of Consumer Protection, the manufacturer licensee who sent such batch for testing shall dispose of the entire batch from which the sample was taken in accordance with procedures established by the Commissioner of Consumer Protection **[**by regulations adopted in accordance with chapter 54 of the general statutes**]** pursuant to subdivision (1) of subsection (i) of this section.

Sec. 155. Section 4-5 of the general statutes, as amended by section 3 of public act 18-91, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

As used in sections 4-6, 4-7 and 4-8, the term "department head" means Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, Commissioner of Administrative Services, **[**Commissioner on Aging,**]** Commissioner of Revenue Services, Banking Commissioner, Commissioner of Children and Families, Commissioner of Consumer Protection, Commissioner of Correction, Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, State Board of Education, Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection, Commissioner of Agriculture, Commissioner of Public Health, Insurance Commissioner, Labor Commissioner, Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Commissioner of Social Services, Commissioner of Developmental Services, Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, Commissioner of Transportation, Commissioner of Veterans Affairs, Commissioner of Housing, Commissioner of Rehabilitation Services, the Commissioner of Early Childhood, the executive director of the Office of Military Affairs, and the executive director of the Office of Health Strategy. As used in sections 4-6 and 4-7, "department head" also means the Commissioner of Education.

Sec. 156. Section 4-5 of the general statutes, as amended by section 6 of public act 17-237, section 279 of public act 17-2 of the June special session and section 20 of public act 18-182, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2020*):

As used in sections 4-6, 4-7 and 4-8, the term "department head" means Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, Commissioner of Administrative Services, Commissioner of Revenue Services, Banking Commissioner, Commissioner of Children and Families, Commissioner of Consumer Protection, Commissioner of Correction, Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, State Board of Education, Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Commissioner of Energy and Environmental

Protection, Commissioner of Agriculture, Commissioner of Public Health, Insurance Commissioner, Labor Commissioner, Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Commissioner of Social Services, Commissioner of Developmental Services, Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, Commissioner of Transportation, Commissioner of Veterans Affairs, Commissioner of Housing, Commissioner of Rehabilitation Services, the Commissioner of Early Childhood, the executive director of the Office of Military Affairs, the executive director of the Office of Health Strategy and the executive director of the Technical Education and Career System. As used in sections 4-6 and 4-7, "department head" also means the Commissioner of Education.

Sec. 157. Subsection (b) of section 17a-6a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(b) The Commissioner of Children and Families shall require each vendor or contractor of the department and each employee of such vendor or contractor [who] that provides direct services to children or youths in the care and custody of the department or [who] that has access to the department's records to submit to state and national criminal history records checks, in accordance with section 29-17a. The commissioner shall [also] check the (1) state child abuse and neglect registry established pursuant to section 17a-101k for the name of such vendor or contractor and each employee of such vendor or contractor [who] that provides direct services to children or youths in the care and custody of the department or has access to records [or clients] of the department, and (2) child abuse and neglect registry in any state in which a vendor or contractor or employee of a vendor or contractor that provides direct services to children or youths in the care and custody of the department or has access to records of the department has resided in the preceding five years for the name of such vendor or

contractor or employee. The commissioner shall comply with any request to check the child abuse and neglect registry established pursuant to section 17a-101k made by the child welfare agency of another state.

Sec. 158. Section 17a-114 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) As used in this section, (1) "approval" or "approved" means that a person has been approved to adopt or provide foster care by a child-placing agency licensed pursuant to section 17a-149, (2) "licensed" means a person holds a license to provide foster care issued by the Department of Children and Families, (3) "fictive kin caregiver" means a person who is twenty-one years of age or older and who is unrelated to a child by birth, adoption or marriage but who has an emotionally significant relationship with such child or such child's family amounting to a familial relationship, and (4) "regular unsupervised access" means periodic interaction with a child in the home for purposes of unsupervised child care, medical or other services to the child.

(b) (1) No child in the custody of the Commissioner of Children and Families shall be placed in foster care with any person, unless (A) (i) such person is licensed for that purpose by the department or the Department of Developmental Services pursuant to the provisions of section 17a-227, or (ii) such person's home is approved by a child placing agency licensed by the commissioner pursuant to section 17a-149, or (iii) such person has received approval as provided in this section, and (B) on and after January 1, 2017, for a child twelve years of age or older, such child has received a foster family profile in accordance with the provisions of section 17a-114e. Any person licensed by the department may be a prospective adoptive parent. The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to establish the licensing procedures and

standards.

(2) The commissioner shall require each applicant for licensure or approval pursuant to this section and any person sixteen years of age or older living in the household of such applicant to submit to state and national criminal history records checks prior to issuing a license or approval to such applicant to accept placement of a child for purposes of foster care or adoption. Such criminal history records checks shall be conducted in accordance with section 29-17a. The commissioner shall **[**also**]** check the (A) state child abuse and neglect registry established pursuant to section 17a-101k for the name of such applicant and for the name of any person sixteen years of age or older living in the household of such applicant, and (B) child abuse and neglect registry in any state in which such applicant or person resided in the preceding five years for the name of such applicant or person.

(3) The commissioner shall require each individual licensed or approved pursuant to this section and any person sixteen years of age or older living in the household of such individual to submit to state and national criminal history records checks prior to renewing a license or approval for any individual providing foster care or adopting. Such criminal history records checks shall be conducted in accordance with section 29-17a. **[**The**]** Prior to such renewal, the commissioner shall **[**also**]** check the (A) state child abuse and neglect registry established pursuant to section 17a-101k for the name of such applicant and for the name of any person sixteen years of age or older living in the household of such applicant, **[**prior to such renewal**]** and (B) child abuse and neglect registry in any state in which such applicant or person resided in the preceding five years for the name of such applicant or person.

(4) The commissioner shall comply with any request to check the child abuse and neglect registry established pursuant to section 17a-101k made by the child welfare agency of another state.

(c) Notwithstanding the requirements of subsection (b) of this section, the commissioner may place a child with a relative or fictive kin caregiver who has not been issued a license or approval, when such placement is in the best interests of the child, provided a satisfactory home visit is conducted, a basic assessment of the family is completed and such relative or fictive kin caregiver attests that such relative or fictive kin caregiver and any adult living within the household has not been convicted of a crime or arrested for a felony against a person, for injury or risk of injury to or impairing the morals of a child, or for the possession, use or sale of a controlled substance. Any such relative or fictive kin caregiver who accepts placement of a child shall be subject to licensure by the commissioner, pursuant to regulations adopted by the commissioner in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 to implement the provisions of this section or approval by a child-placing agency licensed pursuant to section 17a-149. The commissioner may grant a waiver from such regulations, including any standard regarding separate bedrooms or room-sharing arrangements, for a child placed with a relative or fictive kin caregiver, on a case-by-case basis, if such placement is otherwise in the best interests of such child, provided no procedure or standard that is safety-related may be so waived. The commissioner shall document, in writing, the reason for granting any waiver from such regulations.

(d) Any individual who has been licensed or approved to adopt or provide foster care and any relative or fictive kin caregiver shall apply a reasonable and prudent parent standard, as defined in subsection (a) of section 17a-114d, on behalf of the child.

Sec. 159. Section 17a-151 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) The Commissioner of Children and Families shall investigate the conditions stated in each application made under the provisions of sections 17a-145 and 17a-149 and shall require any person identified on

the application under said sections and any individual eighteen years of age or older who is employed by a child care facility licensed pursuant to section 17a-145 to submit to (1) state and national criminal history records checks, (2) a check of the state child abuse and neglect registry established pursuant to section 17a-101k, and (3) a check of the child abuse and neglect registry in any state in which such person or individual resided in the preceding five years. The commissioner shall comply with any request to check the child abuse and neglect registry established pursuant to section 17a-101k made by the child welfare agency of another state. The commissioner shall investigate the conditions in each application under the provisions of sections 17a-145 and 17a-149 and, if the commissioner finds such conditions suitable for the proper care of children, or for the placing out of children, under such standards for the promotion of the health, safety, morality and well-being of such children as the commissioner prescribes, shall issue such license as is required as promptly as possible, without expense to the licensee. If, after such investigation, the commissioner finds that the applicant, notwithstanding good faith efforts, is not able to fully comply with all the requirements the commissioner prescribes, but compliance can be achieved with minimal efforts, the commissioner may issue a provisional license for a period not to exceed sixty days. The provisional license may be renewed for additional sixty-day periods, but in no event shall the total of such periods be for longer than one year. Before issuing any license, the commissioner shall give to the selectmen of the town wherein such licensee proposes to carry on the licensed activity ten days' notice in writing that the issuance of such license is proposed, but such notice shall not be required in case of intention to issue such license to any corporation incorporated for the purpose of caring for or placing such children. Each license so issued shall specify whether it is granted for child-caring or child-placing purposes, shall state the number of children who may be cared for, shall be in force twenty-four months from date of issue, and shall be renewed for the ensuing twenty-four months, if conditions continue

to be satisfactory to the commissioner. The commissioner shall [also] provide such periodical inspections and review as shall safeguard the well-being, health and morality of all children cared for or placed under a license issued by the commissioner under this section and shall visit and consult with each such child and with the licensee as often as the commissioner deems necessary but at intervals of not more than ninety days. Each licensee under the provisions of this section shall file annually with the commissioner a report containing such information concerning its functions, services and operation, including financial data, as the commissioner requires. Any license issued under this section may be revoked, suspended or limited by the commissioner for cause, after notice given to the person or entity concerned and after opportunity for a hearing thereon. Any party whose application is denied or whose license is revoked, suspended or limited by the commissioner may appeal from such adverse decision in accordance with the provisions of section 4-183. Appeals under this section shall be privileged in respect to the order of trial assignment.

Sec. 160. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2020*) (a) As used in this section:

(1) "Community health worker" means a public health outreach professional with an in-depth understanding of the experience, language, culture and socioeconomic needs of the community and who provides a range of services, including, but not limited to, outreach, engagement, education, coaching, informal counseling, social support, advocacy, care coordination, research related to social determinants of health and basic screenings and assessments of any risks associated with social determinants of health;

(2) "Certified community health worker" means a community health worker certified by the Department of Public Health;

(3) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's designee; and

(4) "Social determinants of health" means societal factors that contribute to a person's state of health.

(b) There is established within the Office of Health Strategy a Community Health Worker Advisory Body. Said body shall (1) advise said office and the Department of Public Health on matters relating to the educational and certification requirements for training programs for community health workers, including the minimum number of hours and internship requirements for certification of community health workers, (2) conduct a continuous review of such educational and certification programs, and (3) provide the department with a list of approved educational and certification programs for community health workers;

(c) The executive director of the Office of Health Strategy, or the executive director's designee, shall act as the chair of the Community Health Worker Advisory Body and shall appoint the following members to said body:

(1) Six members who are actively practicing as community health workers in the state;

(2) A member of the Community Health Workers Association of Connecticut;

(3) A representative of a community-based community health worker training organization;

(4) A representative of a regional community-technical college;

(5) An employer of community health workers;

(6) A representative of a health care organization that employs community health workers;

(7) A health care provider who works directly with community

health workers; and

(8) The Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's designee.

(d) On or after January 1, 2020, no person shall use the title "certified community health worker" unless certified by the Department of Public Health pursuant to subsection (e) this section.

(e) Each application for certification as a community health worker shall be in writing on forms prescribed by the Commissioner of Public Health, signed by the applicant and accompanied by a fee of one hundred dollars and satisfactory proof that such applicant meets the following requirements:

(1) (A) Is trained and educated as a community health worker by an organization approved by the Community Health Worker Advisory Body pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, (B) is at least sixteen years of age, (C) submits a professional reference from an employer with direct knowledge of the applicant's experience as a community health worker and a reference from a member of the community with direct knowledge of the applicant's experience as a community health worker, and (D) has a minimum of one thousand hours of experience working as a community health worker during the three years prior to the date of such application; or

(2) (A) Has a minimum of two thousand hours of paid or unpaid experience as a community health worker, and (B) submits a professional reference from an employer with direct knowledge of the applicant's experience as a community health worker and a reference from a member of the community with direct knowledge of the applicant's experience as a community health worker.

(f) A certification issued under this section may be renewed every three years. The license shall be renewed in accordance with the

provisions of section 19a-88 of the general statutes for a fee of one hundred dollars. Each certified community health worker applying for license renewal shall furnish evidence satisfactory to the commissioner of having completed a minimum of thirty hours of continuing education requirements, including two hours focused on cultural competency, systemic racism or systemic oppression and two hours focused on social determinants of health.

(g) The provisions of this section shall not apply to a community health worker who is providing services, including, but not limited to, outreach, engagement, education, coaching, informal counseling, social support, advocacy, care coordination, research related to social determinants of health and basic screenings and assessments of any risks associated with social determinants of health, provided such person does not hold himself or herself out to the public as a certified community health worker.

(h) The Commissioner of Public Health may take any disciplinary action set forth in section 19a-17 of the general statutes against a certified community health worker for failure to conform to the accepted standards of the profession including, but not limited to, any of the following reasons: (1) Fraud or deceit in obtaining or seeking reinstatement of a license to practice as a community health worker; (2) engaging in fraud or material deception in the course of professional services or activities; (3) negligent, incompetent or wrongful conduct in professional activities; (4) aiding or abetting the use of the title "certified community health worker by an individual who is not certified"; (5) physical, mental or emotional illness or disorder resulting in an inability to conform to the accepted standards of the profession; or (6) abuse or excessive use of drugs, including alcohol, narcotics or chemicals. The commissioner may order a license holder to submit to a reasonable physical or mental examination if his or her physical or mental capacity to practice safely is the subject of an investigation. The

commissioner may petition the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford to enforce such order or any action taken pursuant to section 19a-17 of the general statutes. The commissioner shall give notice and an opportunity to be heard on any contemplated action under section 19a-17 of the general statutes.

Sec. 161. Subsection (e) of section 19a-88 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

(e) (1) Each person holding a license or certificate issued under section 19a-514, 20-65k, 20-74s, 20-185k, 20-185*l*, 20-195cc or 20-206*ll* and chapters 370 to 373, inclusive, 375, 378 to 381a, inclusive, 383 to 383c, inclusive, 384, 384a, 384b, 384d, 385, 393a, 395, 399 or 400a and section 20-206n or 20-206o shall, annually, during the month of such person's birth, apply for renewal of such license or certificate to the Department of Public Health, giving such person's name in full, such person's residence and business address and such other information as the department requests.

(2) Each person holding a license or certificate issued under section 19a-514, section 20-266o and chapters 384a, 384c, 386, 387, 388 and 398 shall apply for renewal of such license or certificate once every two years, during the month of such person's birth, giving such person's name in full, such person's residence and business address and such other information as the department requests.

(3) Each person holding a certificate issued under section 160 of this act shall apply for renewal of such certificate once every three years, during the month of such person's birth, giving such person's name in full, such person's residence and business address and such other information as the department requests.

[(3)**]** (4) Each person holding a license or certificate issued pursuant

to chapter 400c shall, annually, during the month of such person's birth, apply for renewal of such license or certificate to the department. Each lead training provider certified pursuant to chapter 400c and each asbestos training provider certified pursuant to chapter 400a shall, annually, during the anniversary month of such training provider's initial certification, apply for renewal of such certificate to the department.

[(4)**]** (5) Each entity holding a license issued pursuant to section 20-475 shall, annually, during the anniversary month of initial licensure, apply for renewal of such license or certificate to the department.

[(5)**]** (6) Each person holding a license issued pursuant to section 20-162bb shall, annually, during the month of such person's birth, apply for renewal of such license to the Department of Public Health, upon payment of a fee of three hundred twenty dollars, giving such person's name in full, such person's residence and business address and such other information as the department requests.

Sec. 162. Section 20-195aa of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

As used in this section and sections 20-195bb to 20-195ee, inclusive, and section 166 of this act:

(1) "Licensed professional counselor" or "professional counselor" means a person who has been licensed as a professional counselor pursuant to this chapter;

(2) "Licensed professional counselor associate" or "professional counselor associate" means a person who has been licensed as a professional counselor associate pursuant to this chapter;

[(2)**]** (3) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Public Health;

[(3)**]** (4) "Department" means the Department of Public Health;

[(4)**]** (5) "Professional counseling" means the application, by persons trained in counseling, of established principles of psycho-social development and behavioral science to the evaluation, assessment, analysis, diagnosis and treatment of emotional, behavioral or interpersonal dysfunction or difficulties that interfere with mental health and human development. "Professional counseling" includes, but is not limited to, individual, group, marriage and family counseling, functional assessments for persons adjusting to a disability, appraisal, crisis intervention and consultation with individuals or groups;

[(5)**]** (6) "Under professional supervision" means the practice of professional counseling under the supervision of a licensed professional counselor, a physician licensed pursuant to chapter 370, who is certified in psychiatry by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, an advanced practice registered nurse licensed pursuant to chapter 378, who is certified as a psychiatric and mental health clinical nurse specialist or nurse practitioner by the American Nurses Credentialing Center, a psychologist licensed pursuant to chapter 383, a marital and family therapist licensed pursuant to chapter 383a or a licensed clinical social worker licensed pursuant to chapter 383b;

[(6)**]** (7) "Direct professional supervision" means face-to-face consultation between one supervisor, who is a professional described in subdivision **[**(5)**]** (6) of this section, and one person receiving supervision that consists of not less than a monthly review with a written evaluation and assessment by the supervisor of such person's practice of professional counseling; and

[(7)**]** (8) "Related mental health field" means social work, marriage and family therapy or psychology.

Sec. 163. Section 20-195bb of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

(a) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, no person may practice professional counseling unless licensed pursuant to section 20-195cc.

(b) No person may use the title "licensed professional counselor", "licensed professional counselor associate" or "professional counselor" or make use of any title, words, letters or abbreviations that may reasonably be confused with licensure as a professional counselor or professional counselor associate unless licensed pursuant to section 20-195cc.

(c) No license as a professional counselor shall be required of the following: (1) A person who furnishes uncompensated assistance in an emergency; (2) a clergyman, priest, minister, rabbi or practitioner of any religious denomination accredited by the religious body to which the person belongs and settled in the work of the ministry, provided the activities that would otherwise require a license as a professional counselor are within the scope of ministerial duties; (3) a sexual assault counselor, as defined in section 52-146k; (4) a person participating in uncompensated group or individual counseling; (5) a person with a master's degree in a health-related or human services-related field employed by a hospital, as defined in subsection (b) of section 19a-490, performing services in accordance with section 20-195aa under the supervision of a [person licensed by the state in one of the professions identified in clauses (i) to (vii), inclusive, of subparagraph (C) of subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 20-195dd] physician licensed pursuant to chapter 370, who is certified in psychiatry by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, an advanced practice registered nurse licensed pursuant to chapter 378, who is certified as a psychiatric and mental health clinical nurse specialist or nurse practitioner by the American Nurses Credentialing Center, a

psychologist licensed pursuant to chapter 383, a marital and family therapist licensed pursuant to chapter 383a or a licensed clinical social worker licensed pursuant to chapter 383b; (6) a person licensed or certified by any agency of this state and performing services within the scope of practice for which licensed or certified; (7) a student, intern or trainee pursuing a course of study in counseling in a regionally accredited institution of higher education, provided the activities that would otherwise require a license as a professional counselor are performed under supervision and constitute a part of a supervised course of study; (8) a person employed by an institution of higher education to provide academic counseling in conjunction with the institution's programs and services; or (9) a vocational rehabilitation counselor, job counselor, credit counselor, consumer counselor or any other counselor or psychoanalyst who does not purport to be a counselor whose primary service is the application of established principles of psycho-social development and behavioral science to the evaluation, assessment, analysis and treatment of emotional, behavioral or interpersonal dysfunction or difficulties that interfere with mental health and human development. **[**; or (10) a person who earned a degree in accordance with the requirements of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 20-195dd, provided (A) the activities performed and services provided by such person constitute part of the supervised experience required for licensure under subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of said section, and (B) not later than two years after completion of such supervised experience, the exemption to the licensure requirement shall cease if the person did not successfully complete the licensing examination, as required under subdivision (4) of subsection (a) of said section.**]**

Sec. 164. Section 20-195cc of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

(a) The Commissioner of Public Health shall grant a license (1) as a

professional counselor to any applicant who furnishes evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that such applicant has met the requirements of section 20-195dd, and (2) as a professional counselor associate to any applicant who furnishes evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that such applicant has met the requirements of section 20-195dd. The commissioner shall develop and provide application forms. The application fee for a professional counselor shall be three hundred fifteen dollars. The application fee for a professional counselor associate shall be two hundred twenty dollars.

(b) Licenses issued to professional counselors and professional counselor associates under this section may be renewed annually pursuant to section 19a-88. The fee for such renewal shall be one hundred ninety-five dollars. Each licensed professional counselor and professional counselor associate applying for license renewal shall furnish evidence satisfactory to the commissioner of having participated in continuing education programs. The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, to (1) define basic requirements for continuing education programs that shall include (A) not less than one contact hour of training or education each registration period on the topic of cultural competency, (B) on and after January 1, 2016, not less than two contact hours of training or education during the first renewal period in which continuing education is required and not less than once every six years thereafter on the topic of mental health conditions common to veterans and family members of veterans, including (i) determining whether a patient is a veteran or family member of a veteran, (ii) screening for conditions such as post-traumatic stress disorder, risk of suicide, depression and grief, and (iii) suicide prevention training, and (C) on and after January 1, 2018, not less than three contact hours of training or education each registration period on the topic of professional ethics, (2) delineate qualifying programs, (3) establish a system of control and reporting, and (4) provide for a waiver of the continuing

education requirement for good cause.

Sec. 165. Section 20-195dd of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

[(a) (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsections (b) and (c) of this section, an applicant for a license as a professional counselor shall, prior to January 1, 2019, submit evidence satisfactory to the commissioner of having: (A) Completed sixty graduate semester hours in or related to the discipline of counseling at a regionally accredited institution of higher education, that included coursework in each of the following areas: (i) Human growth and development, (ii) social and cultural foundations, (iii) counseling theories and techniques or helping relationships, (iv) group dynamics, (v) processing and counseling, (vi) career and lifestyle development, (vii) appraisals or tests and measurements for individuals and groups, (viii) research and evaluation, and (ix) professional orientation to counseling; (B) earned, from a regionally accredited institution of higher education a master's or doctoral degree in social work, marriage and family therapy, counseling, psychology or a related mental health field; (C) acquired three thousand hours of postgraduate-degree-supervised experience in the practice of professional counseling, performed over a period of not less than one year, that included a minimum of one hundred hours of direct supervision by (i) a physician licensed pursuant to chapter 370 who has obtained certification in psychiatry from the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, (ii) a psychologist licensed pursuant to chapter 383, (iii) an advanced practice registered nurse licensed pursuant to chapter 378 and certified as a clinical specialist in adult psychiatric and mental health nursing with the American Nurses Credentialing Center, (iv) a marital and family therapist licensed pursuant to chapter 383a, (v) a clinical social worker licensed pursuant to chapter 383b, (vi) a professional counselor licensed, or prior to October 1, 1998, eligible for licensure, pursuant to section 20-195cc, or

(vii) a physician certified in psychiatry by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, psychologist, advanced practice registered nurse certified as a clinical specialist in adult psychiatric and mental health nursing with the American Nurses Credentialing Center, marital and family therapist, clinical social worker or professional counselor licensed or certified as such or as a person entitled to perform similar services, under a different designation, in another state or jurisdiction whose requirements for practicing in such capacity are substantially similar to or higher than those of this state; and (D) passed an examination prescribed by the commissioner. Any such applicant who, on or before July 1, 2017, is a matriculating student in good standing in a graduate degree program at a regionally accredited institution of higher education in one of the fields required under subparagraph (B) of this subdivision on or before July 1, 2017, but who cannot reasonably complete the requirements set forth in this subdivision prior to January 1, 2019, as determined by the commissioner, may apply for a license under this subdivision on and after January 1, 2019.**]**

[(2)**]** (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsections **[**(b)**]** (c) and **[**(c)**]** (d) of this section, an applicant for a license as a professional counselor shall **[**, on and after January 1, 2019,**]** submit evidence satisfactory to the commissioner of having: **[**(A) (i)**]** (1) (A) Earned a graduate degree in clinical mental health counseling as part of a program of higher learning accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs, or a successor organization, or **[**(ii) (I)**]** (B) (i) completed at least sixty graduate semester hours in counseling or a related mental health field at a regionally accredited institution of higher education that included coursework in each of the following areas: Human growth and development; social and cultural foundations; counseling theories; counseling techniques; group counseling; career counseling; appraisals or tests and measurements to individuals and groups; research and

evaluation; professional orientation to mental health counseling; addiction and substance abuse counseling; trauma and crisis counseling; and diagnosis and treatment of mental and emotional disorders, [(II)] (ii) earned from a regionally accredited institution of higher education a graduate degree in counseling or a related mental health field, [(III)] (iii) completed a one-hundred-hour practicum in counseling taught by a faculty member licensed or certified as a professional counselor or its equivalent in another state, and [(IV)] (iv) completed a six-hundred-hour clinical mental health counseling internship taught by a faculty member licensed or certified as a professional counselor or its equivalent in another state; [(B)] (2) acquired three thousand hours of postgraduate experience under professional supervision, including a minimum of one hundred hours of direct professional supervision, in the practice of professional counseling, performed over a period of not less than two years; and [(C)] (3) passed an examination prescribed by the commissioner.

(b) An applicant for a license as a professional counselor associate shall submit to the Commissioner of Public Health evidence satisfactory to the commissioner of having (1) earned a graduate degree in clinical mental health counseling as part of a program of higher learning accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs, or a successor organization, or (2) (A) completed at least sixty graduate semester hours in counseling or a related mental health field at a regionally accredited institution of higher education that included coursework in each of the following areas: Human growth and development; social and cultural foundations; counseling theories; counseling techniques; group counseling; career counseling; appraisals or tests and measurements to individuals and groups; research and evaluation; professional orientation to mental health counseling; addiction and substance abuse counseling; trauma and crisis counseling; and diagnosis and treatment of mental and emotional disorders, (B)

completed a one-hundred-hour practicum in counseling taught by a faculty member licensed or certified as a professional counselor or its equivalent in another state, (C) completed a six-hundred-hour clinical mental health counseling internship taught by a faculty member licensed or certified as a professional counselor or its equivalent in another state, and (D) earned from a regionally accredited institution of higher education a graduate degree in counseling or a related mental health field.

[(b)**]** (c) An applicant for licensure by endorsement shall present evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that the applicant is licensed or certified as a professional counselor or professional counselor associate, or as a person entitled to perform similar services under a different designation, in another state or jurisdiction whose requirements for practicing in such capacity are substantially similar to or higher than those of this state and that there are no disciplinary actions or unresolved complaints pending.

[(c)**]** (d) An applicant who is licensed or certified as a professional counselor or its equivalent in another state, territory or commonwealth of the United States may substitute three years of licensed or certified work experience in the practice of professional counseling in lieu of the requirements of **[**subparagraph (C) of subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section, or subparagraph (B) of**]** subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section, **[**as applicable,**]** provided the commissioner finds that such experience is equal to or greater than the requirements of this state.

Sec. 166. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) (a) An individual licensed as a professional counselor pursuant to section 20-195dd of the general statutes may practice professional counseling. The practice of professional counseling includes, but is not limited to, engaging in the independent practice of professional counseling.

(b) An individual licensed as a professional counselor associate pursuant to subsection (d) of section 20-195dd of the general statutes may practice professional counseling under professional supervision. Except as provided in subsection (c) of section 20-195bb of the general statutes, a licensed professional counselor associate may not engage in the independent practice of professional counseling.

Sec. 167. Section 20-195ff of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

The Commissioner of Public Health may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to further the purposes of subdivision (18) of subsection (c) of section 19a-14, subsection (e) of section 19a-88, subdivision (15) of section 19a-175, subsection (b) of section 20-9, sections 20-195aa to **[**20-195ff**]** 20-195ee, inclusive, and **[**sections 20-206jj to 20-206oo, inclusive**]** section 166 of this act.

Sec. 168. Section 20-195a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

For purposes of this chapter:

(1) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Public Health;

(2) "Department" means the Department of Public Health;

(3) "Marital and family therapy" means the evaluation, assessment, diagnosis, counseling, management and treatment of emotional disorders, whether cognitive, affective or behavioral, within the context of marriage and family systems, through the professional application of individual psychotherapeutic and family-systems theories and techniques in the delivery of services to individuals, couples and families; **[**.**]**

(4) "Licensed marital and family therapy associate" means a person

who has been licensed by the department as a marital and family therapy associate pursuant to this chapter and whose license permits the person to engage in the practice of marital and family therapy under the clinical supervision of a licensed marital and family therapist; and

(5) "Licensed marital and family therapist" means a person who has been licensed by the department as a marital and family therapist pursuant to this chapter.

Sec. 169. Section 20-195b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

(a) Except as provided in section 20-195f, no person shall practice marital and family therapy unless licensed in accordance with section 20-195c.

(b) No person shall use the title "licensed marital and family therapist" or "licensed marital and family therapist associate" unless [he is] licensed in accordance with the provisions of section 20-195c.

Sec. 170. Section 20-195c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

(a) Each applicant for licensure as a marital and family therapist shall present to the department satisfactory evidence that such applicant has: (1) Completed a graduate degree program specializing in marital and family therapy [from] offered by a regionally accredited college or university or an accredited postgraduate clinical training program accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education offered by a regionally accredited institution of higher education; (2) completed a supervised practicum or internship with emphasis in marital and family therapy supervised by the program granting the requisite degree or by an accredited postgraduate clinical training program [,] accredited by the

Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education and offered by a regionally accredited institution of higher education, in which the student received a minimum of five hundred direct clinical hours that included one hundred hours of clinical supervision; (3) completed twelve months of relevant postgraduate experience, including (A) a minimum of one thousand hours of direct client contact offering marital and family therapy services subsequent to being awarded a master's degree or doctorate or subsequent to the training year specified in subdivision (2) of this subsection, and (B) one hundred hours of postgraduate clinical supervision provided by a licensed marital and family therapist; and (4) passed an examination prescribed by the department. The fee shall be three hundred fifteen dollars for each initial application.

(b) Each applicant for licensure as a marital and family therapist associate shall present to the department (1) satisfactory evidence that such applicant has completed a graduate degree program specializing in marital and family therapy offered by a regionally accredited institution of higher education or an accredited postgraduate clinical training program accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education and offered by a regionally accredited institution of higher education, and (2) verification from a supervising licensed marital and family therapist that the applicant is working toward completing the postgraduate experience required for licensure as a marital and family therapist under subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of this section. The fee shall be one hundred twenty-five dollars for each initial application.

[(b)**]** (c) The department may grant licensure without examination, subject to payment of fees with respect to the initial application, to any applicant who is currently licensed or certified as a marital or marriage and family therapist or a marital and family therapist associate in another state, territory or commonwealth of the United States,

provided such state, territory or commonwealth maintains licensure or certification standards which, in the opinion of the department, are equivalent to or higher than the standards of this state. No license shall be issued under this section to any applicant against whom professional disciplinary action is pending or who is the subject of an unresolved complaint.

[(c) Licenses] (d) (1) A license issued to a marital and family therapist issued under this section may be renewed annually in accordance with the provisions of section 19a-88. The fee for such renewal shall be three hundred twenty dollars. Each licensed marital and family therapist applying for license renewal shall furnish evidence satisfactory to the commissioner of having participated in continuing education programs. The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, to [(1)] (A) define basic requirements for continuing education programs, which shall include not less than one contact hour of training or education each registration period on the topic of cultural competency and, on and after January 1, 2016, not less than two contact hours of training or education during the first renewal period in which continuing education is required and not less than once every six years thereafter on the topic of mental health conditions common to veterans and family members of veterans, including [(A)] (i) determining whether a patient is a veteran or family member of a veteran, [(B)] (ii) screening for conditions such as post-traumatic stress disorder, risk of suicide, depression and grief, and [(C)] (iii) suicide prevention training, [(2)] (B) delineate qualifying programs, [(3)] (C) establish a system of control and reporting, and [(4)] (D) provide for waiver of the continuing education requirement for good cause.

(2) A license issued to a marital and family therapist associate shall expire on or before twenty-four months after the date on which such license was issued and may be renewed once for an additional twenty-

four months in accordance with the provisions of section 19a-88. The fee for such renewal shall be two hundred twenty dollars. Each licensed marital and family therapist associate applying for license renewal shall furnish evidence satisfactory to the commissioner of working toward completing the postgraduate experience required for licensure as a marital and family therapist under subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of this section and the potential for successful completion of such experience prior to the expiration of the twenty-four month renewal period.

[(d)**]** (e) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, an applicant who is currently licensed or certified as a marital or marriage and family therapist in another state, territory or commonwealth of the United States that does not maintain standards for licensure or certification that are equivalent to or higher than the standards in this state may substitute three years of licensed or certified work experience in the practice of marital and family therapy, as defined in section 20-195a, in lieu of the requirements of subdivisions (2) and (3) of subsection (a) of this section.

Sec. 171. Subdivision (1) of subsection (e) of section 19a-88 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

(e) (1) Each person holding a license or certificate issued under section 19a-514, 20-65k, 20-74s, 20-185k, 20-185*l*, 20-195cc or 20-206*ll* and chapters 370 to 373, inclusive, 375, 378 to 381a, inclusive, 383 to 383c, inclusive, 384, 384a, 384b, 384d, 385, 393a, 395, 399 or 400a and section 20-206n or 20-206o shall, annually, or, in the case of a person holding a license as a marital and family therapist associate under section 20-195c on or before twenty-four months after the date of initial licensure, during the month of such person's birth, apply for renewal of such license or certificate to the Department of Public Health, giving such person's name in full, such person's residence and business

address and such other information as the department requests.

Sec. 172. Subsection (a) of section 20-206oo of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

(a) The Commissioner of Public Health may adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 to carry out the provisions of subdivision (24) of subsection (c) of section 19a-14, subsection (e) of section 19a-88, subsection (b) of section 20-9, subsection **[**(c)**]** (d) of section 20-195c, **[**sections 20-195aa to 20-195ff, inclusive,**]** and sections 20-206jj to **[**20-206oo**]** 20-206nn, inclusive.

Sec. 173. Subdivisions (6) to (19), inclusive, of subsection (c) of section 19a-14 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

(6) Marital and family therapist and marriage and family therapist associate;

(7) Nurse-midwife;

(8) Licensed clinical social worker;

(9) Respiratory care practitioner;

(10) Asbestos contractor, asbestos consultant and asbestos training provider;

(11) Massage therapist;

(12) Registered nurse's aide;

(13) Radiographer;

(14) Dental hygienist;

(15) Dietitian-Nutritionist;

(16) Asbestos abatement worker;

(17) Asbestos abatement site supervisor;

(18) Licensed or certified alcohol and drug counselor;

(19) Professional counselor <u>and professional counselor associate</u>;

Sec. 174. Subsection (a) of section 20-195f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

(a) No license as a marital and family therapist shall be required of: (1) A student pursuing a course of study in an educational institution meeting the requirements of section 20-195c if such activities constitute a part of his or her supervised course of study; (2) a faculty member within an institution of higher learning performing duties consistent with his or her position; **[**(3) a person holding a graduate degree in marriage and family therapy; provided (A) the activities performed or services provided by the person constitute part of the supervised work experience required for licensure under subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of section 20-195c, and (B) not later than two years after completion of such supervised work experience, the exemption to the licensure requirement shall cease if the person did not successfully complete the licensing examination, as required under subdivision (4) of subsection (a) of said section; or (4)**]** <u>or (3)</u> a person licensed or certified in this state in a field other than marital and family therapy practicing within the scope of such license or certification.

Sec. 175. Section 20-195ee of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

The Commissioner of Public Health may take any disciplinary

action set forth in section 19a-17 against a professional counselor or professional counselor associate for any of the following reasons: (1) Failure to conform to the accepted standards of the profession; (2) conviction of a felony; (3) fraud or deceit in obtaining or seeking reinstatement of a license to practice professional counseling; (4) fraud or deceit in the practice of professional counseling; (5) negligent, incompetent or wrongful conduct in professional activities; (6) physical, mental or emotional illness or disorder resulting in an inability to conform to the accepted standards of the profession; (7) alcohol or substance abuse; (8) wilful falsification of entries in any hospital, patient or other record pertaining to professional counseling; or (9) violation of any provision of sections 20-195aa to 20-195dd, inclusive, or any regulation adopted pursuant to section 20-195ff. The commissioner may order a license holder to submit to a reasonable physical or mental examination if his physical or mental capacity to practice safely is the subject of an investigation. The commissioner may petition the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford to enforce such order or any action taken pursuant to said section 19a-17. The commissioner shall give notice and an opportunity to be heard on any contemplated action under said section 19a-17.

Sec. 176. Section 20-195mmm of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

[(a)**]** As used in this section, sections 177 to 180, inclusive, of this act and section 19a-14:

(1) "Art therapy" means clinical and evidence-based use of art, including art media, the creative process and the resulting artwork, to accomplish individualized goals within a therapeutic relationship by a credentialed professional who has completed an art therapy program approved by the American Art Therapy Association, or any successor of said association; **[**and**]**

(2) "Art therapist" means a person who **[**(A) has earned a graduate degree in art therapy or a related field from an accredited institution of higher education, and (B) is certified as an art therapist by the Art Therapy Credentials Board or any successor of said board.**]** has been licensed as an art therapist pursuant to section 178 of this act or issued a temporary permit pursuant to section 179 of this act;

(3) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Public Health; and

(4) "Department" means the Department of Public Health.

[(b) No person unless certified as an art therapist may use the title "art therapist" or "certified art therapist" or make use of any title, words, letters, abbreviations or insignia indicating or implying that he or she is a certified art therapist. Any person who violates this section shall be guilty of a class D felony. For purposes of this section, each instance of contact or consultation with an individual that is in violation of any provision of this section shall constitute a separate offense.

(c) The provisions of this section shall not apply to a person who (1) provides art therapy while acting within the scope of practice of the person's license and training, provided the person does not hold himself or herself out to the public as an art therapist, or (2) is a student enrolled in an art therapy educational program or graduate art therapy educational program approved by the American Art Therapy Association, or any successor of said association, and art therapy is an integral part of the student's course of study and such student is performing such therapy under the direct supervision of an art therapist.**]**

Sec. 177. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) (a) No person may use the title "art therapist" or "licensed art therapist" or make use of any title, words, letters, abbreviations or insignia that may reasonably be

confused with licensure as an art therapist unless such person is licensed pursuant to section 178 of this act or has been issued a temporary permit pursuant to section 179 of this act.

(b) The provisions of this section shall not apply to (1) prohibit or restrict any activity or service, including the use of art or art materials, by a person who is licensed or certified by the department of a nationally recognized licensing or certifying organization when acting within the scope of such person's professional training, provided such person does not represent himself or herself to the public as an art therapist or as licensed to practice art therapy pursuant to section 178 of this act, or (2) a student enrolled in an art therapy educational program at an accredited educational institution, or a graduate art therapy educational program approved by the American Art Therapy Association, or any successor of said association, provided art therapy is an integral part of the student's course of study and such student is acting under the direct supervision of a licensed art therapist.

Sec. 178. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) (a) On and after October 1, 2019, the Commissioner of Public Health shall grant a license as an art therapist to any applicant who, except as provided in subsections (b) and (c) of this section, furnishes evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that such applicant (1) has earned a graduate degree in art therapy or a related field from an accredited institution of higher education, and (2) holds a current credential or certification as an art therapist from the Art Therapy Credentials Board, or any successor of said board. The commissioner shall develop and provide application forms. The application fee shall be three hundred fifteen dollars.

(b) An applicant for licensure by endorsement shall present evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that the applicant is licensed or certified as an art therapist, or as a person entitled to perform similar services under a different designation, in another state or jurisdiction that has requirements for practicing in such capacity that

are substantially similar to, or higher than, those of this state and that there are no disciplinary actions or unresolved complaints pending in this state or any other state.

(c) Licenses issued under this section shall be renewed annually pursuant to section 19a-88 of the general statutes. The fee for such renewal shall be one hundred ninety dollars. Each licensed art therapist applying for license renewal shall furnish evidence satisfactory to the commissioner of having a current credential or certification with the Art Therapy Credentials Board, or any successor of said board, and having obtained continuing education units for such credential or certification as required by said board.

Sec. 179. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) The Department of Public Health may issue a temporary permit to an applicant for licensure as an art therapist who holds a graduate degree in art therapy or a related field. Such temporary permit shall authorize the holder of the temporary permit to practice art therapy under the general supervision of a licensed art therapist at all times during which the holder of the temporary permit performs art therapy. Such temporary permit shall be valid for a period not to exceed three hundred sixty-five calendar days after the date of attaining such graduate degree and shall not be renewable. No temporary permit shall be issued under this section to any applicant against whom professional disciplinary action is pending or who is the subject of an unresolved complaint in this state or any other state. The commissioner may revoke a temporary permit for good cause, as determined by the commissioner. The fee for a temporary permit shall be fifty dollars.

Sec. 180. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) The Commissioner of Public Health may take any disciplinary action set forth in section 19a-17 of the general statutes against an art therapist for any of the following reasons: (1) Failure to conform to the accepted standards of the profession; (2) conviction of a felony; (3) fraud or deceit in

obtaining or seeking reinstatement of a license to practice art therapy; (4) fraud or deceit in the practice of art therapy; (5) negligent, incompetent or wrongful conduct in professional activities; (6) physical, mental or emotional illness or disorder resulting in an inability to conform to the accepted standards of the profession; (7) alcohol or substance abuse; or (8) wilful falsification of entries in any hospital, patient or other record pertaining to art therapy. The commissioner may order a license holder to submit to a reasonable physical or mental examination if his or her physical or mental capacity to practice safely is the subject of an investigation. The commissioner may petition the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford to enforce such order or any action taken pursuant to section 19a-17 of the general statutes. The commissioner shall give notice and an opportunity to be heard on any contemplated action under section 19a-17 of the general statutes.

Sec. 181. Subsection (c) of section 19a-14 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

(c) No board shall exist for the following professions that are licensed or otherwise regulated by the Department of Public Health:

(1) Speech and language pathologist and audiologist;

(2) Hearing instrument specialist;

(3) Nursing home administrator;

(4) Sanitarian;

(5) Subsurface sewage system installer or cleaner;

(6) Marital and family therapist;

(7) Nurse-midwife;

(8) Licensed clinical social worker;

(9) Respiratory care practitioner;

(10) Asbestos contractor, asbestos consultant and asbestos training provider;

(11) Massage therapist;

(12) Registered nurse's aide;

(13) Radiographer;

(14) Dental hygienist;

(15) Dietitian-Nutritionist;

(16) Asbestos abatement worker;

(17) Asbestos abatement site supervisor;

(18) Licensed or certified alcohol and drug counselor;

(19) Professional counselor;

(20) Acupuncturist;

(21) Occupational therapist and occupational therapist assistant;

(22) Lead abatement contractor, lead consultant contractor, lead consultant, lead abatement supervisor, lead abatement worker, lead training provider, lead inspector, lead inspector risk assessor and lead planner-project designer;

(23) Emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician, emergency medical responder and emergency medical services instructor;

(24) Paramedic;

(25) Athletic trainer;

(26) Perfusionist;

(27) Master social worker subject to the provisions of section 20-195v;

(28) Radiologist assistant, subject to the provisions of section 20-74tt;

(29) Homeopathic physician;

(30) Certified water treatment plant operator, certified distribution system operator, certified small water system operator, certified backflow prevention device tester and certified cross connection survey inspector, including certified limited operators, certified conditional operators and certified operators in training;

(31) Tattoo technician;

(32) Genetic counselor; **[**and**]**

(33) Behavior analyst; and

(34) Art therapist.

The department shall assume all powers and duties normally vested with a board in administering regulatory jurisdiction over such professions. The uniform provisions of this chapter and chapters 368v, 369 to 381a, inclusive, 383 to 388, inclusive, 393a, 395, 398, 399, 400a and 400c, including, but not limited to, standards for entry and renewal; grounds for professional discipline; receiving and processing complaints; and disciplinary sanctions, shall apply, except as otherwise provided by law, to the professions listed in this subsection.

Sec. 182. Subdivision (1) of subsection (e) of section 19a-88 of the

general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

(e) (1) Each person holding a license or certificate issued under section 19a-514, 20-65k, 20-74s, 20-185k, 20-185*l*, 20-195cc or 20-206*ll* and chapters 370 to 373, inclusive, 375, 378 to 381a, inclusive, 383 to 383c, inclusive, 383g, 384, 384a, 384b, 384d, 385, 393a, 395, 399 or 400a and section 20-206n or 20-206o shall, annually, during the month of such person's birth, apply for renewal of such license or certificate to the Department of Public Health, giving such person's name in full, such person's residence and business address and such other information as the department requests.

Sec. 183. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) As used in this section and sections 184 to 188, inclusive, of this act:

(1) "Corporation" means the nonprofit nonstock corporation described in subsection (b) of this section, which has been established in accordance with the provisions of chapter 602 of the general statutes; and

(2) "Philanthropic enterprise" means a philanthropic enterprise founded in 2003 and located in Fairfield County that advances diverse philanthropic initiatives which include strengthening public education in this state and supporting financial inclusion and social entrepreneurship or a philanthropic designee under the direct control of the philanthropic enterprise.

(b) There shall be established "The Partnership for Connecticut, Inc.", which shall be a nonstock corporation and shall be organized and established by the philanthropic enterprise and its agents. The corporation shall be formed for the conduct of any affairs or the promotion of any purpose which may be lawfully carried out, including, but not limited to, the following public purposes:

(1) Strengthening public education in this state;

(2) Supporting financial inclusion and social entrepreneurship;

(3) Promoting upward mobility in Connecticut by connecting at-risk high school-aged youths and young adults to educational and career opportunities;

(4) Supporting economic development in under-resourced communities through microfinance and social entrepreneurship, with a specific focus on communities where there is a high poverty rate and youths and young adults between the ages of fourteen to twenty-four, inclusive, who are showing signs of disengagement or disconnection from high school, the workplace or the community;

(5) Promoting and expanding upon the collaboration between the state and one or more philanthropic or nonprofit entities designated by the philanthropic enterprise to carry out the public purposes set forth in this section; and

(6) Providing additional resources for the purposes set forth in this section.

(c) Except as provided in sections 183 to 188, inclusive, of this act, the corporation shall be subject to and shall have all the powers provided in chapter 602 of the general statutes. The property and affairs of the corporation shall be governed and controlled by its board of directors appointed in accordance with section 185 of this act. The corporation shall submit an application for recognition of federal income tax exempt status for the corporation as an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to time. Except as provided in section 185 of this act, no member of the board of directors or any officer or employee of the corporation shall, by virtue of such service to the

corporation, be (1) a state employee or public official for purposes of part I of chapter 10 of the general statutes, or (2) a state contractor or prospective state contractor for purposes of section 9-612 of the general statutes. The corporation shall not be construed to be a department, institution, public agency, public instrumentality or political subdivision of the state, or to perform any governmental function.

(d) Reports, in form and substance to be mutually agreed upon by the corporation and the Governor, shall be submitted semiannually by the corporation to the Governor, the State Board of Education, the Department of Education, the Department of Economic and Community Development, the Office of Policy and Management and the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies. The corporation shall post such reports on the corporation's Internet web site.

Sec. 184. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) The corporation shall work with entities that include, but are not limited to, nonprofit organizations, high schools and school districts, institutions of higher education and employers to connect youths and young adults between the ages of fourteen to twenty-four, inclusive, to upwardly mobile career opportunities. The corporation shall support public education and workforce development programs that include an integrated focus on youth development with programming to provide such youths and young adults with the holistic supports needed to succeed.

(b) The corporation shall support and encourage microfinance and social entrepreneurship initiatives in order to expand economic opportunity in under-resourced communities.

(c) The corporation shall work with stakeholders in under-resourced communities to ensure public input and participation in program design, while remaining focused on advancing positive outcomes as

quickly and sustainably as possible. The corporation shall monitor, measure and annually report, in accordance with subsection (d) of section 183 of this act, on its progress in achieving specific agreed-upon impact objectives.

Sec. 185. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) (1) For the period of time from July 15, 2019, until January 5, 2021, the corporation shall be governed by a board of directors, appointed as follows:

(A) Four directors appointed by the director of the philanthropic enterprise;

(B) Three directors appointed by the Governor;

(C) The Governor;

(D) The president pro tempore of the Senate;

(E) The speaker of the House of Representatives;

(F) The minority leader of the Senate;

(G) The minority leader of the House of Representatives; and

(H) The president of the corporation.

(2) Each director shall serve until a successor is qualified and appointed.

(b) (1) All appointments under subsection (a) of this section shall be made on or before July 15, 2019, with the exception of the president of the corporation, who shall be appointed upon being hired. If the director of the philanthropic enterprise fails to appoint any director within the time period prescribed in this subsection, such director shall instead be appointed by the Governor.

(2) Any vacancy shall be filled for the remainder of the unexpired

term in the same manner as the original appointment was made. Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority not later than thirty days after the date of such vacancy. If such vacancy appointment is not made within the time period prescribed in this subsection, the vacancy shall be filled by the Governor.

(3) An interim board of directors shall govern the corporation until the appointments are made as set forth in this section.

(c) The philanthropic enterprise, the Governor, the president pro tempore of the Senate, the speaker of the House of Representatives, the minority leader of the Senate and the minority leader of the House of Representatives shall collaborate to determine the criteria and composition of the succeeding board of directors, including, but not limited to, the number of directors; legislative, gubernatorial and philanthropic appointments; length of terms; and the experience necessary for membership, including experience in public education, social-emotional behavioral supports, family involvement and support, student engagement, physical health and wellness, social work and case management, workforce development, philanthropy or community enterprise development, including social entrepreneurship and microfinance.

Sec. 186. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) In furtherance of its commitment to carry out the public purposes described in section 183 of this act, the philanthropic enterprise shall provide twenty million dollars to the corporation for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2019. The participants to the collaboration shall endeavor to secure an additional twenty million dollars from other private sector sources in furtherance of the purposes of the collaboration, provided participation by private sector sources other than the philanthropic enterprise shall not be a condition of the state or the philanthropic enterprise's funding.

(b) For the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2019, the state shall transfer the sum of twenty million dollars to the Philanthropic Match account established in section 188 of this act, upon certification by the philanthropic enterprise to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management that it has transferred twenty million dollars to the corporation. The transfer of such state sum shall be in furtherance of the corporation's purposes described in section 183 of this act.

(c) For the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2020, and the three succeeding fiscal years, the state and the philanthropic enterprise shall evaluate the funding needs of the collaboration and each endeavor to maintain at least the level of financial commitment which it made to the collaboration during the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2019, with the same match and certification requirements as set forth in subsections (a) and (b) of this section.

Sec. 187. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) Financial assistance provided by the corporation organized under section 183 of this act shall be upon terms and conditions consistent with the policies and procedures adopted by the corporation's board of directors. The board of directors shall, in its discretion, establish such policies and procedures that the board deems prudent, necessary and consistent with the provisions of section 183 of this act. Such terms and conditions may include, but need not be limited to: (1) Eligibility criteria for state and local government agencies, private for-profit and not-for-profit institutions, and individuals to apply for and receive grants, loans or other forms of assistance from the corporation; (2) the procedures for such entities to apply for and receive such funding; and (3) a requirement of funding commitments and awards from other sources, including financing obtained from quasi-public agencies, as defined in section 1-120 of the general statutes, federal, state and local government agencies and private for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.

(b) State assistance to match the philanthropic enterprise's contribution may be provided to the corporation while its application for tax exempt status, as described in subsection (c) of section 183 of this act, is pending. If such status is denied, the corporation shall promptly repay such state assistance to the state.

(c) State assistance may be provided to the corporation through contractual arrangements as may be agreed upon by the corporation and the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management.

Sec. 188. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established an account to be known as the "Philanthropic Match account" which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the General Fund. The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account.

(b) Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management to match philanthropic gifts made by the philanthropic enterprise to the corporation described in section 183 of this act, upon certification to the secretary by the philanthropic enterprise that it has transferred twenty million dollars to the corporation, pursuant to section 186 of this act. The secretary may enter into agreements with other state agencies or private entities in order to make payments of the moneys in this account to the corporation.

(c) The secretary may expend twenty million dollars under this section in any fiscal year, for a maximum of five fiscal years, provided the secretary has entered into an agreement under which the corporation described in section 183 of this act confirms that it has received an equivalent amount for such fiscal year from the philanthropic enterprise.

Sec. 189. (*Effective from passage*) For the fiscal year commencing July

1, 2019, the sum of twenty million dollars shall, subject to confirmation by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management of the conditions set forth in subsection (b) of section 186 of this act, be transferred from the General Fund and credited to the Philanthropic Match account established pursuant to section 188 of this act.

Sec. 190. (*Effective from passage*) The Legislative Commissioners' Office shall, in codifying the provisions of this act, make such technical, grammatical and punctuation changes as are necessary to carry out the purposes of this act, including, but not limited to, correcting inaccurate internal references.

Sec. 191. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2019*) As used in this section and sections 192 to 195, inclusive, and sections 197, 198, 199 and 203 of this act:

(1) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Public Health;

(2) "Department" means the Department of Public Health;

(3) "Esthetician" means a person who, for compensation, performs esthetics;

(4) "Esthetics" means services related to skin care treatments, (A) including, but not limited to, cleansing, toning, stimulating, exfoliating or performing any similar procedure on the human body while using cosmetic preparations, hands, devices, apparatus or appliances to enhance or improve the appearance of the skin; makeup application; beautifying lashes and brows; or removing unwanted hair using manual and mechanical means, and (B) excluding the use of a prescriptive laser device; the performance of a cosmetic medical procedure, as defined in section 19a-903c of the general statutes; any practice, activity or treatment that constitutes the practice of medicine; makeup application at a rented kiosk located in a shopping center or the practice of hairdressing and cosmetology by a hairdresser and

cosmetician licensed pursuant to chapter 387 of the general statutes that is within such licensee's scope of practice;

(5) "Eyelash technician" means a person, who for compensation performs individual eyelash extensions, eyelash lifts or perms and eyelash color tints;

(6) "Nail technician" means a person who for compensation cuts, shapes, colors, cleanses, trims, polishes or enhances the appearance of the nails of the hands or feet, excluding any practice, activity or treatment that constitutes the practice of medicine;

(7) "Salon" and "spa" include any shop, store, day spa or other commercial establishment at which the practice of barbering, as described in section 20-234 of the general statutes, hairdressing and cosmetology, as defined in section 20-250 of the general statutes, or the services of an esthetician, nail technician or eyelash technician, or any combination thereof, is offered and provided; and

(8) "Shopping center" means a grouping of retail businesses and service establishments on a single site with common parking facilities and containing at least twenty-five thousand square feet of gross building floor area.

Sec. 192. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2020*) (a) On and after July 1, 2020, except as provided in subsection (g) of this section, no person may practice as an esthetician without obtaining a license or temporary permit from the Department of Public Health under this section or section 199 of this act.

(b) On and after January 1, 2020, each person seeking an initial license as an esthetician shall apply to the department on a form prescribed by the department, accompanied by an application fee of one hundred dollars and evidence that the applicant (1) has completed a course of not less than six hundred hours of study and received a

certification of completion from a school approved under section 197 of this act or section 20-262 of the general statutes or in a school outside of the state whose requirements are equivalent to a school approved under section 197 of this act, or (2) (A) has practiced esthetics continuously in this state for a period of not less than two years prior to July 1, 2020, and (B) is in compliance with the infection prevention and control plan guidelines prescribed by the department under section 19a-231 of the general statutes in the form of an attestation.

(c) The department may grant a license under this section to any person who is licensed at the time of application as an esthetician or entitled to perform similar services under a different designation in another state of the United States, the District of Columbia or a commonwealth or territory subject to the laws of the United States and who submits evidence satisfactory to the commissioner of (1) a current license in good standing to practice as an esthetician from such other state, district, commonwealth or territory, and (2) licensed practice in such state, district, commonwealth or territory for a period of at least two years immediately preceding the application. Pending approval of the application for a license, the commissioner may issue a temporary permit to such applicant upon receipt of a completed application, the application fee in accordance with subsection (b) of this section and a copy of the current license from such other state, district, commonwealth or territory. Such temporary permit shall be valid for a period not exceeding one hundred twenty calendar days and shall not be renewable.

(d) Any license issued under this section shall expire in accordance with the provisions of section 19a-88 of the general statutes and may be renewed every two years, for a fee of one hundred dollars. No person shall carry on the occupation of esthetician after the expiration of such person's license until such person has applied to the

department for a renewal of such license.

(e) No person shall use the title "esthetician" or similar title unless the person holds a license or temporary permit issued under this section.

(f) The provisions of this section shall not apply to a physician; an advanced practice registered nurse rendering service in collaboration with a physician; a registered nurse executing the medical regimen under the direction of a licensed physician, dentist or advanced practice registered nurse; a physician assistant rendering service under the supervision, control and responsibility of a physician or a student enrolled in a program at a school in the Technical Education and Career System established under section 10-95 of the general statutes.

(g) A person may practice temporarily as an esthetician in this state without a license or temporary permit if such person, at an event such as a professional course, seminar, workshop, trade show, or product demonstration, (1) provides instruction on techniques related to being an esthetician, or (2) participates in the demonstration of the practice of being an esthetician or a product related to such practice as part of such event, provided such person (A) is licensed or certified in the state, territory or possession of the United States or foreign country where such person primarily practices as an esthetician if such licensure or certification is required by such state, territory, possession or foreign country; (B) practices as an esthetician under the direct supervision of a licensed esthetician; (C) does not receive compensation for practicing as an esthetician in this state, other than for providing instruction for such practice to persons in attendance at the course, seminar, workshop, trade show or other event; and (D) provides instruction or demonstrates techniques or services related to practicing as an esthetician only for persons enrolled in the course, seminar or workshop or attending the trade show or other event at which such person provides instruction, demonstrates a product or

offers such services. Any person or organization that holds or produces a course, seminar, workshop, trade show or other event at which estheticians without a license or temporary permit provide instruction, participate in a demonstration or offer services related to the practice of an esthetician shall ensure compliance with the provisions of this subsection.

(h) No license or temporary permit shall be issued under this section to any applicant against whom professional disciplinary action is pending or who is the subject of an unresolved complaint in any state or jurisdiction.

(i) The Commissioner of Public Health may take any disciplinary action set forth in section 19a-17 of the general statutes against an esthetician for failure to conform to the accepted standards of the profession, including, but not limited to: (1) Conviction of a felony; (2) fraud or deceit in obtaining or seeking reinstatement of a license to practice as an esthetician; (3) fraud or deceit in the practice of an esthetician; (4) negligent, incompetent or wrongful conduct in professional activities; (5) physical, mental or emotional illness or disorder resulting in an inability to conform to the accepted standards of the profession; or (6) abuse or excessive use of drugs, including, alcohol, narcotics or chemicals. The commissioner may order a license holder to submit to a reasonable physical or mental examination if his or her physical or mental capacity to practice safely is the subject of an investigation. The commissioner may petition the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford to enforce such order or any action taken pursuant to section 19a-17 of the general statutes. The commissioner shall give notice and an opportunity to be heard on any contemplated action under section 19a-17 of the general statutes.

(j) The commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to implement the provisions of this section.

Sec. 193. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2020*) (a) On and after July 1, 2020, except as provided in subsection (f) of this section, no person may practice as an eyelash technician without obtaining a license or temporary permit from the department under this section or section 199 of this act.

(b) On and after January 1, 2020, each person seeking an initial license as an eyelash technician shall apply to the department on a form prescribed by the department, accompanied by an application fee of one hundred dollars and evidence that the applicant (1) has completed a course of not less than fifty hours of study and received a certificate of completion from a school approved under section 197 of this act or section 20-262 of the general statutes or in a school outside of the state whose requirements are equivalent to a school approved under section 197 of this act, or (2) (A) has practiced as an eyelash technician continuously in this state for a period of not less than two years prior to July 1, 2020, and (B) is in compliance with the infection prevention and control plan guidelines prescribed by the department under section 19a-231 of the general statutes in the form of an attestation.

(c) The department may grant a license under this section to any person who is licensed at the time of application as an eyelash technician or entitled to perform similar services under a different designation in another state of the United States, the District of Columbia or a commonwealth or territory subject to the laws of the United States and who submits evidence satisfactory to the commissioner of (1) a current license in good standing to practice as an eyelash technician from such other state, district, commonwealth or territory, and (2) licensed practice in such state, district, commonwealth or territory for a period of at least two years immediately preceding the application. Pending approval of the application for a license, the commissioner may issue a temporary

permit to such applicant upon receipt of a completed application, the application fee in accordance with subsection (b) of this section and a copy of the current license from such other state, district, commonwealth or territory. Such temporary permit shall be valid for a period not exceeding one hundred twenty calendar days and shall not be renewable.

(d) Any license issued under this section shall expire in accordance with the provisions of section 19a-88 of the general statutes and may be renewed every two years, for a fee of one hundred dollars. No person shall carry on the occupation of eyelash technician after the expiration of such person's license until such person has applied to the department for a renewal of such license.

(e) No person shall use the title "eyelash technician" or similar title unless the person holds a license or temporary permit issued under this section.

(f) A person may practice temporarily as an eyelash technician in this state without a license or temporary permit if such person, at an event such as a professional course, seminar, workshop, trade show or product demonstration, (1) provides instruction on techniques related to being an eyelash technician, or (2) participates in the demonstration of the practice of being an eyelash technician or a product related to such practice as part of such event, provided such person (A) is licensed or certified in the state, territory or possession of the United States or foreign country where such person primarily practices as an eyelash technician if such licensure or certification is required by such state, territory, possession or foreign country; (B) practices as an eyelash technician under the direct supervision of a licensed eyelash technician; (C) does not receive compensation for practicing as an eyelash technician in this state, other than for providing instruction for such practice to persons in attendance at the course, seminar, workshop, trade show or other event; and (D) provides instruction or

demonstrates techniques or services related to practicing as an eyelash technician only for persons enrolled in the course, seminar or workshop or attending the trade show or other event at which such person provides instruction, demonstrates a product or offers such services. Any person or organization that holds or produces a course, seminar, workshop, trade show or other event at which eyelash technicians without a license or temporary permit provide instruction, participate in a demonstration or offer services related to the practice of an eyelash technician, shall ensure compliance with the provisions of this subsection.

(g) The provisions of this section shall not apply to a student enrolled in a program at a school in the Technical Education and Career System established under section 10-95 of the general statutes.

(h) No license or temporary permit shall be issued under this section to any applicant against whom professional disciplinary action is pending or who is the subject of an unresolved complaint in any state or jurisdiction.

(i) The Commissioner of Public Health may take any disciplinary action set forth in section 19a-17 of the general statutes against an eyelash technician for failure to conform to the accepted standards of the profession, including, but not limited to: (1) Conviction of a felony; (2) fraud or deceit in obtaining or seeking reinstatement of a license to practice as an eyelash technician; (3) fraud or deceit in the practice of an eyelash technician; (4) negligent, incompetent or wrongful conduct in professional activities; (5) physical, mental or emotional illness or disorder resulting in an inability to conform to the accepted standards of the profession; or (6) abuse or excessive use of drugs, including, alcohol, narcotics or chemicals. The commissioner may order a license holder to submit to a reasonable physical or mental examination if his or her physical or mental capacity to practice safely is the subject of an investigation. The commissioner may petition the superior court for

the judicial district of Hartford to enforce such order or any action taken pursuant to section 19a-17 of the general statutes. The commissioner shall give notice and an opportunity to be heard on any contemplated action under section 19a-17 of the general statutes.

(j) The commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to implement the provisions of this section.

Sec. 194. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2020*) (a) On and after January 1, 2021, except as provided in subsection (g) of this section, no person may practice as a nail technician without obtaining a license or temporary permit from the department under this section or section 199 of this act or a nail technician trainee license under section 195 of this act.

(b) On and after October 1, 2020, each person seeking an initial license as a nail technician shall apply to the department on a form prescribed by the department, accompanied by an application fee of one hundred dollars and evidence that the applicant (1) has completed a course of not less than one hundred hours of study and received a certificate of completion from a school approved under section 197 of this act or section 20-262 of the general statutes or in a school outside of the state whose requirements are equivalent to a school approved under section 197 of this act, or (2) (A) has practiced as a nail technician continuously in this state for a period of not less than two years prior to January 1, 2021, and is in compliance with the infection prevention and control plan guidelines prescribed by the department under section 19a-231 of the general statutes in the form of an attestation, or (B) has obtained a license as a nail technician trainee and a statement signed by the applicant's supervisor at the spa or salon where the licensed nail technician trainee is employed documenting completion of the minimum requirements specified in section 195 of this act. If an applicant employed as a nail technician on or after

September 30, 2020, does not have evidence satisfactory to the commissioner of continuous practice as a nail technician for not less than two years, such applicant may apply to the department for a nail technician trainee license, under section 195 of this act, provided such person applies for an initial trainee license not later than January 1, 2021.

(c) The department may grant a license under this section to any person who is licensed at the time of application as a nail technician or entitled to perform similar services under a different designation in another state of the United States, the District of Columbia or a commonwealth or territory subject to the laws of the United States and who submits evidence satisfactory to the commissioner of (1) a current license in good standing to practice as a nail technician from such other state, district, commonwealth or territory, and (2) licensed practice in such state, district, commonwealth or territory for a period of at least two years immediately preceding the application. Pending approval of the application for a license, the commissioner may issue a temporary permit to such applicant upon receipt of a completed application, the application fee in accordance with subsection (b) of this section and a copy of the current license from such other state, district, commonwealth or territory. Such temporary permit shall be valid for a period not exceeding one hundred twenty calendar days and shall not be renewable.

(d) Any license issued under this section shall expire in accordance with the provisions of section 19a-88 of the general statutes and may be renewed every two years, for a fee of one hundred dollars. No person shall carry on the occupation of nail technician after the expiration of such person's license until such person has applied to the department for a renewal of such license.

(e) No person shall use the title "nail technician" or similar title unless the person holds a license or temporary permit issued under

this section.

(f) The provisions of this section shall not apply to a physician; an advanced practice registered nurse rendering service in collaboration with a physician; a registered nurse executing the medical regimen under the direction of a licensed physician, dentist or advanced practice registered nurse; a physician assistant rendering service under the supervision, control and responsibility of a physician; a podiatrist or a student enrolled in a program at a school in the Technical Education and Career System established under section 10-95 of the general statutes.

(g) A person may practice temporarily as a nail technician in this state without a license or temporary permit if such person, at an event such as a professional course, seminar, workshop, trade show or product demonstration, (1) provides instruction on techniques related to being a nail technician, or (2) participates in the demonstration of the practice of being a nail technician or a product related to such practice as part of such event, provided such person (A) is licensed or certified in the state, territory or possession of the United States or foreign country where such person primarily practices as a nail technician if such licensure or certification is required by such state, territory, possession or foreign country; (B) practices as a nail technician under the direct supervision of a licensed nail technician; (C) does not receive compensation for practicing as a nail technician in this state, other than for providing instruction for such practice to persons in attendance at the course, seminar, workshop, trade show or other event; and (D) provides instruction or demonstrates techniques or services related to practicing as a nail technician only for persons enrolled in the course, seminar or workshop or attending the trade show or other event at which such person provides instruction, demonstrates a product or offers such services. Any person or organization that holds or produces a course, seminar, workshop,

trade show or other event at which nail technicians without a license or temporary permit provide instruction, participate in a demonstration or offer services related to the practice of a nail technician shall ensure compliance with the provisions of this subsection.

(h) No license or temporary permit shall be issued under this section to any applicant against whom professional disciplinary action is pending or who is the subject of an unresolved complaint in any state or jurisdiction.

(i) The Commissioner of Public Health may take any disciplinary action set forth in section 19a-17 of the general statutes against a nail technician for failure to conform to the accepted standards of the profession, including, but not limited to: (1) Conviction of a felony; (2) fraud or deceit in obtaining or seeking reinstatement of a license to practice as a nail technician; (3) fraud or deceit in the practice of a nail technician; (4) negligent, incompetent or wrongful conduct in professional activities; (5) physical, mental or emotional illness or disorder resulting in an inability to conform to the accepted standards of the profession; or (6) abuse or excessive use of drugs, including, alcohol, narcotics or chemicals. The commissioner may order a license holder to submit to a reasonable physical or mental examination if his or her physical or mental capacity to practice safely is the subject of an investigation. The commissioner may petition the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford to enforce such order or any action taken pursuant to section 19a-17 of the general statutes. The commissioner shall give notice and an opportunity to be heard on any contemplated action under section 19a-17 of the general statutes.

(j) The commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to implement the provisions of this section.

Sec. 195. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2020*) (a) Any person employed as a nail technician on or after September 30, 2020, who does not have evidence satisfactory to the commissioner of continuous practice as a nail technician for not less than two years prior to said date, may apply to the department for a nail technician trainee license, provided such person applies for an initial trainee license not later than January 1, 2021.

(b) Each person seeking an initial license as a nail technician trainee shall apply to the department on a form prescribed by the department, accompanied by an application fee of fifty dollars. Such application shall include the name and address of the spa or salon where such person is employed and the licensed nail technician who will be the applicant's supervisor. Upon the granting of a license under this section, the licensee may practice as a nail technician full-time or part-time under the supervision of a nail technician licensed under section 194 of this act, at a spa or salon managed by a person described in section 198 of this act. Such license shall be valid for one year, and shall be renewable once for an additional year, for a fee of fifty dollars. No person shall hold such a license for more than two years.

(c) Any person who has held a nail technician trainee license for at least one year and has obtained a statement signed by the supervising nail technician documenting such nail technician trainee has completed a minimum of twenty hours per week of training in the techniques associated with the licensure of a nail technician and infection prevention and control plan guidelines pursuant to section 19a-231 of the general statutes may apply for a nail technician license under section 194 of this act.

Sec. 196. Section 19a-231 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) As used in this section, **[**:**]**

[(1) "Salon"] "salon" includes any shop, store, day spa or other commercial establishment at which the practice of barbering, as described in section 20-234, hairdressing and cosmetology, as defined in section 20-250, or the services of a nail technician, an esthetician or an eyelash technician, as such terms are defined in section 191 of this act, or any combination thereof, is offered and provided. [; and]

[(2) "Nail technician" means a person who, for compensation, cuts, shapes, polishes or enhances the appearance of the nails of the hands or feet, including, but not limited to, the application and removal of sculptured or artificial nails.]

(b) Not later than October 1, 2019, the Department of Public Health, in collaboration with the local directors of health of the state, shall establish a standardized inspection form and guidelines concerning standards for the inspection of the sanitary condition of a salon. Such guidelines shall include, but need not be limited to: (1) The use of personal protective equipment, including, but not limited to, disposable gloves as a barrier against infectious materials; (2) the immediate disposal after use in a covered waste receptacle of all articles that came into direct contact with the customer's skin, nails or hair that cannot be effectively cleaned or sanitized; (3) the proper cleaning and sanitizing of bowls used for soaking fingers; (4) the use of hospital-grade cleaner to clean the area and materials used in the practice of hairdressing, cosmetology and by nail technicians, estheticians and eyelash technicians, including, but not limited to, chairs, armrests, tables, countertops, trays, seats and soaking tubs for both hands and feet; and (5) the required availability of handwashing sinks in an area where the hairdresser, cosmetologist or nail technician is working. The department shall post such standardized inspection form and guidelines on the department's Internet web site.

[(b)] (c) The director of health for any town, city, borough or district department of health, or the director's authorized representative, shall,

on an annual basis, inspect all salons within the director's jurisdiction regarding their sanitary condition and on and after the adoption of standards under subsection (b) of this section, such inspection shall be in accordance with such standards. The director of health, or the director's authorized representative, shall have full power to enter and inspect any such salon during usual business hours. If any salon, upon such inspection, is found to be in an unsanitary condition, the director of health shall **[**make**]** issue a written order that such salon **[**be placed in a sanitary condition**]** correct any inspection violations identified by the director of health or the director's authorized representative.

(d) Not later than October 1, 2019, the Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's designee, in collaboration with the local directors of health of the state, shall establish infection prevention and control plan guidelines for licensed nail technicians, eyelash technicians or estheticians, which shall be posted on the department's Internet web site.

(e) The director of health may collect from the operator of any such salon a reasonable fee, not to exceed **[**one**]** two hundred fifty dollars, for the cost of conducting any annual inspection of such salon pursuant to this section. Notwithstanding any municipal charter, home rule ordinance or special act, any fee collected by the director of health pursuant to this section shall be used by the town, city, borough or district department of health for conducting inspections pursuant to this section.

Sec. 197. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2020*) (a) Schools for instruction in services provided by estheticians, nail technicians or eyelash technicians may be established in this state. All such schools may be inspected regarding their sanitary conditions by the department whenever the department deems it necessary and any authorized representative of the department may enter and inspect the school during usual business hours. If any school, upon inspection, is found

to be in an unsanitary condition, the commissioner or a designee shall make a written order that such school be placed in a sanitary condition.

(b) Any school for instruction in the occupations of estheticians, nail technicians or eyelash technicians, other than a hairdressing and cosmetology school approved under section 20-262 of the general statutes shall obtain approval pursuant to this section prior to commencing operation. Any such school established prior to January 1, 2020, shall apply for such approval not later than July 1, 2020. In the event that an approved school undergoes a change of ownership or location, such approval shall become void and the school shall apply for a new approval pursuant to this section. Applications for such approval shall be on forms prescribed by the commissioner. In the event that a school fails to comply with the provisions of this subsection, no credit toward the hours of study required pursuant to section 192, 193, 194 or 199 of this act shall be granted to any student for instruction received prior to the effective date of the school's approval.

(c) Any instructor employed at a school approved under this section shall have at least two years' experience in the occupation being taught and shall possess a license in such occupation under section 192, 193, 194 or 199 of this act, as applicable, or a license to practice such occupation from another state of the United States, the District of Columbia or a commonwealth or territory subject to the laws of the United States.

(d) The provisions of this section shall not apply to any school in the Technical Education and Career System established under section 10-95 of the general statutes.

Sec. 198. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2020*) (a) On and after July 1, 2021, each spa or salon that employs hairdressers and cosmeticians,

estheticians, eyelash technicians or nail technicians shall be under the management of a hairdresser and cosmetician registered under chapter 387 of the general statutes, an esthetician licensed under section 192 or 199 of this act, an eyelash technician licensed under section 193 or 199 of this act or a nail technician licensed under section 194 or 199 of this act.

(b) Any such spa or salon shall be in compliance with the provisions of title 34 of the general statutes if applicable, and any applicable state law concerning the maintenance of payroll records, the classification of employees and the provision of workers' compensation coverage.

Sec. 199. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2020*) (a) On and after January 1, 2020, in lieu of applying under section 192, 193 or 194 of this act for an initial individual license or renewal thereof, a person may apply to the Department of Public Health for a combination license for the practice of two or three of the following occupations: Esthetician, eyelash technician and nail technician. Any such applicant shall apply to the department on a form prescribed by the department, accompanied by (1) either a fee of one hundred dollars if applying for the practice of two of such occupations or two hundred dollars if applying for the practice of three of such occupations, and (2) evidence that the applicant satisfies the applicable requirements set forth in section 192, 193 or 194 of this act.

(b) Any combination license issued under this section shall expire in accordance with the provisions of section 19a-88 of the general statutes and may be renewed every two years, for a fee of one hundred dollars. No person shall carry on the occupation of esthetician, eyelash technician or nail technician, as applicable, after the expiration of such person's license.

(c) No license issued under this section to any applicant against whom professional disciplinary action is pending or who is the subject

of an unresolved complaint in any state or jurisdiction.

(d) The commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to implement the provisions of this section.

Sec. 200. Section 54-234a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

(a) (1) The operator of any (A) establishment that provides massage services for a fee; (B) publicly or privately operated highway service plaza; (C) hotel, motel, inn or similar lodging; (D) public airport, as defined in section 15-74a; (E) acute care hospital emergency room; (F) urgent care facility; (G) station offering passenger rail service or passenger bus service; (H) business that sells or offers for sale materials or promotes performances intended for an adult-only audience; (I) employment agency, as defined in section 31-129, that offers personnel services to any other operator described in this subdivision; **[**or**]** (J) establishment that provides services performed by a nail technician, as defined in section 19a-231; or (K) establishment that provides services performed by an esthetician, as defined in section 191 of this act, and (2) each person who holds an on-premises consumption permit for the retail sale of alcoholic liquor pursuant to title 30, shall post the notice developed pursuant to subsection (b) of section 54-222 in plain view in a conspicuous location where labor and services are provided or performed, tickets are sold and other transactions, including sales, are to be carried on.

(b) The provisions of subsection (a) of this section shall not apply to any person who holds an on-premises consumption permit for the retail sale of alcoholic liquor pursuant to title 30 that consists of only one or more of the following: (1) A caterer, boat, military, charitable organization, special club, temporary liquor or temporary beer permit, or (2) a manufacturer permit for a farm winery, a manufacturer permit

for beer, manufacturer permits for beer and brew pubs, or any other manufacturer permit issued under title 30.

(c) Any operator or person who fails to comply with the provisions of subsection (a) of this section shall **[**be fined**]** pay a civil penalty of one hundred dollars for a first **[**offense**]** violation and two hundred fifty dollars for any subsequent **[**offense**]** violation, imposed by the appropriate authority, in addition to any proceedings for suspension or revocation of a license, permit or certificate that the appropriate authority may initiate under any other provision of law.

Sec. 201. Subsection (c) of section 19a-14 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

(c) No board shall exist for the following professions that are licensed or otherwise regulated by the Department of Public Health:

(1) Speech and language pathologist and audiologist;

(2) Hearing instrument specialist;

(3) Nursing home administrator;

(4) Sanitarian;

(5) Subsurface sewage system installer or cleaner;

(6) Marital and family therapist;

(7) Nurse-midwife;

(8) Licensed clinical social worker;

(9) Respiratory care practitioner;

(10) Asbestos contractor, asbestos consultant and asbestos training

provider;

(11) Massage therapist;

(12) Registered nurse's aide;

(13) Radiographer;

(14) Dental hygienist;

(15) Dietitian-Nutritionist;

(16) Asbestos abatement worker;

(17) Asbestos abatement site supervisor;

(18) Licensed or certified alcohol and drug counselor;

(19) Professional counselor;

(20) Acupuncturist;

(21) Occupational therapist and occupational therapist assistant;

(22) Lead abatement contractor, lead consultant contractor, lead consultant, lead abatement supervisor, lead abatement worker, lead training provider, lead inspector, lead inspector risk assessor and lead planner-project designer;

(23) Emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician, emergency medical responder and emergency medical services instructor;

(24) Paramedic;

(25) Athletic trainer;

(26) Perfusionist;

(27) Master social worker subject to the provisions of section 20-195v;

(28) Radiologist assistant, subject to the provisions of section 20-74tt;

(29) Homeopathic physician;

(30) Certified water treatment plant operator, certified distribution system operator, certified small water system operator, certified backflow prevention device tester and certified cross connection survey inspector, including certified limited operators, certified conditional operators and certified operators in training;

(31) Tattoo technician;

(32) Genetic counselor; [and]

(33) Behavior analyst; [.]

(34) Esthetician;

(35) Eyelash technician; and

(36) Nail technician.

The department shall assume all powers and duties normally vested with a board in administering regulatory jurisdiction over such professions. The uniform provisions of this chapter and chapters 368v, 369 to 381a, inclusive, 383 to 388, inclusive, 393a, 395, 398, 399, 400a and 400c, including, but not limited to, standards for entry and renewal; grounds for professional discipline; receiving and processing complaints; and disciplinary sanctions, shall apply, except as otherwise provided by law, to the professions listed in this subsection.

Sec. 202. Subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of section 19a-88 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu

thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

(2) Each person holding a license or certificate issued under section 19a-514, **[**section 20-266o**]** and sections 192 to 194, inclusive, or section 199 of this act and chapters 384a, 384c, 386, 387, 388 and 398 shall apply for renewal of such license or certificate once every two years, during the month of such person's birth, giving such person's name in full, such person's residence and business address and such other information as the department requests.

Sec. 203. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2020*) Nothing in sections 191 to 195, inclusive, and sections 197 to 199, inclusive, of this act shall be construed to require a person to obtain a license as an esthetician, a nail technician or an eyelash technician in order to practice hairdressing and cosmetology, as defined in section 20-250 of the general statutes, or barbering, as defined in section 20-234 of the general statutes.

Sec. 204. Section 20-250 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

(1) "Board" means the Connecticut Examining Board for Barbers, Hairdressers and Cosmeticians established under section 20-235a;

(2) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Public Health;

(3) "Department" means the Department of Public Health;

(4) "Hairdressing and cosmetology" means the art of dressing, arranging, curling, waving, weaving, cutting, singeing, bleaching and coloring the hair and treating the scalp of any person, and massaging, cleansing, stimulating, manipulating, exercising or beautifying with the use of the hands, appliances, cosmetic preparations, antiseptics,

tonics, lotions, creams, powders, oils or clays and doing similar work on the face, neck and arms **[**, and manicuring the fingernails of any person**]** for compensation, excluding esthetics, as defined in section 191 of this act or any of the actions listed in this subdivision performed on the nails of the hands or feet, provided nothing in this subdivision shall prohibit an unlicensed person from performing **[**facials, eyebrow arching,**]** shampooing **[**, manicuring of the fingernails or, for cosmetic purposes only, trimming, filing and painting the healthy toenails, excluding cutting nail beds, corns and calluses or other medical treatment involving the foot or ankle,**]** or braiding hair;

(5) "Registered hairdresser and cosmetician" means any person who (A) has successfully completed the ninth grade, and (B) holds a license to practice as a registered hairdresser and cosmetician; and

(6) "Student" means any person who is engaged in learning or acquiring a knowledge of hairdressing and cosmetology at a school approved in accordance with the provisions of this chapter who has successfully completed ninth grade or its equivalent. The provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to schools conducted by the State Board of Education.

Sec. 205. Section 20-262 of the general statutes is amended by adding subsection (c) as follows (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(NEW) (c) Any approved school for instruction in hairdressing and cosmetology may elect to provide instruction in the occupation of esthetician, nail technician or eyelash technician, as such terms are defined in section 191 of this act, provided such school has notified the Department of Public Health of such election prior to commencing such instruction.

Sec. 206. Subdivision (1) of section 10a-22a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*

January 1, 2020):

(1) "Private occupational school" means a postsecondary career school operated by a person, board, association, partnership, corporation, limited liability company or other entity offering or advertising vocational instruction in any form or manner in any trade, industrial, commercial, service, professional or other occupation for any remuneration, consideration, reward or fee of whatever nature, including, but not limited to, a hospital-based occupational school, or any program, school or entity offering postsecondary instruction in barbering, [or] hairdressing and cosmetology or the occupation of esthetician, nail technician or eyelash technician, as such terms are defined in section 191 of this act. "Private occupational school" does not include (A) instruction offered under public supervision and control, (B) instruction conducted by a firm or organization solely for the training of its own employees or members, (C) instruction offered by a school authorized by the General Assembly to confer degrees, or (D) instruction offered in the arts or recreation, including, but not limited to, the training of students to provide such instruction;

Sec. 207. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2019*) (a) There is established a Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Health and Human Services Network to make recommendations to the state legislative, executive and judicial branches of government concerning the delivery of health and human services to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer persons in the state.

(b) The network shall work to build a safer and healthier environment for gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and queer persons by (1) conducting a needs analysis, within available appropriations, (2) collecting additional data on the health and human services needs of such persons as necessary, (3) informing state policy through reports submitted at least biennially, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committees of

the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public health, human services, appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, other legislative committees as necessary, the Governor and the Chief Court Administrator, and (4) building organizational member capacity, leadership and advocacy across the geographic and social spectrum of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer community.

(c) The network shall include, but need not be limited to, the following members, or their designees:

(1) The president of Connecticut Latinas/os Achieving Rights and Opportunities (CLARO);

(2) The executive director of the Safe Harbor Project;

(3) The executive director of the New Haven Pride Center;

(4) The executive director of True Colors, Inc.;

(5) The executive director of the Triangle Community Center in Norwalk;

(6) The executive director of AIDS Connecticut;

(7) The executive director of the Connecticut chapter of the Gay, Lesbian & Straight Education Network (GLSEN);

(8) The executive director of the Rainbow Center at The University of Connecticut;

(9) The executive director of the Hartford Gay and Lesbian Health Collective;

(10) The executive director of the Connecticut Transadvocacy Coalition;

(11) The president of OutCT in New London;

(12) The executive director of the Queer Unity Empowerment Support Team;

(13) The executive director of the Commission on Women, Children, Seniors, Equity and Opportunity;

(14) A lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or queer physician, licensed pursuant to chapter 370 of the general statutes, appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;

(15) An LGBT Veteran Care coordinator assigned to a health care facility in the state administered by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;

(16) A member of the LGBT Aging Advocacy coalition, appointed by the Governor; and

(17) The president of Connecticut Community Care.

(d) Members shall serve at the will of the speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro tempore of the Senate, who may each appoint additional members and set term limits for each member. Appointments to the network shall be made not later than sixty days after the effective date of this section. Members shall choose chairpersons. Any vacancy shall be filled by the speaker of the House of Representatives, acting in consultation with the president pro tempore of the Senate.

(e) The administrative staff of the Commission on Women, Children, Seniors, Equity and Opportunity shall provide administrative support to the network.

Sec. 208. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The Department of Public Health

shall, within available appropriations, (1) assist the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Health and Human Services Network established pursuant to section 207 of this act with conducting a needs analysis concerning health and human services for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer persons, and (2) award grants to organizations that assist in the mission of the network.

Sec. 209. Subsections (b) and (c) of section 38a-503 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

(b) (1) Each individual health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (10), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state shall provide benefits for mammograms to any woman covered under the policy that are at least equal to the following minimum requirements: (A) A baseline mammogram, which may be provided by breast tomosynthesis at the option of the woman covered under the policy, for any woman who is thirty-five to thirty-nine years of age, inclusive; and (B) a mammogram, which may be provided by breast tomosynthesis at the option of the woman covered under the policy, every year for any woman who is forty years of age or older.

(2) Such policy shall provide additional benefits for:

(A) Comprehensive ultrasound screening of an entire breast or breasts if: [a] (i) A mammogram demonstrates heterogeneous or dense breast tissue based on the Breast Imaging Reporting and Data System established by the American College of Radiology; [or if] (ii) a woman is believed to be at increased risk for breast cancer due to (I) family history or prior personal history of breast cancer, (II) positive genetic testing, or (III) other indications as determined by a woman's physician or advanced practice registered nurse; or (iii) such screening is

recommended by a woman's treating physician for a woman who (I) is forty years of age or older, (II) has a family history or prior personal history of breast cancer, or (III) has a prior personal history of breast disease diagnosed through biopsy as benign; and

(B) Magnetic resonance imaging of an entire breast or breasts in accordance with guidelines established by the American Cancer Society.

(c) Benefits under this section shall be subject to any policy provisions that apply to other services covered by such policy, except that no such policy shall impose a coinsurance, copayment, **[**that exceeds a maximum of twenty dollars for an ultrasound screening under subparagraph (A) of subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of this section**]** deductible or other out-of-pocket expense for such benefits. The provisions of this subsection shall apply to a high deductible plan, as that term is used in subsection (f) of section 38a-493, to the maximum extent permitted by federal law, except if such plan is used to establish a medical savings account or an Archer MSA pursuant to Section 220 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to time, or a health savings account pursuant to Section 223 of said Internal Revenue Code, as amended from time to time, the provisions of this subsection shall apply to such plan to the maximum extent that (1) is permitted by federal law, and (2) does not disqualify such account for the deduction allowed under said Section 220 or 223, as applicable.

Sec. 210. Subsections (b) and (c) of section 38a-530 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

(b) (1) Each group health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-

469 delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state shall provide benefits for mammograms to any woman covered under the policy that are at least equal to the following minimum requirements: (A) A baseline mammogram, which may be provided by breast tomosynthesis at the option of the woman covered under the policy, for any woman who is thirty-five to thirty-nine years of age, inclusive; and (B) a mammogram, which may be provided by breast tomosynthesis at the option of the woman covered under the policy, every year for any woman who is forty years of age or older.

(2) Such policy shall provide additional benefits for:

(A) Comprehensive ultrasound screening of an entire breast or breasts if: **[**a**]** (i) A mammogram demonstrates heterogeneous or dense breast tissue based on the Breast Imaging Reporting and Data System established by the American College of Radiology; **[**or if**]** (ii) a woman is believed to be at increased risk for breast cancer due to (I) family history or prior personal history of breast cancer, (II) positive genetic testing, or (III) other indications as determined by a woman's physician or advanced practice registered nurse; or (iii) such screening is recommended by a woman's treating physician for a woman who (I) is forty years of age or older, (II) has a family history or prior personal history of breast cancer, or (III) has a prior personal history of breast disease diagnosed through biopsy as benign; and

(B) Magnetic resonance imaging of an entire breast or breasts in accordance with guidelines established by the American Cancer Society.

(c) Benefits under this section shall be subject to any policy provisions that apply to other services covered by such policy, except that no such policy shall impose a coinsurance, copayment, **[**that exceeds a maximum of twenty dollars for an ultrasound screening under subparagraph (A) of subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of this

section**]** deductible or other out-of-pocket expense for such benefits. The provisions of this subsection shall apply to a high deductible plan, as that term is used in subsection (f) of section 38a-520, to the maximum extent permitted by federal law, except if such plan is used to establish a medical savings account or an Archer MSA pursuant to Section 220 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to time, or a health savings account pursuant to Section 223 of said Internal Revenue Code, as amended from time to time, the provisions of this subsection shall apply to such plan to the maximum extent that (1) is permitted by federal law, and (2) does not disqualify such account for the deduction allowed under said Section 220 or 223, as applicable.

Sec. 211. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The sum of $150,000 of the amount appropriated in section 1 of this act to the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities, for Connecticut State University, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, shall be made available in each said fiscal year to the William A. O'Neill Endowed Chair in Public Policy and Practical Politics.

Sec. 212. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) For purposes of this section and sections 213 to 223, inclusive, of this act:

(1) "Authority" means the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority established in section 213 of this act;

(2) "Authority development project" means a project occurring within the boundaries of a Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority development district;

(3) "Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority development district" or "development district" means the area determined by a memorandum of agreement between the authority and the chief

executive officer of the member municipality, or the chief executive officers of the municipalities constituting a joint member entity, as applicable, where such development district is located, provided such area shall be considered a downtown or does not exceed a one-half-mile radius of a transit station;

(4) "Designated tier III municipality" has the same meaning as provided in section 7-560 of the general statutes;

(5) "Designated tier IV municipality" has the same meaning as provided in section 7-560 of the general statutes;

(6) "Downtown" means a central business district or other commercial neighborhood area of a community that serves as a center of socioeconomic interaction in the community, characterized by a cohesive core of commercial and mixed-use buildings, often interspersed with civic, religious and residential buildings and public spaces, that are typically arranged along a main street and intersecting side streets and served by public infrastructure;

(7) "Member municipality" means (A) any municipality with a population of seventy thousand or more that opts to join the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority in accordance with section 216 of this act, or (B) any designated tier III or tier IV municipality. "Member municipality" does not include the city of Hartford or any municipality that is considered part of the capital region, as defined in section 32-600 of the general statutes;

(8) "Joint member entity" means two or more municipalities with a combined population of seventy thousand or more that together opt to join the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority in accordance with section 216 of this act, provided no such municipality is considered part of the capital region, as defined in section 32-600 of the general statutes;

(9) "Project" means any or all of the following: (A) The design and construction of transit-oriented development, as defined in section 13b-79kk of the general statutes; (B) the creation of housing units through rehabilitation or new construction; (C) the demolition or redevelopment of vacant buildings; and (D) development and redevelopment;

(10) "State-wide transportation investment program" means the planning document developed and updated at least every four years by the Department of Transportation in compliance with the requirements of 23 USC 135, listing all transportation projects in the state expected to receive federal funding during the four-year period covered by the program; and

(11) "Transit station" means any passenger railroad station or bus rapid transit station that is operational, or for which the Department of Transportation has initiated planning or that is included in the state-wide transportation investment program, that is or will be located within the boundaries of a member municipality or the municipalities constituting a joint member entity.

Sec. 213. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) (a) There is hereby established and created a body politic and corporate, constituting a public instrumentality and political subdivision of the state established and created for the performance of an essential public and governmental function, to be known as the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority. The authority shall not be construed to be a department, institution or agency of the state.

(b) The powers of the authority shall be vested in and exercised by a board of directors, which shall consist of the following members: (1) Two appointed jointly by the speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro tempore of the Senate, one of whom shall be the chief executive officer of a member municipality in New Haven

County; (2) two appointed jointly by the majority leaders of the House of Representatives and the Senate, one of whom shall be the chief executive officer of a member municipality in Hartford County; (3) two appointed jointly by the minority leaders of the House of Representatives and the Senate, one of whom shall be the chief executive officer of a member municipality in Fairfield County; (4) two appointed by the Governor; and (5) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, the Labor Commissioner and the Commissioners of Transportation, Housing and Economic and Community Development, or their designees, who shall serve as ex-officio, voting members of the board.

(c) The Governor shall designate the chairperson of the board from among the members. All initial appointments shall be made not later than sixty days after the effective date of this section. All members shall be appointed by the original appointing authority for four-year terms. Any member of the board shall be eligible for reappointment. Any vacancy occurring other than by expiration of term shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment for the balance of the unexpired term. The appointing authority for any member may remove such member for misfeasance, malfeasance or wilful neglect of duty.

(d) Each member of the board, before commencing such member's duties, shall take and subscribe the oath or affirmation required by section 1 of article eleventh of the Constitution of the state. A record of each such oath shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of the State.

(e) The board of directors shall maintain a record of its proceedings in such form as it determines, provided such record indicates attendance and all votes cast by each member. Any appointed member who fails to attend three consecutive meetings or who fails to attend fifty per cent of all meetings held during any calendar year shall be deemed to have resigned from the board. A majority of the members

of the board then in office shall constitute a quorum, and an affirmative vote by a majority of the members present at a meeting of the board shall be sufficient for any action taken by the board. No vacancy in the membership of the board shall impair the right of a quorum to exercise all the rights and perform all the duties of the board. Any action taken by the board may be authorized by resolution at any regular or special meeting and shall take effect immediately unless otherwise provided in the resolution. The board may delegate to three or more of its members, or its officers, agents or employees, such board powers and duties as it may deem proper.

(f) The board of directors shall annually elect one of its members as a vice-chairperson, and shall elect other of its members as officers, adopt a budget and bylaws, designate an executive committee, report semiannually to the appointing authorities with respect to operations, finances and achievement of its economic development objective, be accountable to and cooperate with the state whenever the state may audit the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority or an authority development project or at any other time as the state may inquire as to either, including allowing the state reasonable access to any such project and to the records of the authority.

(g) The chairperson of the board, with the approval of the members of the board of directors, shall appoint an executive director of the authority who shall be an employee of the authority and paid a salary prescribed by the members. The executive director shall be the chief administrative officer of the authority and shall supervise the administrative affairs and technical activities of the authority in accordance with the directives of the board. The executive director shall not be a member of the board.

(h) No member of the board of directors may receive compensation for the performance of such member's official duties.

(i) Each member of the board of directors of the authority and the executive director shall execute a surety bond in the penal sum of at least one hundred thousand dollars, or, in lieu thereof, the chairperson of the board shall execute a blanket position bond or procure an equivalent insurance product covering each member, the executive director and the employees of the authority. Each surety bond or equivalent insurance product shall be conditioned upon the faithful performance of the duties of the office or offices covered, issued by an insurance company authorized to transact business in this state for surety or such insurance product. The cost of each such bond or insurance product shall be paid by the authority.

(j) No board member, or member of his or her immediate family, as defined in section 1-91 of the general statutes, shall have or acquire any financial interest in (1) any authority development project, or (2) any property included or planned to be included in any such project or in any contract or proposed contract for materials or services to be used in such project.

(k) The authority shall have perpetual succession and shall adopt procedures for the conduct of its affairs in accordance with section 215 of this act. Such succession shall continue as long as the authority has bonds, notes or other obligations outstanding and until its existence is terminated by law, provided no such termination shall affect any outstanding contractual obligation of the authority and the state shall succeed to the obligations of the authority under any contract. Upon the termination of the existence of the authority, all its rights and properties shall pass to and be vested in the state.

Sec. 214. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) (a) The purposes of the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority shall be to: (1) Stimulate economic and transit-oriented development, as defined in section 13b-79kk of the general statutes, within Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority development districts; (2) encourage

residential housing development within development districts; (3) manage facilities through contractual agreement or other legal instrument; (4) stimulate new investment within development districts and provide support for the creation of vibrant, multidimensional downtowns; (5) upon request of the legislative body of a member municipality, or the legislative bodies of the municipalities constituting a joint member entity, as applicable, in which a development district is located, work with such municipality or municipalities to assist in development and redevelopment efforts to stimulate the economy of such municipality or municipalities; (6) upon request of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and with the approval of the chief executive officer of a member municipality, or the chief executive officers of the municipalities constituting a joint member entity, as applicable, in which a development district is located, enter into an agreement to facilitate development or redevelopment within such development district; (7) encourage development and redevelopment of property within development districts; (8) engage residents of member municipalities, or municipalities constituting a joint member entity, as applicable, and other stakeholders in development and redevelopment efforts; and (9) market and develop development districts as vibrant and multidimensional.

(b) For the purposes enumerated in subsection (a) of this section, the authority is authorized and empowered to:

(1) Have perpetual succession as a body politic and corporate and to adopt procedures for the regulation of its affairs and the conduct of its business, as provided in section 215 of this act;

(2) Adopt a corporate seal and alter the same at pleasure;

(3) Maintain an office at such place or places as it may designate;

(4) Sue and be sued in its own name, plead and be impleaded;

(5) Contract and be contracted with;

(6) (A) Employ such assistants, agents and other employees as may be necessary or desirable to carry out its purposes, which employees shall be exempt from the classified service and shall not be employees, as defined in subsection (b) of section 5-270 of the general statutes; (B) establish all necessary or appropriate personnel practices and policies, including those relating to hiring, promotion, compensation, retirement and collective bargaining, which need not be in accordance with chapter 68 of the general statutes. For the purposes of this subdivision, the authority shall not be an employer as defined in subsection (a) of section 5-270 of the general statutes, and for the purposes of group welfare benefits and retirement, including, but not limited to, those provided under chapter 66 of the general statutes and sections 5-257 and 5-259 of the general statutes, the officers and all other employees of the authority shall be state employees; and (C) engage consultants, attorneys and appraisers as may be necessary or desirable to carry out its purposes in accordance with sections 213 to 223, inclusive, of this act;

(7) Acquire, lease, purchase, own, manage, hold and dispose of personal property, and lease, convey or deal in or enter into agreements with respect to such property on any terms necessary or incidental to carrying out the purposes set forth in this section;

(8) Procure insurance against any liability or loss in connection with its property and other assets, in such amounts and from such insurers as it deems desirable and procure insurance for employees;

(9) Invest any funds not needed for immediate use or disbursement in obligations issued or guaranteed by the United States or the state, including the Short Term Investment Fund and the Tax-Exempt Proceeds Fund, and in other obligations that are legal investments for savings banks in this state, and in-time deposits or certificates of

deposit or other similar banking arrangements secured in such manner as the authority determines;

(10) Enter into such memoranda of agreement as the authority deems appropriate to carry out its responsibilities under this section; and

(11) Do all acts and things necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes of, and the powers expressly granted by, this section.

(c) In addition to the powers enumerated in subsection (b) of this section, the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority shall have the following powers with respect to authority development projects:

(1) (A) To acquire by gift, purchase, lease or transfer, lands or rights-in-land and to sell and lease or sublease, as lessor or lessee or sublessor or sublessee, any portion of its real property rights, including air space above, and enter into related common area maintenance, easement, access, support and similar agreements, and own and operate facilities associated with authority development projects, provided such activity is consistent with all applicable federal tax covenants of the authority; (B) to transfer or dispose of any property or interest therein acquired by the authority at any time; and (C) to receive and accept aid or contributions from any source of money, labor, property or other thing of value, to be held, used and applied to carry out the purposes of this section, subject to the conditions upon which such grants and contributions are made, including, but not limited to, gifts or grants from any department, agency or instrumentality of the United States or this state for any purpose consistent with this section, provided (i) the authority shall provide opportunity for public comment prior to any acquisition, transfer or disposal in accordance with this subdivision, and (ii) any land or right-in-land, aid or contribution received by the authority under this subdivision shall be subject to the provisions of

chapter 10 of the general statutes;

(2) To formulate plans for, acquire, finance and develop, lease, purchase, construct, reconstruct, repair, improve, expand, extend, operate, maintain and market facilities associated with authority development projects, provided such activities are consistent with all applicable federal tax covenants of the authority;

(3) To contract and be contracted with, provided if management, operating or promotional contracts or agreements or other contracts or agreements are entered into with nongovernmental parties with respect to property financed with the proceeds of obligations, the interest on which is excluded from gross income for federal income taxation, the board of directors shall ensure that such contracts or agreements are in compliance with the covenants of the authority upon which such tax exclusion is conditioned;

(4) To fix and revise, from time to time, and to charge and collect fees, rents and other charges for the use, occupancy or operation of authority development projects, and to establish and revise from time to time procedures concerning the use, operation and occupancy of facilities associated with such projects, including parking rates, rules and procedures, provided such arrangements are consistent with all applicable federal tax covenants of the authority, and to utilize net revenues received by the authority from the operation of such facilities, after allowance for operating expenses and other charges related to the ownership, operation or financing thereof, for other proper purposes of the authority, including, but not limited to, funding of operating deficiencies or operating or capital replacement reserves for such facilities and related parking facilities, as determined to be appropriate by the authority;

(5) To engage architects, engineers, attorneys, accountants, consultants and such other independent professionals as may be

necessary or desirable to carry out authority development projects;

(6) To contract for construction, development, concessions and the procurement of goods and services, and to establish and modify procurement procedures from time to time in accordance with the provisions of section 215 of this act to implement the foregoing;

(7) To borrow money and to issue bonds, notes and other obligations of the authority to the extent permitted under section 8 of this act, to fund and refund the same and to provide for the rights of the holders thereof and to secure the same by pledge of assets, revenues and notes;

(8) To do anything necessary and desirable, including executing reimbursement agreements or similar agreements in connection with credit facilities, including, but not limited to, letters of credit or policies of bond insurance, remarketing agreements and agreements for the purpose of moderating interest rate fluctuations, to render any bonds to be issued pursuant to section 219 of this act more marketable; and

(9) To engage in and contract for marketing and promotional activities for authority development projects under the operation or jurisdiction of the authority.

(d) The Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority and the Capital Region Development Authority, established pursuant to chapter 588x of the general statutes, may enter into a memorandum of agreement pursuant to which: (1) Administrative support and services, including all staff support necessary for the operations of the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority may be provided by the Capital Region Development Authority, and (2) provision is made for the coordination of management and operational activities that may include: (A) Joint procurement and contracting; (B) the sharing of services and resources; (C) the coordination of promotional activities;

and (D) other arrangements designed to enhance revenues, reduce operating costs or achieve operating efficiencies. The terms and conditions of such memorandum of agreement, including provisions with respect to the reimbursement by the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority to the Capital Region Development Authority of the costs of such administrative support and services, shall be as the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority and the Capital Region Development Authority determine to be appropriate.

(e) The authority shall have the power to negotiate, and, with the approval of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, to enter into an agreement with any private developer, owner or lessee of any building or improvement located on land in a development district providing for payments to the authority in lieu of real property taxes. Such an agreement shall be made a condition of any private right of development within the development district, and shall include a requirement that such private developer, owner or lessee make good faith efforts to hire, or cause to be hired, available and qualified minority business enterprises, as defined in section 4a-60g of the general statutes, to provide construction services and materials for improvements to be constructed within the development district in an effort to achieve a minority business enterprise utilization goal of ten per cent of the total costs of construction services and materials for such improvements. Such payments to the authority in lieu of real property taxes shall have the same lien and priority, and may be enforced by the authority in the same manner, as provided for municipal real property taxes. Such payments as received by the authority shall be used to carry out the purposes of the authority set forth in subsection (a) of this section.

(f) Nothing in sections 213 to 223, inclusive, of this act shall be construed as limiting the authority of the Connecticut Municipal

Redevelopment Authority to enter into agreements to facilitate development or redevelopment of municipal property or facilities.

Sec. 215. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) The board of directors of the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority shall adopt written procedures, in accordance with the provisions of section 1-121 of the general statutes, for: (1) Adopting an annual budget and plan of operations, which shall include a requirement of board approval before the budget or plan may take effect; (2) hiring, dismissing, promoting and compensating employees of the authority, which shall include an affirmative action policy and a requirement of board approval before a position may be created or a vacancy filled; (3) acquiring real and personal property and personal services, which shall include a requirement of board approval for any nonbudgeted expenditure in excess of ten thousand dollars; (4) contracting for financial, legal, bond underwriting and other professional services, including a requirement that the authority solicit proposals at least once every three years for each such service that it uses; (5) issuing and retiring bonds, notes and other obligations of the authority; (6) providing loans, grants and other financial assistance, which shall include eligibility criteria, the application process and the role played by the authority's staff and board of directors; and (7) the use of surplus funds.

Sec. 216. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) (a) (1) Any municipality with a population of seventy thousand or more as determined by the most recent decennial census, except the city of Hartford or any municipality that is considered part of the capital region, as defined in section 32-600 of the general statutes, may, by certified resolution of the legislative body of the municipality, opt to join the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority as a member municipality, provided such municipality holds a public hearing prior to any vote on such certified resolution. Any designated tier III or tier IV

municipality, except the city of Hartford or any municipality that is considered part of the capital region as defined in section 32-600 of the general statutes, shall be deemed a member municipality.

(2) The legislative body of each member municipality shall appoint a local development board to serve as liaison to the authority. Such board (A) shall include three individuals representing the municipality and the chief executive officer of such municipality, who shall serve as chairperson of the board, and (B) may include, but need not be limited to, representatives from local health or human services organizations, local housing organizations, a local school district or education organization, and a local business organization. Such board shall also include one member of the board of directors of the authority, chosen by the chairperson of the board of directors of the authority. Each legislative body shall make a good faith effort to appoint representatives of minority-owned businesses, advocates for walkable communities and members who are geographically, racially, socioeconomically and gender diverse.

(3) Any municipality that opts to join the authority as a member municipality or that is deemed a member municipality pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall enter into a memorandum of agreement with the authority for the establishment of one or more development districts.

(b) (1) Any two or more municipalities with a combined population of seventy thousand or more as determined by the most recent decennial census may, by certified concurrent resolutions of the legislative bodies of each such municipality, together opt to join the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority as a joint member entity, provided (A) no such municipality is considered part of the capital region, as defined in section 32-600 of the general statutes, and (B) each such municipality holds a public hearing prior to any vote on the certified resolution from such municipality. The concurrent

resolutions shall set forth an agreement of such municipalities as to authority for decisions concerning projects in development districts within such municipalities.

(2) The legislative bodies of the municipalities constituting a joint member entity shall jointly appoint a local development board to serve as liaison to the authority. Such board shall (A) include two individuals representing each such municipality and the chief executive officer of each such municipality, who shall serve as cochairperson of the board with the other chief executive officers, and (B) may include, but need not be limited to, representatives from local health or human services organizations, local housing organizations, a local school district or education organization and a local business organization. Such board shall also include one member of the board of directors of the authority, chosen by the chairperson of the board of directors of the authority. The legislative bodies of the municipalities constituting a joint member entity shall make a good faith effort to appoint representatives of minority-owned businesses, advocates for walkable communities and members who are geographically, racially, socioeconomically and gender diverse.

(3) Any two or more municipalities that together opt to join the authority as a joint member entity shall jointly enter into a memorandum of agreement with the authority for the establishment of one or more development districts.

(c) In consultation with the board of directors of the authority, a local development board appointed pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection (a) or subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of this section shall have, with respect to authority development projects, all the powers enumerated in subdivision (8) of subsection (b) of section 214 of this act and in subdivisions (1) to (6), inclusive, of subsection (c) of said section.

Sec. 217. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) (a) In lieu of the report required under section 1-123 of the general statutes, within the first ninety days of each fiscal year of the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority, the board of directors of the authority shall submit a report to the Governor, the Auditors of Public Accounts and the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to finance, revenue and bonding. Such report shall include, but not be limited to, the following: (1) A list of all bonds issued during the preceding fiscal year, including, for each such issue, the financial advisor and underwriters, whether the issue was competitive, negotiated or privately placed, and the issue's face value and net proceeds; (2) a description of each authority development project in which the authority is involved, its location and the amount of funds, if any, provided by the authority with respect to the construction of such project; (3) a list of all outside individuals and firms, including principal and other major stockholders, receiving in excess of five thousand dollars as payments for services; (4) a comprehensive annual financial report prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for governmental enterprises; (5) the cumulative value of all bonds issued, the value of outstanding bonds and the amount of the state's contingent liability; (6) the affirmative action policy adopted pursuant to section 215 of this act, a description of the composition of the workforce of the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority by race, sex and occupation and a description of the affirmative action efforts of the authority; and (7) a description of planned activities for the current fiscal year.

(b) The board of directors of the authority shall annually contract with a person, firm or corporation for a compliance audit of the authority's activities during the preceding authority fiscal year. The audit shall determine whether the authority has complied with the authority's policies and procedures concerning affirmative action, personnel practices, the purchase of goods and services and the use of

surplus funds. The board shall submit the audit report to the Governor, the Auditors of Public Accounts and the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to finance, revenue and bonding.

(c) The board of directors of the authority shall annually contract with a firm of certified public accountants to undertake an independent financial audit of the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. The board shall submit the audit report to the Governor, the Auditors of Public Accounts and the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to finance, revenue and bonding.

(d) The authority shall designate a contract compliance officer from its staff to monitor compliance of the operations of facilities and parking facilities associated with authority development projects that are under the management or control of the authority, with (1) the provisions of state law applicable to such operations, and (2) applicable requirements of contracts entered into by the authority relating to set-asides for small contractors and minority business enterprises and required efforts to hire available and qualified members of minorities, as defined in section 32-9n of the general statutes. Each year during the period of operations of facilities associated with authority development projects, such officer shall file a written report with the authority as to findings and recommendations regarding such compliance.

Sec. 218. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) (a) Any person, including, but not limited to, a state or municipal agency, requesting funds from the state, including, but not limited to, any authority created by the general statutes or any public or special act, with respect to any authority development project shall, at the time it makes such request for funds from the state, present a full and complete copy of its

application or request along with any supporting documents or exhibits to the authority for its recommendation and to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management. The Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority shall, not later than ninety days after receipt of such application or request, prepare and adopt an economic development statement summarizing its recommendations with respect to such application or request and deliver such statement to the state officer, official, employee or agent of the state or authority to whom such application or request was made. The recommendations in such statement shall include contract provisions regarding performance standards, including, but not limited to, project timelines.

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, public or special acts, any regulation or procedure or any other law, no officer, official, employee or agent of the state or any authority created by the general statutes or any public or special act shall expend any funds on any authority development project, unless such officer, official, employee or agent has received an economic development statement prepared by the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, except that if no such statement is received by the ninetieth day after the date of the initial application or request for such funds, such funds may be expended. If funds are expended pursuant to this subsection in a manner not consistent with the recommendations contained in an economic development statement for such expenditure, the officer, official, employee or agent of the state expending such funds shall respond in writing to the authority, providing an explanation of the decision with respect to such expenditure.

(c) The Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority shall coordinate the use of all state, municipal and quasi-public agency planning and financial resources that are made available for any authority development project in which the authority is involved,

including any resources available from any quasi-public agency.

(d) All state agencies, departments, boards, commissions and councils and all quasi-public agencies shall cooperate with the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority in carrying out the purposes enumerated in section 214 of this act.

Sec. 219. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) (a) The board of directors of the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority is authorized from time to time to issue its bonds, notes and other obligations in such principal amounts as in the opinion of the board shall be necessary to provide sufficient funds for carrying out the purposes set forth in section 214 of this act, including the payment, funding or refunding of the principal of, or interest or redemption premiums on, any bonds, notes and other obligations issued by it, whether the bonds, notes or other obligations or interest to be funded or refunded have or have not become due, the establishment of reserves to secure such bonds, notes and other obligations, loans made by the authority and all other expenditures of the authority incident to and necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes set forth in section 214 of this act.

(b) Every issue of bonds, notes or other obligations shall be a general obligation of the authority payable out of any moneys or revenues of the authority and subject only to any agreements with the holders of particular bonds, notes or other obligations pledging any particular moneys or revenues. Any such bonds, notes or other obligations may be additionally secured by any grant or contributions from any department, agency or instrumentality of the United States or person or a pledge of any moneys, income or revenues of the authority from any source whatsoever.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of any law, any bonds, notes or other obligations issued by the authority pursuant to this section shall be fully negotiable within the meaning and for all

purposes of title 42a of the general statutes. Any such bonds, notes or other obligations shall be legal investments for all trust companies, banks, investment companies, savings banks, building and loan associations, executors, administrators, guardians, conservators, trustees and other fiduciaries and pension, profit-sharing and retirement funds.

(d) Bonds, notes or other obligations of the authority shall be authorized by resolution of the board of directors of the authority and may be issued in one or more series and shall bear such date or dates, mature at such time or times, in the case of any such note, or any renewal thereof, not exceeding the term of years as the board shall determine from the date of the original issue of such notes, and, in the case of bonds, not exceeding thirty years from the date thereof, bear interest at such rate or rates, be in such denomination or denominations, be in such form, either coupon or registered, carry such conversion or registration privileges, have such rank or priority, be executed in such manner, be payable from such sources in such medium of payment at such place or places within or without this state, and be subject to such terms of redemption, with or without premium, as such resolution or resolutions may provide.

(e) Bonds, notes or other obligations of the authority may be sold at public or private sale at such price or prices as the board shall determine.

(f) Bonds, notes or other obligations of the authority may be refunded and renewed from time to time as may be determined by resolution of the board, provided any such refunding or renewal shall be in conformity with any rights of the holders of such bonds, notes or other obligations.

(g) Except as provided in section 221 of this act, bonds, notes or other obligations of the authority issued under the provisions of this

section shall not be deemed to constitute a debt or liability of the state or of any political subdivision thereof other than the authority, or a pledge of the faith and credit of the state or of any such political subdivision other than the authority, and shall not constitute bonds or notes issued or guaranteed by the state within the meaning of section 3-21 of the general statutes, but shall be payable solely from the funds as provided in this section. All such bonds, notes or other obligations shall contain on the face thereof a statement to the effect that, unless otherwise provided by law, neither the state of Connecticut nor any political subdivision thereof other than the authority shall be obligated to pay the same or the interest thereof except from revenues or other funds of the authority and that neither the faith and credit nor the taxing power of the state of Connecticut or of any political subdivision thereof other than the authority is pledged to the payment of the principal of, or the interest on, such bonds, notes or other obligations.

(h) Any resolution or resolutions authorizing the issuance of bonds, notes or other obligations may contain provisions, except as limited by existing agreements with the holders of bonds, notes or other obligations, which shall be a part of the contract with the holders thereof, as to the following: (1) The pledging of all or any part of the moneys received by the authority to secure the payment of the principal of and interest on any bonds, notes or other obligations or of any issue thereof; (2) the pledging of all or part of the assets of the authority to secure the payment of the principal and interest on any bonds, notes or other obligations or of any issue thereof; (3) the establishment of reserves or sinking funds, the making of charges and fees to provide for the same, and the regulation and disposition thereof; (4) limitations on the purpose to which the proceeds of sale of bonds, notes or other obligations may be applied and pledging such proceeds to secure the payment of the bonds, notes or other obligations, or of any issues thereof; (5) limitations on the issuance of additional bonds, notes or other obligations, the terms upon which

additional bonds, bond anticipation notes or other obligations may be issued and secured, the refunding or purchase of outstanding bonds, notes or other obligations of the authority; (6) the procedure, if any, by which the terms of any contract with the holders of any bonds, notes or other obligations of the authority may be amended or abrogated, the amount of bonds, notes or other obligations the holders of which must consent thereto and the manner in which such consent may be given; (7) limitations on the amount of moneys to be expended by the authority for operating, administrative or other expenses of the authority; (8) the vesting in a trustee or trustees of such property, rights, powers and duties in trust as the authority may determine, which may include any or all of the rights, powers and duties of any trustee appointed by the holders of any bonds, notes or other obligations and limiting or abrogating the right of the holders of any bonds, notes or other obligations of the authority to appoint a trustee or limiting the rights, powers and duties of such trustee; (9) provision for a trust agreement by and between the authority and a corporate trustee which may be any trust company or bank having the powers of a trust company within or without the state, which agreement may provide for the pledging or assigning of any assets or income from assets to which or in which the authority has any rights or interest, and may further provide for such other rights and remedies exercisable by the trustee as may be proper for the protection of the holders of any bonds, notes or other obligations of the authority and not otherwise in violation of law. Such agreement may provide for the restriction of the rights of any individual holder of bonds, notes or other obligations of the authority. All expenses incurred in carrying out the provisions of such trust agreement may be treated as a part of the cost of operation of the authority. The trust agreement may contain any further provisions which are reasonable to delineate further the respective rights, duties, safeguards, responsibilities and liabilities of the authority, individual and collective holders of bonds, notes and other obligations of the authority and the trustees; (10) covenants to do or

refrain from doing such acts and things as may be necessary or convenient or desirable in order to better secure any bonds, notes or other obligations of the authority, or which, in the discretion of the authority, will tend to make any bonds, notes or other obligations to be issued more marketable, notwithstanding that such covenants, acts or things may not be enumerated herein; and (11) any other matters of like or different character, which in any way affect the security or protection of the bonds, notes or other obligations.

(i) Any pledge made by the authority of income, revenues or other property shall be valid and binding from the time the pledge is made. The income, revenue, such state taxes as the authority shall be entitled to receive or other property so pledged and thereafter received by the authority shall immediately be subject to the lien of such pledge without any physical delivery thereof or further act, and the lien of any such pledge shall be valid and binding as against all parties having claims of any kind in tort, contract or otherwise against the authority, irrespective of whether such parties have notice thereof.

(j) The board of directors of the authority is authorized and empowered to obtain from any department, agency or instrumentality of the United States any insurance or guarantee as to, or of or for the payment or repayment of, interest or principal or both, or any part thereof, on any bonds, notes or other obligations issued by the authority pursuant to the provisions of this section and, notwithstanding any other provisions of sections 213 to 223, inclusive, of this act, to enter into any agreement, contract or any other instrument whatsoever with respect to any such insurance or guarantee except to the extent that such action would in any way impair or interfere with the authority's ability to perform and fulfill the terms of any agreement made with the holders of the bonds, bond anticipation notes or other obligations of the authority.

(k) Neither the members of the board of directors of the authority

nor any person executing bonds, notes or other obligations of the authority issued pursuant to this section shall be liable personally on such bonds, notes or other obligations or be subject to any personal liability or accountability by reason of the issuance thereof, nor shall any director, officer or employee of the authority be personally liable for damage or injury caused in the performance of such director, officer or employee's duties and within the scope of employment or appointment as such director, officer or employee, provided the conduct of such director, officer or employee was found not to have been wanton, reckless, wilful or malicious. The authority shall protect, save harmless and indemnify its directors, officers or employees from financial loss and expense, including legal fees and costs, if any, arising out of any claim, demand, suit or judgment by reason of alleged negligence or alleged deprivation of any person's civil rights or any other act or omission resulting in damage or injury, if the director, officer or employee is found to have been acting in the discharge of his or her duties or within the scope of his or her employment and such act or omission is found not to have been wanton, reckless, wilful or malicious.

(l) The board of directors of the authority shall have power to purchase bonds, notes or other obligations of the authority out of any funds available for such purpose. The authority may hold, cancel or resell such bonds, notes or other obligations subject to and in accordance with agreements with holders of its bonds, notes and other obligations.

(m) All moneys received pursuant to the authority of this section, whether as proceeds from the sale of bonds or as revenues, shall be deemed to be trust funds to be held and applied solely as provided in this section. Any officer with whom, or any bank or trust company with which, such moneys shall be deposited shall act as trustee of such moneys and shall hold and apply the same for the purposes of section

214 of this act, and the resolution authorizing the bonds of any issue or the trust agreement securing such bonds may provide.

(n) Any holder of bonds, notes or other obligations issued under the provisions of this section, and the trustee or trustees under any trust agreement, except to the extent the rights herein given may be restricted by any resolution authorizing the issuance of or any such trust agreement securing such bonds, may, either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding, protect and enforce any and all rights under the laws of the state or granted under this section or under such resolution or trust agreement and may enforce and compel the performance of all duties required by this section or by such resolution or trust agreement to be performed by the authority or by any officer, employee or agent of the authority, including the fixing, charging and collecting of the rates, rents, fees and charges herein authorized and required by the provisions of such resolution or trust agreement to be fixed, established and collected.

(o) The authority may make representations and agreements for the benefit of the holders of any bonds, notes or other obligations of the state which are necessary or appropriate to ensure the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on bonds, notes or other obligations of the state from taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to time, including agreement to pay rebates to the federal government of investment earnings derived from the investment of the proceeds of the bonds, notes or other obligations of the authority. Any such agreement may include: (1) A covenant to pay rebates to the federal government of investment earnings derived from the investment of the proceeds of the bonds, notes or other obligations of the authority; (2) a covenant that the authority will not limit or alter its rebate obligations until its obligations to the holders or owners of such bonds, notes or

other obligations are finally met and discharged; and (3) provisions to (A) establish trust and other accounts which may be appropriate to carry out such representations and agreements, (B) retain fiscal agents as depositories for such funds and accounts, and (C) provide that such fiscal agents may act as trustee of such funds and accounts.

Sec. 220. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) The state of Connecticut does hereby pledge to and agree with the holders of any bonds, notes and other obligations issued under section 219 of this act and with those parties who may enter into contracts with the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority or its successor agency, that the state will not limit or alter the rights hereby vested in the authority or in the holders of any bonds, notes or other obligations of the authority to which contract assistance is pledged pursuant to this section until such bonds, notes or obligations, together with the interest thereon, are fully met and discharged and such contracts are fully performed on the part of the authority, provided nothing contained herein shall preclude such limitation or alteration if and when adequate provision shall be made by law for the protection of the holders of such bonds, notes and other obligations of the authority or those entering into contracts with the authority. The authority is authorized to include this pledge and undertaking for the state in such bonds, notes and other obligations or contracts.

Sec. 221. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) (a) The state shall protect, save harmless and indemnify the directors, officers and employees of the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority from financial loss and expenses, including legal fees and costs, if any, arising out of any claim, demand, suit or judgment based upon any alleged act or omission of any such director, officer or employee in connection with, or any other legal challenge to, authority development projects within a Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority development district, provided any such director, officer or employee is found to

have been acting in the discharge of such director, officer or employee's duties or within the scope of such director, officer or employee's employment and any such act or omission is found not to have been wanton, reckless, wilful or malicious.

(b) In the event any bond, note or other obligation of the authority cannot be paid by the authority, the state shall assume the liability of and make payment on such debt.

Sec. 222. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) (a) For the purposes of this section, "economic development master plan" means (1) a comprehensive economic development plan that is designed to increase the tax base of a municipality, or the combined tax bases of two or more municipalities, as applicable, to a level that will allow the municipality or municipalities to provide an adequate level of municipal services, or (2) a comprehensive economic development plan developed pursuant to section 7-578 of the general statutes.

(b) Prior to execution of a memorandum of agreement between the authority and the chief executive officer of a member municipality, or the chief executive officers of the municipalities constituting a joint member entity, as applicable, establishing a development district, the member municipality or joint member entity shall develop an economic development master plan and submit such plan for the authority's review and approval. Each member municipality or joint member entity shall provide for community and stakeholder input and a public comment process in the development of its economic development master plan, and such plan shall be approved by the legislative body of such member municipality or the legislative bodies of the municipalities constituting such joint member entity, as applicable.

(c) In determining whether to approve an economic development master plan developed under subsection (b) of this section, the

authority shall consider whether such plan includes a clear and feasible path toward achieving as many of the purposes of the authority, as set forth in subsection (a) of section 214 of this act, as practical and appropriate in the context of the unique characteristics of a member municipality or the municipalities constituting a joint member entity, as applicable. The authority shall offer support to such municipality or municipalities in creating the economic development master plan, if requested by such municipality or municipalities.

(d) Any authority development project that receives support from the authority shall be consistent with (1) the economic development master plan of the member municipality, or the municipalities constituting the joint member entity, as applicable, in which such project is located, (2) the plan of conservation and development, adopted under section 8-23 of the general statutes, of each such municipality, and (3) the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy prepared under section 32-742 of the general statutes.

Sec. 223. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) The authority, member municipalities and joint member entities shall encourage businesses, as appropriate, to hire local employees. Any business that receives financial assistance from the authority shall enter into an agreement with the Workforce Training Authority established pursuant to section 31-11ii of the general statutes for assistance with the training and recruitment of workers.

Sec. 224. Subdivision (12) of section 1-79 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

(12) "Quasi-public agency" means Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, the Connecticut Health and Education Facilities Authority, the Connecticut Higher Education Supplemental Loan Authority, the Connecticut Student Loan Foundation, the Connecticut

Housing Finance Authority, the State Housing Authority, the Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority, the Capital Region Development Authority, the Connecticut Lottery Corporation, the Connecticut Airport Authority, the Connecticut Health Insurance Exchange, the Connecticut Green Bank, the Connecticut Retirement Security Authority, the Connecticut Port Authority, the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority and the State Education Resource Center.

Sec. 225. Subdivision (1) of section 1-120 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

(1) "Quasi-public agency" means Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, the Connecticut Health and Educational Facilities Authority, the Connecticut Higher Education Supplemental Loan Authority, the Connecticut Student Loan Foundation, the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, the Connecticut Housing Authority, the Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority, the Capital Region Development Authority, the Connecticut Lottery Corporation, the Connecticut Airport Authority, the Connecticut Health Insurance Exchange, the Connecticut Green Bank, the Connecticut Retirement Security Authority, the Connecticut Port Authority, the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority and the State Education Resource Center.

Sec. 226. Section 1-124 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

(a) Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, the Connecticut Health and Educational Facilities Authority, the Connecticut Higher Education Supplemental Loan Authority, the Connecticut Student Loan Foundation, the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, the Connecticut Housing Authority, the Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority, the Connecticut Airport Authority, the Capital

Region Development Authority, the Connecticut Health Insurance Exchange, the Connecticut Green Bank, the Connecticut Retirement Security Authority, the Connecticut Port Authority, the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority and the State Education Resource Center shall not borrow any money or issue any bonds or notes which are guaranteed by the state of Connecticut or for which there is a capital reserve fund of any kind which is in any way contributed to or guaranteed by the state of Connecticut until and unless such borrowing or issuance is approved by the State Treasurer or the Deputy State Treasurer appointed pursuant to section 3-12. The approval of the State Treasurer or said deputy shall be based on documentation provided by the authority that it has sufficient revenues to (1) pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and notes issued, (2) establish, increase and maintain any reserves deemed by the authority to be advisable to secure the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, (3) pay the cost of maintaining, servicing and properly insuring the purpose for which the proceeds of the bonds and notes have been issued, if applicable, and (4) pay such other costs as may be required.

(b) To the extent Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, the Connecticut Higher Education Supplemental Loan Authority, the Connecticut Student Loan Foundation, the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, the Connecticut Housing Authority, the Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority, the Connecticut Health and Educational Facilities Authority, the Connecticut Airport Authority, the Capital Region Development Authority, the Connecticut Health Insurance Exchange, the Connecticut Green Bank, the Connecticut Retirement Security Authority, the Connecticut Port Authority, the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority or the State Education Resource Center is permitted by statute and determines to exercise any power to moderate interest rate fluctuations or enter into any investment or program of investment or contract respecting

interest rates, currency, cash flow or other similar agreement, including, but not limited to, interest rate or currency swap agreements, the effect of which is to subject a capital reserve fund which is in any way contributed to or guaranteed by the state of Connecticut, to potential liability, such determination shall not be effective until and unless the State Treasurer or his or her deputy appointed pursuant to section 3-12 has approved such agreement or agreements. The approval of the State Treasurer or his or her deputy shall be based on documentation provided by the authority that it has sufficient revenues to meet the financial obligations associated with the agreement or agreements.

Sec. 227. Section 1-125 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

The directors, officers and employees of Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, the Connecticut Higher Education Supplemental Loan Authority, the Connecticut Student Loan Foundation, the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, the Connecticut Housing Authority, the Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority, including ad hoc members of the Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority, the Connecticut Health and Educational Facilities Authority, the Capital Region Development Authority, the Connecticut Airport Authority, the Connecticut Lottery Corporation, the Connecticut Health Insurance Exchange, the Connecticut Green Bank, the Connecticut Retirement Security Authority, the Connecticut Port Authority, the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority and the State Education Resource Center and any person executing the bonds or notes of the agency shall not be liable personally on such bonds or notes or be subject to any personal liability or accountability by reason of the issuance thereof, nor shall any director or employee of the agency, including ad hoc members of the Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority, be personally liable for damage or injury, not wanton, reckless, wilful or

malicious, caused in the performance of his or her duties and within the scope of his or her employment or appointment as such director, officer or employee, including ad hoc members of the Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority. The agency shall protect, save harmless and indemnify its directors, officers or employees, including ad hoc members of the Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority, from financial loss and expense, including legal fees and costs, if any, arising out of any claim, demand, suit or judgment by reason of alleged negligence or alleged deprivation of any person's civil rights or any other act or omission resulting in damage or injury, if the director, officer or employee, including ad hoc members of the Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority, is found to have been acting in the discharge of his or her duties or within the scope of his or her employment and such act or omission is found not to have been wanton, reckless, wilful or malicious.

Sec. 228. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The following amounts appropriated in section 1 of this act to the Judicial Department, for Youth Violence Initiative, for each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, shall be made available in each said fiscal year for the following grants: $140,000 to Danbury Police Athletics League; $40,000 to Beat the Street; $40,000 to Meriden Wallingford Chrysalis; $40,000 to Rushford Center, Inc., Youth Program; $10,000 to Advocacy Academy Accomplish Education, Inc.; $10,000 to Shawon Moncrief Skills Camp, Inc.; $85,000 to Boys & Girls Club of Greater Waterbury, Inc.; $20,000 to Hispanic Coalition of Greater Waterbury, Inc.; $10,000 to St. Margaret Willow Plaza Association, Inc.; $80,000 to Walnut Orange Walsh Neighborhood Revitalization Zone Association, Inc.; $80,000 to Rivera Memorial Foundation, Inc.; $16,000 to Waterbury YMCA; $14,000 to Madre Latina, Inc.; $6,500 to CO2 Sports Academy; $6,500 to Beulah A.G. Smith Scholarship Foundation; $6,500 to Girls, Inc. of Western CT; $10,000 to CT Junior Republic; $8,000 to Waterbury Youth Services, Inc.; $26,000 to Waterbury Police Activity; $6,500 to Hoops 4 Life;

$375,000 to Lighthouse Program, City of Bridgeport; $100,000 to Christian Community Action Agency; $275,000 to the City of New Haven; $15,625 to Girls for Technology; $24,233 for Hartford Hurricane; $240,793 to Legacy Foundation of Hartford; $41,875 to West Indian Foundation, Inc.; $52,474 to Upper Albany in Hartford; $25,000 to West Haven Library; $25,000 to Youth Family Services/West Haven; $5,000 to West Haven Coastal Ecology Camp - Vouchers; $5,000 to Park and Recreation Camp - Vouchers/West Haven; $5,000 to Divas on the Move; $20,000 to West Haven Community House, Outdoor Teen Program; and to the West Haven Board of Education, $25,000 for Justice-Incarceration Diversion Program, $8,000 for Career Day, and $22,000 to Anti-Drug/Alcohol Enrichment (PTA's).

Sec. 229. Section 4-66n of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "municipal reimbursement and revenue account" which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the General Fund. The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account.

(b) Moneys transferred to the account in accordance with section 87 of public act 13-247 shall be expended by the Office of Policy and Management as follows: (1) For the Nutmeg Network, two million one hundred **[**seventy-four**]** four thousand dollars; (2) for a tax incidence study, seven hundred thousand dollars; (3) for the universal chart of accounts, **[**four**]** two hundred **[**fifty**]** seventy thousand dollars; (4) to audit private providers of special education services, in accordance with section 2-90 and sections 10-91g to 10-91i, inclusive, three hundred sixty-six thousand dollars; **[**and**]** (5) for the Department of Education, to conduct the study described in section 4 of public act 16-144, two hundred fifty thousand dollars; and (6) to promote and facilitate the implementation of the most efficient, high-quality, cost-effective and responsive service delivery, two hundred fifty thousand

<u>dollars</u>. Such moneys for the universal chart of accounts may be used to reimburse expenses incurred on or after July 1, 2013.

Sec. 230. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) (a) Title. This section may be cited as the "Insurance Data Security Law".

(b) Definitions. For the purposes of this section:

(1) "Authorized individual" means an individual who is known to, and screened by, a licensee, and who is determined to be necessary and appropriate to have access to the nonpublic information that is held by the licensee and on such licensee's information systems.

(2) "Consumer" means an individual, including, but not limited to, an applicant, beneficiary, certificate holder, claimant, insured or policyholder, who is a resident of this state and whose nonpublic information is in a licensee's possession, custody or control.

(3) "Cybersecurity event" means an event resulting in any unauthorized access to, or disruption or misuse of, an information system or the information stored thereon, except if: (A) The event involves the unauthorized acquisition of encrypted nonpublic information if the encryption process for such information or encryption key to such information is not acquired, released or used without authorization; or (B) the event involves access of nonpublic information by an unauthorized person and the licensee determines that such information has not been used or released and has been returned or destroyed.

(4) "Encryption" means the transformation of data or information into a form that results in a low probability of assigning meaning to such data or information without the use of a protective process or key.

(5) "Information security program" means the administrative,

technical and physical safeguards that a licensee uses to access, collect, distribute, process, protect, store, use, transmit, dispose of or otherwise handle nonpublic information.

(6) "Information system" means a discrete set of electronic information resources organized for the collection, processing, maintenance, use, sharing, dissemination or disposition of electronic data or information, as well as any specialized system such as an industrial or process controls system, telephone switching and private branch exchange system, and environmental control system.

(7) "Licensee" means any person licensed, authorized to operate or registered, or required to be licensed, authorized to operate or registered, pursuant to the insurance laws of this state, except for a purchasing group or a risk retention group chartered and licensed in another state or a licensee that is acting as an assuming insurer and domiciled in another state or jurisdiction.

(8) "Multifactor authentication" means authentication through verification of at least two of the following types of authentication factors: (A) A knowledge factor, including, but not limited to, a password; (B) a possession factor, including, but not limited to, a token or text message on a mobile phone; or (C) an inheritance factor, including, but not limited to, a biometric characteristic.

(9) "Nonpublic information" means data and information, other than publicly available information and information concerning a consumer's age or gender, that: (A) Concerns the business of a licensee and that, if accessed, disclosed, tampered with or used without authorization from the licensee, would have a material adverse impact on the business, operations or security of such licensee; (B) concerns a consumer and that, because such data or information contains a name, number, personal mark or other identifier, can be used to identify such consumer in combination with: (i) A Social Security number; (ii) a

driver's license number or nondriver identification card number; (iii) an account, credit or debit card number; (iv) an access or security code, or a password, that would permit access to the consumer's financial account; or (v) a biometric record; or (C) is in a form or medium created by, or derived from, a health care provider or consumer and concerns: (i) The past, present or future physical, mental or behavioral health or condition of a consumer or a member of a consumer's family; (ii) the provision of health care to a consumer; or (iii) payment for the provision of health care to a consumer.

(10) "Person" means any individual or any nongovernmental entity, including, but not limited to, any nongovernmental partnership, corporation, branch, agency or association.

(11) "Publicly available information" means data or information that: (A) (i) Must be disclosed to the general public pursuant to applicable law; or (ii) may be made available to the general public from government records or widely distributed media; and (B) a licensee reasonably believes, after investigation: (i) Is of a type that is available to the general public; and (ii) the consumer has not directed to be withheld from the general public, if the consumer may direct that such data or information be withheld from the general public pursuant to applicable law.

(12) "Risk assessment" means the risk assessment that each licensee is required to conduct pursuant to subdivision (3) of subsection (c) of this section.

(13) "Third-party service provider" means a person, other than a licensee, that: (A) Contracts with a licensee to maintain, process or store nonpublic information; or (B) is otherwise permitted to access nonpublic information through the person's provision of services to a licensee.

(c) Information Security Program. (1) Implementation of an information security program. Except as provided in subdivision (10) of this subsection, each licensee shall, not later than October 1, 2020, develop, implement and maintain a comprehensive written information security program that is based on the licensee's risk assessment and contains the administrative, technical and physical safeguards for the protection of nonpublic information and such licensee's information systems. Each information security program shall be commensurate with the size and complexity of the licensee, the nature and scope of the licensee's activities, including, but not limited to, such licensee's use of third-party service providers, and the sensitivity of the nonpublic information used by such licensee or in such licensee's possession, custody or control.

(2) Objectives of Information Security Program. Except as provided in subdivision (10) of this subsection, each information security program developed, implemented and maintained by a licensee pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection shall:

(A) Be designed to:

(i) Protect the security and confidentiality of the nonpublic information and the security of the information system;

(ii) Protect against all threats and hazards to the security or integrity of nonpublic information and the information system; and

(iii) Protect against unauthorized access to, or use of, nonpublic information and minimize the likelihood of harm to any consumer; and

(B) Define, and periodically reevaluate, a schedule for retention of nonpublic information and a mechanism for the destruction of such information when such information no longer is needed.

(3) Risk Assessment. Except as provided in subdivision (10) of this subsection, each licensee shall:

(A) Designate one or more employees, an affiliate or an outside vendor designated to act on behalf of such licensee as the person responsible for such licensee's information security program;

(B) Identify reasonably foreseeable internal or external threats that could result in unauthorized access, transmission, disclosure, misuse, alteration or destruction of nonpublic information, including, but not limited to, the security of information systems that are, and nonpublic information that is, accessible to, or held by, third-party service providers;

(C) Assess the likelihood and potential damage of the threats identified pursuant to subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, taking into consideration the sensitivity of the nonpublic information;

(D) Assess the sufficiency of policies, procedures, information systems and other safeguards in place to manage the threats identified pursuant to subparagraph (B) of this subdivision by considering such threats in the following areas of such licensee's operations:

(i) Employee training and management;

(ii) Information systems, including, but not limited to, network and software design, as well as information classification, governance, processing, storage, transmission and disposal; and

(iii) Detection, prevention and response to attacks, intrusions or other systems failures;

(E) Implement information safeguards to manage the threats identified in such licensee's ongoing assessment; and

(F) Not less than annually, assess the effectiveness of such licensee's

safeguards' key controls, systems and procedures.

(4) Risk Management. Except as provided in subdivision (10) of this subsection, each licensee shall, based on such licensee's risk assessment:

(A) Design such licensee's information security program to mitigate the identified risks, commensurate with the size and complexity of such licensee's activities, including, but not limited to, such licensee's use of third-party service providers, and the sensitivity of the nonpublic information used by such licensee or in such licensee's possession, custody or control.

(B) Determine which of the following security measures are appropriate and, if such measures are appropriate, implement such measures:

(i) Placement of access controls on such licensee's information systems, including, but not limited to, controls to authenticate and restrict access only to authorized individuals to protect against the unauthorized acquisition of nonpublic information;

(ii) Identification and management of the data, personnel, devices, systems and facilities that enable such licensee to achieve such licensee's business purposes in accordance with their relative importance to such licensee's business objectives and risk strategy;

(iii) Restriction of access to physical locations containing nonpublic information only to authorized individuals;

(iv) Protection, by encryption or other appropriate means, of all nonpublic information while such information is transmitted over an external network or stored on a laptop computer or other portable computing or storage device or medium;

(v) Adoption of secure development practices for in-house developed applications utilized by such licensee and procedures for evaluating, assessing or testing the security of externally developed applications utilized by such licensee;

(vi) Modification of such licensee's information system in accordance with such licensee's information security program;

(vii) Utilization of effective controls, which may include multifactor authentication procedures for any individual accessing nonpublic information;

(viii) Regular testing and monitoring of systems and procedures to detect actual and attempted attacks on, or intrusions into, information systems;

(ix) Inclusion of audit trails within the information security program that are designed to detect and respond to cybersecurity events, and designed to reconstruct material financial transactions sufficient to support the normal operations and obligations of the licensee;

(x) Implementation of measures to protect against the destruction, loss or damage of nonpublic information due to environmental hazards, including, but not limited to, fire and water, or other catastrophes or technological failures; and

(xi) Development, implementation and maintenance of procedures for the secure disposal of nonpublic information in any format.

(C) Include cybersecurity risks in such licensee's enterprise risk management process.

(D) Stay informed regarding emerging threats or vulnerabilities and utilize reasonable security measures when sharing information relative to the character of the sharing and the type of information shared.

(E) Provide such licensee's personnel with cybersecurity awareness training that is updated as necessary to reflect risks identified by such licensee in such licensee's risk assessment.

(5) Oversight by Board of Directors. Except as provided in subdivision (10) of this subsection, if a licensee has a board of directors, the board, or an appropriate committee of such board, shall, at a minimum:

(A) Require the licensee's executive management or its delegates to develop, implement and maintain such licensee's information security program.

(B) Require the licensee's executive management or its delegates to report, in writing and at least annually, the following information:

(i) The overall status of such licensee's information security program and such licensee's compliance with this section; and

(ii) Material matters related to such licensee's information security program, addressing issues such as risk assessment, risk management and control decisions, third-party service provider arrangements, results of testing, cybersecurity events or violations and management's responses thereto, and recommendations for changes in such information security program.

(C) If a licensee's executive management delegates any of its responsibilities under subparagraph (A) or (B) of this subdivision, it shall oversee the development, implementation and maintenance of the licensee's information security program prepared by the delegate or delegates, and shall receive a report from such delegate or delegates that satisfies the requirements established in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision.

(6) Oversight of Third-Party Service Provider Arrangements. Except

as provided in subdivision (10) of this subsection:

(A) Each licensee shall exercise due diligence in selecting such licensee's third-party service providers; and

(B) Not later than October 1, 2021, each licensee shall require each of such licensee's third-party service providers to implement appropriate administrative, technical and physical measures to protect and secure the information systems that are, and nonpublic information that is, accessible to, or held by, such licensee's third-party service providers.

(7) Program Adjustments. Except as provided in subdivision (10) of this subsection, each licensee shall monitor, evaluate and adjust, as appropriate, such licensee's information security program consistent with any relevant changes in technology, the sensitivity of such licensee's nonpublic information, internal or external threats to such information and such licensee's own changing business arrangements, including, but not limited to, changes stemming from mergers and acquisitions, alliances and joint ventures, outsourcing arrangements and changes to information systems.

(8) Incident Response Plan. (A) Except as provided in subdivision (10) of this subsection, each licensee shall, as part of such licensee's information security program, establish a written incident response plan that is designed to promptly respond to, and recover from, any cybersecurity event that compromises the confidentiality, integrity or availability of nonpublic information that is in such licensee's possession, custody or control, such licensee's information systems or the continuing functionality of any aspect of such licensee's business or operations.

(B) Each incident response plan shall address the following areas:

(i) The internal process for responding to a cybersecurity event;

(ii) The goals of such incident response plan;

(iii) The definition of clear roles, responsibilities and levels of decision-making authority;

(iv) External and internal communications;

(v) Information sharing;

(vi) Identification of requirements for the remediation of any identified weaknesses in information systems and associated controls;

(vii) Documentation and reporting regarding cybersecurity events and related incident response activities; and

(viii) Evaluation and revision, as necessary, of such incident response plan following each cybersecurity event.

(9) Annual Certification to Commissioner of Domiciliary State. Except as provided in subdivision (10) of this subsection, each insurer domiciled in this state shall submit to the Insurance Commissioner a written statement, not later than February fifteenth, annually, certifying that such insurer is in compliance with the requirements set forth in this subsection. Each insurer shall maintain, for examination by the Insurance Department, all records, schedules and data supporting each statement that such insurer submits to the commissioner for a period of five years. To the extent an insurer has identified areas, systems or processes that require material improvement, updating or redesign, the insurer shall document such identification and the remedial efforts planned and underway to address such areas, systems or processes. Such documentation must be available for inspection by the commissioner.

(10) Exceptions. (A) The following exceptions shall apply to this subsection:

(i) (I) During the period beginning on October 1, 2020, and ending on September 30, 2021, each licensee with fewer than twenty employees, which, for the purposes of this subclause, includes independent contractors having access to the nonpublic information used by such licensee or in such licensee's possession, custody or control, shall be exempt from this subsection; and

(II) On and after October 1, 2021, each licensee with fewer than ten employees, which, for the purposes of this subclause, includes independent contractors having access to the nonpublic information used by such licensee or in such licensee's possession, custody or control, shall be exempt from this subsection;

(ii) Each licensee that is subject to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, P.L. 104-191, as amended from time to time, and has established and maintains an information security program pursuant to said act and the rules, regulations, procedures or guidelines established thereunder, shall be deemed to have satisfied the requirements of this subsection, provided such licensee is in compliance therewith and submits to the Insurance Commissioner a written statement certifying such licensee's compliance therewith;

(iii) Each employee, agent, representative or designee of a licensee, who is also a licensee, shall be exempt from the provisions of this subsection and need not develop its own information security program to the extent that such employee, agent representative or designee is covered by the other licensee's information security program; and

(iv) Each licensee that has established and maintains an information security program in compliance with the statutes, rules and regulations of a jurisdiction approved by the commissioner pursuant to regulations adopted pursuant to subsection (i) of this section shall be deemed to have satisfied the provisions of this subsection, provided such licensee is in compliance therewith and submits to the

commissioner, not later than February fifteenth, annually, a written statement certifying such licensee's compliance therewith.

(B) In the event that a licensee ceases to qualify for an exception under this subdivision, the licensee shall have one hundred eighty days to comply with this subsection.

(d) Investigation of a Cybersecurity Event. (1) If a licensee learns that a cybersecurity event has, or may have, occurred, the licensee, or an outside vendor or service provider, or both, designated to act on behalf of such licensee, shall conduct a prompt investigation in accordance with the provisions of this subsection.

(2) During any investigation conducted pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection, the licensee or the outside vendor or service provider, or both, shall, at a minimum and to the extent possible:

(A) Determine whether the cybersecurity event occurred; and

(B) If the cybersecurity event occurred:

(i) Assess the nature and scope of such cybersecurity event;

(ii) Identify the nonpublic information, if any, that may have been involved in such cybersecurity event; and

(iii) Perform or oversee reasonable measures to restore the security of the information systems compromised in such cybersecurity event in order to prevent further unauthorized acquisition, release or use of nonpublic information that is in the licensee's possession, custody or control.

(3) If a licensee learns that a cybersecurity event has, or may have, occurred in a system maintained by a third-party service provider, the licensee shall complete the steps listed in subdivision (2) of this subsection or confirm and document that the third-party service

provider has completed such steps.

(4) Each licensee that is subject to the provisions of this subsection shall maintain records concerning each cybersecurity event for a period of at least five years from the date of such cybersecurity event, and shall produce such records to the Insurance Commissioner upon demand by the commissioner.

(e) Notification of a Cybersecurity Event. (1) Notification to the Commissioner. Each licensee shall notify the Insurance Commissioner that a cybersecurity event has occurred, as promptly as possible but in no event later than three business days after the date of the cybersecurity event, if:

(A) Such licensee is an insurer and this state is the insurer's state of domicile, or the licensee is an insurance producer, as defined in section 38a-702a of the general statutes, and this state is the insurance producer's home state, as defined in section 38a-702a of the general statutes; and

(B) The licensee reasonably believes that the nonpublic information involved in the cybersecurity event is of two hundred fifty or more consumers residing in this state and:

(i) State or federal law requires that a notice concerning such cybersecurity event be provided to a government body, self-regulatory agency or another supervisory body; or

(ii) It is reasonably likely that such cybersecurity event will materially harm:

(I) A consumer residing in this state; or

(II) A material part of such licensee's normal operations.

(2) Information to Be Provided to Commissioner. (A) Each licensee

that notifies the Insurance Commissioner pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection shall provide to the commissioner, in an electronic form prescribed by the commissioner, as much of the following information as possible:

(i) The date of the cybersecurity event;

(ii) A description of how the information was exposed, lost, stolen or breached, including, but not limited to, the specific roles and responsibilities of third-party service providers, if any;

(iii) How the cybersecurity event was discovered;

(iv) Whether any lost, stolen or breached information has been recovered and, if so, how such information was recovered;

(v) The identity of the source of the cybersecurity event;

(vi) Whether such licensee has filed a police report or notified any regulatory, government or law enforcement agency, and, if so, when such licensee filed such report or provided such notice;

(vii) A description of the specific types of exposed, lost, stolen or breached information, including, for example, specific types of medical information, financial information or information allowing identification of a consumer;

(viii) The period during which each information system that was compromised by the cybersecurity event was compromised by such cybersecurity event;

(ix) The number of total consumers in this state affected by the cybersecurity event;

(x) The results of an internal review identifying any lapse in automated controls or internal procedures, or confirming that all such

controls and procedures were followed;

(xi) A description of any efforts being undertaken to remediate the situation that permitted the cybersecurity event to occur;

(xii) A copy of the licensee's privacy policy and a statement outlining the steps the licensee will take to investigate and notify consumers affected by the cybersecurity event; and

(xiii) The name of a contact person who is both familiar with the cybersecurity event and authorized to act for the licensee.

(B) Each licensee that provides information to the Insurance Commissioner pursuant to subparagraph (A) of this subdivision shall have a continuing obligation to update and supplement such information.

(3) Notification to Consumers. Each licensee shall comply with all applicable provisions of section 36a-701b of the general statutes, and provide to the Insurance Commissioner a copy of the notice that such licensee sends to consumers pursuant to said section, if any, if such licensee is required to notify the commissioner pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection.

(4) Notice Regarding Cybersecurity Events of Third-Party Service Providers. (A) In the case of a cybersecurity event involving a system maintained by a third-party service provider, each licensee affected by the event shall treat such event, if the licensee as is aware of such event, as such licensee would treat such event under subdivision (1) of this subsection.

(B) The computation of a licensee's deadlines shall begin on the day after a third-party service provider notifies the licensee of the cybersecurity event or such licensee otherwise first becomes aware of such event, whichever is sooner.

(C) Nothing in this section shall prevent or abrogate an agreement between a licensee and another party to fulfill any of the investigation requirements imposed under subsection (d) of this section or the notice requirements imposed under this subsection.

(5) Notice Regarding Cybersecurity Events of Reinsurers to Insurers. (A) (i) In the case of a cybersecurity event involving nonpublic information that is used by a licensee that is acting as an assuming insurer or in the possession, custody or control of a licensee that is acting as an assuming insurer and that does not have a direct contractual relationship with the affected consumers, the assuming insurer shall notify its affected ceding insurers and the insurance regulatory official of its state of domicile not later than seventy-two hours after such assuming insurer discovered that the cybersecurity event had occurred.

(ii) Each ceding insurer that has a direct contractual relationship with the consumers affected by a cybersecurity event shall fulfill the consumer notification requirements imposed under section 36a-701b of the general statutes and any other notification requirements relating to a cybersecurity event imposed under this section.

(B) (i) In the case of a cybersecurity event involving nonpublic information that is in the possession, custody or control of a third-party service provider of a licensee, when the licensee is acting as an assuming insurer, including an assuming insurer that is domiciled in another state or jurisdiction, the assuming insurer shall notify its affected ceding insurers and the insurance regulatory official of its state of domicile not later than seventy-two hours after such assuming insurer received notice from the third-party service provider disclosing that the cybersecurity event occurred.

(ii) Ceding insurers that have a direct contractual relationship with affected consumers shall fulfill the consumer notification requirements

imposed under section 36a-701b of the general statutes and any other notification requirements relating to a cybersecurity event imposed under this section.

(6) Notice Regarding Cybersecurity Events of Insurers to Producers of Record. If a cybersecurity event involves nonpublic information that is in the possession, custody or control of a licensee that is an insurer, or a third-party service provider for a licensee that is an insurer, and for which a consumer who is affected by the cybersecurity event accessed such licensee's services through an independent insurance producer, such licensee shall notify the producer of record for such consumer of the occurrence of such cybersecurity event not later than the time at which notice is provided to such consumer, provided such licensee has the current producer of record information for such individual consumer.

(f) Power of Commissioner. (1) The Insurance Commissioner shall have power to examine and investigate into the affairs of a licensee to determine whether the licensee is, or has been, engaged in conduct in this state that violates the provisions of this section. The commissioner's power under this subsection is in addition to the commissioner's powers under sections 38a-14 to 38a-16, inclusive, of the general statutes. Any such investigation or examination shall be conducted pursuant to said sections, if applicable.

(2) Whenever the Insurance Commissioner has reason to believe that a licensee is, or has been, engaged in conduct in this state that violates the provisions of this section, the commissioner shall issue and serve upon the licensee:

(A) A statement setting forth such violation; and

(B) A notice of a hearing to be held at a time and place fixed in such notice, which time shall not be less than thirty calendar days after the

date of service of such notice.

(3) (A) The licensee shall, at the time and place fixed for the hearing in the notice issued and served upon such licensee pursuant to subdivision (2) of this subsection, have an opportunity to be heard and show cause why an order should not be entered by the Insurance Commissioner:

(i) Enforcing the provisions of this section; or

(ii) Suspending, revoking or refusing to reissue or renew any license, certificate of registration or authorization to operate the Insurance Commissioner has issued, or may issue, to such licensee.

(B) The Insurance Commissioner may, after holding a hearing pursuant to subparagraph (A) of this subdivision and in addition to or in lieu of suspending, revoking or refusing to reissue or renew any license, certificate of registration or authorization to operate the commissioner has issued, or may issue, to the licensee, impose on such licensee a civil penalty of not more than fifty thousand dollars for each violation of the provisions of this section. The commissioner may bring a civil action to recover the amount of any civil penalty that the commissioner imposes on a licensee pursuant to this subparagraph.

(g) Confidentiality. (1) (A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, documents, materials and other information in the possession, custody or control of the Insurance Department and furnished to the department by a licensee, or an employee or agent of a licensee acting on behalf of the licensee, pursuant to subdivision (9) of subsection (c) of this section or subparagraph (A)(ii), (A)(iii), (A)(iv), (A)(v), (A)(viii), (A)(x) or (A)(xi) of subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of this section, or obtained by the commissioner in an investigation or examination conducted pursuant to subsection (f) of this section, shall be confidential by law, privileged, not subject to disclosure under

section 1-210 of the general statutes, not subject to subpoena, and not subject to discovery or admission into evidence in any private civil action.

(B) The Insurance Commissioner is authorized to use all documents, materials and other information in furtherance of any regulatory or legal actions brought as a part of the commissioner's duties.

(2) Neither the Insurance Commissioner nor any person acting under the authority of the commissioner who receives documents or materials that are, or other information that is, subject to the provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection shall be permitted or required to testify in any private civil action concerning such documents, materials or other information.

(3) The Insurance Commissioner, in order to assist the commissioner in performing the commissioner's duties under this section, may:

(A) Share documents, materials and other information, including, but not limited to, confidential and privileged documents, materials and other information subject to subdivision (1) of this subsection, with other state, federal and international regulatory agencies, the National Association of Insurance Commissioners and the affiliates and subsidiaries of said association, the Attorney General and other state, federal or international law enforcement authorities, provided the recipient of such documents, materials or other information agrees, in writing, to maintain the confidentiality and privileged status of such documents, materials or other information;

(B) Receive documents, materials and other information, including, but not limited to, otherwise confidential and privileged documents, materials and other information, from the National Association of Insurance Commissioners and the affiliates and subsidiaries of said association, the Attorney General and other domestic or foreign

regulatory or law enforcement officials, provided the commissioner shall maintain as confidential and privileged all documents, materials and other information that the commissioner receives with notice or an understanding that such documents or materials are, or such other information is, confidential or privileged under the laws of the jurisdiction that is the source of such documents, materials or other information;

(C) Share documents, materials and other information subject to subdivision (1) of this subsection with a third-party consultant or vendor, provided the third-party consultant or vendor agrees, in writing, to maintain the confidentiality and privileged status of such documents, materials and other information; and

(D) Enter into agreements governing the sharing and use of documents, materials and other information, provided such agreements are consistent with the provisions of this subsection.

(4) No waiver of any applicable privilege or claim of confidentiality in a document, material or other information shall occur as a result of any disclosure of the document, material or other information to the Insurance Commissioner pursuant to this section, or as a result of any sharing of such document, material or other information authorized under subdivision (3) of this subsection.

(5) Nothing in this section shall prohibit the Insurance Commissioner from releasing final, adjudicated actions that are open to public inspection pursuant to section 1-210 of the general statutes to a database or other clearinghouse service maintained by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners or the affiliates or subsidiaries of said association.

(h) Private Right of Action. Nothing in this section shall be construed to create or imply a private right of action, or to affect or

limit a private right of action that exists without regard to this section.

(i) Regulations. The Insurance Commissioner may adopt such regulations, in accordance with chapter 54 of the general statutes, as are necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

Sec. 231. Subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of section 36a-701b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2020*):

(B) The person who conducts business in this state, and who, in the ordinary course of such person's business, owns or licenses computerized data that includes personal information, shall offer to each resident whose **[**personal**]** nonpublic information under subparagraph **[**(A)**]** (B)(i) of subdivision **[**(4)**]** (9) of subsection **[**(a)**]** (b) of section **[**38a-999b**]** 230 of this act or personal information as defined in subparagraph (A) of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section was breached or is reasonably believed to have been breached, appropriate identity theft prevention services and, if applicable, identity theft mitigation services. Such service or services shall be provided at no cost to such resident for a period of not less than twenty-four months. Such person shall provide all information necessary for such resident to enroll in such service or services and shall include information on how such resident can place a credit freeze on such resident's credit file.

Sec. 232. Section 1 of public act 19-25 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

As used in this section and sections 2 to 16, inclusive, of **[**this act**]** public act 19-25:

(1) "Authority" means the Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance Authority established in section 2 of **[**this act**]** public act 19-25. "Authority" does not mean an appointing authority;

(2) "Base period" means the first four of the five most recently completed quarters;

(3) "Base weekly earnings" means an amount equal to one twenty-sixth, rounded to the next lower dollar, of a covered employee's total wages, as defined in subsection (b) of section 31-222 of the general statutes **[**, or**]** and self-employment income, as defined in 26 USC 1402(b), as amended from time to time, earned during the two quarters of the covered employee's base period in which such earnings were highest, provided self-employment income shall be included only if the recipient has enrolled in the program pursuant to section 9 of public act 19-25;

(4) "Covered employee" means an individual who has earned not less than two thousand three hundred twenty-five dollars in subject earnings during the employee's highest earning quarter within the base period and (A) is presently employed by an employer, (B) has been employed by an employer in the previous twelve weeks, or (C) is a self-employed individual or sole proprietor and Connecticut resident who has enrolled in the program pursuant to section 9 of **[**this act**]** public act 19-25;

(5) "Covered public employee" means an individual who is (A) employed in state service, as defined in section 5-196 of the general statutes, and who is not in a bargaining unit established pursuant to sections 5-270 to 5-280, inclusive, of the general statutes, or (B) a member of a collective bargaining unit whose exclusive collective bargaining agent negotiates inclusion in the program, in accordance with chapter 68 of the general statutes, sections 7-467 to 7-477, inclusive, of the general statutes or sections 10-153a to 10-153n, inclusive, of the general statutes. If a municipal employer, as defined in section 7-467 of the general statutes, or a local or regional board of education negotiates inclusion in the program for members of a collective bargaining unit, "covered public employee" also means an

individual who is employed by such municipal employer or local or regional board of education and who is not in a bargaining unit established under sections 7-467 to 7-477, inclusive, of the general statutes, or sections 10-153a to 10-153n, inclusive, of the general statutes;

(6) "Employ" means to allow or permit to work;

(7) "Employee" means an individual engaged in service to an employer in this state in the business of the employer;

(8) "Employer" means a person engaged in any activity, enterprise or business who employs one or more employees, and includes any person who acts, directly or indirectly, in the interest of an employer to any of the employees of such employer and any successor in interest of an employer. "Employer" does not mean the federal government, the state or a municipality, a local or regional board of education or a nonpublic elementary or secondary school, except that the state, a municipal employer or local or regional board of education is an employer with respect to each of its covered public employees;

(9) "Family and medical leave compensation" or "compensation" means the paid leave provided to covered employees from the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Trust Fund;

(10) "Family and Medical Leave Insurance Authority Board" means the board of directors established in section 2 of **[**this act**]** public act 19-25;

(11) "Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program" or "program" means the program established in section 3 of **[**this act**]** public act 19-25;

(12) "Family and Medical Leave Insurance Trust Fund" or "trust" means the trust fund established in section 5 of **[**this act**]** public act 19-

25;

(13) "Health care provider" has the same meaning as provided in section 31-51kk of the general statutes, as amended by **[**this act**]** public act 19-25;

(14) "Person" means one or more individuals, partnerships, associations, corporations, limited liability companies, business trusts, legal representatives or any organized group of persons;

(15) "Serious health condition" has the same meaning as provided in section 31-51kk of the general statutes, as amended by **[**this act**]** public act 19-25; and

(16) "Subject earnings" means total wages, as defined in subsection (b) of section 31-222 of the general statutes **[**, or**]** and self-employment income as defined in 26 USC 1402(b), as amended from time to time, that shall not exceed the Social Security contribution and benefit base, as determined pursuant to 42 USC 430, as amended from time to time, provided self-employment income shall be included only if the recipient has enrolled in the program pursuant to section 9 of public act 19-25.

Sec. 233. Section 2 of public act 19-25 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) There is established a Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance Authority which shall be a body politic and corporate and shall constitute a public instrumentality and political subdivision of the state created for the performance of an essential public and governmental function. The authority shall not be construed to be a department, institution or agency of the state.

(b) The powers of the authority shall be vested in and exercised by a board of directors, which shall consist of **[**fifteen**]** thirteen voting

members, as follows: (1) The Labor Commissioner, or his or her designee, who shall serve as an ex-officio voting member; (2) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or his or her designee, who shall serve as an ex-officio voting member; (3) **[**the State Treasurer, or his or her designee, who shall serve as an ex-officio voting member; (4) the State Comptroller, or his or her designee, who shall serve as an ex-officio voting member; (5)**]** the Commissioner of Administrative Services, or **[**, at that commissioner's designation, the Chief Information Officer**]** his or her designee, who shall serve as an ex-officio voting member; **[**(6)**]** (4) the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, or his or her designee, who shall serve as an ex-officio voting member; **[**(7)**]** (5) one appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, who shall have skill, knowledge and experience in the interests of employees; **[**(8)**]** (6) one appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, who shall be an attorney advocating for the rights, benefits and opportunities of employees; **[**(9)**]** (7) one appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives, who shall have skill, knowledge and experience in the interests of disability insurance plans; **[**(10)**]** (8) one appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, who shall be an impacted individual who has personal knowledge and experience with economically distressed and underserved communities and is reflective of the ethnic and economic diversity of such communities; **[**(11)**]** (9) one appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who shall have skill, knowledge and experience in the interests of small business employees; **[**(12)**]** (10) one appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, who shall have skill, knowledge and experience in the interests of employees of large businesses; and **[**(13)**]** (11) three appointed by the Governor, one of whom shall have skill, knowledge and experience in modern software practices, and two of whom shall have skill, knowledge and experience in family and medical leave programs. The State Treasurer, or his or her designee, and the State Comptroller, or his or her designee, shall serve as ex-officio nonvoting members. Each

member appointed pursuant to subdivisions **[**(7)**]** (5) to **[**(13)**]** (11), inclusive, of this subsection shall serve an initial term of four years. Thereafter, said members of the General Assembly and the Governor shall appoint members of the board to succeed such appointees whose terms have expired and each member so appointed shall hold office for a term of **[**six**]** three years from July first in the year of his or her appointment. Members shall hold office until a successor member has been duly appointed. Any member who fails to attend three consecutive meetings or who fails to attend fifty per cent of all meetings held during any calendar year shall be deemed to have resigned from the board.

(c) All initial appointments to the board shall be made not later than July 1, 2019. Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority not later than thirty calendar days after the office becomes vacant. Any member previously appointed to the board may be reappointed.

(d) The Governor **[**, the speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro tempore of the Senate shall collectively**]** shall select a chairperson of the board from among the members of the board. The board shall annually elect a vice-chairperson and such other officers as it deems necessary from among its members. The board may appoint an executive director, who shall not be a member of the board and who shall serve at the pleasure of the board. The executive director shall be an employee of the authority and shall receive such compensation as prescribed by the board.

(e) (1) On and after January 1, 2022, the employees of the authority shall be considered state employees for the purposes of sections 5-270 to 5-280, inclusive, of the general statutes. To the extent such employees are performing jobs which would normally be within a current executive branch bargaining unit, such jobs shall be added to the unit descriptions of such bargaining units and employees in those jobs shall be deemed part of such units. Managerial employees and

other employees not covered by a collective bargaining agreement shall be exempt from the classified service. With regard to unclassified positions, the authority shall not be required to comply with personnel policies and procedures of the Department of Administrative Services and the Office of Policy and Management with regard to approval for the creation of new positions, the number of such positions, the decision to fill such positions or the time for filling such positions. The authority, not the executive branch, shall have the power to determine whether an individual is qualified to fill an unclassified position at the authority. The authority shall determine the qualifications and set the terms and conditions of employment of employees not covered by a collective bargaining agreement, including the establishment of compensation and incentive plans, subject to such bargaining obligation as may be created if any such employees elect an exclusive bargaining agent pursuant to the provisions of sections 5-270 to 5-280, inclusive, of the general statutes.

(2) The executive branch shall be authorized and empowered to negotiate on behalf of the authority with employees of the authority covered by collective bargaining and represent the authority in all other collective bargaining matters. The authority shall be entitled to have a representative present at all such bargaining.

(3) In any interest arbitration regarding employees of the authority, the arbitrator shall take into account the purpose of this section as a factor, in addition to those factors specified in section 5-276a of the general statutes.

(f) The officers and all other employees of the authority shall be state employees for the purposes of group welfare benefits and retirement, including, but not limited to, those provided under chapter 66 of the general statutes and sections 5-257 and 5-259 of the general statutes. The authority shall reimburse the appropriate state agencies for all costs incurred by such designation.

(g) The members of the board shall serve without compensation but shall, within available appropriations, be reimbursed in accordance with the standard travel regulations for all necessary expenses that they may incur through service on the board.

(h) (1) Each member of the board shall, not later than ten calendar days after his or her appointment, take and subscribe the oath of affirmation required by article XI, section 1, of the Constitution of the state. The oath shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of the State.

(2) Each officer or member of the board authorized by resolution of the board to handle funds or sign checks for the program shall, not later than ten calendar days after the date the board adopts such authorizing resolution, execute a surety bond in the penal sum of fifty thousand dollars or procure an equivalent insurance product or, in lieu thereof, the chairperson shall obtain a blanket position bond covering the executive director and each member of the board and other employee or authorized officer of the authority in the penal sum of fifty thousand dollars. Each such bond or equivalent insurance product shall be (A) conditioned upon the faithful performance of the duties of the chairperson or the members, executive director and other authorized officers or employees, as the case may be, and (B) issued by an insurance company authorized to transact business in this state as surety. The cost of each such bond shall be paid by the authority.

(i) An authorized officer or the executive director, if one is appointed by the board pursuant to subsection (d) of this section, shall supervise the administrative affairs and technical activities of the program in accordance with the directives of the board. Such authorized officer or executive director, as the case may be, shall keep a record of the proceedings of the program and shall be custodian of all books, documents and papers filed with the program, the minute book or journal of the program and its official seal. Such authorized officer or executive director, as the case may be, may cause copies to be

made of all minutes and other records and documents of the program and may give certificates under the official seal of the program to the effect that such copies are true copies, and all persons dealing with the program may rely upon such certificates.

(j) A majority of the voting members of the board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business or the exercise of any power of the authority. Except as specified in section 1-121 of the general statutes and subdivision (14) of subsection (b) of section 4 of public act 19-25, the affirmative vote of a majority of voting members present at a meeting of the board shall be sufficient for action taken by the board.

(k) (1) No member of the board or any officer, agent or employee of the authority shall, directly or indirectly, have any financial interest in any corporation, business trust, estate, trust, partnership or association, two or more persons having a joint or common interest, or any other legal or commercial entity contracting with the authority. As used in this section, "financial interest" does not include an interest of a de minimis nature or an interest that is not distinct from that of a substantial segment of the general public.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection or any other section of the general statutes, it shall not be a conflict of interest or a violation of the provisions of said subdivision or any other section of the general statutes for a trustee, director, officer or employee of a bank, insurance company, investment advisor, investment company or investment banking firm, to serve as a member of the board, provided, in each case to which the provisions of this subdivision are applicable, such trustee, director, officer or employee of such a firm abstains from discussion, deliberation, action and vote by the board in specific respect to any undertaking pursuant to this section or sections 2 to 16, inclusive, of **[**this act**]** public act 19-25 in which such firm has a direct interest separate from the interests of

all similar firms generally.

(l) The authority shall continue as long as the program remains in effect and until its existence is terminated by law. Upon termination of the existence of the authority, all its rights and properties shall pass to and be vested in the state of Connecticut.

(m) The provisions of this section and section 1-125 of the general statutes, as amended by [this act] public act 19-25, shall apply to any member, director or employee of the authority. No person shall be subject to civil liability for the debts, obligations or liabilities of the authority as provided in this section and section 1-125 of the general statutes, as amended by [this act] public act 19-25.

Sec. 234. Section 4 of public act 19-25 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) The board, on behalf of the authority, and for the purpose of implementing the Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program established in section 3 of [this act] public act 19-25, shall adopt written procedures in accordance with the provisions of section 1-121 of the general statutes for the purposes of:

(1) Adopting an annual budget and plan of operations, including a requirement of board approval before such budget or plan may take effect;

(2) Adopting bylaws for the regulation of the affairs of the board and the conduct of its business;

(3) Hiring, dismissing, promoting and compensating employees of the authority and instituting an affirmative action policy;

(4) Acquiring real and personal property and personal services, including requiring board approval for any nonbudgeted expenditure

in excess of five thousand dollars;

(5) Contracting for financial, legal and other professional services, and requiring that the authority solicit proposals not less than every three years for each such service used by the board;

(6) Using surplus funds to the extent authorized under sections 2 to 16, inclusive, of **[**this act**]** public act 19-25 or any other provisions of the general statutes;

(7) Establishing an administrative process by which grievances, complaints and appeals regarding employment at the authority are reviewed and addressed by the board; and

(8) Implementing the provisions of sections 1 to 16, inclusive, of **[**this act**]** public act 19-25 or other provisions of the general statutes, as appropriate.

(b) The Paid Family and Medical Leave Authority may:

(1) Adopt an official seal and alter the same at the pleasure of the board;

(2) Maintain an office at such place or places in the state as the board may designate;

(3) Sue and be sued, and plea and be impleaded, in its own name;

(4) Establish criteria and guidelines for the Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program to be offered pursuant to this section, sections 2 and 3 and sections 5 to 16, inclusive, of **[**this act**]** public act 19-25;

(5) Employ staff, agents and contractors as may be necessary or desirable and fix the compensation of such persons;

(6) Design, establish and operate the program to ensure transparency in the management of the program through oversight and ethics review of plan fiduciaries;

(7) Design and establish a process by which employees and self-employed individuals or sole proprietors who have enrolled in the program pursuant to section 9 of **[**this act**]** public act 19-25 shall contribute a portion of their subject earnings to the trust;

(8) Evaluate and establish a process by which employers may credit employee contributions to the trust through payroll deposit;

(9) Ensure that contributions to the trust collected from employees and self-employed individuals or sole proprietors who have enrolled in the program pursuant to section 9 of **[**this act**]** public act 19-25 shall not be used for any purpose other than providing compensation to covered employees, educating and informing persons about the program and paying the operational, administrative and investment costs of the program;

(10) Establish and maintain a secure Internet web site that displays all public notices issued by the authority and such other information as the authority deems relevant and necessary for the implementation of the program and for the education of the public regarding the program;

(11) Establish policies, or written procedures in accordance with the provisions of section 1-121 of the general statutes, as appropriate, including, but not limited to, policies or procedures:

(A) Establishing a process to determine whether an individual meets the requirements for compensation under this section, including the certification required for establishing eligibility for such compensation;

(B) Establishing methods by which any books, records, documents, contracts or other papers relevant to the eligibility of a covered employee shall be examined, or caused to be produced or examined;

(C) Establishing methods by which witnesses who provide information relevant to a covered employee's claim for family and medical leave compensation may be summoned and examined under oath;

(D) Ensuring the confidentiality of records and documents relating to medical certifications, recertifications and medical histories of covered employees and covered employees' family members pursuant to section 31-51oo of the general statutes, as amended by **[**this act**]** public act 19-25;

(E) Establishing the percentage of subject earnings each employee and self-employed individuals or sole proprietors who have enrolled in the program pursuant to section 9 of **[**this act**]** public act 19-25 shall contribute to the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Trust Fund, provided such percentage shall not exceed one-half of one per cent;

(F) Certifying the ongoing solvency of the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Trust Fund and adjusting the compensation offered to covered employees as necessary to ensure the solvency of the fund as provided in subdivision (3) of subsection (c) of section 3 of **[**this act**]** public act 19-25, provided the contribution percentage established by the Authority pursuant to subdivision (5) of this section has reached the statutory maximum; and

(G) Determining whether an employer meets the requirements for the administration of a private plan, including the approval, oversight and termination of such private plan, and developing any potential alternate measure of subject earnings for the purposes of calculating compensation under such plans;

(12) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, and to the extent consistent with federal law, (A) use state administrative data collected by any agency for the purposes of carrying out and implementing such program, including, but not limited to, eligibility determination, benefit calculation, program planning, recipient outreach and continuous improvement and program evaluation, including assessment of longitudinal impact; and (B) share user data and other data collected through program administration with other state agencies for purposes, including, but not limited to, improving delivery of benefits and services to program participants and other persons, streamlining eligibility determination for programs administered by other agencies, recipient outreach and continuous improvement and program evaluation, including assessment of longitudinal impact. Expenses incurred for activities undertaken pursuant to this subdivision, as well as compensation paid to other state agencies for any associated costs, shall be considered appropriate administrative expenses of the program.

(13) Enter into agreements with any department, agency, office or instrumentality of the United States or this state to carry out the purposes of the program, including, but not limited to:

(A) Memoranda of understanding with the Labor Department and other state agencies regarding (i) the gathering or dissemination of information necessary for the operations of the program, subject to such obligations of confidentiality as may be agreed or required by law, (ii) the sharing of costs incurred pursuant to the gathering and dissemination of such information, and (iii) the reimbursement of costs for any enforcement activities conducted pursuant to section 14 of **[**this act**]** public act 19-25. Each state agency may also enter into such memoranda of understanding;

(B) Memoranda of understanding with the Department of Revenue Services and the Labor Department for (i) the collection of employee

contributions, and (ii) the reimbursement of costs by the authority for any costs incurred related to the collection of employee contributions. The Department of Revenue Services and the Labor Department shall also enter into such memoranda of understanding; and

(C) Memoranda of understanding with the Labor Department for (i) the adjudication of claims by covered employees aggrieved by a denial of compensation under the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program, and (ii) the reimbursement of costs by the authority for any costs incurred by the Labor Department related to the adjudication of contested claims or penalties imposed pursuant to section 14 of **[**this act**]** public act 19-25. The Labor Department shall also enter into such memoranda of understanding.

(14) Make and enter into any contract or agreement necessary or incidental to the performance of its duties and execution of its powers. **[**, subject to the provisions of subsection (c) of this section.**]** The contracts and agreements entered into by the authority shall not be subject to the approval of any other state department, office or agency, provided copies of all such contracts shall be maintained by the authority as public records, subject to the proprietary rights of any party to such contracts. No contract shall contain any provision in which any contractor derives any direct or indirect economic benefit from denying or otherwise influencing the outcome of any claim for benefits. The standard criteria for the evaluation of proposals relating to claims processing, web site development, database development, marketing and advertising, in the event the authority seeks the services of an outside contractor for such tasks, and for the evaluation of proposals relating to all other contracts in amounts equal to or exceeding two hundred fifty thousand dollars shall include, but need not be limited to: (A) Transparency, (B) cost, (C) efficiency of operations, (D) quality of work related to the contracts issued, (E) user experience, (F) accountability, and (G) a cost-benefit analysis

documenting the direct and indirect costs of such contracts, including qualitative and quantitative benefits that will result from the implementation of such contracts. The establishment of additional standard criteria shall be approved by a two-thirds vote of the board after such criteria have been posted on a public Internet web site maintained by the authority for notice and comment for at least one week prior to such vote.

(15) Do all things necessary or convenient to carry out the provisions of sections 1 to 16, inclusive, of **[**this act**]** public act 19-25.

[(c) (1) The board of directors of the authority shall issue requests for proposals, in the event the authority seeks the services of an outside contractor for the following:

(A) Initial claims processing;

(B) Proposals for web site development;

(C) Database development;

(D) Marketing and advertising; or

(E) Implementing any other elements of the program.

(2) The authority shall develop criteria for evaluating proposals relating to the purposes listed in this subsection and all other contracts in amounts equal to or exceeding five hundred thousand dollars. Such criteria shall include, but need not be limited to: (A) Transparency, (B) cost, (C) efficiency of operations, (D) quality of the work related to the contracts issued, (E) user experience, (F) accountability, and (G) a cost-benefit analysis documenting the direct and indirect costs of such contracts, including qualitative and quantitative benefits that will result from the implementation of such contracts. The establishment of such criteria shall be subject to the notice and adoption requirements

specified in section 1-121 of the general statutes.]

Sec. 235. (*Effective from passage*) Section 26 of public act 19-25 shall take effect January 1, 2022.

Sec. 236. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2020*) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes and to the maximum extent permitted by federal law, no individual or group health insurance policy delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state on or after January 1, 2020, providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes shall impose a coinsurance, copayment, deductible or other out-of-pocket expense for a covered benefit in an amount that exceeds the lesser of:

(1) The amount paid to the provider or vendor for the covered benefit, including all discounts, rebates and adjustments, by the insurer, health care center, fraternal benefit society, hospital service corporation, medical service corporation or other entity that delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued such policy or an intermediary engaged by such insurer, center, society, corporation or entity;

(2) An amount calculated on the basis of the amount charged for the covered benefit by the provider or vendor, less any discount for such covered benefit and any amount due to, or charged by, an entity if such entity is affiliated with, or owned or controlled by, the insurer, health care center, fraternal benefit society, hospital service corporation, medical service corporation or other entity that delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued such policy; or

(3) The amount that the insured would have paid to the provider or vendor for the covered benefit without regard to such policy. If the Insurance Commissioner adopts regulations pursuant to subsection (c)

of this section, the commissioner may define such amount in such regulations.

(b) Any violation of subsection (a) of this section shall be deemed an unfair method of competition and unfair and deceptive act or practice in the business of insurance under section 38a-816 of the general statutes.

(c) The Insurance Commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to implement the provisions of this section.

Sec. 237. Section 38a-816 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

The following are defined as unfair methods of competition and unfair and deceptive acts or practices in the business of insurance:

(1) Misrepresentations and false advertising of insurance policies. Making, issuing or circulating, or causing to be made, issued or circulated, any estimate, illustration, circular or statement, sales presentation, omission or comparison which: (A) Misrepresents the benefits, advantages, conditions or terms of any insurance policy; (B) misrepresents the dividends or share of the surplus to be received, on any insurance policy; (C) makes any false or misleading statements as to the dividends or share of surplus previously paid on any insurance policy; (D) is misleading or is a misrepresentation as to the financial condition of any person, or as to the legal reserve system upon which any life insurer operates; (E) uses any name or title of any insurance policy or class of insurance policies misrepresenting the true nature thereof; (F) is a misrepresentation, including, but not limited to, an intentional misquote of a premium rate, for the purpose of inducing or tending to induce to the purchase, lapse, forfeiture, exchange, conversion or surrender of any insurance policy; (G) is a

misrepresentation for the purpose of effecting a pledge or assignment of or effecting a loan against any insurance policy; or (H) misrepresents any insurance policy as being shares of stock.

(2) False information and advertising generally. Making, publishing, disseminating, circulating or placing before the public, or causing, directly or indirectly, to be made, published, disseminated, circulated or placed before the public, in a newspaper, magazine or other publication, or in the form of a notice, circular, pamphlet, letter or poster, or over any radio or television station, or in any other way, an advertisement, announcement or statement containing any assertion, representation or statement with respect to the business of insurance or with respect to any person in the conduct of his insurance business, which is untrue, deceptive or misleading.

(3) Defamation. Making, publishing, disseminating or circulating, directly or indirectly, or aiding, abetting or encouraging the making, publishing, disseminating or circulating of, any oral or written statement or any pamphlet, circular, article or literature which is false or maliciously critical of or derogatory to the financial condition of an insurer, and which is calculated to injure any person engaged in the business of insurance.

(4) Boycott, coercion and intimidation. Entering into any agreement to commit, or by any concerted action committing, any act of boycott, coercion or intimidation resulting in or tending to result in unreasonable restraint of, or monopoly in, the business of insurance.

(5) False financial statements. Filing with any supervisory or other public official, or making, publishing, disseminating, circulating or delivering to any person, or placing before the public, or causing, directly or indirectly, to be made, published, disseminated, circulated or delivered to any person, or placed before the public, any false statement of financial condition of an insurer with intent to deceive; or

making any false entry in any book, report or statement of any insurer with intent to deceive any agent or examiner lawfully appointed to examine into its condition or into any of its affairs, or any public official to whom such insurer is required by law to report, or who has authority by law to examine into its condition or into any of its affairs, or, with like intent, wilfully omitting to make a true entry of any material fact pertaining to the business of such insurer in any book, report or statement of such insurer.

(6) Unfair claim settlement practices. Committing or performing with such frequency as to indicate a general business practice any of the following: (A) Misrepresenting pertinent facts or insurance policy provisions relating to coverages at issue; (B) failing to acknowledge and act with reasonable promptness upon communications with respect to claims arising under insurance policies; (C) failing to adopt and implement reasonable standards for the prompt investigation of claims arising under insurance policies; (D) refusing to pay claims without conducting a reasonable investigation based upon all available information; (E) failing to affirm or deny coverage of claims within a reasonable time after proof of loss statements have been completed; (F) not attempting in good faith to effectuate prompt, fair and equitable settlements of claims in which liability has become reasonably clear; (G) compelling insureds to institute litigation to recover amounts due under an insurance policy by offering substantially less than the amounts ultimately recovered in actions brought by such insureds; (H) attempting to settle a claim for less than the amount to which a reasonable man would have believed he was entitled by reference to written or printed advertising material accompanying or made part of an application; (I) attempting to settle claims on the basis of an application which was altered without notice to, or knowledge or consent of the insured; (J) making claims payments to insureds or beneficiaries not accompanied by statements setting forth the coverage under which the payments are being made; (K) making known to

insureds or claimants a policy of appealing from arbitration awards in favor of insureds or claimants for the purpose of compelling them to accept settlements or compromises less than the amount awarded in arbitration; (L) delaying the investigation or payment of claims by requiring an insured, claimant, or the physician of either to submit a preliminary claim report and then requiring the subsequent submission of formal proof of loss forms, both of which submissions contain substantially the same information; (M) failing to promptly settle claims, where liability has become reasonably clear, under one portion of the insurance policy coverage in order to influence settlements under other portions of the insurance policy coverage; (N) failing to promptly provide a reasonable explanation of the basis in the insurance policy in relation to the facts or applicable law for denial of a claim or for the offer of a compromise settlement; (O) using as a basis for cash settlement with a first party automobile insurance claimant an amount which is less than the amount which the insurer would pay if repairs were made unless such amount is agreed to by the insured or provided for by the insurance policy.

(7) Failure to maintain complaint handling procedures. Failure of any person to maintain complete record of all the complaints which it has received since the date of its last examination. This record shall indicate the total number of complaints, their classification by line of insurance, the nature of each complaint, the disposition of these complaints, and the time it took to process each complaint. For purposes of this subsection "complaint" means any written communication primarily expressing a grievance.

(8) Misrepresentation in insurance applications. Making false or fraudulent statements or representations on or relative to an application for an insurance policy for the purpose of obtaining a fee, commission, money or other benefit from any insurer, producer or individual.

(9) Any violation of any one of sections 38a-358, 38a-446, 38a-447, 38a-488, 38a-825, 38a-826, 38a-828 and 38a-829. None of the following practices shall be considered discrimination within the meaning of section 38a-446 or 38a-488 or a rebate within the meaning of section 38a-825: (A) Paying bonuses to policyholders or otherwise abating their premiums in whole or in part out of surplus accumulated from nonparticipating insurance, provided any such bonuses or abatement of premiums shall be fair and equitable to policyholders and for the best interests of the company and its policyholders; (B) in the case of policies issued on the industrial debit plan, making allowance to policyholders who have continuously for a specified period made premium payments directly to an office of the insurer in an amount which fairly represents the saving in collection expense; (C) readjustment of the rate of premium for a group insurance policy based on loss or expense experience, or both, at the end of the first or any subsequent policy year, which may be made retroactive for such policy year.

(10) Notwithstanding any provision of any policy of insurance, certificate or service contract, whenever such insurance policy or certificate or service contract provides for reimbursement for any services which may be legally performed by any practitioner of the healing arts licensed to practice in this state, reimbursement under such insurance policy, certificate or service contract shall not be denied because of race, color or creed nor shall any insurer make or permit any unfair discrimination against particular individuals or persons so licensed.

(11) Favored agent or insurer: Coercion of debtors. (A) No person may (i) require, as a condition precedent to the lending of money or extension of credit, or any renewal thereof, that the person to whom such money or credit is extended or whose obligation the creditor is to acquire or finance, negotiate any policy or contract of insurance

through a particular insurer or group of insurers or producer or group of producers; (ii) unreasonably disapprove the insurance policy provided by a borrower for the protection of the property securing the credit or lien; (iii) require directly or indirectly that any borrower, mortgagor, purchaser, insurer or producer pay a separate charge, in connection with the handling of any insurance policy required as security for a loan on real estate or pay a separate charge to substitute the insurance policy of one insurer for that of another; or (iv) use or disclose information resulting from a requirement that a borrower, mortgagor or purchaser furnish insurance of any kind on real property being conveyed or used as collateral security to a loan, when such information is to the advantage of the mortgagee, vendor or lender, or is to the detriment of the borrower, mortgagor, purchaser, insurer or the producer complying with such a requirement.

(B) (i) Subparagraph (A)(iii) of this subdivision shall not include the interest which may be charged on premium loans or premium advancements in accordance with the security instrument. (ii) For purposes of subparagraph (A)(ii) of this subdivision, such disapproval shall be deemed unreasonable if it is not based solely on reasonable standards uniformly applied, relating to the extent of coverage required and the financial soundness and the services of an insurer. Such standards shall not discriminate against any particular type of insurer, nor shall such standards call for the disapproval of an insurance policy because such policy contains coverage in addition to that required. (iii) The commissioner may investigate the affairs of any person to whom this subdivision applies to determine whether such person has violated this subdivision. If a violation of this subdivision is found, the person in violation shall be subject to the same procedures and penalties as are applicable to other provisions of section 38a-815, subsections (b) and (e) of section 38a-817 and this section. (iv) For purposes of this section, "person" includes any individual, corporation, limited liability company, association, partnership or other legal entity.

(12) Refusing to insure, refusing to continue to insure or limiting the amount, extent or kind of coverage available to an individual or charging an individual a different rate for the same coverage because of physical disability, mental or nervous condition as set forth in section 38a-488a or intellectual disability, except where the refusal, limitation or rate differential is based on sound actuarial principles or is related to actual or reasonably anticipated experience.

(13) Refusing to insure, refusing to continue to insure or limiting the amount, extent or kind of coverage available to an individual or charging an individual a different rate for the same coverage solely because of blindness or partial blindness. For purposes of this subdivision, "refusal to insure" includes the denial by an insurer of disability insurance coverage on the grounds that the policy defines "disability" as being presumed in the event that the insured is blind or partially blind, except that an insurer may exclude from coverage any disability, consisting solely of blindness or partial blindness, when such condition existed at the time the policy was issued. Any individual who is blind or partially blind shall be subject to the same standards of sound actuarial principles or actual or reasonably anticipated experience as are sighted persons with respect to all other conditions, including the underlying cause of the blindness or partial blindness.

(14) Refusing to insure, refusing to continue to insure or limiting the amount, extent or kind of coverage available to an individual or charging an individual a different rate for the same coverage because of exposure to diethylstilbestrol through the female parent.

(15) (A) Failure by an insurer, or any other entity responsible for providing payment to a health care provider pursuant to an insurance policy, to pay accident and health claims, including, but not limited to, claims for payment or reimbursement to health care providers, within the time periods set forth in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision,

unless the Insurance Commissioner determines that a legitimate dispute exists as to coverage, liability or damages or that the claimant has fraudulently caused or contributed to the loss. Any insurer, or any other entity responsible for providing payment to a health care provider pursuant to an insurance policy, who fails to pay such a claim or request within the time periods set forth in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision shall pay the claimant or health care provider the amount of such claim plus interest at the rate of fifteen per cent per annum, in addition to any other penalties which may be imposed pursuant to sections 38a-11, 38a-25, 38a-41 to 38a-53, inclusive, 38a-57 to 38a-60, inclusive, 38a-62 to 38a-64, inclusive, 38a-76, 38a-83, 38a-84, 38a-117 to 38a-124, inclusive, 38a-129 to 38a-140, inclusive, 38a-146 to 38a-155, inclusive, 38a-283, 38a-288 to 38a-290, inclusive, 38a-319, 38a-320, 38a-459, 38a-464, 38a-815 to 38a-819, inclusive, 38a-824 to 38a-826, inclusive, and 38a-828 to 38a-830, inclusive. Whenever the interest due a claimant or health care provider pursuant to this section is less than one dollar, the insurer shall deposit such amount in a separate interest-bearing account in which all such amounts shall be deposited. At the end of each calendar year each such insurer shall donate such amount to The University of Connecticut Health Center.

(B) Each insurer or other entity responsible for providing payment to a health care provider pursuant to an insurance policy subject to this section, shall pay claims not later than:

(i) For claims filed in paper format, sixty days after receipt by the insurer of the claimant's proof of loss form or the health care provider's request for payment filed in accordance with the insurer's practices or procedures, except that when there is a deficiency in the information needed for processing a claim, as determined in accordance with section 38a-477, the insurer shall (I) send written notice to the claimant or health care provider, as the case may be, of all alleged deficiencies in information needed for processing a claim not later than thirty days

after the insurer receives a claim for payment or reimbursement under the contract, and (II) pay claims for payment or reimbursement under the contract not later than thirty days after the insurer receives the information requested; and

(ii) For claims filed in electronic format, twenty days after receipt by the insurer of the claimant's proof of loss form or the health care provider's request for payment filed in accordance with the insurer's practices or procedures, except that when there is a deficiency in the information needed for processing a claim, as determined in accordance with section 38a-477, the insurer shall (I) notify the claimant or health care provider, as the case may be, of all alleged deficiencies in information needed for processing a claim not later than ten days after the insurer receives a claim for payment or reimbursement under the contract, and (II) pay claims for payment or reimbursement under the contract not later than ten days after the insurer receives the information requested.

(C) As used in this subdivision, "health care provider" means a person licensed to provide health care services under chapter 368d, chapter 368v, chapters 370 to 373, inclusive, 375 to 383c, inclusive, 384a to 384c, inclusive, or chapter 400j.

(16) Failure to pay, as part of any claim for a damaged motor vehicle under any automobile insurance policy where the vehicle has been declared to be a constructive total loss, an amount equal to the sum of (A) the settlement amount on such vehicle plus, whenever the insurer takes title to such vehicle, (B) an amount determined by multiplying such settlement amount by a percentage equivalent to the current sales tax rate established in section 12-408. For purposes of this subdivision, "constructive total loss" means the cost to repair or salvage damaged property, or the cost to both repair and salvage such property, equals or exceeds the total value of the property at the time of the loss.

(17) Any violation of section 42-260, by an extended warranty provider subject to the provisions of said section, including, but not limited to: (A) Failure to include all statements required in subsections (c) and (f) of section 42-260 in an issued extended warranty; (B) offering an extended warranty without being (i) insured under an adequate extended warranty reimbursement insurance policy or (ii) able to demonstrate that reserves for claims contained in the provider's financial statements are not in excess of one-half the provider's audited net worth; (C) failure to submit a copy of an issued extended warranty form or a copy of such provider's extended warranty reimbursement policy form to the Insurance Commissioner.

(18) With respect to an insurance company, hospital service corporation, health care center or fraternal benefit society providing individual or group health insurance coverage of the types specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (6), (10), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469, refusing to insure, refusing to continue to insure or limiting the amount, extent or kind of coverage available to an individual or charging an individual a different rate for the same coverage because such individual has been a victim of family violence.

(19) With respect to an insurance company, hospital service corporation, health care center or fraternal benefit society providing individual or group health insurance coverage of the types specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (3), (4), (6), (9), (10), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469, refusing to insure, refusing to continue to insure or limiting the amount, extent or kind of coverage available to an individual or charging an individual a different rate for the same coverage because of genetic information. Genetic information indicating a predisposition to a disease or condition shall not be deemed a preexisting condition in the absence of a diagnosis of such disease or condition that is based on other medical information. An insurance company, hospital service corporation, health care center or fraternal benefit society providing

individual health coverage of the types specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (3), (4), (6), (9), (10), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469, shall not be prohibited from refusing to insure or applying a preexisting condition limitation, to the extent permitted by law, to an individual who has been diagnosed with a disease or condition based on medical information other than genetic information and has exhibited symptoms of such disease or condition. For the purposes of this subsection, "genetic information" means the information about genes, gene products or inherited characteristics that may derive from an individual or family member.

(20) Any violation of sections 38a-465 to 38a-465q, inclusive.

(21) With respect to a managed care organization, as defined in section 38a-478, failing to establish a confidentiality procedure for medical record information, as required by section 38a-999.

(22) Any violation of sections 38a-591d to 38a-591f, inclusive.

(23) Any violation of section 236 of this act.

Sec. 238. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2020*) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, and to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law, no contract entered into or amended by a health carrier, as defined in section 38a-591a of the general statutes, on or after January 1, 2020, shall contain any provision prohibiting or penalizing, including, but not limited to, through increased utilization review, reduced payments or other financial disincentives, disclosure of any information to a covered person, as defined in section 38a-591a of the general statutes, concerning:

(1) The cost of a covered benefit, including, but not limited to, the cash price of a covered benefit; or

(2) The availability and cost of any health care service or product

that is therapeutically equivalent to a covered benefit, including, but not limited to, the cash price of any such health care service or product.

Sec. 239. Section 38a-478j of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

Each managed care plan that requires a deductible or percentage coinsurance payment by the insured shall calculate the insured's deductible or coinsurance payment on the lesser of the provider's or vendor's charges for the goods or services or the amount payable by the managed care organization or a subcontractor of such managed care organization for such goods or services, except as otherwise required by the laws of a foreign state when applicable to providers, vendors or patients in such foreign state.

Sec. 240. Subsection (a) of section 38a-477aa of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Emergency condition" has the same meaning as "emergency medical condition", as provided in section 38a-591a;

(2) "Emergency services" means, with respect to an emergency condition, (A) a medical screening examination as required under Section 1867 of the Social Security Act, as amended from time to time, that is within the capability of a hospital emergency department, including ancillary services routinely available to such department to evaluate such condition, and (B) such further medical examinations and treatment required under said Section 1867 to stabilize such individual, that are within the capability of the hospital staff and facilities;

(3) "Health care plan" means an individual or a group health

insurance policy or health benefit plan that provides coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469;

(4) "Health care provider" means an individual licensed to provide health care services under chapters 370 to 373, inclusive, chapters 375 to 383b, inclusive, and chapters 384a to 384c, inclusive;

(5) "Health carrier" means an insurance company, health care center, hospital service corporation, medical service corporation, fraternal benefit society or other entity that delivers, issues for delivery, renews, amends or continues a health care plan in this state;

(6) (A) "Surprise bill" means a bill for health care services, other than emergency services, received by an insured for services rendered by an out-of-network health care provider, where such services were rendered by (i) such out-of-network provider at an in-network facility, during a service or procedure performed by an in-network provider or during a service or procedure previously approved or authorized by the health carrier and the insured did not knowingly elect to obtain such services from such out-of-network provider, or (ii) a clinical laboratory, as defined in section 19a-30, that is an out-of-network provider, upon the referral of an in-network provider.

(B) "Surprise bill" does not include a bill for health care services received by an insured when an in-network health care provider was available to render such services and the insured knowingly elected to obtain such services from another health care provider who was out-of-network.

Sec. 241. Subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of section 38a-591d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

(1) (A) Unless the covered person or the covered person's

authorized representative has failed to provide information necessary for the health carrier to make a determination and except as specified under subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, the health carrier shall make a determination as soon as possible, taking into account the covered person's medical condition, but not later than [seventy-two] forty-eight hours after the health carrier receives such request or seventy-two hours after such health carrier receives such request if any portion of such forty-eight-hour period falls on a weekend, provided, if the urgent care request is a concurrent review request to extend a course of treatment beyond the initial period of time or the number of treatments, such request is made at least twenty-four hours prior to the expiration of the prescribed period of time or number of treatments.

(B) Unless the covered person or the covered person's authorized representative has failed to provide information necessary for the health carrier to make a determination, for an urgent care request specified under subparagraph (B) or (C) of subdivision (38) of section 38a-591a, the health carrier shall make a determination as soon as possible, taking into account the covered person's medical condition, but not later than twenty-four hours after the health carrier receives such request, provided, if the urgent care request is a concurrent review request to extend a course of treatment beyond the initial period of time or the number of treatments, such request is made at least twenty-four hours prior to the expiration of the prescribed period of time or number of treatments.

Sec. 242. Subdivision (1) of subsection (d) of section 38a-591e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

(d) (1) The health carrier shall notify the covered person and, if applicable, the covered person's authorized representative, in writing or by electronic means, of its decision within a reasonable period of time appropriate to the covered person's medical condition, but not

later than:

(A) For prospective review and concurrent review requests, thirty calendar days after the health carrier receives the grievance;

(B) For retrospective review requests, sixty calendar days after the health carrier receives the grievance;

(C) For expedited review requests, except as specified under subparagraph (D) of this subdivision, **[**seventy-two**]** forty-eight hours after the health carrier receives the grievance or seventy-two hours after such health carrier receives such grievance if any portion of such forty-eight-hour period falls on a weekend; and

(D) For expedited review requests of a health care service or course of treatment specified under subparagraph (B) or (C) of subdivision (38) of section 38a-591a, twenty-four hours after the health carrier receives the grievance.

Sec. 243. Subdivision (1) of subsection (i) of section 38a-591g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

(i) (1) The independent review organization shall notify the commissioner, the health carrier, the covered person and, if applicable, the covered person's authorized representative in writing of its decision to uphold, reverse or revise the adverse determination or the final adverse determination, not later than:

(A) For external reviews, forty-five calendar days after such organization receives the assignment from the commissioner to conduct such review;

(B) For external reviews involving a determination that the recommended or requested health care service or treatment is

experimental or investigational, twenty calendar days after such organization receives the assignment from the commissioner to conduct such review;

(C) For expedited external reviews, except as specified under subparagraph (D) of this subdivision, as expeditiously as the covered person's medical condition requires, but not later than [seventy-two] forty-eight hours after such organization receives the assignment from the commissioner to conduct such review or seventy-two hours after such organization receives such assignment if any portion of such forty-eight-hour period falls on a weekend;

(D) For expedited external reviews involving a health care service or course of treatment specified under subparagraph (B) or (C) of subdivision (38) of section 38a-591a, as expeditiously as the covered person's medical condition requires, but not later than twenty-four hours after such organization receives the assignment from the commissioner to conduct such review; and

(E) For expedited external reviews involving a determination that the recommended or requested health care service or treatment is experimental or investigational, as expeditiously as the covered person's medical condition requires, but not later than five calendar days after such organization receives the assignment from the commissioner to conduct such review.

Sec. 244. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2020*) No insurer, health care center, fraternal benefit society, hospital service corporation, medical service corporation or other entity delivering, issuing for delivery, renewing, amending or continuing an individual or group health insurance policy in this state on or after January 1, 2020, providing coverage of the type specified in subdivision (5) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes shall include in such policy a provision reserving discretion to such insurer, center, society, corporation or entity to

interpret the terms of such policy, or provide standards for the interpretation or review of such policy, that are inconsistent with the laws of this state.

Sec. 245. Subsection (a) of section 19a-644 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

(a) On or before February twenty-eighth annually, for the fiscal year ending on September thirtieth of the immediately preceding year, each short-term acute care general or children's hospital shall report to the unit with respect to its operations in such fiscal year, in such form as the unit may by regulation require. Such report shall include: (1) Salaries and fringe benefits for the ten highest paid hospital and health system employees; (2) the name of each joint venture, partnership, subsidiary and corporation related to the hospital; **[**and**]** (3) the salaries paid to hospital and health system employees by each such joint venture, partnership, subsidiary and related corporation and by the hospital to the employees of related corporations; and (4) information and data prescribed by the Office of Health Strategy concerning charges for trauma activation fees. For purposes of this subsection, "health system" has the same meaning as provided in section 33-182aa.

Sec. 246. Section 38a-478r of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

(a) Each provider, as defined in section 38a-478, shall code for the presenting symptoms of all emergency claims and each hospital shall record such code for such claims on locator 76 on the UB92 form or its successor.

(b) The presenting symptoms, as coded by the provider and recorded by the hospital on the UB92 form or its successor, or the final diagnosis, whichever reasonably indicates an emergency medical

condition, shall be the basis for reimbursement or coverage, provided such symptoms reasonably indicated an emergency medical condition.

(c) For the purposes of this section, in accordance with the National Committee for Quality Assurance, an emergency medical condition is a condition such that a prudent layperson, acting reasonably, would have believed that emergency medical treatment is needed.

(d) The Insurance Commissioner may develop and disseminate to hospitals in this state a claims form system that will ensure that all hospitals consistently code for the presenting and diagnosis symptoms on all emergency claims.

(e) Each health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state shall provide coverage for health care services that are medically necessary, as defined in section 38a-482a or 38a-513c, as applicable, for an emergency medical condition described in subsection (c) of this section.

Sec. 247. (*Effective from passage*) (a) For the purposes of this section, "high deductible health plan" means a high deductible health plan within the meaning of Section 220(c)(2) or Section 223(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to time, that is not used to establish a medical savings account or an Archer MSA pursuant to said Section 220 or a health savings account pursuant to said Section 223.

(b) There is established a task force to study the structure of high deductible health plans and the impact of such plans on enrollees in this state. The task force shall make recommendations concerning:

(1) Measures to ensure access to affordable health care services

under high deductible health plans;

(2) The financial impact that high deductible health plans have on enrollees and their families;

(3) The use of health savings accounts, and the impact that alternative payment structures would have on such accounts, including, but not limited to, the status of such accounts under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to time;

(4) Measures to ensure that each cost-sharing payment due under a high deductible health plan and paid by an enrollee at the time of service accurately reflects the enrollee's cost-sharing obligation for such service under such plan;

(5) Measures to ensure the prompt payment of a refund to an enrollee for any cost-sharing payments under a high deductible health plan that exceeds the enrollee's cost-sharing obligation under such plan;

(6) Measures to enhance enrollee knowledge regarding how enrollee payments are applied to deductibles under high deductible health plans; and

(7) Payment models where a physician can receive reimbursement from a health carrier for services provided to enrollees.

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

(1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, one of whom shall be a representative of the Connecticut College of Emergency Physicians and one of whom shall be a representative of a small employer in this state sponsoring a high deductible health plan;

(2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one of whom shall be an insurance producer licensed in this state and knowledgeable regarding high deductible health plans and one of whom shall be an enrollee in a high deductible health plan in this state;

(3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives, who shall be a primary care physician who participates in one or more high deductible health plans;

(4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who shall be an emergency room physician;

(5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives, who shall be a representative of the Connecticut Association of Health Plans;

(6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, who shall be a representative of the Connecticut State Medical Society;

(7) The Healthcare Advocate, or the Healthcare Advocate's designee; and

(8) Three persons appointed by the Governor, one of whom shall be a representative of the Connecticut Hospital Association, one of whom shall be a representative of a health plan issuing high deductible health plans and one of whom shall be a tax attorney knowledgeable regarding health savings accounts.

(d) All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority.

(e) The members of the task force shall elect two chairpersons of the task force from among the members of the task force. The Healthcare Advocate shall schedule the first meeting of the task force, which shall

be held not later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

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

(g) Not later than February 1, 2020, the task force shall submit a report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to insurance, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date that it submits such report or December 1, 2020, whichever is later.

Sec. 248. Section 10-16x of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) The Department of Education, in consultation with the after school committee established pursuant to section 10-16v, may, within available appropriations, administer a grant program to provide grants to local and regional boards of education, municipalities and not-for-profit organizations that are exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as from time to time amended, <u>or any combination thereof,</u> for after school programs that provide direct services and for entities that provide support to after school programs. For purposes of this subsection, "after school program" means a program that takes place when school is not in session, provides educational, enrichment and recreational activities for children in grades kindergarten to twelve, inclusive, and has a parent involvement component.

(b) (1) Applications for grants pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall be filed biennially with the Commissioner of Education at such time and in such manner as the commissioner prescribes. As part

of the application, an applicant shall submit a plan for the expenditure of grant funds.

(2) Eligibility for grants pursuant to this section shall be determined for a two-year period and shall be based on the plan for expenditure of grant funds. Prior to the payment of funds to the grant recipient for the second year of the grant, the grant recipient shall report to the Department of Education on performance outcomes of the program and file expenditure reports pursuant to subsection (f) of this section. The report concerning performance outcomes shall include, but not be limited to, measurements of the impact on student achievement, school attendance and the in-school behavior of student participants.

(c) The Department of Education and the after school committee established pursuant to section 10-16v shall develop and apply appropriate evaluation procedures to measure the effectiveness of the grant program established pursuant to this section.

(d) For purposes of carrying out the provisions of this section, the Department of Education may accept funds from private sources and from any state agency that is a member of the after school committee.

(e) The Department of Education shall provide grant recipients with technical assistance, evaluation, program monitoring, professional development and accreditation support. The department may retain up to four per cent of the amount appropriated for the grant program for purposes of this subsection.

(f) Grant recipients shall file expenditure reports with the Commissioner of Education in accordance with subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of this section and at such time and in such manner as the commissioner prescribes. Grant recipients shall refund (1) any unexpended amounts at the close of the program for which the grant was awarded, and (2) any amounts not expended in accordance with

the approved grant application.

(g) Not later than February 15, 2012, and biennially thereafter, the Department of Education shall report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education on performance outcomes of recipients of grants under this section. The report shall include, but not be limited to, measurements of the impact on student achievement, school attendance and the in-school behavior of student participants.

(h) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and each fiscal year thereafter, the Department of Education shall award at least ten per cent of the funds appropriated for the grant program to municipalities with a total population of seven thousand five hundred or fewer or local or regional boards of education for towns with a total population of seven thousand five hundred or fewer, except that any such funds not awarded to such municipalities or local or regional boards of education on or before October fifteenth of the fiscal year shall be available to be awarded to any municipality or local or regional board of education.

(i) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and each fiscal year thereafter, grant recipients may expend funds for the purposes of providing transportation as part of the after school program.

Sec. 249. Subsection (a) of section 10-10c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) The Department of Education shall develop and implement a uniform system of accounting for school revenues and expenditures. Such uniform system of accounting shall include a chart of accounts to be used at the school and district level. Such chart of accounts shall

include, but not be limited to, all amounts and sources of revenue and donations of cash and real or personal property in the aggregate totaling five hundred dollars or more, including federal impact aid, received by a local or regional board of education, regional educational service center, charter school or charter management organization on behalf of a school district or individual school. Select measures shall be required at the individual school level, as determined by the department. The department shall make such chart of accounts available on its Internet web site.

Sec. 250. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2019*) For the fiscal year ending July 1, 2020, and each fiscal year thereafter, the Department of Education shall compile a minimum budget requirement calculation worksheet for each school district. The department shall provide such worksheet to the appropriate local and regional board of education and make each such worksheet available on the department's Internet web site.

Sec. 251. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The Department of Children and Families shall constitute a successor department, in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-38d, 4-38e and 4-39 of the general statutes, to the Department of Education for purposes of administering the youth services bureau grant program and enhancement grant program pursuant to sections 10-19m to 10-19q, inclusive, of the general statutes.

Sec. 252. Section 10-19m of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) For the purposes of this section, "youth" means a person from birth to eighteen years of age. Any one or more municipalities or any one or more private youth-serving organizations, designated to act as agents of one or more municipalities, may establish a multipurpose youth service bureau for the purposes of evaluation, planning, coordination and implementation of services, including prevention

and intervention programs for delinquent, predelinquent, pregnant, parenting and troubled youths referred to such bureau by schools, police, juvenile courts, adult courts, local youth-serving agencies, parents and self-referrals. A youth service bureau shall be the coordinating unit of community-based services to provide comprehensive delivery of prevention, intervention, treatment and follow-up services.

(b) A youth service bureau established pursuant to subsection (a) of this section may provide, but shall not be limited to the delivery of, the following services: (1) Individual and group counseling; (2) parent training and family therapy; (3) work placement and employment counseling; (4) alternative and special educational opportunities; (5) recreational and youth enrichment programs; (6) outreach programs to insure participation and planning by the entire community for the development of regional and community-based youth services; (7) preventive programs, including youth pregnancy, youth suicide, violence, alcohol and drug prevention; and (8) programs that develop positive youth involvement. Such services shall be designed to meet the needs of youths by the diversion of troubled youths from the justice system as well as by the provision of opportunities for all youths to function as responsible members of their communities.

(c) The Commissioner of **[**Education**]** Children and Families shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, establishing minimum standards for such youth service bureaus and the criteria for qualifying for state cost-sharing grants, including, but not limited to, allowable sources of funds covering the local share of the costs of operating such bureaus, acceptable in-kind contributions and application procedures. **[**Said**]** The commissioner shall, on December 1, 2011, and biennially thereafter, report to the General Assembly on the referral or diversion of children under the age of eighteen years from the juvenile justice system and the court system.

Such report shall include, but not be limited to, the number of times any child is so diverted, the number of children diverted, the type of service provided to any such child, by whom such child was diverted, the ages of the children diverted and such other information and statistics as the General Assembly may request from time to time. Any such report shall contain no identifying information about any particular child.

Sec. 253. Section 10-19n of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

To assist municipalities and private youth-serving organizations designated to act as agents for such municipalities in establishing, maintaining or expanding such youth service bureaus, the state, acting through the Commissioner of **[**Education**]** <u>Children and Families</u>, shall provide cost-sharing grants, subject to the provisions of this section for (1) the cost of an administrative core unit and (2) the cost of the direct services unit provided by such youth service bureau. No state grant shall be made for capital expenditures of such bureaus. All youth service bureaus shall submit a request for a grant, pursuant to this section and sections 10-19m and 10-19o, on or before May fifteenth of the fiscal year prior to the fiscal year for which such grant is requested.

Sec. 254. Section 10-19o of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) The Commissioner of **[**Education**]** <u>Children and Families</u> shall establish a program to provide grants to youth service bureaus in accordance with this section. Only youth service bureaus which (1) were eligible to receive grants pursuant to this section for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, (2) applied for a grant by June 30, 2012, with prior approval of the town's contribution pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, (3) applied for a grant during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, **[**or**]** (4) applied for a grant during the fiscal year ending June

30, 2018, with prior approval of the town's contribution pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, or (5) applied for a grant during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, shall be eligible for a grant pursuant to this section. Each such youth service bureau shall receive, within available appropriations, a grant of fourteen thousand dollars. The Department of **[**Education**]** Children and Families may expend an amount not to exceed two per cent of the amount appropriated for purposes of this section for administrative expenses. If there are any remaining funds, each such youth service bureau that was awarded a grant in excess of fifteen thousand dollars in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1995, shall receive a percentage of such funds. The percentage shall be determined as follows: For each such grant in excess of fifteen thousand dollars, the difference between the amount of the grant awarded to the youth service bureau for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1995, and fifteen thousand dollars shall be divided by the difference between the total amount of the grants awarded to all youth service bureaus that were awarded grants in excess of fifteen thousand dollars for said fiscal year and the product of fifteen thousand dollars and the number of such grants for said fiscal year.

(b) In order for a youth service bureau to receive the full amount of the state grant determined pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, a town shall contribute an amount equal to the amount of the state grant. A town shall provide not less than fifty per cent of its contribution from funds appropriated by the town for that purpose, and the remaining amount in other funds or in-kind contributions in accordance with regulations adopted by the **[**State Board of Education**]** Commissioner of Children and Families in accordance with chapter 54.

(c) Any funds remaining due to a town's failure to match funds as provided in subsection (b) of this section shall be redistributed in accordance with the provisions of this section. The **[**State Board of Education**]** Commissioner of Children and Families shall adopt

regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 to coordinate the youth service bureau program and to administer the grant system established pursuant to this section and sections 10-19m and 10-19n.

Sec. 255. Section 10-19p of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

The Department of **[**Education**]** Children and Families shall provide grant management services, program monitoring, program evaluation and technical assistance to such state-aided youth service bureaus, and the **[**commissioner**]** Commissioner of Children and Families may assign or appoint necessary personnel to perform such duties, subject to the provisions of chapter 67.

Sec. 256. Section 10-19q of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) The Department of **[**Education**]** Children and Families shall administer, within available appropriations, an enhancement grant program for youth service bureaus. The department shall annually award grants in the amounts of: (1) Three thousand three hundred dollars to youth service bureaus that serve a town with a population of not more than eight thousand or towns with a total combined population of not more than eight thousand; (2) five thousand dollars to youth service bureaus that serve a town with a population greater than eight thousand, but not more than seventeen thousand or towns with a total combined population greater than eight thousand, but not more than seventeen thousand; (3) six thousand two hundred fifty dollars to youth service bureaus that serve a town with population greater than seventeen thousand, but not more than thirty thousand or towns with a total combined population greater than seventeen thousand, but not more than thirty thousand; (4) seven thousand five hundred fifty dollars to youth service bureaus that serve a town with a

population greater than thirty thousand, but not more than one hundred thousand or towns with a total combined population greater than thirty thousand, but not more than one hundred thousand; and (5) ten thousand dollars to youth service bureaus that serve a town with a population greater than one hundred thousand or towns with a total combined population greater than one hundred thousand.

<u>(b)</u> Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal year ending June 30, **[**2013**]** <u>2020</u>, and each fiscal year thereafter, the amount of grants payable to youth service bureaus shall be <u>(1)</u> reduced proportionately if the total of such grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for such grants for such year<u>, or (2) increased proportionately if the total of such grants in such year is less than the amount appropriated for such grants in such year</u>.

Sec. 257. Section 17b-749 of the general statutes is amended by adding subsection (k) as follows (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(NEW) (k) Commencing October 1, 2019, and quarterly thereafter, the Commissioner of Early Childhood shall submit a report, in accordance with section 11-4a, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies about expenditures of state and federal funds and enrollment by priority group in the child care subsidy program.

Sec. 258. Subsection (b) of section 8-210 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(b) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of Early Childhood, may enter into a contract with a municipality, a human resource development agency or a nonprofit corporation for state financial assistance in developing and operating child care

centers for children disadvantaged by reasons of economic, social or environmental conditions, provided no such financial assistance shall be available for the operating costs of any such child care center unless it has been licensed by the Commissioner of Early Childhood pursuant to section 19a-80. Such financial assistance shall be available for a program of a municipality, of a human resource development agency or of a nonprofit corporation which may provide for personnel, equipment, supplies, activities, program materials and renovation and remodeling of the physical facilities of such child care centers. Such contract shall provide for state financial assistance, within available appropriations, in the form of a state grant-in-aid (1) for a portion of the cost of such program, as determined by the Commissioner of Early Childhood, if not federally assisted, (2) equal to one-half of the amount by which the net cost of such program, as approved by the Commissioner of Early Childhood, exceeds the federal grant-in-aid thereof, or (3) in an amount **[**up to**]** not less than the per child cost as described in subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 10-16q, for each child in such program that is three or four years of age and each child that is five years of age who is not eligible to enroll in school, pursuant to section 10-15c, while maintaining services to children under three years of age under this section. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and each fiscal year thereafter, the amount per child pursuant to subdivision (3) of this subsection that is over the amount of the per child cost that was prescribed pursuant to the contract for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, shall be used exclusively to increase the salaries of early childhood educators employed at the child care center. The Commissioner of Early Childhood may authorize child care centers receiving financial assistance under this subsection to apply a program surplus to the next program year. The Commissioner of Early Childhood shall consult with directors of child care centers in establishing fees for the operation of such centers.

Sec. 259. Section 10-16p of the general statutes is amended by

adding subsection (l) as follows (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(NEW) (l) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and each fiscal year thereafter, any school readiness program that (1) is licensed by the Office of Early Childhood pursuant to chapter 368a, (2) provides full-day and year-round child care and education programs for children, and (3) receives funds pursuant to this section or section 10-16u, shall use any amount of the per child cost as described in subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 10-16q that is over the amount of eight thousand nine hundred twenty-seven dollars, exclusively to increase the salaries of those individuals with direct responsibility for teaching or caring for children in a classroom at such school readiness program.

Sec. 260. Subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 10-16q of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(b) (1) For the fiscal **[**years**]** year ending **[**June 30, 2015, to June 30, 2019, inclusive**]** June 30, 2020, the per child cost of the Office of Early Childhood school readiness program offered by a school readiness provider shall not exceed eight thousand nine hundred twenty-seven dollars. **[**For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and each fiscal year thereafter, the commissioner may establish, within available appropriations, new rates for the school readiness program, provided such new rates are established to improve program quality and access. The commissioner may revise the rates for the school readiness program during a fiscal year if the commissioner determines that such revised rates are necessary to improve quality of, increase access to or fill spaces in school readiness programs**]** For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, and each fiscal year thereafter, the per child cost of the Office of Early Childhood school readiness program offered by a school readiness provider shall not exceed nine thousand twenty-seven dollars.

Sec. 261. Subdivisions (3) and (4) of subsection (a) of section 10-264i of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(3) For districts assisting the state in meeting its obligations pursuant to the decision in Sheff v. O'Neill, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, as determined by the commissioner, (A) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, the amount of such grant shall not exceed an amount equal to the number of such children transported multiplied by one thousand four hundred dollars, and (B) for the fiscal **[**years**]** <u>year</u> ending June 30, 2011, **[**to June 30, 2019, inclusive,**]** <u>and each fiscal year thereafter,</u> the amount of such grant shall not exceed an amount equal to the number of such children transported multiplied by two thousand dollars.

(4) In addition to the grants otherwise provided pursuant to this section, the Commissioner of Education may provide supplemental transportation grants to regional educational service centers for the purposes of transportation to interdistrict magnet schools. Any such grant shall be provided within available appropriations and after the commissioner has reviewed and approved the total interdistrict magnet school transportation budget for a regional educational service center, including all revenue and expenditure estimates. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2013, to June 30, 2018, inclusive, in addition to the grants otherwise provided pursuant to this section, the Commissioner of Education may provide supplemental transportation to interdistrict magnet schools that assist the state in meeting its obligations pursuant to the decision in Sheff v. O'Neill, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, as determined by the commissioner. Any such grant shall be provided within available appropriations and upon a comprehensive financial review, by an auditor selected by the Commissioner of Education, the costs of such review may be paid from funds that are part of the supplemental

transportation grant. Any such grant shall be paid as follows: For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, up to fifty per cent of the grant on or before June 30, 2013, and the balance on or before September 1, 2013, upon completion of the comprehensive financial review; for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, up to fifty per cent of the grant on or before June 30, 2014, and the balance on or before September 1, 2014, upon completion of the comprehensive financial review; for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, up to fifty per cent of the grant on or before June 30, 2015, and the balance on or before September 1, 2015, upon completion of the comprehensive financial review; for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, up to fifty per cent of the grant on or before June 30, 2016, and the balance on or before September 1, 2016, upon completion of the comprehensive financial review; for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, up to seventy per cent of the grant on or before June 30, 2017, and the balance on or before May 30, 2018, upon completion of the comprehensive financial review; **[**and**]** for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, up to seventy per cent of the grant on or before June 30, 2018, and the balance on or before September 1, 2018, upon completion of the comprehensive financial review; and for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, and each fiscal year thereafter, up to seventy per cent of the grant on or before June thirtieth of the fiscal year, and the balance on or before September first of the following fiscal year upon completion of the comprehensive financial review.

Sec. 262. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2019*) (a) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and each fiscal year thereafter, the Office of Higher Education, in collaboration with the Minority Teacher Recruitment Policy Oversight Council, established pursuant to section 10-156bb of the general statutes, and the minority teacher recruitment task force, established pursuant to section 10-156aa of the general statutes, shall, within available appropriations, administer a minority educator loan reimbursement grant program for persons who meet the eligibility requirements described in subsection (b) of this section.

(b) The program shall provide student loan reimbursement grants to any person who (1) is defined as a minority pursuant to section 10-155*l* of the general statutes, (2) holds professional certification pursuant to chapter 166 of the general statutes, and (3) is employed as an administrator or a teacher by a local or regional board of education.

(c) Any person who satisfies the eligibility requirements prescribed in subsection (b) of this section may receive an annual grant for reimbursement of federal or state educational loans (1) in an amount up to ten per cent of such person's federal or state educational loans but that does not exceed five thousand dollars in any year, and (2) for a period not to exceed ten years. Such person shall only be reimbursed for loan payments made while such person is employed by a local or regional board of education.

(d) Persons may apply to the Office of Higher Education for grants under this section at such time and in such manner as the executive director of the Office of Higher Education prescribes.

(e) Any unexpended funds appropriated for purposes of this section shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal year but shall be available for expenditure during the next fiscal year.

(f) The Office of Higher Education may accept gifts, grants and donations, from any source, public or private, for the minority educator loan reimbursement grant program.

Sec. 263. Section 10a-168a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) There is established a Connecticut minority teacher incentive program administered by the Office of Higher Education, of which the minority educator loan reimbursement grant program established pursuant to section 262 of this act shall be a component part.

(b) Within available appropriations, the program shall provide grants to minority students (1) in teacher education programs for their junior or senior year, or both such years, at any four-year institution of higher education, (2) completing the requirements of such a teacher education program as a graduate student, provided such student received a grant pursuant to this section for one year at the undergraduate level, or (3) enrolled in the alternate route to certification program administered through the Office of Higher Education or the Department of Education. No student shall receive a grant under the program for more than two years. Maximum grants shall not exceed five thousand dollars per year. The office shall ensure that at least ten per cent of the grant recipients are minority students who transfer from a Connecticut regional community-technical college.

[(c) A minority student who received grants under subsection (b) of this section, and who teaches in a Connecticut public school upon graduation, shall be eligible for reimbursement of federal or state educational loans up to a maximum of two thousand five hundred dollars per year for up to four years of teaching service.

(d) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (b) and (c) of this section, the combined dollar value of grants and loan reimbursements shall not exceed twenty thousand dollars per student.**]**

(c) The Office of Higher Education may accept gifts, grants and donations, from any source, public or private, for the Connecticut minority teacher incentive program.

Sec. 264. Subsection (d) of section 10-71 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(d) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2004, to June 30, **[**2019**]** 2021, inclusive, the

amount of the grants payable to towns, regional boards of education or regional educational service centers in accordance with this section shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for the purposes of this section for such year.

Sec. 265. Section 10-17g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, to June 30, **[**2019**]** 2021, inclusive, the board of education for each local and regional school district that is required to provide a program of bilingual education, pursuant to section 10-17f, may make application to the State Board of Education and shall annually receive, within available appropriations, a grant in an amount equal to the product obtained by multiplying one million nine hundred sixteen thousand one hundred thirty by the ratio which the number of eligible children in the school district bears to the total number of such eligible children state-wide. The board of education for each local and regional school district receiving funds pursuant to this section shall annually, on or before September first, submit to the State Board of Education a progress report which shall include (1) measures of increased educational opportunities for eligible students, including language support services and language transition support services provided to such students, (2) program evaluation and measures of the effectiveness of its bilingual education and English as a second language programs, including data on students in bilingual education programs and students educated exclusively in English as a second language programs, and (3) certification by the board of education submitting the report that any funds received pursuant to this section have been used for the purposes specified. The State Board of Education shall annually evaluate programs conducted pursuant to section 10-17f. For purposes of this section, measures of the effectiveness of bilingual education and English as a second

language programs include, but need not be limited to, mastery examination results, under section 10-14n, and graduation and school dropout rates. Any amount appropriated under this section in excess of one million nine hundred sixteen thousand one hundred thirty dollars shall be spent in accordance with the provisions of sections 10-17k, 10-17n and 10-66t. Any unexpended funds, as of November first, appropriated to the Department of Education for purposes of providing a grant to a local or regional board of education for the provision of a program of bilingual education, pursuant to section 10-17f, shall be distributed on a pro rata basis to each local and regional board of education receiving a grant under this section. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2009, to June 30, **[**2019**]** 2021, inclusive, the amount of grants payable to local or regional boards of education for the provision of a program of bilingual education under this section shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for such grants for such year.

Sec. 266. Subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of section 10-76d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(2) For purposes of this subdivision, "public agency" includes the offices of a government of a federally recognized Native American tribe. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the general statutes, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1987, and each fiscal year thereafter, whenever a public agency, other than a local or regional board of education, the State Board of Education or the Superior Court acting pursuant to section 10-76h, places a child in a foster home, group home, hospital, state institution, receiving home, custodial institution or any other residential or day treatment facility, and such child requires special education, the local or regional board of education under whose jurisdiction the child would otherwise be attending

school or, if no such board can be identified, the local or regional board of education of the town where the child is placed, shall provide the requisite special education and related services to such child in accordance with the provisions of this section. Within one business day of such a placement by the Department of Children and Families or offices of a government of a federally recognized Native American tribe, said department or offices shall orally notify the local or regional board of education responsible for providing special education and related services to such child of such placement. The department or offices shall provide written notification to such board of such placement within two business days of the placement. Such local or regional board of education shall convene a planning and placement team meeting for such child within thirty days of the placement and shall invite a representative of the Department of Children and Families or offices of a government of a federally recognized Native American tribe to participate in such meeting. (A) The local or regional board of education under whose jurisdiction such child would otherwise be attending school shall be financially responsible for the reasonable costs of such special education and related services in an amount equal to the lesser of one hundred per cent of the costs of such education or the average per pupil educational costs of such board of education for the prior fiscal year, determined in accordance with the provisions of subsection (a) of section 10-76f. The State Board of Education shall pay on a current basis, except as provided in subdivision (3) of this subsection, any costs in excess of such local or regional board's basic contributions paid by such board of education in accordance with the provisions of this subdivision. (B) Whenever a child is placed pursuant to this subdivision, on or after July 1, 1995, by the Department of Children and Families and the local or regional board of education under whose jurisdiction such child would otherwise be attending school cannot be identified, the local or regional board of education under whose jurisdiction the child attended school or in whose district the child resided at the time of

removal from the home by said department shall be responsible for the reasonable costs of special education and related services provided to such child, for one calendar year or until the child is committed to the state pursuant to section 46b-129 or 46b-140 or is returned to the child's parent or guardian, whichever is earlier. If the child remains in such placement beyond one calendar year the Department of Children and Families shall be responsible for such costs. During the period the local or regional board of education is responsible for the reasonable cost of special education and related services pursuant to this subparagraph, the board shall be responsible for such costs in an amount equal to the lesser of one hundred per cent of the costs of such education and related services or the average per pupil educational costs of such board of education for the prior fiscal year, determined in accordance with the provisions of subsection (a) of section 10-76f. The State Board of Education shall pay on a current basis, except as provided in subdivision (3) of this subsection, any costs in excess of such local or regional board's basic contributions paid by such board of education in accordance with the provisions of this subdivision. The costs for services other than educational shall be paid by the state agency which placed the child. The provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to the school districts established within the Department of Children and Families, pursuant to section 17a-37 or the Department of Correction, pursuant to section 18-99a, provided in any case in which special education is being provided at a private residential institution, including the residential components of regional educational service centers, to a child for whom no local or regional board of education can be found responsible under subsection (b) of this section, Unified School District #2 shall provide the special education and related services and be financially responsible for the reasonable costs of such special education instruction for such children. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subdivision, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2004, to June 30, 2007, inclusive, and for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2010, to June 30, **[**2019**]** 2021, inclusive, the amount of the grants payable to

local or regional boards of education in accordance with this subdivision shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for the purposes of this subdivision for such year.

Sec. 267. Subsection (d) of section 10-76g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(d) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2004, to June 30, 2007, inclusive, and for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2010, to June 30, **[**2019**]** 2021, inclusive, the amount of the grants payable to local or regional boards of education in accordance with this section, except grants paid in accordance with subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2006, and June 30, 2007, and for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2010, to June 30, **[**2019**]** 2021, inclusive, shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for the purposes of this section for such year.

Sec. 268. Subsection (b) of section 10-253 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(b) The board of education of the school district under whose jurisdiction a child would otherwise be attending school shall be financially responsible for the reasonable costs of education for a child placed out by the Commissioner of Children and Families or by other agencies, including, but not limited to, offices of a government of a federally recognized Native American tribe, in a private residential facility when such child requires educational services other than special education services. Such financial responsibility shall be the lesser of one hundred per cent of the costs of such education or the average per pupil educational costs of such board of education for the

prior fiscal year, determined in accordance with subsection (a) of section 10-76f. Any costs in excess of the board's basic contribution shall be paid by the State Board of Education on a current basis. The costs for services other than educational shall be paid by the state agency which placed the child. Application for the grant to be paid by the state for costs in excess of the local or regional board of education's basic contribution shall be made in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (5) of subsection (e) of section 10-76d. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2004, to June 30, 2007, inclusive, and for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2010, to June 30, **[**2019**]** 2021, inclusive, the amount of the grants payable to local or regional boards of education in accordance with this subsection shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for the purposes of this subsection for such year.

Sec. 269. Subsection (i) of section 10-217a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(i) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2008, to June 30, **[**2019**]** 2021, inclusive, the amount of the grants payable to local or regional boards of education in accordance with this section shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for purposes of this section.

Sec. 270. Subsections (a) to (c), inclusive, of section 10-264*l* of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) The Department of Education shall, within available appropriations, establish a grant program (1) to assist (A) local and regional boards of education, (B) regional educational service centers,

(C) the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on behalf of Quinebaug Valley Community College and Three Rivers Community College, and (D) cooperative arrangements pursuant to section 10-158a, and (2) in assisting the state in meeting [the goals of the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, or the goals of the 2013 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, as determined by the Commissioner of Education] its obligations pursuant to the decision in Sheff v. O'Neill, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, as determined by the commissioner, to assist (A) the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on behalf of a regional community-technical college, (B) the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System on behalf of a state university, (C) the Board of Trustees of The University of Connecticut on behalf of the university, (D) the board of governors for an independent institution of higher education, as defined in subsection (a) of section 10a-173, or the equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the independent institution of higher education, and (E) any other third-party not-for-profit corporation approved by the commissioner with the operation of interdistrict magnet school programs. All interdistrict magnet schools shall be operated in conformance with the same laws and regulations applicable to public schools. For the purposes of this section "an interdistrict magnet school program" means a program which (i) supports racial, ethnic and economic diversity, (ii) offers a special and high quality curriculum, and (iii) requires students who are enrolled to attend at least half-time. An interdistrict magnet school program does not include a regional agricultural science and technology school, a technical education and career school or a regional special education center. For the school years commencing July 1, 2017, [and] to July 1, [2018] 2020, inclusive, the governing authority for each interdistrict magnet school program shall (I) restrict the number of students that may enroll in the school from a participating district to seventy-five per cent of the total school

enrollment, and (II) maintain a total school enrollment that is in accordance with the reduced-isolation setting standards for interdistrict magnet school programs, developed by the Commissioner of Education pursuant to section 10-264r.

(b) (1) Applications for interdistrict magnet school program operating grants awarded pursuant to this section shall be submitted annually to the Commissioner of Education at such time and in such manner as the commissioner prescribes, except that on and after July 1, 2009, applications for such operating grants for new interdistrict magnet schools, other than those that the commissioner determines will assist the state in meeting [the goals of the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, or the goals of the 2013 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended] its obligations pursuant to the decision in Sheff v. O'Neill, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, as determined by the commissioner, shall not be accepted until the commissioner develops a comprehensive state-wide interdistrict magnet school plan. The commissioner shall submit such comprehensive state-wide interdistrict magnet school plan on or before October 1, 2016, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education and appropriations.

(2) In determining whether an application shall be approved and funds awarded pursuant to this section, the commissioner shall consider, but such consideration shall not be limited to: (A) Whether the program offered by the school is likely to increase student achievement; (B) whether the program is likely to reduce racial, ethnic and economic isolation; (C) the percentage of the student enrollment in the program from each participating district; and (D) the proposed operating budget and the sources of funding for the interdistrict magnet school. For a magnet school not operated by a local or regional

board of education, the commissioner shall only approve a proposed operating budget that, on a per pupil basis, does not exceed the maximum allowable threshold established in accordance with this subdivision. The maximum allowable threshold shall be an amount equal to one hundred twenty per cent of the state average of the quotient obtained by dividing net current expenditures, as defined in section 10-261, by average daily membership, as defined in said section, for the fiscal year two years prior to the fiscal year for which the operating grant is requested. The Department of Education shall establish the maximum allowable threshold no later than December fifteenth of the fiscal year prior to the fiscal year for which the operating grant is requested. If requested by an applicant that is not a local or regional board of education, the commissioner may approve a proposed operating budget that exceeds the maximum allowable threshold if the commissioner determines that there are extraordinary programmatic needs. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2017, [and] June 30, 2018, June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, in the case of an interdistrict magnet school that will assist the state in meeting its obligations pursuant to the decision in Sheff v. O'Neill, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, as determined by the commissioner, the commissioner shall also consider whether the school is meeting the reduced-isolation setting standards for interdistrict magnet school programs, developed by the commissioner pursuant to section 10-264r. If such school has not met such reduced-isolation setting standards, it shall not be entitled to receive a grant pursuant to this section unless the commissioner finds that it is appropriate to award a grant for an additional year or years and approves a plan to bring such school into compliance with such reduced-isolation setting standards. If requested by the commissioner, the applicant shall meet with the commissioner or the commissioner's designee to discuss the budget and sources of funding.

(3) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, [and] to June 30, [2019]

2021, inclusive, the commissioner shall not award a grant to an interdistrict magnet school program that (A) has more than seventy-five per cent of the total school enrollment from one school district, or (B) does not maintain a total school enrollment that is in accordance with the reduced-isolation setting standards for interdistrict magnet school programs, developed by the Commissioner of Education pursuant to section 10-264r, except the commissioner may award a grant to such school for an additional year or years if the commissioner finds it is appropriate to do so and approves a plan to bring such school into compliance with such reduced-isolation setting standards.

(4) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, [and] to June 30, [2019] 2021, inclusive, if an interdistrict magnet school program does not maintain a total school enrollment that is in accordance with the reduced-isolation setting standards for interdistrict magnet school programs, developed by the commissioner pursuant to section 10-264r, for two or more consecutive years, the commissioner may impose a financial penalty on the operator of such interdistrict magnet school program, or take any other measure, in consultation with such operator, as may be appropriate to assist such operator in complying with such reduced-isolation setting standards.

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

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

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

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

(B) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraphs (C) to (G), inclusive, of this subdivision, each interdistrict magnet school operated by a regional educational service center that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent of the school's students from a single town shall receive a per pupil grant for each enrolled student who is not a resident of the

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

(C) (i) For the fiscal [year] years ending June 30, 2015, [and each fiscal year thereafter] to June 30, 2019, inclusive, each interdistrict magnet school operated by a regional educational service center that began operations for the school year commencing July 1, 2001, and that for the school year commencing July 1, 2008, enrolled at least fifty-five per cent, but no more than eighty per cent of the school's students from a single town, shall receive a per pupil grant [(i)] (I) for each enrolled student who is a resident of the district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but no more than eighty per cent of the school's students, up to an amount equal to the total number of such enrolled students as of October 1, 2013, using the data of record, in the amount of eight thousand one hundred eighty dollars, [(ii)] (II) for each enrolled student who is a resident of the district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but not more than eighty per cent of the school's students, in an amount greater than the total number of such enrolled students as of October 1, 2013, using the data of record, in the amount of three thousand dollars, [(iii)] (III) for each enrolled student who is not a resident of the district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but no more than eighty per cent of the school's students, up to an amount equal to the total number of such enrolled students as of October 1, 2013, using the data of record, in the amount of eight thousand one hundred eighty dollars, and [(iv)] (IV) for each enrolled student who is

not a resident of the district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but not more than eighty per cent of the school's students, in an amount greater than the total number of such enrolled students as of October 1, 2013, using the data of record, in the amount of seven thousand eighty-five dollars.

(ii) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and each fiscal year thereafter, each interdistrict magnet school operated by a regional educational service center that began operations for the school year commencing July 1, 2001, and that for the school year commencing July 1, 2008, enrolled at least fifty-five per cent, but not more than eighty per cent of the school's students from a single town, shall receive a per pupil grant (I) for each enrolled student who is a resident of the district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but not more than eighty per cent of the school's students, up to an amount equal to the total number of such enrolled students as of October 1, 2013, using the data of record, in the amount of eight thousand three hundred forty-four dollars, (II) for each enrolled student who is a resident of the district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but not more than eighty per cent of the school's students, in an amount greater than the total number of such enrolled students as of October 1, 2013, using the data of record, in the amount of three thousand sixty dollars, (III) for each enrolled student who is not a resident of the district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but no more than eighty per cent of the school's students, up to an amount equal to the total number of such enrolled students as of October 1, 2013, using the data of record, in the amount of eight thousand three hundred forty-four dollars, and (IV) for each enrolled student who is not a resident of the district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but not more than eighty per cent of the school's students, in an amount greater than the total number of such enrolled students as of October 1, 2013, using the data of record, in the amount of seven thousand two hundred twenty-seven dollars.

(D) (i) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (D)(ii) of this [subparagraph] subdivision, each interdistrict magnet school operated by (I) a regional educational service center, (II) the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on behalf of a regional community-technical college, (III) the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System on behalf of a state university, (IV) the Board of Trustees for The University of Connecticut on behalf of the university, (V) the board of governors for an independent institution of higher education, as defined in subsection (a) of section 10a-173, or the equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the independent institution of higher education, except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (E) of this subdivision, (VI) cooperative arrangements pursuant to section 10-158a, (VII) any other third-party not-for-profit corporation approved by the commissioner, and (VIII) the Hartford school district for the operation of Great Path Academy on behalf of Manchester Community College, that enrolls less than sixty per cent of its students from Hartford shall receive a per pupil grant in the amount of nine thousand six hundred ninety-five dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, [and] ten thousand four hundred forty-three dollars for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2011, to June 30, 2019, inclusive, and ten thousand six hundred fifty-two dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and each fiscal year thereafter.

(ii) For the fiscal [year] years ending June 30, 2016, [and each fiscal year thereafter] to June 30, 2019, inclusive, any interdistrict magnet school described in subparagraph (D)(i) of this [subparagraph] subdivision that enrolls less than fifty per cent of its incoming students from Hartford shall receive a per pupil grant in the amount of seven thousand nine hundred dollars for one-half of the total number of non-Hartford students enrolled in the school over fifty per cent of the total school enrollment and shall receive a per pupil grant in the amount of ten thousand four hundred forty-three dollars for the remainder of the total school enrollment. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and

each fiscal year thereafter, any interdistrict magnet school described in subparagraph (D)(i) of this subdivision that enrolls less than fifty per cent of its incoming students from Hartford shall receive a per pupil grant in the amount of eight thousand fifty-eight dollars for one-half of the total number of non-Hartford students enrolled in the school over fifty per cent of the total school enrollment and shall receive a per pupil grant in the amount of ten thousand six hundred fifty-two dollars for the remainder of the total school enrollment.

(E) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, and each fiscal year thereafter, each interdistrict magnet school operated by the board of governors for an independent institution of higher education, as defined in subsection (a) of section 10a-173, or the equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the independent institution of higher education, that (i) began operations for the school year commencing July 1, 2014, (ii) enrolls less than sixty per cent of its students from Hartford pursuant to the [2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, or the 2013 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended] decision in Sheff v. O'Neill, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, as determined by the commissioner, and (iii) enrolls students at least half-time, shall be eligible to receive a per pupil grant (I) equal to sixty-five per cent of the grant amount determined pursuant to subparagraph (D) of this subdivision for each student who is enrolled at such school for at least two semesters in each school year, and (II) equal to thirty-two and one-half per cent of the grant amount determined pursuant to subparagraph (D) of this subdivision for each student who is enrolled at such school for one semester in each school year.

(F) Each interdistrict magnet school operated by a local or regional board of education, pursuant to the decision in Sheff v. O'Neill, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, shall

receive a per pupil grant for each enrolled student who is not a resident of the district in the amount of (i) twelve thousand dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, **[**and**]** (ii) thirteen thousand fifty-four dollars for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2011, to June 30, 2019, inclusive, and (iii) thirteen thousand three hundred fifteen dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and each fiscal year thereafter.

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

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

(I) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, to June 30, 2018, inclusive, the half-day Greater Hartford Academy of Mathematics and Science interdistrict magnet school operated by the Capitol Region Education Council shall be eligible to receive a per pupil grant equal to six thousand seven hundred eighty-seven dollars for (i) students enrolled in grades ten to twelve, inclusive, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, (ii) students enrolled in grades eleven and twelve for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, and (iii) students enrolled in grade twelve for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, and each fiscal year thereafter, the half-day Greater Hartford Academy of Mathematics and Science interdistrict

magnet school shall not be eligible for any additional grants pursuant to subsection (c) of this section.

(4) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2015, and June 30, 2016, the department may limit payment to an interdistrict magnet school operator to an amount equal to the grant that such magnet school operator was eligible to receive based on the enrollment level of the interdistrict magnet school program on October 1, 2013. Approval of funding for enrollment above such enrollment level shall be prioritized by the department as follows: (A) Increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program that is adding planned new grade levels for the school years commencing July 1, 2015, and July 1, 2016; (B) increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program that added planned new grade levels for the school year commencing July 1, 2014, and was funded during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015; (C) increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program that is moving into a permanent facility for the school years commencing July 1, 2014, to July 1, 2016, inclusive; (D) increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program to ensure compliance with subsection (a) of this section; and (E) new enrollments for a new interdistrict magnet school program commencing operations on or after July 1, 2014, pursuant to the **[**2013 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended**]** decision in Sheff v. O'Neill, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, as determined by the commissioner. Any interdistrict magnet school program operating less than full-time, but at least half-time, shall be eligible to receive a grant equal to sixty-five per cent of the grant amount determined pursuant to this subsection.

(5) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the department may limit payment to an interdistrict magnet school operator to an amount equal to the grant that such magnet school operator was eligible to receive based on the enrollment level of the interdistrict magnet school

program on October 1, 2013, or October 1, 2015, whichever is lower. Approval of funding for enrollment above such enrollment level shall be prioritized by the department as follows: (A) Increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program that is adding planned new grade levels for the school years commencing July 1, 2015, and July 1, 2016; (B) increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program that added planned new grade levels for the school year commencing July 1, 2014, and was funded during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015; (C) increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program that added planned new grade levels for the school year commencing July 1, 2015, and was funded during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016; and (D) increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program to ensure compliance with subsection (a) of this section. Any interdistrict magnet school program operating less than full-time, but at least half-time, shall be eligible to receive a grant equal to sixty-five per cent of the grant amount determined pursuant to this subsection.

(6) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, and within available appropriations, the department may limit payment to an interdistrict magnet school operator to an amount equal to the grant that such magnet school operator was eligible to receive based on the enrollment level of the interdistrict magnet school program on October 1, 2013, October 1, 2015, or October 1, 2016, whichever is lower. Approval of funding for enrollment above such enrollment level shall be prioritized by the department and subject to the commissioner's approval, including increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program as a result of planned and approved new grade levels. Any interdistrict magnet school program operating less than full-time, but at least half-time, shall be eligible to receive a grant equal to sixty-five per cent of the grant amount determined pursuant to this subsection.

(7) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, and within available

appropriations, the department may limit payment to an interdistrict magnet school operator to an amount equal to the grant that such magnet school operator was eligible to receive based on the enrollment level of the interdistrict magnet school program on October 1, 2013, October 1, 2015, October 1, 2016, or October 1, 2017, whichever is lower. Approval of funding for enrollment above such enrollment level shall be prioritized by the department and subject to the commissioner's approval, including increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program as a result of planned and approved new grade levels. Any interdistrict magnet school program operating less than full-time, but at least half-time, shall be eligible to receive a grant equal to sixty-five per cent of the grant amount determined pursuant to this subsection.

(8) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and within available appropriations, the department may limit payment to an interdistrict magnet school operator to an amount equal to the grant that such magnet school operator was eligible to receive based on the enrollment level of the interdistrict magnet school program on October 1, 2013, October 1, 2015, October 1, 2016, October 1, 2017, or October 1, 2018, whichever is lower. Approval of funding for enrollment above such enrollment level shall be prioritized by the department and subject to the commissioner's approval, including increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program as a result of planned and approved new grade levels. Any interdistrict magnet school program operating less than full-time, but at least half-time, shall be eligible to receive a grant equal to sixty-five per cent of the grant amount determined pursuant to this subsection.

(9) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, and within available appropriations, the department may limit payment to an interdistrict magnet school operator to an amount equal to the grant that such magnet school operator was eligible to receive based on the enrollment

level of the interdistrict magnet school program on October 1, 2013, October 1, 2015, October 1, 2016, October 1, 2017, October 1, 2018, or October 1, 2019, whichever is lower. Approval of funding for enrollment above such enrollment level shall be prioritized by the department and subject to the commissioner's approval, including increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program as a result of planned and approved new grade levels. Any interdistrict magnet school program operating less than full-time, but at least half-time, shall be eligible to receive a grant equal to sixty-five per cent of the grant amount determined pursuant to this subsection.

[(8)**]** (10) Within available appropriations, the commissioner may make grants to the following entities that operate an interdistrict magnet school that assists the state in meeting its obligations pursuant to the decision in Sheff v. O'Neill, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, as determined by the commissioner and that provide academic support programs and summer school educational programs approved by the commissioner to students participating in such interdistrict magnet school program: (A) Regional educational service centers, (B) local and regional boards of education, (C) the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on behalf of a regional community-technical college, (D) the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System on behalf of a state university, (E) the Board of Trustees for The University of Connecticut on behalf of the university, (F) the board of governors for an independent institution of higher education, as defined in subsection (a) of section 10a-173, or the equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the independent institution of higher education, (G) cooperative arrangements pursuant to section 10-158a, and (H) any other third-party not-for-profit corporation approved by the commissioner.

[(9)**]** (11) Within available appropriations, the Commissioner of Education may make grants, in an amount not to exceed seventy-five

thousand dollars, for start-up costs associated with the development of new interdistrict magnet school programs that assist the state in meeting its obligations pursuant to the decision in Sheff v. O'Neill, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, as determined by the commissioner, to the following entities that develop such a program: (A) Regional educational service centers, (B) local and regional boards of education, (C) the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on behalf of a regional community-technical college, (D) the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System on behalf of a state university, (E) the Board of Trustees for The University of Connecticut on behalf of the university, (F) the board of governors for an independent institution of higher education, as defined in subsection (a) of section 10a-173, or the equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the independent institution of higher education, (G) cooperative arrangements pursuant to section 10-158a, and (H) any other third-party not-for-profit corporation approved by the commissioner.

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

Sec. 271. Section 10-262j of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) Except as otherwise provided under the provisions of subsections (c) to **[**(e)**]** (g), inclusive, of this section, for the fiscal year ending June 30, **[**2018**]** 2020, the budgeted appropriation for education shall be not less than the budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year ending June 30, **[**2017**]** 2019, plus any aid increase described

in subsection (d) of section 10-262i, except that a town may reduce its budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year ending June 30, **[**2018**]** 2020, by one or more of the following:

(1) If a town experiences an aid reduction, as described in subsection (d) of section 10-262i, such town may reduce its budgeted appropriation for education in an amount equal to the aid reduction;

[(2) Any district with (A) a resident student population in which the number of students who are eligible for free or reduced price lunches pursuant to federal law and regulations is equal to or greater than twenty per cent, and (B) a resident student count for October 1, 2016, using the data of record as of January 31, 2017, that is lower than such district's resident student count for October 1, 2015, using the data of record as of January 31, 2017, may reduce such district's budgeted appropriation for education by the difference in the number of resident students for such years multiplied by fifty per cent of the net current expenditures per resident student of such district, provided such reduction shall not exceed one and one-half per cent of the district's budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, except that the Commissioner of Education may, following a review of a town's proposed reductions to its budgeted appropriation for education, permit a town to reduce its budgeted appropriation for education in an amount greater than one and one-half per cent if the board of education for such town has approved, by vote at a meeting duly called, such proposed reductions;

(3) Any district with (A) a resident student population in which the number of students who are eligible for free or reduced price lunches pursuant to federal law and regulations is less than twenty per cent, and (B) a resident student count for October 1, 2016, using the data of record as of January 31, 2017, that is lower than such district's resident student count for October 1, 2015, using the data of record as of January 31, 2017, may reduce such district's budgeted appropriation

for education by the difference in the number of resident students for such years multiplied by fifty per cent of the net current expenditures per resident student of such district, provided such reduction shall not exceed three per cent of the district's budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, except that the Commissioner of Education may, following a review of a town's proposed reductions to its budgeted appropriation for education, permit a town to reduce its budgeted appropriation for education in an amount greater than three per cent if the board of education for such town has approved, by vote at a meeting duly called, such proposed reductions;**]**

(2) If a district experiences a net reduction in its resident student count during a period that may include any of the five fiscal years immediately prior to the fiscal year for which the budgeted appropriation for education is calculated, such district may reduce its budgeted appropriation for education in an amount equal to the number of such net reduction multiplied by fifty per cent of the net current expenditures per resident student of such district, provided no district may use the resident student count for any fiscal year that was previously used to reduce its budgeted appropriation for education in any calculation of a net reduction of resident students for purposes of reducing its budgeted appropriation for education pursuant to this subdivision for any subsequent fiscal year;

[(4)**]** (3) Any district (A) that does not maintain a high school and pays tuition to another school district pursuant to section 10-33 for resident students to attend high school in another district, and (B) in which the number of resident students attending high school for such district for October 1, **[**2016**]** 2018, using the data of record as of January 31, **[**2017**]** 2019, is lower than such district's number of resident students attending high school for October 1, **[**2015**]** 2017, using the data of record as of January 31, **[**2017**]** 2019, may reduce such district's

budgeted appropriation for education by the difference in the number of resident students attending high school for such years multiplied by the amount of tuition paid per student pursuant to section 10-33; or

[(5)] (4) Any district that realizes new and documentable savings through (A) increased district efficiencies approved by the Commissioner of Education, including, but not limited to, (i) reductions in costs associated with transportation services, school district administration or contracts that are not the result of collective bargaining or other labor agreements, (ii) an agreement to provide medical or health care benefits pursuant to section 7-464b, (iii) a cooperative agreement relating to the performance of administrative and central office functions, such as business manager functions, for the municipality and the school district pursuant to section 10-241b, (iv) reductions in costs associated with the purchasing or joint purchasing of property insurance, casualty insurance and workers' compensation insurance, following the consultation with the legislative body of the municipality of such district pursuant to section 10-241c, (v) reductions in costs associated with the purchasing of payroll processing or accounts payable software systems, following the consultation with the legislative body of the municipality of such district to determine whether such systems may be purchased or shared on a regional basis pursuant to section 10-241e, (vi) consolidation of information technology services, and (vii) reductions in costs associated with the care and maintenance of athletic fields, or [through] (B) regional collaboration or cooperative arrangements pursuant to section 10-158a may reduce such district's budgeted appropriation for education in an amount equal to half of the amount of savings experienced as a result of such district efficiencies, regional collaboration or cooperative arrangement, provided such reduction shall not exceed one-half of one per cent of the district's budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year ending June 30, [2017] 2019.

(b) Except as otherwise provided under the provisions of subsections (c) to [(f)] (g), inclusive, of this section, for the fiscal year ending June 30, [2019] 2021, a town's budgeted appropriation for education shall be not less than the budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year ending June 30, [2018, prior to any reductions made by such town to its budgeted appropriation for education because of withholdings or reductions made to its equalization aid grant pursuant to section 13 or 14 of public act 17-2 of the June special session or subsection (d) of section 12-170f] 2020, plus any aid increase received pursuant to subsection (d) of section 10-262i, except that a town may reduce its budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year ending June 30, [2019] 2021, by one or more of the following:

(1) If a town experiences an aid reduction, as described in subsection (d) of section 10-262i, such town may reduce its budgeted appropriation for education in an amount equal to the aid reduction;

[(2) Any district with (A) a resident student population in which the number of students who are eligible for free or reduced price lunches pursuant to federal law and regulations is equal to or greater than twenty per cent, and (B) a resident student count for October 1, 2017, using the data of record as of January 31, 2018, that is lower than such district's resident student count for October 1, 2016, using the data of record as of January 31, 2018, may reduce such district's budgeted appropriation for education by the difference in the number of resident students for such years multiplied by fifty per cent of the net current expenditures per resident student of such district, provided such reduction shall not exceed one and one-half per cent of the district's budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, except that the Commissioner of Education may, following a review of a town's proposed reductions to its budgeted appropriation for education, permit a town to reduce its budgeted appropriation for

education in an amount greater than one and one-half per cent if the board of education for such town has approved, by vote at a meeting duly called, such proposed reductions;

(3) Any district with (A) a resident student population in which the number of students who are eligible for free or reduced price lunches pursuant to federal law and regulations is less than twenty per cent, and (B) a resident student count for October 1, 2017, using the data of record as of January 31, 2018, that is lower than such district's resident student count for October 1, 2016, using the data of record as of January 31, 2018, may reduce such district's budgeted appropriation for education by the difference in the number of resident students for such years multiplied by fifty per cent of the net current expenditures per resident student, as defined in subdivision (45) of section 10-262f, of such district, provided such reduction shall not exceed three per cent of the district's budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, except that the Commissioner of Education may, following a review of a town's proposed reductions to its budgeted appropriation for education, permit a town to reduce its budgeted appropriation for education in an amount greater than three per cent if the board of education for such town has approved, by vote at a meeting duly called, such proposed reductions;**]**

(2) If a district experiences a net reduction in its resident student count during a period that may include any of the five fiscal years immediately prior to the fiscal year for which the budgeted appropriation for education is calculated, such district may reduce its budgeted appropriation for education in an amount equal to the number of such net reduction multiplied by fifty per cent of the net current expenditures per resident student of such district, provided no district may use the resident student count for any fiscal year that was previously used to reduce its budgeted appropriation for education in any calculation of a net reduction of resident students for purposes of

reducing its budgeted appropriation for education pursuant to this subdivision for any subsequent fiscal year;

[(4)**]** (3) Any district (A) that does not maintain a high school and pays tuition to another school district pursuant to section 10-33 for resident students to attend high school in another district, and (B) in which the number of resident students attending high school for such district for October 1, **[**2017**]** 2019, using the data of record as of January 31, **[**2018**]** 2020, is lower than such district's number of resident students attending high school for October 1, **[**2016**]** 2018, using the data of record as of January 31, **[**2018**]** 2020, may reduce such district's budgeted appropriation for education by the difference in the number of resident students attending high school for such years multiplied by the amount of tuition paid per student pursuant to section 10-33; or

[(5)**]** (4) Any district that realizes new and documentable savings through (A) increased district efficiencies approved by the Commissioner of Education, including, but not limited to, (i) reductions in costs associated with transportation services, school district administration or contracts that are not the result of collective bargaining or other labor agreements, (ii) an agreement to provide medical or health care benefits pursuant to section 7-464b, (iii) a cooperative agreement relating to the performance of administrative and central office functions, such as business manager functions, for the municipality and the school district pursuant to section 10-241b, (iv) reductions in costs associated with the purchasing or joint purchasing of property insurance, casualty insurance and workers' compensation insurance, following the consultation with the legislative body of the municipality of such district pursuant to section 10-241c, (v) reductions in costs associated with the purchasing of payroll processing or accounts payable software systems, following the consultation with the legislative body of the municipality of such district to determine whether such systems may be purchased or

shared on a regional basis pursuant to section 10-241e, (vi) consolidation of information technology services, and (vii) reductions in costs associated with the care and maintenance of athletic fields, or **[**through**]** (B) regional collaboration or cooperative arrangements pursuant to section 10-158a, may reduce such district's budgeted appropriation for education in an amount equal to half of the amount of savings experienced as a result of such district efficiencies, regional collaboration or cooperative arrangement, provided such reduction shall not exceed one-half of one per cent of the district's budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year ending June 30, **[**2017**]** 2020.

(c) For the fiscal years ending June 30, **[**2018**]** 2020, and June 30, **[**2019**]** 2021, the Commissioner of Education may permit a town to reduce its budgeted appropriation for education in an amount determined by the commissioner if the school district in such town has permanently ceased operations and closed one or more schools in the school district due to declining enrollment at such closed school or schools in the fiscal years ending June 30, 2013, to June 30, **[**2018**]** 2020, inclusive.

(d) For the fiscal years ending June 30, **[**2018**]** 2020, and June 30, **[**2019**]** 2021, a town designated as an alliance district, as defined in section 10-262u, shall not reduce its budgeted appropriation for education pursuant to this section.

(e) For the fiscal years ending June 30, **[**2018**]** 2020, and June 30, **[**2019**]** 2021, the provisions of this section shall not apply to any district that is in the top ten per cent of school districts based on the accountability index, as defined in section 10-223e.

(f) For the fiscal years ending June 30, **[**2018**]** 2020, and June 30, **[**2019**]** 2021, the provisions of this section shall not apply to the member towns of a regional school district during the first full fiscal

year following the establishment of the regional school district, provided the budgeted appropriation for education for member towns of such regional school district for each subsequent fiscal year shall be determined in accordance with this section.

(g) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, any district that has (1) elected to act as a self-insurer, pursuant to section 10-236, (2) experienced a loss incurred as a result of one or more catastrophic events, as declared by a nationally recognized catastrophe loss index provider, during the prior fiscal year, and (3) increased its budgeted appropriation for education during said prior fiscal year as a result of such loss, shall not be required to include the amount of such increase in the calculation of such district's budgeted appropriation for education for the subsequent fiscal year.

Sec. 272. Subsection (d) of section 10-262i of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(d) (1) For the fiscal year ending June 30, [2018] 2020, (A) if the amount of the equalization aid grant a town is entitled to pursuant to section 10-262h is greater than [its base grant amount] such town's equalization aid grant amount for the prior fiscal year, the difference between the amount of such town's equalization aid grant for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and such town's [base grant amount] equalization aid grant amount for the prior fiscal year shall be the aid increase for such town for the fiscal year ending June 30, [2018] 2020, and (B) if the amount of the equalization aid grant a town is entitled to pursuant to section 10-262h is less than [its base grant amount] such town's equalization aid grant amount for the prior fiscal year, the difference between such town's [base grant amount] equalization aid grant amount for the prior fiscal year and the amount of such town's equalization aid grant for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, shall be the aid reduction for such town for the fiscal year ending June 30,

[2018] 2020.

(2) For the fiscal year ending June 30, [2019] 2021, (A) if the amount of the equalization aid grant a town is entitled to pursuant to section 10-262h is greater than such town's equalization aid grant amount for the [previous] prior fiscal year, the difference between the amount of such town's equalization aid grant for the fiscal year ending June 30, [2019] 2021, and such town's equalization aid grant amount for the [previous] prior fiscal year shall be the aid increase for such town for the fiscal year ending June 30, [2019] 2021, and (B) if the amount of the equalization aid grant a town is entitled to pursuant to section 10-262h is less than such town's equalization aid grant amount for the [previous] prior fiscal year, the difference between such town's equalization aid grant amount for the [previous] prior fiscal year and the amount of such town's equalization aid grant for the fiscal year ending June 30, [2019] 2021, shall be the aid reduction for such town for the fiscal year ending June 30, [2019] 2021. [For purposes of this subdivision, "equalization aid grant amount for the previous fiscal year" means the equalization aid grant amount a town was entitled to pursuant to section 10-262h for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, prior to any reductions made to such town's equalization aid grant during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, as a result of reductions in allotments pursuant to section 13 or 14 of public act 17-2 of the June special session or withholding or reductions of state financial assistance pursuant to subsection (d) of section 12-170f.]

Sec. 273. Section 10-95q of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) (1) On or after July 1, 2017, until June 30, [2021] 2023, the Technical Education and Career System board may recommend a candidate for superintendent of the Technical Education and Career System to the Commissioner of Education. The commissioner may hire or reject any candidate for superintendent recommended by the board.

If the commissioner rejects a candidate for superintendent, the board shall recommend another candidate for superintendent to the commissioner. The term of office of the superintendent hired under this subdivision shall expire on June 30, **[**2021**]** <u>2023</u>.

(2) On and after July 1, **[**2021**]** <u>2023</u>, the Technical Education and Career System board shall recommend a candidate for superintendent of the Technical Education and Career System to the executive director of the Technical Education and Career System. The executive director may hire or reject any candidate for superintendent recommended by the board. If the executive director rejects a candidate for superintendent, the board shall recommend another candidate for superintendent to the executive director. The term of office of the superintendent hired under this subdivision shall be three years and may be extended for no more than three years at any one time.

(b) The superintendent of the Technical Education and Career System shall be responsible for the operation and administration of the technical education and career schools and all other matters relating to vocational, technical, technological and postsecondary education in the system.

Sec. 274. Section 10-99f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2011, to June 30, **[**2020**]** <u>2022</u>, inclusive, the budget for the Technical Education and Career System shall (1) be a separate budgeted agency from the Department of Education, and (2) include a separate (A) educational account for educational and school-based accounts and expenditures, and (B) noneducational account.

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, and each fiscal year thereafter, the

Governor, when considering reductions in allotment requisitions or allotments in force, shall give priority to the educational needs of the system and instructional staffing needs, as identified in the statement of staffing needs submitted by the superintendent of the Technical Education and Career System pursuant to section 10-99g, and every effort shall be made to avoid impairment of the system's educational mission and interruption to instructional time during such consideration.

Sec. 275. Section 10-99f of the general statutes, as amended by section 9 of public act 17-237 and section 9 of public act 18-182, is repealed and the following is substituted thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

(a) For the fiscal year ending June 30, **[**2021**]** 2023, and each fiscal year thereafter, the budget for the Technical Education and Career System shall (1) be a separate budgeted agency, and (2) include a separate (A) educational account for educational and school-based accounts and expenditures, and (B) noneducational account.

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, and each fiscal year thereafter, the Governor, when considering reductions in allotment requisitions or allotments in force, shall give priority to the educational needs of the system and instructional staffing needs, as identified in the statement of staffing needs submitted by the superintendent of the Technical Education and Career System pursuant to section 10-99g, and every effort shall be made to avoid impairment of the system's educational mission and interruption to instructional time during such consideration.

Sec. 276. Section 10-99g of the general statutes, as amended by section 10 of public act 17-237 and section 17 of public act 18-182, is repealed and the following is substituted thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

(a) (1) For the fiscal year ending June 30, [2020] 2023, and each fiscal year thereafter, each technical education and career school shall prepare a proposed school budget for the next succeeding school year beginning July first and submit such proposed school budget to the superintendent of the Technical Education and Career System. Such proposed school budget shall include a statement of the staffing needs for such technical education and career school. The superintendent shall collect, review and use the proposed school budget for each technical education and career school to guide the preparation of a proposed school budget for the Technical Education and Career System.

(2) The superintendent of the Technical Education and Career System shall prepare and submit the education budget for the Technical Education and Career System to the executive director of the Technical Education and Career System. The education budget shall include educational and school-based accounts and expenditures, the school budget for each technical education and career school, and a statement of the staffing needs for the technical education and career schools. The executive director shall review the education budget and include the education budget as part of the operating budget for the Technical Education and Career System. The executive director shall report any financial inconsistencies or irregularities discovered during the course of such review to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, the Commissioner of Administrative Services and the Auditors of Public Accounts. For purposes of this section and section 10-99f, "educational and school-based accounts and expenditures" means funds used to (A) support instruction, programming and curriculum within the Technical Education and Career System, and (B) purchase supplies and equipment for instruction at individual technical education and career schools.

(3) The executive director shall prepare the central office budget for

the Technical Education and Career System. Such central office budget shall include noneducational and central office accounts and expenditures and a statement of the staffing needs for the central office of the system. The executive director shall include the central office budget as part of the operating budget for the Technical Education and Career System.

(4) The executive director shall prepare and submit the operating budget of the Technical Education and Career System to the Office of Policy and Management in accordance with the provisions of section 4-77.

(5) The executive director shall annually submit a copy of (A) an itemized school budget for each technical education and career school, including the statement of the staffing needs for each technical education and career school, (B) the education budget, (C) the central office budget, including the statement of the staffing needs for the system, and (D) the operating budget for the Technical Education and Career System to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a.

(b) The executive director shall semiannually submit the operating budget and expenses for each individual technical education and career school, in accordance with section 11-4a, to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, the director of the legislative Office of Fiscal Analysis and to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education.

(c) (1) The superintendent shall make available and update on the Technical Education and Career System Internet web site and the Internet web site of each technical education and career school the operating budget for the current school year of each individual

technical education and career school.

(2) The executive director shall make available and update on the Technical Education and Career System Internet web site the operating budget for the current school year of the central office of the Technical Education and Career System and the operating budget for the Technical Education and Career System.

Sec. 277. Section 10-99h of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, to June 30, **[**2020**]** 2022, inclusive, the superintendent of the Technical Education and Career System shall create and maintain a list that includes an inventory of all technical and vocational equipment, supplies and materials purchased or obtained and used in the provision of career technical education in each technical education and career school and across the Technical Education and Career System. The board shall consult such list (1) during the preparation of the budget for the Technical Education and Career System, pursuant to section 10-99g, (2) prior to purchasing or obtaining any new equipment, supplies or materials, and (3) for the purpose of sharing equipment, supplies and materials among technical education and career schools.

(b) For the fiscal year ending June 30, **[**2021**]** 2023, and each fiscal year thereafter, the executive director of the Technical Education and Career System shall create and maintain a list that includes an inventory of all technical and vocational equipment, supplies and materials purchased or obtained and used in the provision of career technical education in each technical education and career school and across the Technical Education and Career System. The executive director shall consult such list (1) during the preparation of the budget for the Technical Education and Career System, pursuant to section 10-99g, (2) prior to purchasing or obtaining any new equipment, supplies

or materials, and (3) for the purpose of sharing equipment, supplies and materials among technical education and career schools.

Sec. 278. Section 16 of public act 17-237, as amended by section 79 of public act 17-2 of the June special session and section 11 of public act 18-182, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, to June 30, [2020] 2022, inclusive, the State Board of Education shall hire a consultant to (1) assist the Technical Education and Career System board with the development of a transition plan for the Technical Education and Career System, (2) identify and provide recommendations concerning which services could be provided more efficiently through or in conjunction with another local or regional board of education, municipality or state agency by means of a memorandum of understanding with the Technical Education and Career System, and (3) identify efficiencies, best practices and cost savings in procurement. Such consultant shall consult with the administrative and professional staff of the Technical Education and Career System in the development of the transition plan and recommendations described in subdivision (2) of this section. Not later than January 1, [2020] 2022, the state board shall submit a report on the transition plan and such identified services and any recommendations for legislation necessary to implement such transition plan and such identified services to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.

Sec. 279. Section 18 of public act 17-237, as amended by section 12 of public act 18-182, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, to June 30, [2020] 2022,

inclusive, the Department of Education shall (1) provide training to those persons employed by the department within the Technical Education and Career System who will be responsible for performing central office and administrative functions for the system on and after July 1, **[**2020**]** 2022, and (2) identify those persons within the system who can be trained to perform multiple functions or responsibilities for the system.

Sec. 280. (*Effective from passage*) Sections 5 and 20 of public act 17-237, as amended by section 17 of public act 18-182, shall take effect July 1, 2022.

Sec. 281. (*Effective from passage*) Section 2 of public act 17-237, as amended by section 73 of public act 17-2 of the June special session and section 18 of public act 18-182, shall take effect July 1, 2022.

Sec. 282. (*Effective from passage*) Section 4 of public act 17-237, as amended by section 74 of public act 17-2 of the June special session and section 19 of public act 18-182, shall take effect July 1, 2022.

Sec. 283. (*Effective from passage*) Section 6 of public act 17-237, as amended by section 279 of public act 17-2 of the June special session and section 20 of public act 18-182, shall take effect July 1, 2022.

Sec. 284. (*Effective from passage*) Section 7 of public act 17-237, as amended by section 287 of public act 17-2 of the June special session and section 21 of public act 18-182, shall take effect July 1, 2022.

Sec. 285. Section 10-248a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

For the fiscal year ending June 30, **[**2011**]** 2020, and each fiscal year thereafter, notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes or any special act, municipal charter, home rule ordinance or other ordinance, the board of finance in each town having a board of finance,

the board of selectman in each town having no board of finance or the authority making appropriations for the school district for each town may deposit into a nonlapsing account any unexpended funds from the prior fiscal year from the budgeted appropriation for education for the town, provided (1) such deposited amount does not exceed [one] two per cent of the total budgeted appropriation for education for such prior fiscal year, (2) each expenditure from such account shall be made only for educational purposes, and (3) each such expenditure shall be authorized by the local board of education for such town.

Sec. 286. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (e) of section 10-262i of the general statutes, the town of Plymouth shall not be deemed in violation of the provisions of section 10-262j of the general statutes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, if said town increases its budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, in an amount equal to the difference between the amount said town should have appropriated for education and the amount it actually appropriated for education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019.

Sec. 287. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (5) of subsection (b) of section 10-262j of the general statutes, the town of Portland may reduce its budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, in an amount equal to the documentable savings achieved through increased district efficiencies, approved by the commissioner, up to one-half of one per cent of said town's budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

Sec. 288. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (e) of section 10-262i of the general statutes, any town that is determined to be in violation of the provisions of section 10-262j of the general statutes by the State Board of Education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, shall forfeit an amount equal to the amount of

the shortfall and said amount shall be withheld by the Department of Education from the town's equalization aid grant payment, pursuant to section 10-262i of the general statutes, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, unless such town increases its budgeted appropriation for education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, in an amount equal to the difference between the amount such town should have appropriated for education and the amount it actually appropriated for education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019.

Sec. 289. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) of section 10-76g of the general statutes concerning the deadlines for filing an application for a grant for the excess costs of special education under said subsection (b), for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the State Board of Education shall make payment for the excess costs incurred by the Region 14 school district during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019.

Sec. 290. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2019*) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and each fiscal year thereafter, each local and regional board of education shall, on a quarterly basis, (1) post the board's current and projected expenditures and revenues on the Internet web site of the board, and (2) submit a copy of such current and projected expenditures and revenues to the legislative body of the municipality or, in a municipality where the legislative body is a town meeting, to the board of selectmen.

Sec. 291. Subsection (b) of section 17b-104 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(b) On July 1, 2007, and annually thereafter, the commissioner shall increase the payment standards over those of the previous fiscal year under the temporary family assistance program and the state-administered general assistance program by the percentage increase, if

any, in the most recent calendar year average in the consumer price index for urban consumers over the average for the previous calendar year, provided the annual increase, if any, shall not exceed five per cent, except that the payment standards for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2010, June 30, 2011, June 30, 2012, June 30, 2013, June 30, 2016, June 30, 2017, June 30, 2018, [and] June 30, 2019, June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, shall not be increased.

Sec. 292. Subsection (a) of section 17b-106 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) On July 1, 1989, and annually thereafter, the commissioner shall increase the adult payment standards over those of the previous fiscal year for the state supplement to the federal Supplemental Security Income Program by the percentage increase, if any, in the most recent calendar year average in the consumer price index for urban consumers over the average for the previous calendar year, provided the annual increase, if any, shall not exceed five per cent, except that the adult payment standards for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1993, June 30, 1994, June 30, 1995, June 30, 1996, June 30, 1997, June 30, 1998, June 30, 1999, June 30, 2000, June 30, 2001, June 30, 2002, June 30, 2003, June 30, 2004, June 30, 2005, June 30, 2006, June 30, 2007, June 30, 2008, June 30, 2009, June 30, 2010, June 30, 2011, June 30, 2012, June 30, 2013, June 30, 2016, June 30, 2017, June 30, 2018, [and] June 30, 2019, June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, shall not be increased. Effective October 1, 1991, the coverage of excess utility costs for recipients of the state supplement to the federal Supplemental Security Income Program is eliminated. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the commissioner may increase the personal needs allowance component of the adult payment standard as necessary to meet federal maintenance of effort requirements.

Sec. 293. Subsection (j) of section 17b-340 of the general statutes is

repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(j) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, state rates of payment for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, **[**and**]** June 30, 2019, June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, for residential care homes, community living arrangements and community companion homes that receive the flat rate for residential services under section 17-311-54 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies shall be set in accordance with section **[**43 of public act 17-2 of the June special session**]** 297 of this act.

Sec. 294. Subsection (j) of section 17b-340 of the general statutes, as amended by section 293 of this act, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

(j) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, state rates of payment for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, June 30, 2019, June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, for residential care homes **[**,**]** and community living arrangements **[**and community companion homes**]** that receive the flat rate for residential services under section 17-311-54 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies shall be set in accordance with section **[**297**]** 298 of this act.

Sec. 295. Section 17b-244 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) The room and board component of the rates to be paid by the state to private facilities and facilities operated by regional education service centers which are licensed to provide residential care pursuant to section 17a-227, but not certified to participate in the Title XIX Medicaid program as intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities, shall be determined annually by the Commissioner of Social Services, except that rates effective April 30,

1989, shall remain in effect through October 31, 1989. Any facility with real property other than land placed in service prior to July 1, 1991, shall, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1995, receive a rate of return on real property equal to the average of the rates of return applied to real property other than land placed in service for the five years preceding July 1, 1993. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, and any succeeding fiscal year, the rate of return on real property for property items shall be revised every five years. The commissioner shall, upon submission of a request by such facility, allow actual debt service, comprised of principal and interest, on the loan or loans in lieu of property costs allowed pursuant to section 17-313b-5 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies, whether actual debt service is higher or lower than such allowed property costs, provided such debt service terms and amounts are reasonable in relation to the useful life and the base value of the property. In the case of facilities financed through the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, the commissioner shall allow actual debt service, comprised of principal, interest and a reasonable repair and replacement reserve on the loan or loans in lieu of property costs allowed pursuant to section 17-313b-5 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies, whether actual debt service is higher or lower than such allowed property costs, provided such debt service terms and amounts are determined by the commissioner at the time the loan is entered into to be reasonable in relation to the useful life and base value of the property. The commissioner may allow fees associated with mortgage refinancing provided such refinancing will result in state reimbursement savings, after comparing costs over the terms of the existing proposed loans. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1992, the inflation factor used to determine rates shall be one-half of the gross national product percentage increase for the period between the midpoint of the cost year through the midpoint of the rate year. For fiscal year ending June 30, 1993, the inflation factor used to determine rates shall be two-thirds of the gross national product percentage increase from the midpoint of the cost year to the midpoint of the rate

year. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 1996, and June 30, 1997, no inflation factor shall be applied in determining rates. The Commissioner of Social Services shall prescribe uniform forms on which such facilities shall report their costs. Such rates shall be determined on the basis of a reasonable payment for necessary services. Any increase in grants, gifts, fund-raising or endowment income used for the payment of operating costs by a private facility in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1992, shall be excluded by the commissioner from the income of the facility in determining the rates to be paid to the facility for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1993, provided any operating costs funded by such increase shall not obligate the state to increase expenditures in subsequent fiscal years. Nothing contained in this section shall authorize a payment by the state to any such facility in excess of the charges made by the facility for comparable services to the general public. The service component of the rates to be paid by the state to private facilities and facilities operated by regional education service centers which are licensed to provide residential care pursuant to section 17a-227, but not certified to participate in the Title XIX Medicaid programs as intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities, shall be determined annually by the Commissioner of Developmental Services in accordance with section 17b-244a. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, no facility shall receive a rate that is more than two per cent greater than the rate in effect for the facility on June 30, 2007, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2007, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2007. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, no facility shall receive a rate that is more than two per cent greater than the rate in effect for the facility on June 30, 2008, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2008, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2008. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2010, and June 30, 2011, rates in effect

for the period ending June 30, 2009, shall remain in effect until June 30, 2011, except that (1) the rate paid to a facility may be higher than the rate paid to the facility for the period ending June 30, 2009, if a capital improvement required by the Commissioner of Developmental Services for the health or safety of the residents was made to the facility during the fiscal years ending June 30, 2010, or June 30, 2011, and (2) any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, or June 30, 2011, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2011, shall remain in effect until June 30, 2012, except that (A) the rate paid to a facility may be higher than the rate paid to the facility for the period ending June 30, 2011, if a capital improvement required by the Commissioner of Developmental Services for the health or safety of the residents was made to the facility during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, and (B) any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate. Any facility that has a significant decrease in land and building costs shall receive a reduced rate to reflect such decrease in land and building costs. The rate paid to a facility may be increased if a capital improvement approved by the Department of Developmental Services, in consultation with the Department of Social Services, for the health or safety of the residents was made to the facility during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, or June 30, 2015, only to the extent such increases are within available appropriations. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the period ending June 30, 2015, except the rate paid to a facility may be higher than the rate paid to the facility for the period ending June 30, 2015, if a capital improvement approved by the Department of Developmental Services, in consultation with the Department of Social Services, for the health or safety of the residents was made to the facility during the fiscal year

ending June 30, 2016, or June 30, 2017, to the extent such rate increases are within available appropriations. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, and each succeeding fiscal year, any facility that would have been issued a lower rate, due to interim rate status, a change in allowable fair rent or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the period ending June 30, 2017, except the rate paid to a facility may be higher than the rate paid to the facility for the period ending June 30, 2017, if a capital improvement approved by the Department of Developmental Services, in consultation with the Department of Social Services, for the health or safety of the residents was made to the facility during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, or June 30, 2019, to the extent such rate increases are within available appropriations. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, except the rate paid to a facility may be higher than the rate paid to the facility for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, if a capital improvement approved by the Department of Developmental Services, in consultation with the Department of Social Services, for the health or safety of the residents was made to the facility during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, or June 30, 2021, to the extent such rate increases are within available appropriations.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, state rates of payment for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, **[**and**]** June 30, 2019, June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, for residential care homes, community living arrangements and community companion homes that receive the flat rate for residential services under section 17-311-54 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies shall be set in accordance with section **[**43 of public act 17-2 of the June special session**]** 297 of this act.

(c) The Commissioner of Social Services and the Commissioner of Developmental Services shall adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 to implement the provisions of this section.

Sec. 296. Subsection (b) of section 17b-244 of the general statutes, as amended by section 295 of this act, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, state rates of payment for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, June 30, 2019, June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, for residential care homes **[**,**]** and community living arrangements **[**and community companion homes**]** that receive the flat rate for residential services under section 17-311-54 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies shall be set in accordance with section **[**297**]** 298 of this act.

Sec. 297. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of section 17b-244 of the general statutes and subsections (a) to (i), inclusive, of section 17b-340 of the general statutes, or any other provision of the general statutes, or regulation adopted thereunder, the state rates of payments in effect for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, for residential care homes, community living arrangements and community companion homes that receive the flat rate for residential services under section 17-311-54 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies shall remain in effect until June 30, 2021.

Sec. 298. (*Effective January 1, 2020*) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of section 17b-244 of the general statutes, subsections (a) to (i), inclusive, of section 17b-340 of the general statutes, section 297 of this act, or any other provision of the general statutes, or regulation adopted thereunder, the state rates of payments in effect for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, for residential care homes and community living arrangements that receive the flat rate for residential services under section 17-311-54 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies shall

remain in effect until June 30, 2021.

Sec. 299. Section 17b-82 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

As used in sections 17b-83 and 17b-601, "rated housing facility" means (1) a boarding facility or home, except for a community companion home, licensed by the Department of Developmental Services, the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, or the Department of Children and Families; or (2) the facility established by New Horizons, Inc. pursuant to section 19a-507, provided any such home or facility has been approved by the Department of Social Services to receive state supplement payments for residents found eligible for such payments in accordance with section 17b-600.

Sec. 300. Subdivision (1) of subsection (h) of section 17b-340 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(h) (1) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1993, any residential care home with an operating cost component of its rate in excess of one hundred thirty per cent of the median of operating cost components of rates in effect January 1, 1992, shall not receive an operating cost component increase. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1993, any residential care home with an operating cost component of its rate that is less than one hundred thirty per cent of the median of operating cost components of rates in effect January 1, 1992, shall have an allowance for real wage growth equal to sixty-five per cent of the increase determined in accordance with subsection (q) of section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies, provided such operating cost component shall not exceed one hundred thirty per cent of the median of operating cost components in effect January 1, 1992. Beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 1993, for the purpose of determining allowable fair rent, a residential care home with allowable

fair rent less than the twenty-fifth percentile of the state-wide allowable fair rent shall be reimbursed as having allowable fair rent equal to the twenty-fifth percentile of the state-wide allowable fair rent. Beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 1997, a residential care home with allowable fair rent less than three dollars and ten cents per day shall be reimbursed as having allowable fair rent equal to three dollars and ten cents per day. Property additions placed in service during the cost year ending September 30, 1996, or any succeeding cost year shall receive a fair rent allowance for such additions as an addition to three dollars and ten cents per day if the fair rent for the facility for property placed in service prior to September 30, 1995, is less than or equal to three dollars and ten cents per day. Beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, a residential care home shall be reimbursed the greater of the allowable accumulated fair rent reimbursement associated with real property additions and land as calculated on a per day basis or three dollars and ten cents per day if the allowable reimbursement associated with real property additions and land is less than three dollars and ten cents per day. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, and any succeeding fiscal year, the allowance for real wage growth, as determined in accordance with subsection (q) of section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies, shall not be applied. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, and any succeeding fiscal year, the inflation adjustment made in accordance with subsection (p) of section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies shall not be applied to real property costs. Beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 1997, minimum allowable patient days for rate computation purposes for a residential care home with twenty-five beds or less shall be eighty-five per cent of licensed capacity. Beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, for the purposes of determining the allowable salary of an administrator of a residential care home with sixty beds or less the department shall revise the allowable base salary to thirty-seven thousand dollars to be annually inflated thereafter in accordance

with section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies. The rates for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, shall be based upon the increased allowable salary of an administrator, regardless of whether such amount was expended in the 2000 cost report period upon which the rates are based. Beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, and until the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, inclusive, the inflation adjustment for rates made in accordance with subsection (p) of section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies shall be increased by two per cent, and beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, the inflation adjustment for rates made in accordance with subsection (c) of said section shall be increased by one per cent. Beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999, for the purpose of determining the allowable salary of a related party, the department shall revise the maximum salary to twenty-seven thousand eight hundred fifty-six dollars to be annually inflated thereafter in accordance with section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies and beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, such allowable salary shall be computed on an hourly basis and the maximum number of hours allowed for a related party other than the proprietor shall be increased from forty hours to forty-eight hours per work week. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, each facility shall receive a rate that is two and one-quarter per cent more than the rate the facility received in the prior fiscal year, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2004, than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2004. Effective upon receipt of all the necessary federal approvals to secure federal financial participation matching funds associated with the rate increase provided in subdivision (4) of subsection (f) of this section, but in no event earlier than October 1, 2005, and provided the user fee imposed under section 17b-320 is required to be collected, each facility shall receive a rate that is determined in accordance with applicable law and subject to

appropriations, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective October 1, 2005, than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective October 1, 2005. Such rate increase shall remain in effect unless: (A) The federal financial participation matching funds associated with the rate increase are no longer available; or (B) the user fee created pursuant to section 17b-320 is not in effect. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2006, shall remain in effect until September 30, 2006, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2006, than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2006. Effective October 1, 2006, no facility shall receive a rate that is more than four per cent greater than the rate in effect for the facility on September 30, 2006, except for any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective October 1, 2006, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective October 1, 2006. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2010, and June 30, 2011, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2009, shall remain in effect until June 30, 2011, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, or the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate, except (i) any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, or the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, due to interim rate status or agreement with the Commissioner of Social Services shall be issued such lower rate; and (ii) the commissioner may increase a facility's rate for reasonable costs associated with such facility's compliance with the provisions of section 19a-495a concerning the administration of medication by unlicensed personnel. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2011, shall remain in effect until June 30, 2012, except that (I) any facility that would have

been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, due to interim rate status or agreement with the Commissioner of Social Services shall be issued such lower rate; and (II) the commissioner may increase a facility's rate for reasonable costs associated with such facility's compliance with the provisions of section 19a-495a concerning the administration of medication by unlicensed personnel. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, the Commissioner of Social Services may, within available appropriations, provide a rate increase to a residential care home. Any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, due to interim rate status or agreement with the Commissioner of Social Services shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2012, and June 30, 2013, the Commissioner of Social Services may provide fair rent increases to any facility that has undergone a material change in circumstances related to fair rent and has an approved certificate of need pursuant to section 17b-352, 17b-353, 17b-354 or 17b-355. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2014, and June 30, 2015, for those facilities that have a calculated rate greater than the rate in effect for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, the commissioner may increase facility rates based upon available appropriations up to a stop gain as determined by the commissioner. No facility shall be issued a rate that is lower than the rate in effect on June 30, 2013, except that any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, or the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, due to interim rate status or agreement with the commissioner, shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, and each fiscal year thereafter, a residential care home shall receive a rate increase for any capital improvement made during the fiscal year for the health and safety of residents and approved by the Department of Social Services, provided such rate increase is within available appropriations. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, and each succeeding fiscal year thereafter, costs of less than ten thousand dollars that are incurred by a facility and are associated with any land, building or nonmovable

equipment repair or improvement that are reported in the cost year used to establish the facility's rate shall not be capitalized for a period of more than five years for rate-setting purposes. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, subject to available appropriations, the commissioner may, at the commissioner's discretion: Increase the inflation cost limitation under subsection (c) of section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies, provided such inflation allowance factor does not exceed a maximum of five per cent; establish a minimum rate of return applied to real property of five per cent inclusive of assets placed in service during cost year 2013; waive the standard rate of return under subsection (f) of section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies for ownership changes or health and safety improvements that exceed one hundred thousand dollars and that are required under a consent order from the Department of Public Health; and waive the rate of return adjustment under subsection (f) of section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies to avoid financial hardship. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the period ending June 30, 2015, except the commissioner may, in the commissioner's discretion and within available appropriations, provide pro rata fair rent increases to facilities which have documented fair rent additions placed in service in cost report years ending September 30, 2014, and September 30, 2015, that are not otherwise included in rates issued. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, and each succeeding fiscal year, any facility that would have been issued a lower rate, due to interim rate status, a change in allowable fair rent or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the period ending June 30, 2017, except the commissioner may, in the commissioner's discretion and within available appropriations, provide pro rata fair rent increases to facilities which have documented fair rent additions placed in service in the cost report year

ending September 30, 2016, that are not otherwise included in rates issued. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the period ending June 30, 2018, except the commissioner may, in the commissioner's discretion and within available appropriations, provide pro rata fair rent increases to facilities which have documented fair rent additions placed in service in the cost report year ending September 30, 2017, that are not otherwise included in rates issued. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, except the commissioner may, in the commissioner's discretion and within available appropriations, provide pro rata fair rent increases to facilities which have documented fair rent additions placed in service in the cost report year ending September 30, 2018, that are not otherwise included in rates issued. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, except the commissioner may, in the commissioner's discretion and within available appropriations, provide pro rata fair rent increases to facilities which have documented fair rent additions placed in service in the cost report year ending September 30, 2019, that are not otherwise included in rates issued.

Sec. 301. Subsection (g) of section 17b-340 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(g) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1993, any intermediate care facility for individuals with intellectual disabilities with an operating cost component of its rate in excess of one hundred forty per cent of the median of operating cost components of rates in effect January 1, 1992, shall not receive an operating cost component increase. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1993, any intermediate care facility for individuals with intellectual disabilities with an operating cost

component of its rate that is less than one hundred forty per cent of the median of operating cost components of rates in effect January 1, 1992, shall have an allowance for real wage growth equal to thirty per cent of the increase determined in accordance with subsection (q) of section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies, provided such operating cost component shall not exceed one hundred forty per cent of the median of operating cost components in effect January 1, 1992. Any facility with real property other than land placed in service prior to October 1, 1991, shall, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1995, receive a rate of return on real property equal to the average of the rates of return applied to real property other than land placed in service for the five years preceding October 1, 1993. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, and any succeeding fiscal year, the rate of return on real property for property items shall be revised every five years. The commissioner shall, upon submission of a request, allow actual debt service, comprised of principal and interest, in excess of property costs allowed pursuant to section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies, provided such debt service terms and amounts are reasonable in relation to the useful life and the base value of the property. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1995, and any succeeding fiscal year, the inflation adjustment made in accordance with subsection (p) of section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies shall not be applied to real property costs. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, and any succeeding fiscal year, the allowance for real wage growth, as determined in accordance with subsection (q) of section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies, shall not be applied. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, and any succeeding fiscal year, no rate shall exceed three hundred seventy-five dollars per day unless the commissioner, in consultation with the Commissioner of Developmental Services, determines after a review of program and management costs, that a rate in excess of this amount is necessary for care and treatment of facility residents. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, rate period,

the Commissioner of Social Services shall increase the inflation adjustment for rates made in accordance with subsection (p) of section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies to update allowable fiscal year 2000 costs to include a three and one-half per cent inflation factor. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, rate period, the commissioner shall increase the inflation adjustment for rates made in accordance with subsection (p) of section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies to update allowable fiscal year 2001 costs to include a one and one-half per cent inflation factor, except that such increase shall be effective November 1, 2002, and such facility rate in effect for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, shall be paid for services provided until October 31, 2002, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2002, than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2002, and have such rate updated effective November 1, 2002, in accordance with applicable statutes and regulations. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2003, shall remain in effect, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2003, than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2003. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2004, shall remain in effect until September 30, 2004. Effective October 1, 2004, each facility shall receive a rate that is five per cent greater than the rate in effect September 30, 2004. Effective upon receipt of all the necessary federal approvals to secure federal financial participation matching funds associated with the rate increase provided in subdivision (4) of subsection (f) of this section, but in no event earlier than October 1, 2005, and provided the user fee imposed under section 17b-320 is required to be collected, each facility shall receive a rate that is four per cent more than the rate the facility received in the prior fiscal year, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate

effective October 1, 2005, than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective October 1, 2005. Such rate increase shall remain in effect unless: (1) The federal financial participation matching funds associated with the rate increase are no longer available; or (2) the user fee created pursuant to section 17b-320 is not in effect. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2006, shall remain in effect until September 30, 2006, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2006, than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2006. Effective October 1, 2006, no facility shall receive a rate that is more than three per cent greater than the rate in effect for the facility on September 30, 2006, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective October 1, 2006, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective October 1, 2006. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, each facility shall receive a rate that is two and nine-tenths per cent greater than the rate in effect for the period ending June 30, 2007, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2007, than for the rate period ending June 30, 2007, due to interim rate status, or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2007. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2008, shall remain in effect until June 30, 2009, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2010, and June 30, 2011, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2009, shall remain in effect until June 30, 2011, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, or the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate. For

the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2011, shall remain in effect until June 30, 2012, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2014, and June 30, 2015, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the period ending June 30, 2013, except the rate paid to a facility may be higher than the rate paid to the facility for the period ending June 30, 2013, if a capital improvement approved by the Department of Developmental Services, in consultation with the Department of Social Services, for the health or safety of the residents was made to the facility during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, or June 30, 2015, to the extent such rate increases are within available appropriations. Any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, or the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the period ending June 30, 2015, except the rate paid to a facility may be higher than the rate paid to the facility for the period ending June 30, 2015, if a capital improvement approved by the Department of Developmental Services, in consultation with the Department of Social Services, for the health or safety of the residents was made to the facility during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, or June 30, 2017, to the extent such rate increases are within available appropriations. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, and each succeeding fiscal year, any facility that would have been issued a lower rate, due to interim rate status, a change in allowable fair rent or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the period ending June 30, 2017, except the rate paid to a facility may be higher than the rate paid to the facility for the period ending June 30, 2017, if a capital improvement approved by the Department of Developmental

Services, in consultation with the Department of Social Services, for the health or safety of the residents was made to the facility during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, or June 30, 2019, only to the extent such rate increases are within available appropriations. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, except the rate paid to a facility may be higher than the rate paid to the facility for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, if a capital improvement approved by the Department of Developmental Services, in consultation with the Department of Social Services, for the health or safety of the residents was made to the facility during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, or June 30, 2021, only to the extent such rate increases are within available appropriations. Any facility that has a significant decrease in land and building costs shall receive a reduced rate to reflect such decrease in land and building costs. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2012, June 30, 2013, June 30, 2014, June 30, 2015, June 30, 2016, June 30, 2017, June 30, 2018, **[**and**]** June 30, 2019, June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, the Commissioner of Social Services may provide fair rent increases to any facility that has undergone a material change in circumstances related to fair rent and has an approved certificate of need pursuant to section 17b-352, 17b-353, 17b-354 or 17b-355. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the Commissioner of Social Services may, within available appropriations, increase or decrease rates issued to intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities to reflect a reduction in available appropriations as provided in subsection (a) of this section. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2014, and June 30, 2015, the commissioner shall not consider rebasing in determining rates.

Sec. 302. Subdivision (4) of subsection (f) of section 17b-340 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(4) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1992, (A) no facility shall receive a rate that is less than the rate it received for the rate year ending June 30, 1991; (B) no facility whose rate, if determined pursuant to this subsection, would exceed one hundred twenty per cent of the state-wide median rate, as determined pursuant to this subsection, shall receive a rate which is five and one-half per cent more than the rate it received for the rate year ending June 30, 1991; and (C) no facility whose rate, if determined pursuant to this subsection, would be less than one hundred twenty per cent of the state-wide median rate, as determined pursuant to this subsection, shall receive a rate which is six and one-half per cent more than the rate it received for the rate year ending June 30, 1991. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1993, no facility shall receive a rate that is less than the rate it received for the rate year ending June 30, 1992, or six per cent more than the rate it received for the rate year ending June 30, 1992. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1994, no facility shall receive a rate that is less than the rate it received for the rate year ending June 30, 1993, or six per cent more than the rate it received for the rate year ending June 30, 1993. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1995, no facility shall receive a rate that is more than five per cent less than the rate it received for the rate year ending June 30, 1994, or six per cent more than the rate it received for the rate year ending June 30, 1994. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 1996, and June 30, 1997, no facility shall receive a rate that is more than three per cent more than the rate it received for the prior rate year. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1998, a facility shall receive a rate increase that is not more than two per cent more than the rate that the facility received in the prior year. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999, a facility shall receive a rate increase that is not more than three per cent more than the rate that the facility received in the prior year and that is not less than one per cent more than the rate that the facility received in the prior year, exclusive of rate increases associated with a wage, benefit and staffing enhancement rate adjustment added for the period from April 1, 1999, to June 30, 1999, inclusive. For the

fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, each facility, except a facility with an interim rate or replaced interim rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999, and a facility having a certificate of need or other agreement specifying rate adjustments for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, shall receive a rate increase equal to one per cent applied to the rate the facility received for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999, exclusive of the facility's wage, benefit and staffing enhancement rate adjustment. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, no facility with an interim rate, replaced interim rate or scheduled rate adjustment specified in a certificate of need or other agreement for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, shall receive a rate increase that is more than one per cent more than the rate the facility received in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, each facility, except a facility with an interim rate or replaced interim rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, and a facility having a certificate of need or other agreement specifying rate adjustments for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, shall receive a rate increase equal to two per cent applied to the rate the facility received for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, subject to verification of wage enhancement adjustments pursuant to subdivision (14) of this subsection. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, no facility with an interim rate, replaced interim rate or scheduled rate adjustment specified in a certificate of need or other agreement for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, shall receive a rate increase that is more than two per cent more than the rate the facility received for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, each facility shall receive a rate that is two and one-half per cent more than the rate the facility received in the prior fiscal year. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, each facility shall receive a rate that is two per cent more than the rate the facility received in the prior fiscal year, except that such increase shall be effective January 1, 2003, and such facility rate in effect for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, shall be paid for services provided until December 31, 2002, except any facility that would have been issued a

lower rate effective July 1, 2002, than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2002, and have such rate increased two per cent effective June 1, 2003. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2003, shall remain in effect, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2003, than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2003. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2004, shall remain in effect until December 31, 2004, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2004, than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2004. Effective January 1, 2005, each facility shall receive a rate that is one per cent greater than the rate in effect December 31, 2004. Effective upon receipt of all the necessary federal approvals to secure federal financial participation matching funds associated with the rate increase provided in this subdivision, but in no event earlier than July 1, 2005, and provided the user fee imposed under section 17b-320 is required to be collected, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, the department shall compute the rate for each facility based upon its 2003 cost report filing or a subsequent cost year filing for facilities having an interim rate for the period ending June 30, 2005, as provided under section 17-311-55 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies. For each facility not having an interim rate for the period ending June 30, 2005, the rate for the period ending June 30, 2006, shall be determined beginning with the higher of the computed rate based upon its 2003 cost report filing or the rate in effect for the period ending June 30, 2005. Such rate shall then be increased by eleven dollars and eighty cents per day except that in no event shall the rate for the period ending June 30, 2006, be thirty-two dollars more than the rate in effect for the period ending June 30, 2005,

and for any facility with a rate below one hundred ninety-five dollars per day for the period ending June 30, 2005, such rate for the period ending June 30, 2006, shall not be greater than two hundred seventeen dollars and forty-three cents per day and for any facility with a rate equal to or greater than one hundred ninety-five dollars per day for the period ending June 30, 2005, such rate for the period ending June 30, 2006, shall not exceed the rate in effect for the period ending June 30, 2005, increased by eleven and one-half per cent. For each facility with an interim rate for the period ending June 30, 2005, the interim replacement rate for the period ending June 30, 2006, shall not exceed the rate in effect for the period ending June 30, 2005, increased by eleven dollars and eighty cents per day plus the per day cost of the user fee payments made pursuant to section 17b-320 divided by annual resident service days, except for any facility with an interim rate below one hundred ninety-five dollars per day for the period ending June 30, 2005, the interim replacement rate for the period ending June 30, 2006, shall not be greater than two hundred seventeen dollars and forty-three cents per day and for any facility with an interim rate equal to or greater than one hundred ninety-five dollars per day for the period ending June 30, 2005, the interim replacement rate for the period ending June 30, 2006, shall not exceed the rate in effect for the period ending June 30, 2005, increased by eleven and one-half per cent. Such July 1, 2005, rate adjustments shall remain in effect unless (i) the federal financial participation matching funds associated with the rate increase are no longer available; or (ii) the user fee created pursuant to section 17b-320 is not in effect. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, each facility shall receive a rate that is three per cent greater than the rate in effect for the period ending June 30, 2006, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2006, than for the rate period ending June 30, 2006, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2006. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, each facility shall receive a rate that is two and nine-tenths

per cent greater than the rate in effect for the period ending June 30, 2007, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2007, than for the rate period ending June 30, 2007, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2007. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2008, shall remain in effect until June 30, 2009, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2010, and June 30, 2011, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2009, shall remain in effect until June 30, 2011, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, or the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2012, and June 30, 2013, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2011, shall remain in effect until June 30, 2013, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, or the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, the department shall determine facility rates based upon 2011 cost report filings subject to the provisions of this section and applicable regulations except: (I) A ninety per cent minimum occupancy standard shall be applied; (II) no facility shall receive a rate that is higher than the rate in effect on June 30, 2013; and (III) no facility shall receive a rate that is more than four per cent lower than the rate in effect on June 30, 2013, except that any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2013, than for the rate period ending June 30, 2013, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2013. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2014, shall remain in effect until June 30, 2015, except any facility that would have

been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2014, than for the rate period ending June 30, 2014, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2014. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the period ending June 30, 2015, except the rate paid to a facility may be higher than the rate paid to the facility for the period ending June 30, 2015, if the commissioner provides, within available appropriations, pro rata fair rent increases, which may, at the discretion of the commissioner, include increases for facilities which have undergone a material change in circumstances related to fair rent additions or moveable equipment placed in service in cost report years ending September 30, 2014, and September 30, 2015, and not otherwise included in rates issued. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, and each succeeding fiscal year, any facility that would have been issued a lower rate, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, facilities that received a rate decrease due to the expiration of a 2015 fair rent asset shall receive a rate increase of an equivalent amount effective July 1, 2017. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the department shall determine facility rates based upon 2016 cost report filings subject to the provisions of this section and applicable regulations, provided no facility shall receive a rate that is higher than the rate in effect on December 31, 2016, and no facility shall receive a rate that is more than two per cent lower than the rate in effect on December 31, 2016. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, no facility shall receive a rate that is higher than the rate in effect on June 30, 2018, except the rate paid to a facility may be higher than the rate paid to the facility for the period ending June 30, 2018, if the commissioner provides, within available appropriations, pro rata fair rent increases, which may, at the discretion of the commissioner, include increases for facilities which have undergone a material change in circumstances related to fair rent additions or moveable equipment placed in service in the cost report year ending September

30, 2017, and not otherwise included in rates issued. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the department shall determine facility rates based upon 2018 cost report filings subject to the provisions of this section, adjusted to reflect any rate increases provided after the cost report year ending September 30, 2018, and applicable regulations, provided no facility shall receive a rate that is higher than the rate in effect on June 30, 2019, except the rate paid to a facility may be higher than the rate paid to the facility for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, if the commissioner provides, within available appropriations, pro rata fair rent increases, which may, at the discretion of the commissioner, include increases for facilities which have undergone a material change in circumstances related to fair rent additions in the cost report year ending September 30, 2018, and are not otherwise included in rates issued. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, no facility shall receive a rate that is more than two per cent lower than the rate in effect on June 30, 2019, unless the facility has an occupancy level of less than seventy per cent, as reported in the 2018 cost report, or an overall rating on Medicare's Nursing Home Compare of one star for the three most recent reporting periods as of July 1, 2019, unless the facility is under an interim rate due to new ownership. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, no facility shall receive a rate that is higher than the rate in effect on June 30, 2020, except the rate paid to a facility may be higher than the rate paid to the facility for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, if the commissioner provides, within available appropriations, pro rata fair rent increases, which may, at the discretion of the commissioner, include increases for facilities which have undergone a material change in circumstances related to fair rent additions in the cost report year ending September 30, 2019, and are not otherwise included in rates issued. The Commissioner of Social Services shall add fair rent increases to any other rate increases established pursuant to this subdivision for a facility which has undergone a material change in circumstances related to fair rent, except for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2010, June 30, 2011, and June

30, 2012, such fair rent increases shall only be provided to facilities with an approved certificate of need pursuant to section 17b-352, 17b-353, 17b-354 or 17b-355. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, the commissioner may, within available appropriations, provide pro rata fair rent increases for facilities which have undergone a material change in circumstances related to fair rent additions placed in service in cost report years ending September 30, 2008, to September 30, 2011, inclusive, and not otherwise included in rates issued. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2014, and June 30, 2015, the commissioner may, within available appropriations, provide pro rata fair rent increases, which may include moveable equipment at the discretion of the commissioner, for facilities which have undergone a material change in circumstances related to fair rent additions or moveable equipment placed in service in cost report years ending September 30, 2012, and September 30, 2013, and not otherwise included in rates issued. The commissioner shall add fair rent increases associated with an approved certificate of need pursuant to section 17b-352, 17b-353, 17b-354 or 17b-355. Interim rates may take into account reasonable costs incurred by a facility, including wages and benefits. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the Commissioner of Social Services may, subject to available appropriations, increase or decrease rates issued to licensed chronic and convalescent nursing homes and licensed rest homes with nursing supervision. Notwithstanding any provision of this section, the Commissioner of Social Services shall, effective July 1, 2015, within available appropriations, adjust facility rates in accordance with the application of standard accounting principles as prescribed by the commissioner, for each facility subject to subsection (a) of this section. Such adjustment shall provide a pro-rata increase based on direct and indirect care employee salaries reported in the 2014 annual cost report, and adjusted to reflect subsequent salary increases, to reflect reasonable costs mandated by collective bargaining agreements with certified collective bargaining agents, or otherwise provided by a facility to its employees. For

purposes of this subsection, "employee" shall not include a person employed as a facility's manager, chief administrator, a person required to be licensed as a nursing home administrator or any individual who receives compensation for services pursuant to a contractual arrangement and who is not directly employed by the facility. The commissioner may establish an upper limit for reasonable costs associated with salary adjustments beyond which the adjustment shall not apply. Nothing in this section shall require the commissioner to distribute such adjustments in a way that jeopardizes anticipated federal reimbursement. Facilities that receive such adjustment but do not provide increases in employee salaries as described in this subsection on or before July 31, 2015, may be subject to a rate decrease in the same amount as the adjustment by the commissioner. Of the amount appropriated for this purpose, no more than nine million dollars shall go to increases based on reasonable costs mandated by collective bargaining agreements. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, effective July 1, 2019, October 1, 2020, and January 1, 2021, the commissioner shall, within available appropriations, increase rates for the purpose of wage and benefit enhancements for facility employees. The commissioner shall adjust the rate paid to the facility in the form of a rate adjustment to reflect any rate increases paid after the cost report year ending September 30, 2018. Facilities that receive a rate adjustment for the purpose of wage and benefit enhancements but do not provide increases in employee salaries as described in this subsection on or before September 30, 2019, October 31, 2020, and January 31, 2021, respectively, may be subject to a rate decrease in the same amount as the adjustment by the commissioner.

Sec. 303. Section 19a-545 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) A receiver appointed pursuant to the provisions of sections 19a-541 to 19a-549, inclusive, in operating a nursing home facility or

residential care home, shall have the same powers as a receiver of a corporation under section 52-507, except as provided in subsection (c) of this section and shall exercise such powers to remedy the conditions that constituted grounds for the imposition of receivership, assure adequate health care for the residents and preserve the assets and property of the owner. If such facility or home is placed in receivership it shall be the duty of the receiver to notify each resident and each resident's guardian or conservator, if any, or legally liable relative or other responsible party, if known. Such receiver may correct or eliminate any deficiency in the structure or furnishings of such facility or home that endangers the safety or health of the residents while they remain in such facility or home, provided the total cost of correction does not exceed **[**three**]** ten thousand dollars. The court may order expenditures for this purpose in excess of **[**three**]** ten thousand dollars on application from such receiver. If any resident is transferred or discharged such receiver shall provide for: (1) Transportation of the resident and such resident's belongings and medical records to the place where such resident is being transferred or discharged; (2) aid in locating an alternative placement and discharge planning in accordance with section 19a-535; (3) preparation for transfer to mitigate transfer trauma, including but not limited to, participation by the resident or the resident's guardian in the selection of the resident's alternative placement, explanation of alternative placements and orientation concerning the placement chosen by the resident or the resident's guardian; and (4) custodial care of all property or assets of residents that are in the possession of an owner of such facility or home. The receiver shall preserve all property, assets and records of residents that the receiver has custody of and shall provide for the prompt transfer of the property, assets and records to the alternative placement of any transferred resident. In no event may the receiver transfer all residents and close such facility or home without a court order and without complying with the notice and discharge plan requirements for each resident in accordance with section 19a-535.

(b) Not later than ninety days after the date of appointment as a receiver, such receiver shall take all necessary steps to stabilize the operation of the facility in order to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the residents of such facility. <u>The receiver shall immediately commence the closure of the facility if the overall occupancy of the facility is below seventy per cent and the closing of the facility is consistent with the strategic rebalancing plan developed in accordance with section 17b-369.</u> In addition, within a reasonable time period after the date of appointment, not to exceed **[**six months**]** <u>forty-five days</u>, the receiver shall **[**: (1) Determine**]** <u>determine</u> whether the facility can continue to operate and provide adequate care to residents in substantial compliance with applicable federal and state law within the facility's state payments as established by the Commissioner of Social Services pursuant to subsection (f) of section 17b-340, together with income from self-pay residents, Medicare payments and other current income and shall report such determination to the court<u>.</u> **[**; and (2) seek facility purchase proposals.**]** <u>Within a reasonable time period after the date of appointment, not to exceed six months, the receiver shall seek facility purchase proposals if the receiver's determination under this section finds that continued operation of the facility is viable.</u> If the receiver determines that the facility will be unable to continue to operate in compliance with said requirements, the receiver shall promptly request an order of the court to close the facility and make arrangements for the orderly transfer of residents pursuant to subsection (a) of this section unless the receiver determines that a transfer of the facility to a qualified purchaser is expected during the six-month period commencing on the date of the receiver's appointment. If a transfer is not completed within such period and all purchase and sale proposal efforts have been exhausted, the receiver shall request an immediate order of the court to close the facility and make arrangements for the orderly transfer of residents pursuant to subsection (a) of this section.

(c) The court may limit the powers of a receiver appointed pursuant to the provisions of sections 19a-541 to 19a-549, inclusive, to those necessary to solve a specific problem.

Sec. 304. Section 17b-352 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) For the purposes of this section and section 17b-353, "facility" means a residential facility for persons with intellectual disability licensed pursuant to section 17a-277 and certified to participate in the Title XIX Medicaid program as an intermediate care facility for individuals with intellectual disabilities, a nursing home, rest home or residential care home, as defined in section 19a-490. "Facility" does not include a nursing home that does not participate in the Medicaid program and is associated with a continuing care facility as described in section 17b-520.

(b) Any facility which intends to (1) transfer all or part of its ownership or control prior to being initially licensed; (2) introduce any additional function or service into its program of care or expand an existing function or service; (3) terminate a service or decrease substantially its total bed capacity; or (4) relocate all or a portion of such facility's licensed beds, to a new facility or replacement facility, shall submit a complete request for permission to implement such transfer, addition, expansion, increase, termination, decrease or relocation of facility beds **[**with such information as the department requires**]** to the Department of Social Services with such information as the department requires, provided no permission or request for permission to close a facility is required when a facility in receivership is closed by order of the Superior Court pursuant to section 19a-545. The Office of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman pursuant to section 17a-405 shall be notified by the facility of any proposed actions pursuant to this subsection at the same time the request for permission is submitted to the department and when a facility in receivership is

closed by order of the Superior Court pursuant to section 19a-545.

(c) A facility may submit a petition for closure to the Department of Social Services. The Department of Social Services may authorize the closure of a facility if the facility's management demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Social Services in the petition for closure that the facility (1) is not viable based on actual and projected operating losses; (2) has an occupancy rate of less than seventy per cent of the facility's licensed bed capacity; (3) closure is consistent with the strategic rebalancing plan developed in accordance with section 17b-369, including bed need by geographical region; (4) is in compliance with the requirements of Sections 1128I(h) and 1819(h)(4) of the Social Security Act and 42 CFR 483.75; and (5) is not providing special services that would go unmet if the facility closes. The department shall review a petition for closure to the extent it deems necessary and the facility shall submit information the department requests or deems necessary to substantiate that the facility closure is consistent with the provisions of this subsection. The facility shall submit information the department requests or deems necessary to allow the department to provide oversight during this process. The Office of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman shall be notified by the facility at the same time as a petition for closure is submitted to the department. Any facility acting pursuant to this subsection shall provide written notice, on the same date that the facility submits its petition for closure, to all patients, guardians or conservators, if any, or legally liable relatives or other responsible parties, if known, and shall post such notice in a conspicuous location at the facility. The facility's written notice shall be accompanied by an informational letter issued jointly from the Office of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman and the Department of Rehabilitation Services on patients' rights and services available as they relate to the petition for closure. The informational letter shall also state the date and time that the Office of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman and the Department of Public Health will hold an

informational session at the facility for patients, guardians or conservators, if any, and legally liable relatives or other responsible parties, if known, about their rights and the process concerning a petition for closure. The notice shall state: (A) The date the facility submitted the petition for closure, (B) that only the Department of Social Services has the authority to either grant or deny the petition for closure, (C) that the Department of Social Services has up to thirty days to grant or deny the petition for closure, (D) a brief description of the reason or reasons for submitting the petition for closure, (E) that no patient shall be involuntarily transferred or discharged within or from a facility pursuant to state and federal law because of the filing of a petition for closure, (F) that all patients have a right to appeal any proposed transfer or discharge, and (G) the name, mailing address and telephone number of the Office of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman and local legal aid office. The commissioner shall grant or deny a petition for closure within thirty days of receiving such request.

[(c)] (d) An applicant, prior to submitting a certificate of need application, shall request, in writing, application forms and instructions from the department. The request shall include: (1) The name of the applicant or applicants; (2) a statement indicating whether the application is for (A) a new, additional, expanded or replacement facility, service or function or relocation of facility beds, (B) a termination or reduction in a presently authorized service or bed capacity, or (C) any new, additional or terminated beds and their type; (3) the estimated capital cost; (4) the town where the project is or will be located; and (5) a brief description of the proposed project. Such request shall be deemed a letter of intent. No certificate of need application shall be considered submitted to the department unless a current letter of intent, specific to the proposal and in accordance with the provisions of this subsection, has been on file with the department for not less than ten business days. For purposes of this subsection, "a current letter of intent" means a letter of intent on file with the

department for not more than one hundred eighty days. A certificate of need application shall be deemed withdrawn by the department, if a department completeness letter is not responded to within one hundred eighty days. The Office of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman shall be notified by the facility at the same time as the letter of intent is submitted to the department.

[(d)**]** (e) Any facility acting pursuant to subdivision (3) of subsection (b) of this section shall provide written notice, at the same time it submits its letter of intent, to all patients, guardians or conservators, if any, or legally liable relatives or other responsible parties, if known, and shall post such notice in a conspicuous location at the facility. The facility's written notice shall be accompanied by an informational letter issued jointly from the Office of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman and the Department of Rehabilitation Services on patients' rights and services available as they relate to the letter of intent. The notice shall state the following: (1) The projected date the facility will be submitting its certificate of need application, (2) that only the Department of Social Services has the authority to either grant, modify or deny the application, (3) that the Department of Social Services has up to ninety days to grant, modify or deny the certificate of need application, (4) a brief description of the reason or reasons for submitting a request for permission, (5) that no patient shall be involuntarily transferred or discharged within or from a facility pursuant to state and federal law because of the filing of the certificate of need application, (6) that all patients have a right to appeal any proposed transfer or discharge, and (7) the name, mailing address and telephone number of the Office of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman and local legal aid office.

[(e)**]** (f) The department shall review a request made pursuant to subsection (b) of this section to the extent it deems necessary, including, but not limited to, in the case of a proposed transfer of

ownership or control prior to initial licensure, the financial responsibility and business interests of the transferee and the ability of the facility to continue to provide needed services, or in the case of the addition or expansion of a function or service, ascertaining the availability of the function or service at other facilities within the area to be served, the need for the service or function within the area and any other factors the department deems relevant to a determination of whether the facility is justified in adding or expanding the function or service. The commissioner shall grant, modify or deny the request within ninety days of receipt thereof, except as otherwise provided in this section. Upon the request of the applicant, the review period may be extended for an additional fifteen days if the department has requested additional information subsequent to the commencement of the commissioner's review period. The director of the office of certificate of need and rate setting may extend the review period for a maximum of thirty days if the applicant has not filed in a timely manner information deemed necessary by the department. The applicant may request and shall receive a hearing in accordance with section 4-177 if aggrieved by a decision of the commissioner.

[(f)**]** <u>(g)</u> The Commissioner of Social Services shall not approve any requests for beds in residential facilities for persons with intellectual disability which are licensed pursuant to section 17a-227 and are certified to participate in the Title XIX Medicaid Program as intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities, except those beds necessary to implement the residential placement goals of the Department of Developmental Services which are within available appropriations.

[(g)**]** <u>(h)</u> The Commissioner of Social Services shall adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, to implement the provisions of this section.

Sec. 305. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) For purposes of this section

"covenant not to compete" means any contract or agreement that restricts the right of an individual to provide homemaker, companion or home health services (1) in any geographic area of the state for any period of time, or (2) to a specific individual. Any covenant not to compete is against public policy and shall be void and unenforceable.

Sec. 306. Section 17b-239 of the general statutes is amended by adding subsections (k) and (l) as follows (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(NEW) (k) (1) Effective on or after July 1, 2019, the Commissioner of Social Services shall implement one or more value-based payment methodologies in accordance with this subsection in order to improve health outcomes and reduce unnecessary costs, as determined by the commissioner. The commissioner may, to the extent determined necessary by the commissioner, phase in such value-based payment methodologies over time. Such methodologies may include, but need not be limited to, methodologies that are designed to: (A) Reduce inpatient hospital readmissions; (B) reduce unnecessary caesarian section deliveries, take appropriate actions to reduce preterm deliveries and improve obstetrical care outcomes; (C) address outpatient infusions involving high-cost medications by implementing performance-based payments; and (D) implement such other policies as determined by the commissioner.

(2) Effective on or after July 1, 2019, the Commissioner of Social Services shall reduce the total applicable rate payments by fifteen per cent for each hospital readmission, in addition to any value-based payment methodology implemented pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection. For purposes of this subdivision, "readmission" means, in the case of an individual who is discharged from an applicable hospital, a subsequent admission of the same individual for observation services provided to the individual for the same or a similar diagnosis or diagnoses not later than thirty days from the date of such discharge. Nothing in this subdivision shall preclude the

commissioner from establishing additional value-based payment methodologies regarding readmissions.

(3) Notwithstanding any other provision of the general statutes, each applicable hospital rate and supplemental payment methodology designed by the commissioner shall incorporate each value-based payment methodology established pursuant to this section, including structuring applicable payment based on each hospital's performance on the applicable measures for each value-based payment methodology.

(NEW) (l) Medicaid payments to hospitals shall be made only in compliance with federal law. If any Medicaid payments to hospitals are not eligible for federal financial participation, the Department of Social Services shall adjust payments to hospitals to the extent necessary to ensure that no Medicaid payments are made to hospitals that are not eligible for federal financial participation for all applicable payments and for all applicable time periods. No provision of this section or section 17b-239e shall require the Department of Social Services to make any Medicaid payments to hospitals that are not eligible for federal financial participation.

Sec. 307. Section 17b-239e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) On or before January 1, 2012, the Commissioner of Social Services, in consultation with the Commissioners of Public Health and Mental Health and Addiction Services and the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, shall submit to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to human services and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies a plan concerning the implementation of a cost neutral acuity-based method for establishing rates to be paid to hospitals that is phased in over a period of time.

(b) (1) Subject to federal approval, the Department of Social Services shall establish supplemental pools for certain hospitals, as determined by the department in consultation with the Connecticut Hospital Association, including, but not limited to, such pools as a supplemental inpatient pool, a supplemental outpatient pool, a supplemental small hospital pool, and a supplemental mid-size hospital pool. **[**The Department of Social Services shall publish the required public notice for all Medicaid state plan amendments necessary to establish the pools not later than fifteen days after passage of this section or December 1, 2017, whichever is sooner.

(2) (A) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the amount of funds in the supplemental pools shall total in the aggregate five hundred ninety-eight million four hundred forty thousand one hundred thirty-eight dollars.

(B) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, the amount of funds in the supplemental pools shall total in the aggregate four hundred ninety-six million three hundred forty thousand one hundred thirty-eight dollars.

(C) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the amount of funds in the supplemental pools shall total in the aggregate one hundred sixty-six million five hundred thousand dollars.**]**

[(3)**]** <u>(2)</u> The department shall distribute supplemental payments to applicable hospitals based on criteria determined by the department in consultation with the Connecticut Hospital Association, including, but not limited to, utilization and proportion of total Medicaid expenditures. Such consultation shall include, at a minimum, that the department shall send proposed distribution criteria in writing to the Connecticut Hospital Association not less than thirty days before making any payments based on such criteria and shall provide an opportunity to discuss such criteria prior to making any payments

based on such criteria. [, except that, for the first twenty-five per cent of supplemental payments for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, such consultation shall include sending the distribution criteria not less than seven days before making any payments based on such criteria.

(4) Subject to subdivision (1) of this subsection, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, the Department of Social Services shall make supplemental payments to applicable hospitals in accordance with the following schedule:

(A) The first twenty-five per cent of supplemental payments for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, shall be made: (i) On or before November 30, 2017, for the supplemental inpatient pool and supplemental small hospital pool; (ii) thirty days after the effective date of this section, but not later than January 1, 2018, for the supplemental mid-size hospital pool; (iii) thirty days after the effective date of this section, but not later than January 1, 2018, for the supplemental outpatient pool; and (iv) not later than thirty days after submission of the Medicaid state plan amendments for such payments for any pool not set forth herein required to be established to comply with federal law. The department shall make each payment by the dates set forth in this subparagraph even if each applicable Medicaid state plan amendment approval has not yet been received from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, provided each payment remains subject to federal approval and may later be recovered if federal approval is not obtained.

(B) The second twenty-five per cent of such supplemental payments shall be made on or before December 31, 2017, except that the department may delay such payments until fourteen days after receiving approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for the Medicaid state plan amendment or amendments necessary for the state to receive federal Medicaid funds for such supplemental payments.

(C) The third twenty-five per cent of supplemental payments shall be made on or before March 31, 2018, even if each applicable Medicaid state plan amendment approval has not yet been received from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, provided each payment remains subject to federal approval and may later be recovered if federal approval is not obtained.

(D) Supplemental payments for each subsequent twenty-five per cent of the supplemental payment for each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, shall be made in corresponding installments on or before the last day of March, June, September and December during each said fiscal year, except that the department may delay such payments until fourteen days after receiving approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for the Medicaid state plan amendment or amendments necessary for the state to receive federal Medicaid funds for such supplemental payments.**]**

(c) Out of the aggregate amount of the supplemental pools described in subsection (b) of this section, within available appropriations, the following amounts shall be allocated based on each hospital's performance on quality measures determined by the Department of Social Services: Fifteen million dollars in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and forty-five million dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021. Such allocations shall be made proportionally from each of the supplemental pools established pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.

Sec. 308. Section 17b-343 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

The Commissioner of Social Services shall establish annually the maximum allowable rate to be paid by agencies for homemaker services, chore person services, companion services, respite care, meals on wheels, adult day care services, case management and assessment

services, transportation, mental health counseling and elderly foster care. [, except that the maximum allowable rates in effect July 1, 1990, shall remain in effect during the fiscal years ending June 30, 1992, and June 30, 1993.] The Commissioner of Social Services shall prescribe uniform forms on which agencies providing such services shall report their costs for such services. Such rates shall be determined on the basis of a reasonable payment for necessary services rendered. The maximum allowable rates established by the Commissioner of Social Services for the Connecticut home-care program for the elderly established under section 17b-342 shall constitute the rates required under this section until revised in accordance with this section. The Commissioner of Social Services shall establish a fee schedule, to be effective on and after July 1, 1994, for homemaker services, chore person services, companion services, respite care, meals on wheels, adult day care services, case management and assessment services, transportation, mental health counseling and elderly foster care. The commissioner may annually increase [any fee in] the fee schedule based on an increase in the cost of services. The commissioner shall increase the fee schedule effective July 1, 2000, by not less than five per cent, for adult day care services. The commissioner shall increase the fee schedule effective July 1, 2011, by four dollars per person, per day for adult day care services. The commissioner shall increase the fee schedule effective July 1, 2019, for meals on wheels by ten per cent over the fee schedule for meals on wheels for the previous fiscal year. Nothing contained in this section shall authorize a payment by the state to any agency for such services in excess of the amount charged by such agency for such services to the general public.

Sec. 309. Section 17b-61 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) [Not] The Commissioner of Social Services or the commissioner's designated hearing officer shall ordinarily render a final decision not

later than [sixty] ninety days after [such hearing, or] the date the commissioner receives a request for a fair hearing pursuant to section 17b-60, and shall render a final decision not later than three business days after the hearing if the hearing concerns a denial of or failure to provide emergency housing, [the commissioner or his designated hearing officer shall render a final] provided the time for rendering a final decision shall be extended whenever the aggrieved person requests or agrees to an extension, or when the commissioner documents an administrative or other extenuating circumstance beyond the commissioner's control. Such decision shall be based upon all the evidence introduced before [him and applying] the commissioner or the commissioner's designated hearing officer and all pertinent provisions of law, regulations and departmental policy, and [such final decision] shall supersede the decision made without a hearing. [, provided final definitive administrative action shall be taken by the commissioner or his designee within ninety days after the request of such hearing pursuant to section 17b-60.] Notice of such final decision shall be given to the aggrieved person by mailing [him] such person a copy thereof [within one business day of its rendition] not later than one business day after the decision is rendered. Such decision after hearing shall be final except as provided in subsections [(b)] (c) and [(c)] (d) of this section. Failure by the commissioner or the commissioner's designated hearing officer to render a final decision within the time limits set forth in this subsection shall not of itself be deemed an approval of the aggrieved person's requested relief on the merits.

(b) If the commissioner or the commissioner's designated hearing officer fails to render a final decision within the time limits set forth in subsection (a) of this section, the aggrieved person may file a request for a final decision with the designated hearing officer. Such officer shall render such decision not later than twenty days after receiving such request.

[(b)**]** (c) The applicant for **[**such**]** a fair hearing, if aggrieved, may appeal **[**therefrom**]** the final decision in accordance with section 4-183. Appeals from decisions of said commissioner shall be privileged cases to be heard by the court as soon after the return day as shall be practicable.

[(c)**]** (d) The commissioner may, for good cause shown by an aggrieved person, extend the time for filing an appeal to Superior Court beyond the time limitations of section 4-183, as set forth below:

(1) Any aggrieved person who is authorized to appeal a decision of the commissioner, pursuant to subsection **[**(b)**]** (c) of this section, but who fails to serve or file a timely appeal to the Superior Court pursuant to section 4-183, may, as provided in this subsection, petition that the commissioner, for good cause shown, extend the time for filing any such appeal. Such a petition must be filed with the commissioner in writing and contain a complete and detailed explanation of the reasons that precluded the petitioner from serving or filing an appeal within the statutory time period. Such petition must also be accompanied by all available documentary evidence that supports or corroborates the reasons advanced for the extension request. In no event shall a petition for extension be considered or approved if filed later than ninety days after the rendition of the final decision. The decision as to whether to grant an extension shall be made consistent with the provisions of subdivision (2) of this subsection and shall be final and not subject to judicial review.

(2) In determining whether to grant a good cause extension, as provided for in this subsection, the commissioner, or **[**his**]** the commissioner's authorized designee, shall, without the necessity of further hearing, review and, as necessary, verify the reasons advanced by the petition in justification of the extension request. A determination that good cause prevented the filing of a timely appeal shall be issued in writing and shall enable the petitioner to serve and

file an appeal within the time provisions of section 4-183, from the date of the decision granting an extension. The circumstances that precluded the petitioner from filing a timely appeal, and which may be deemed good cause for purposes of granting an extension petition, include, but are not limited to: (A) Serious illness or incapacity of the petitioner which has been documented as materially affecting the conduct of the petitioner's personal affairs; (B) a death or serious illness in the petitioner's immediate family that has been documented as precluding the petitioner from perfecting a timely appeal; (C) incorrect or misleading information given to the petitioner by the agency, relating to the appeal time period, and shown to have been materially relied on by the petitioner as the basis for failure to file a timely appeal; (D) evidence that the petitioner did not receive notice of the agency decision; and (E) other unforeseen and unavoidable circumstances of an exceptional nature which prevented the filing of a timely appeal.

Sec. 310. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) For purposes of this section, (1) "eligible community-based organization" means an organization that (A) has tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, (B) has been an incorporated nonprofit organization for not less than three years, (C) is based in the state and is a direct provider of human services, (D) serves a population that is comprised of fifty-one per cent or more Hispanic persons or non-Hispanic communities of color, (E) (i) is led by a chief executive officer who is Hispanic, African-American or Asian Pacific-American, or (ii) is governed by a board with a majority of members who are Hispanic, African-American or Asian Pacific-American, and (F) has an annual operating budget of at least one hundred fifty thousand dollars; (2) "eligible program administrator" means a nonprofit organization that has (A) not less than fifteen years of experience coordinating advocacy, service and outreach efforts for Hispanic charitable organizations that support Hispanic persons, and (B) a proven track record of

establishing networks with non-Hispanic organizations that provide services to fellow communities of color; (3) "fellow communities of color" means communities comprised of persons whose racial or ethnic background is nonwhite Hispanic, African-American or Asian Pacific-American; (4) "culturally competent" means the ability to effectively deliver services that meet the social, cultural and linguistic needs of the recipient; and (5) "language accessible" means services delivered in the primary language of the recipient.

(b) The Commissioner of Social Services, within available appropriations, shall award an eligible program administrator a contract to administer a two-year pilot program to build the capacity of eligible community-based organizations by helping such organizations to (1) improve operational efficiencies through performance-based metrics, and (2) adopt strategies for long-term fiscal sustainability.

(c) In contracting with an eligible program administrator, the commissioner shall require such administrator to: (1) Establish a competitive procurement process through requests for proposals to eligible community-based organizations, (2) establish a results-based grant contract evaluation system, that includes goals that eligible community-based organizations shall meet in order to be considered for grant contract renewal, and (3) meet goals established by the commissioner for successful program administration, including, but not limited to, reporting to the commissioner on program expenditures and complying with limitations set by the commissioner on administrative expenses. Requests for proposals issued by the eligible program administrator shall state that preference shall be given to eligible community-based organizations that (A) satisfy both conditions described in subparagraph (E) of subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section and have annual budgets not exceeding one million dollars, and (B) offer culturally competent, language

accessible services.

(d) The program shall provide grants to eligible community-based organizations to support capacity building, training and technical assistance opportunities in the following areas: (1) Financial management, including, but not limited to, financial planning, budget development, fiscal monitoring and cash flow analysis, (2) board development, including, but not limited to, establishing board committees, a fund-raising board and conducting professional board meetings, (3) fund development, including, but not limited to, gift solicitation and event planning, (4) nonprofit management and leadership training, (5) information technology, (6) collaborations and merger planning, and (7) results-oriented outcome training, including development of progress metrics and performance tracking tools.

(e) Not later than January 1, 2021, the Commissioner of Social Services shall submit a report in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to human services and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies on (1) the number of eligible community-based organizations awarded grants under the program, (2) whether and how the program has improved the capacity of community-based organizations to meet needs, (3) the performance of the nonprofit organization administering the program, and (4) a recommendation on whether the program should continue or expand and any appropriations that may be necessary.

Sec. 311. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) (a) For purposes of this section: (1) "Methadone maintenance" means a chemical maintenance program under which an addiction to one drug, including, but not limited to, heroin, is treated with the drug methadone in a weekly program that includes on and off-site methadone administration, drug testing and counseling; and (2) "chemical maintenance provider" means a provider

certified and licensed by the federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration and the state Department of Public Health who meets all federal and state requirements, including, but not limited to, requirements specific to the provision of chemical maintenance services.

(b) The Commissioner of Social Services shall amend the Medicaid state plan to provide a minimum weekly reimbursement rate of eighty-eight dollars and fifty-two cents to a chemical maintenance provider for methadone maintenance treatment of a Medicaid beneficiary, provided no such provider receiving a higher rate shall have such rate reduced to the minimum as a result of the implementation of a new minimum reimbursement rate.

(c) Notwithstanding subsection (b) of this section, on or after July 1, 2020, any reimbursement to a chemical maintenance provider for methadone maintenance treatment shall be contingent upon meeting certain performance measures as determined by the commissioner. Such performance measures shall be developed in consultation with the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services and chemical maintenance providers. Initial performance measures shall be developed by September 30, 2019, including the means by which such measures shall be evaluated. The initial evaluation period shall be based on the claims data for the quarter ending March 31, 2020. The performance measures and thresholds may be adjusted after the initial evaluation period. Failure to meet department-identified standards on performance measures shall result in a rate reduction of (1) up to five per cent for the quarters ending September 30, 2020, and December 31, 2020, and (2) up to ten per cent beginning January 1, 2021. No provider shall receive a rate decrease under this subsection that is more than a ten per cent decrease annually.

(d) The Commissioner of Social Services, pursuant to section 17b-10 of the general statutes, may implement policies and procedures to

administer the provisions of this section while in the process of adopting such policies and procedures in regulation form, provided the commissioner prints notice of the intent to adopt the regulations on the department's Internet web site and the eRegulations System not later than twenty days after the date of implementation. Such policies and procedures shall be valid until the time final regulations are adopted.

Sec. 312. Subsection (a) of section 17b-131 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) When a person in any town, or sent from such town to any licensed institution or state humane institution, dies or is found dead therein and does not leave sufficient estate and has no legally liable relative able to pay the cost of a proper funeral and burial, or upon the death of any beneficiary under the state-administered general assistance program, the Commissioner of Social Services shall give to such person a proper funeral and burial, and shall pay a sum not exceeding one thousand **[**two**]** three hundred fifty dollars as an allowance toward the funeral expenses of such decedent. Said sum shall be paid, upon submission of a proper bill, to the funeral director, cemetery or crematory, as the case may be. Such payment for funeral and burial expenses shall be reduced by (1) the amount in any revocable or irrevocable funeral fund, (2) any prepaid funeral contract, (3) the face value of any life insurance policy owned by the decedent that names a funeral home, cemetery or crematory as a beneficiary, (4) the net value of all liquid assets in the decedent's estate, and (5) contributions in excess of three thousand four hundred dollars toward such funeral and burial expenses from all other sources including friends, relatives and all other persons, organizations, agencies, veterans' programs and other benefit programs. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 17b-90, whenever payment for funeral, burial or

cremation expenses is reduced due to liquid assets in the decedent's estate, the commissioner may disclose information concerning such liquid assets to the funeral director, cemetery or crematory providing funeral, burial or cremation services for the decedent.

Sec. 313. Subsection (a) of section 17b-84 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) Upon the death of any beneficiary under the state supplement or the temporary family assistance program, the Commissioner of Social Services shall order the payment of a sum not to exceed one thousand **[**two**]** <u>three</u> hundred <u>fifty</u> dollars as an allowance toward the funeral and burial expenses of such decedent. The payment for funeral and burial expenses shall be reduced by (1) the amount in any revocable or irrevocable funeral fund, (2) any prepaid funeral contract, (3) the face value of any life insurance policy owned by the decedent that names a funeral home, cemetery or crematory as a beneficiary, (4) the net value of all liquid assets in the decedent's estate, and (5) contributions in excess of three thousand four hundred dollars toward such funeral and burial expenses from all other sources, including friends, relatives and all other persons, organizations, agencies, veterans' programs and other benefit programs. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 17b-90, whenever payment for funeral, burial or cremation expenses is reduced due to liquid assets in the decedent's estate, the commissioner may disclose information concerning such liquid assets to the funeral director, cemetery or crematory providing funeral, burial or cremation services for the decedent.

Sec. 314. Subsection (c) of section 17b-260a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(c) There is established an advisory committee for the waiver

program established pursuant to subsection (b) of this section consisting of the chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to human services, public health and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, or their designees, provided such designees shall include consumers and providers of services under said waiver program. The Commissioners of Social Services and Mental Health and Addiction Services, or their designees, shall also serve on the advisory committee. The chairpersons of the advisory committee shall be: (1) A chairperson of said joint standing committees, or such chairperson's designee, chosen by the chairpersons of said joint standing committees; (2) a ranking member of said joint standing committees, or such ranking member's designee, chosen by the ranking members of said joint standing committees; and (3) the Commissioner of Social Services or the Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services, or such commissioner's designee, chosen by such commissioners. The advisory committee shall meet **[**not less than four times per year**]** once annually and shall submit an initial report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, not later than February 1, 2015, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to human services, public health and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies on the impact of the individual cost cap for the waiver program established pursuant to subsection (b) of this section and any other matters the advisory committee deems appropriate. For purposes of this subsection, "individual cost cap" means the percentage of the cost of institutional care for an individual that may be spent on any one waiver program participant.

Sec. 315. (*Effective July 1, 2020*) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 17b-239 of the general statutes, the Commissioner of Social Services shall provide an inpatient, per diem Medicaid payment rate of nine hundred seventy-five dollars for Natchaug Hospital for the fiscal

year ending June 30, 2021.

Sec. 316. Subsection (a) of section 17b-261 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

(a) Medical assistance shall be provided for any otherwise eligible person whose income, including any available support from legally liable relatives and the income of the person's spouse or dependent child, is not more than one hundred forty-three per cent, pending approval of a federal waiver applied for pursuant to subsection (e) of this section, of the benefit amount paid to a person with no income under the temporary family assistance program in the appropriate region of residence and if such person is an institutionalized individual as defined in Section 1917 of the Social Security Act, 42 USC 1396p(h)(3), and has not made an assignment or transfer or other disposition of property for less than fair market value for the purpose of establishing eligibility for benefits or assistance under this section. Any such disposition shall be treated in accordance with Section 1917(c) of the Social Security Act, 42 USC 1396p(c). Any disposition of property made on behalf of an applicant or recipient or the spouse of an applicant or recipient by a guardian, conservator, person authorized to make such disposition pursuant to a power of attorney or other person so authorized by law shall be attributed to such applicant, recipient or spouse. A disposition of property ordered by a court shall be evaluated in accordance with the standards applied to any other such disposition for the purpose of determining eligibility. The commissioner shall establish the standards for eligibility for medical assistance at one hundred forty-three per cent of the benefit amount paid to a household of equal size with no income under the temporary family assistance program in the appropriate region of residence. In determining eligibility, the commissioner shall not consider as income Aid and Attendance pension benefits granted to a

veteran, as defined in section 27-103, or the surviving spouse of such veteran. Except as provided in section 17b-277 and section 17b-292, the medical assistance program shall provide coverage to persons under the age of nineteen with household income up to one hundred ninety-six per cent of the federal poverty level without an asset limit and to persons under the age of nineteen, who qualify for coverage under Section 1931 of the Social Security Act, with household income not exceeding one hundred ninety-six per cent of the federal poverty level without an asset limit, and their parents and needy caretaker relatives, who qualify for coverage under Section 1931 of the Social Security Act, with household income not exceeding one hundred **[**fifty**]** <u>fifty-five</u> per cent of the federal poverty level without an asset limit. Such levels shall be based on the regional differences in such benefit amount, if applicable, unless such levels based on regional differences are not in conformance with federal law. Any income in excess of the applicable amounts shall be applied as may be required by said federal law, and assistance shall be granted for the balance of the cost of authorized medical assistance. The Commissioner of Social Services shall provide applicants for assistance under this section, at the time of application, with a written statement advising them of (1) the effect of an assignment or transfer or other disposition of property on eligibility for benefits or assistance, (2) the effect that having income that exceeds the limits prescribed in this subsection will have with respect to program eligibility, and (3) the availability of, and eligibility for, services provided by the Nurturing Families Network established pursuant to section 17b-751b. For coverage dates on or after January 1, 2014, the department shall use the modified adjusted gross income financial eligibility rules set forth in Section 1902(e)(14) of the Social Security Act and the implementing regulations to determine eligibility for HUSKY A, HUSKY B and HUSKY D applicants, as defined in section 17b-290. Persons who are determined ineligible for assistance pursuant to this section shall be provided a written statement notifying such persons of their ineligibility and advising such persons of their

potential eligibility for one of the other insurance affordability programs as defined in 42 CFR 435.4.

Sec. 317. Subdivision (1) of section 12-408 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019, and applicable to sales occurring on or after July 1, 2019*):

(1) (A) For the privilege of making any sales, as defined in subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 12-407, at retail, in this state for a consideration, a tax is hereby imposed on all retailers at the rate of six and thirty-five-hundredths per cent of the gross receipts of any retailer from the sale of all tangible personal property sold at retail or from the rendering of any services constituting a sale in accordance with subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 12-407, except, in lieu of said rate, **[**of six and thirty-five-hundredths per cent,**]** the rates provided in subparagraphs (B) to (H), inclusive, of this subdivision;

(B) (i) At a rate of fifteen per cent with respect to each transfer of occupancy, from the total amount of rent received by a hotel or lodging house for the first period not exceeding thirty consecutive calendar days;

(ii) At a rate of eleven per cent with respect to each transfer of occupancy, from the total amount of rent received by a bed and breakfast establishment for the first period not exceeding thirty consecutive calendar days;

(C) With respect to the sale of a motor vehicle to any individual who is a member of the armed forces of the United States and is on full-time active duty in Connecticut and who is considered, under 50 App USC 574, a resident of another state, or to any such individual and the spouse thereof, at a rate of four and one-half per cent of the gross receipts of any retailer from such sales, provided such retailer requires and maintains a declaration by such individual, prescribed as to form

by the commissioner and bearing notice to the effect that false statements made in such declaration are punishable, or other evidence, satisfactory to the commissioner, concerning the purchaser's state of residence under 50 App USC 574;

(D) (i) With respect to the sales of computer and data processing services occurring on or after July 1, 2001, at the rate of one per cent, and (ii) with respect to sales of Internet access services, on and after July 1, 2001, such services shall be exempt from such tax;

(E) (i) With respect to the sales of labor that is otherwise taxable under subparagraph (C) or (G) of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 12-407 on existing vessels and repair or maintenance services on vessels occurring on and after July 1, 1999, such services shall be exempt from such tax;

(ii) With respect to the sale of a vessel, a motor for a vessel or a trailer used for transporting a vessel, at the rate of two and ninety-nine-hundredths per cent, except that the sale of a vessel shall be exempt from such tax if such vessel is docked in this state for sixty or fewer days in a calendar year;

(F) With respect to patient care services for which payment is received by the hospital on or after July 1, 1999, and prior to July 1, 2001, at the rate of five and three-fourths per cent and on and after July 1, 2001, such services shall be exempt from such tax;

(G) With respect to the rental or leasing of a passenger motor vehicle for a period of thirty consecutive calendar days or less, at a rate of nine and thirty-five-hundredths per cent;

(H) With respect to the sale of (i) a motor vehicle for a sales price exceeding fifty thousand dollars, at a rate of seven and three-fourths per cent on the entire sales price, (ii) jewelry, whether real or imitation, for a sales price exceeding five thousand dollars, at a rate of seven and

three-fourths per cent on the entire sales price, and (iii) an article of clothing or footwear intended to be worn on or about the human body, a handbag, luggage, umbrella, wallet or watch for a sales price exceeding one thousand dollars, at a rate of seven and three-fourths per cent on the entire sales price. For purposes of this subparagraph, "motor vehicle" has the meaning provided in section 14-1, but does not include a motor vehicle subject to the provisions of subparagraph (C) of this subdivision, a motor vehicle having a gross vehicle weight rating over twelve thousand five hundred pounds, or a motor vehicle having a gross vehicle weight rating of twelve thousand five hundred pounds or less that is not used for private passenger purposes, but is designed or used to transport merchandise, freight or persons in connection with any business enterprise and issued a commercial registration or more specific type of registration by the Department of Motor Vehicles;

(I) The rate of tax imposed by this chapter shall be applicable to all retail sales upon the effective date of such rate, except that a new rate **[**which**]** <u>that</u> represents an increase in the rate applicable to the sale shall not apply to any sales transaction wherein a binding sales contract without an escalator clause has been entered into prior to the effective date of the new rate and delivery is made within ninety days after the effective date of the new rate. For the purposes of payment of the tax imposed under this section, any retailer of services taxable under subdivision (37) of subsection (a) of section 12-407, who computes taxable income, for purposes of taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as <u>amended</u> from time to time<u>,</u> **[**amended,**]** on an accounting basis **[**which**]** <u>that</u> recognizes only cash or other valuable consideration actually received as income and who is liable for such tax only due to the rendering of such services may make payments related to such tax for the period during which such income is received, without penalty or interest, without regard to when such

service is rendered;

(J) (i) For calendar quarters ending on or after September 30, 2019, the commissioner shall deposit into the regional planning incentive account, established pursuant to section 4-66k, six and seven-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (B) of this subdivision and ten and seven-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (G) of this subdivision;

(ii) For calendar quarters ending on or after September 30, 2018, the commissioner shall deposit into the Tourism Fund established under section 10-395b ten per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (B) of this subdivision;

(K) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2021, the commissioner shall deposit into the municipal revenue sharing account established pursuant to section 4-66*l* seven and nine-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision; and

(L) (i) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2017, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 seven and nine-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision;

(ii) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2018, but prior to July 1, 2019, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 eight per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraphs (A) and (H) of this subdivision on the sale of a motor vehicle;

(iii) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2019, but

prior to July 1, 2020, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 **[**thirty-three**]** seventeen per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraphs (A) and (H) of this subdivision on the sale of a motor vehicle;

(iv) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2020, but prior to July 1, 2021, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 **[**fifty-six**]** twenty-five per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraphs (A) and (H) of this subdivision on the sale of a motor vehicle;

(v) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2021, but prior to July 1, 2022, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 seventy-five per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraphs (A) and (H) of this subdivision on the sale of a motor vehicle; and

(vi) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2022, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 one hundred per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraphs (A) and (H) of this subdivision on the sale of a motor vehicle.

Sec. 318. Subdivision (1) of section 12-411 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019, and applicable to sales occurring on or after July 1, 2019*):

(1) (A) An excise tax is hereby imposed on the storage, acceptance, consumption or any other use in this state of tangible personal property purchased from any retailer for storage, acceptance, consumption or any other use in this state, the acceptance or receipt of

any services constituting a sale in accordance with subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 12-407, purchased from any retailer for consumption or use in this state, or the storage, acceptance, consumption or any other use in this state of tangible personal property which has been manufactured, fabricated, assembled or processed from materials by a person, either within or without this state, for storage, acceptance, consumption or any other use by such person in this state, to be measured by the sales price of materials, at the rate of six and thirty-five-hundredths per cent of the sales price of such property or services, except, in lieu of said rate: **[**of six and thirty-five-hundredths per cent;**]**

(B) (i) At a rate of fifteen per cent of the rent paid to a hotel or lodging house for the first period not exceeding thirty consecutive calendar days;

(ii) At a rate of eleven per cent of the rent paid to a bed and breakfast establishment for the first period not exceeding thirty consecutive calendar days;

(C) With respect to the storage, acceptance, consumption or use in this state of a motor vehicle purchased from any retailer for storage, acceptance, consumption or use in this state by any individual who is a member of the armed forces of the United States and is on full-time active duty in Connecticut and who is considered, under 50 App USC 574, a resident of another state, or to any such individual and the spouse of such individual at a rate of four and one-half per cent of the sales price of such vehicle, provided such retailer requires and maintains a declaration by such individual, prescribed as to form by the commissioner and bearing notice to the effect that false statements made in such declaration are punishable, or other evidence, satisfactory to the commissioner, concerning the purchaser's state of residence under 50 App USC 574;

(D) (i) With respect to the acceptance or receipt in this state of labor that is otherwise taxable under subparagraph (C) or (G) of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 12-407 on existing vessels and repair or maintenance services on vessels occurring on and after July 1, 1999, such services shall be exempt from such tax;

(ii) (I) With respect to the storage, acceptance or other use of a vessel in this state, at the rate of two and ninety-nine-hundredths per cent, except that such storage, acceptance or other use shall be exempt from such tax if such vessel is docked in this state for sixty or fewer days in a calendar year;

(II) With respect to the storage, acceptance or other use of a motor for a vessel or a trailer used for transporting a vessel in this state, at the rate of two and ninety-nine-hundredths per cent;

(E) (i) With respect to the acceptance or receipt in this state of computer and data processing services purchased from any retailer for consumption or use in this state occurring on or after July 1, 2001, at the rate of one per cent of such services, and (ii) with respect to the acceptance or receipt in this state of Internet access services, on and after July 1, 2001, such services shall be exempt from such tax;

(F) With respect to the acceptance or receipt in this state of patient care services purchased from any retailer for consumption or use in this state for which payment is received by the hospital on or after July 1, 1999, and prior to July 1, 2001, at the rate of five and three-fourths per cent and on and after July 1, 2001, such services shall be exempt from such tax;

(G) With respect to the rental or leasing of a passenger motor vehicle for a period of thirty consecutive calendar days or less, at a rate of nine and thirty-five-hundredths per cent;

(H) With respect to the acceptance or receipt in this state of (i) a

motor vehicle for a sales price exceeding fifty thousand dollars, at a rate of seven and three-fourths per cent on the entire sales price, (ii) jewelry, whether real or imitation, for a sales price exceeding five thousand dollars, at a rate of seven and three-fourths per cent on the entire sales price, and (iii) an article of clothing or footwear intended to be worn on or about the human body, a handbag, luggage, umbrella, wallet or watch for a sales price exceeding one thousand dollars, at a rate of seven and three-fourths per cent on the entire sales price. For purposes of this subparagraph, "motor vehicle" has the meaning provided in section 14-1, but does not include a motor vehicle subject to the provisions of subparagraph (C) of this subdivision, a motor vehicle having a gross vehicle weight rating over twelve thousand five hundred pounds, or a motor vehicle having a gross vehicle weight rating of twelve thousand five hundred pounds or less that is not used for private passenger purposes, but is designed or used to transport merchandise, freight or persons in connection with any business enterprise and issued a commercial registration or more specific type of registration by the Department of Motor Vehicles;

(I) (i) For calendar quarters ending on or after September 30, 2019, the commissioner shall deposit into the regional planning incentive account, established pursuant to section 4-66k, six and seven-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (B) of this subdivision and ten and seven-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (G) of this subdivision;

(ii) For calendar quarters ending on or after September 30, 2018, the commissioner shall deposit into the Tourism Fund established under section 10-395b ten per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (B) of this subdivision;

(J) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2021, the commissioner shall deposit into said municipal revenue sharing

account seven and nine-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision; and

(K) (i) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2017, the commissioner shall deposit into said Special Transportation Fund seven and nine-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision;

(ii) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2018, but prior to July 1, 2019, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 eight per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraphs (A) and (H) of this subdivision on the acceptance or receipt in this state of a motor vehicle;

(iii) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2019, but prior to July 1, 2020, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 **[**thirty-three**]** <u>seventeen</u> per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraphs (A) and (H) of this subdivision on the acceptance or receipt in this state of a motor vehicle;

(iv) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2020, but prior to July 1, 2021, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 **[**fifty-six**]** <u>twenty-five</u> per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraphs (A) and (H) of this subdivision on the acceptance or receipt in this state of a motor vehicle;

(v) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2021, but prior to July 1, 2022, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 seventy-five per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under

subparagraphs (A) and (H) of this subdivision on the acceptance or receipt in this state of a motor vehicle; and

(vi) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2022, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 one hundred per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraphs (A) and (H) of this subdivision on the acceptance or receipt in this state of a motor vehicle.

Sec. 319. Subdivision (13) of subsection (a) of section 12-407 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019, and applicable to sales occurring on or after October 1, 2019*):

(13) "Tangible personal property" means personal property **[**which**]** that may be seen, weighed, measured, felt or touched or **[**which**]** that is in any other manner perceptible to the senses. **[**including**]** "Tangible personal property" includes (A) digital goods, (B) canned or prewritten computer software, **[**. Tangible personal property includes**]** including canned or prewritten software that is electronically accessed or transferred, other than when purchased by a business for use by such business, and any additional content related to such software, and (C) the distribution, generation or transmission of electricity.

Sec. 320. Subsection (a) of section 12-407 of the general statutes is amended by adding subdivision (43) as follows (*Effective October 1, 2019, and applicable to sales occurring on or after October 1, 2019*):

(NEW) (43) "Digital goods" means audio works, visual works, audio-visual works, reading materials or ring tones, that are electronically accessed or transferred.

Sec. 321. Subdivision (5) of section 12-410 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*

October 1, 2019, and applicable to sales occurring on or after October 1, 2019):

(5) (A) For the purpose of the proper administration of this chapter and to prevent evasion of the sales tax, a sale of any service described in subdivision (37) of subsection (a) of section 12-407 shall be considered a sale for resale only if the service to be resold is an integral, inseparable component part of a service described in said subdivision that is to be subsequently sold by the purchaser to an ultimate consumer. The purchaser of the service for resale shall maintain, in such form as the commissioner requires, records that substantiate: (i) From whom the service was purchased and to whom the service was sold, (ii) the purchase price of the service, and (iii) the nature of the service to demonstrate that the services were an integral, inseparable component part of a service described in subdivision (37) of subsection (a) of section 12-407 that was subsequently sold to a consumer.

(B) Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, no sale of a service described in subdivision (37) of subsection (a) of section 12-407 by a seller shall be considered a sale for resale if such service is to be subsequently sold by the purchaser to an ultimate consumer that is affiliated with the purchaser in the manner described in subparagraph (A) of subdivision (62) of section 12-412.

(C) For purposes of subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, the sale of canned or prewritten computer software shall be considered a sale for resale if such software is subsequently sold, licensed or leased unaltered by the purchaser to an ultimate consumer. The purchaser of the software for resale shall maintain, in such form as the commissioner requires, records that substantiate: (i) From whom the software was purchased and to whom the software was sold, licensed or leased, (ii) the purchase price of the software, and (iii) the nature of the transaction with the ultimate consumer to demonstrate that the

same software was provided unaltered to the ultimate consumer.

(D) For purposes of subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, the sale of digital goods shall be considered a sale for resale if the digital goods are subsequently sold, licensed, leased, broadcast, transmitted, or distributed, in whole or in part, as an integral, inseparable component part of a digital good or service described in subdivision (26), (27), (37) or (39) of subsection (a) of section 12-407 by the purchaser of the digital goods to an ultimate consumer. The purchaser of the digital goods for resale shall maintain, in such form as the commissioner requires, records that substantiate: (i) From whom the digital goods were purchased and to whom the services described in subdivision (26), (27), (37) or (39) of subsection (a) of section 12-407 was sold, licensed, leased, broadcast, transmitted, or distributed, in whole or in part, (ii) the purchase price of the digital goods, and (iii) the nature of the transaction with the ultimate consumer.

(E) For purposes of subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, the sale of services described in subdivision (37) of subsection (a) of section 12-407 shall be considered a sale for resale if such services are subsequently resold as an integral inseparable component part of digital goods sold by the purchaser of the services to an ultimate consumer of the digital goods. The purchaser of the services described in subdivision (37) of subsection (a) of section 12-407 for resale shall maintain, in such form as the commissioner requires, records that substantiate: (i) From whom the services described in subdivision (37) of subsection (a) of section 12-407 were purchases and to whom the digital goods were sold, licensed, or leased, (ii) the purchase prices of the services described in subdivision (37) of subsection (a) of section 12-407, and (iii) the nature of the transaction with the ultimate consumer.

Sec. 322. Subparagraph (A) of subdivision (37) of subsection (a) of section 12-407 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is

substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019, and applicable to sales occurring on or after October 1, 2019*):

(A) Computer and data processing services, including, but not limited to, time, programming, code writing, modification of existing programs, feasibility studies and installation and implementation of software programs and systems even where such services are rendered in connection with the development, creation or production of canned or custom software or the license of custom software, but excluding digital goods;

Sec. 323. Subdivision (1) of section 12-408 of the general statutes, as amended by section 317 of this act, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019, and applicable to sales occurring on or after October 1, 2019*):

(A) For the privilege of making any sales, as defined in subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 12-407, at retail, in this state for a consideration, a tax is hereby imposed on all retailers at the rate of six and thirty-five-hundredths per cent of the gross receipts of any retailer from the sale of all tangible personal property sold at retail or from the rendering of any services constituting a sale in accordance with subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 12-407, except, in lieu of said rate, the rates provided in subparagraphs (B) to **[**(H)**]** (I), inclusive, of this subdivision;

(B) (i) At a rate of fifteen per cent with respect to each transfer of occupancy, from the total amount of rent received by a hotel or lodging house for the first period not exceeding thirty consecutive calendar days;

(ii) At a rate of eleven per cent with respect to each transfer of occupancy, from the total amount of rent received by a bed and breakfast establishment for the first period not exceeding thirty

consecutive calendar days;

(C) With respect to the sale of a motor vehicle to any individual who is a member of the armed forces of the United States and is on full-time active duty in Connecticut and who is considered, under 50 App USC 574, a resident of another state, or to any such individual and the spouse thereof, at a rate of four and one-half per cent of the gross receipts of any retailer from such sales, provided such retailer requires and maintains a declaration by such individual, prescribed as to form by the commissioner and bearing notice to the effect that false statements made in such declaration are punishable, or other evidence, satisfactory to the commissioner, concerning the purchaser's state of residence under 50 App USC 574;

(D) (i) With respect to the sales of computer and data processing services occurring on or after July 1, 2001, at the rate of one per cent, and (ii) with respect to sales of Internet access services, on and after July 1, 2001, such services shall be exempt from such tax;

(E) (i) With respect to the sales of labor that is otherwise taxable under subparagraph (C) or (G) of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 12-407 on existing vessels and repair or maintenance services on vessels occurring on and after July 1, 1999, such services shall be exempt from such tax;

(ii) With respect to the sale of a vessel, a motor for a vessel or a trailer used for transporting a vessel, at the rate of two and ninety-nine-hundredths per cent, except that the sale of a vessel shall be exempt from such tax if such vessel is docked in this state for sixty or fewer days in a calendar year;

(iii) With respect to the sale of dyed diesel fuel, as defined in subsection (d) of section 12-487, sold by a marine fuel dock exclusively for marine purposes, at the rate of two and ninety-nine-hundredths

per cent;

(F) With respect to patient care services for which payment is received by the hospital on or after July 1, 1999, and prior to July 1, 2001, at the rate of five and three-fourths per cent and on and after July 1, 2001, such services shall be exempt from such tax;

(G) With respect to the rental or leasing of a passenger motor vehicle for a period of thirty consecutive calendar days or less, at a rate of nine and thirty-five-hundredths per cent;

(H) With respect to the sale of (i) a motor vehicle for a sales price exceeding fifty thousand dollars, at a rate of seven and three-fourths per cent on the entire sales price, (ii) jewelry, whether real or imitation, for a sales price exceeding five thousand dollars, at a rate of seven and three-fourths per cent on the entire sales price, and (iii) an article of clothing or footwear intended to be worn on or about the human body, a handbag, luggage, umbrella, wallet or watch for a sales price exceeding one thousand dollars, at a rate of seven and three-fourths per cent on the entire sales price. For purposes of this subparagraph, "motor vehicle" has the meaning provided in section 14-1, but does not include a motor vehicle subject to the provisions of subparagraph (C) of this subdivision, a motor vehicle having a gross vehicle weight rating over twelve thousand five hundred pounds, or a motor vehicle having a gross vehicle weight rating of twelve thousand five hundred pounds or less that is not used for private passenger purposes, but is designed or used to transport merchandise, freight or persons in connection with any business enterprise and issued a commercial registration or more specific type of registration by the Department of Motor Vehicles;

(I) With respect to the sale of meals, as defined in subdivision (13) of section 12-412, sold by an eating establishment, caterer or grocery store; and spirituous, malt or vinous liquors, soft drinks, sodas or

beverages such as are ordinarily dispensed at bars and soda fountains, or in connection therewith; in addition to the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, at the rate of one per cent;

[(I)**]** (J) The rate of tax imposed by this chapter shall be applicable to all retail sales upon the effective date of such rate, except that a new rate that represents an increase in the rate applicable to the sale shall not apply to any sales transaction wherein a binding sales contract without an escalator clause has been entered into prior to the effective date of the new rate and delivery is made within ninety days after the effective date of the new rate. For the purposes of payment of the tax imposed under this section, any retailer of services taxable under subdivision (37) of subsection (a) of section 12-407, who computes taxable income, for purposes of taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to time, on an accounting basis that recognizes only cash or other valuable consideration actually received as income and who is liable for such tax only due to the rendering of such services may make payments related to such tax for the period during which such income is received, without penalty or interest, without regard to when such service is rendered;

[(J)**]** (K) (i) For calendar quarters ending on or after September 30, 2019, the commissioner shall deposit into the regional planning incentive account, established pursuant to section 4-66k, six and seven-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (B) of this subdivision and ten and seven-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (G) of this subdivision;

(ii) For calendar quarters ending on or after September 30, 2018, the commissioner shall deposit into the Tourism Fund established under section 10-395b ten per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (B) of this subdivision;

[(K)**]** (L) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2021, the commissioner shall deposit into the municipal revenue sharing account established pursuant to section 4-66*l* seven and nine-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision; and

[(L)**]** (M) (i) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2017, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 seven and nine-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision;

(ii) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2018, but prior to July 1, 2019, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 eight per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraphs (A) and (H) of this subdivision on the sale of a motor vehicle;

(iii) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2019, but prior to July 1, 2020, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 seventeen per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraphs (A) and (H) of this subdivision on the sale of a motor vehicle;

(iv) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2020, but prior to July 1, 2021, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 twenty-five per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraphs (A) and (H) of this subdivision on the sale of a motor vehicle;

(v) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2021, but

prior to July 1, 2022, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 seventy-five per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraphs (A) and (H) of this subdivision on the sale of a motor vehicle; and

(vi) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2022, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 one hundred per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraphs (A) and (H) of this subdivision on the sale of a motor vehicle.

Sec. 324. Subdivision (1) of section 12-411 of the general statutes, as amended by section 318 of this act, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019, and applicable to sales occurring on or after October 1, 2019*):

(1) (A) An excise tax is hereby imposed on the storage, acceptance, consumption or any other use in this state of tangible personal property purchased from any retailer for storage, acceptance, consumption or any other use in this state, the acceptance or receipt of any services constituting a sale in accordance with subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 12-407, purchased from any retailer for consumption or use in this state, or the storage, acceptance, consumption or any other use in this state of tangible personal property which has been manufactured, fabricated, assembled or processed from materials by a person, either within or without this state, for storage, acceptance, consumption or any other use by such person in this state, to be measured by the sales price of materials, at the rate of six and thirty-five-hundredths per cent of the sales price of such property or services, except, in lieu of said rate:

(B) (i) At a rate of fifteen per cent of the rent paid to a hotel or lodging house for the first period not exceeding thirty consecutive

calendar days;

(ii) At a rate of eleven per cent of the rent paid to a bed and breakfast establishment for the first period not exceeding thirty consecutive calendar days;

(C) With respect to the storage, acceptance, consumption or use in this state of a motor vehicle purchased from any retailer for storage, acceptance, consumption or use in this state by any individual who is a member of the armed forces of the United States and is on full-time active duty in Connecticut and who is considered, under 50 App USC 574, a resident of another state, or to any such individual and the spouse of such individual at a rate of four and one-half per cent of the sales price of such vehicle, provided such retailer requires and maintains a declaration by such individual, prescribed as to form by the commissioner and bearing notice to the effect that false statements made in such declaration are punishable, or other evidence, satisfactory to the commissioner, concerning the purchaser's state of residence under 50 App USC 574;

(D) (i) With respect to the acceptance or receipt in this state of labor that is otherwise taxable under subparagraph (C) or (G) of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 12-407 on existing vessels and repair or maintenance services on vessels occurring on and after July 1, 1999, such services shall be exempt from such tax;

(ii) (I) With respect to the storage, acceptance or other use of a vessel in this state, at the rate of two and ninety-nine-hundredths per cent, except that such storage, acceptance or other use shall be exempt from such tax if such vessel is docked in this state for sixty or fewer days in a calendar year;

(II) With respect to the storage, acceptance or other use of a motor for a vessel or a trailer used for transporting a vessel in this state, at the

rate of two and ninety-nine-hundredths per cent;

(III) With respect to the storage, acceptance or other use of dyed diesel fuel, as defined in subsection (d) of section 12-487, exclusively for marine purposes, at the rate of two and ninety-nine-hundredths per cent;

(E) (i) With respect to the acceptance or receipt in this state of computer and data processing services purchased from any retailer for consumption or use in this state occurring on or after July 1, 2001, at the rate of one per cent of such services, and (ii) with respect to the acceptance or receipt in this state of Internet access services, on and after July 1, 2001, such services shall be exempt from such tax;

(F) With respect to the acceptance or receipt in this state of patient care services purchased from any retailer for consumption or use in this state for which payment is received by the hospital on or after July 1, 1999, and prior to July 1, 2001, at the rate of five and three-fourths per cent and on and after July 1, 2001, such services shall be exempt from such tax;

(G) With respect to the rental or leasing of a passenger motor vehicle for a period of thirty consecutive calendar days or less, at a rate of nine and thirty-five-hundredths per cent;

(H) With respect to the acceptance or receipt in this state of (i) a motor vehicle for a sales price exceeding fifty thousand dollars, at a rate of seven and three-fourths per cent on the entire sales price, (ii) jewelry, whether real or imitation, for a sales price exceeding five thousand dollars, at a rate of seven and three-fourths per cent on the entire sales price, and (iii) an article of clothing or footwear intended to be worn on or about the human body, a handbag, luggage, umbrella, wallet or watch for a sales price exceeding one thousand dollars, at a rate of seven and three-fourths per cent on the entire sales price. For

purposes of this subparagraph, "motor vehicle" has the meaning provided in section 14-1, but does not include a motor vehicle subject to the provisions of subparagraph (C) of this subdivision, a motor vehicle having a gross vehicle weight rating over twelve thousand five hundred pounds, or a motor vehicle having a gross vehicle weight rating of twelve thousand five hundred pounds or less that is not used for private passenger purposes, but is designed or used to transport merchandise, freight or persons in connection with any business enterprise and issued a commercial registration or more specific type of registration by the Department of Motor Vehicles;

(I) With respect to the acceptance or receipt in this state of meals, as defined in subdivision (13) of section 12-412, sold by an eating establishment, caterer or grocery store; and spirituous, malt or vinous liquors, soft drinks, sodas or beverages such as are ordinarily dispensed at bars and soda fountains, or in connection therewith; in addition to the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, at the rate of one per cent;

[(I)**]** (J) (i) For calendar quarters ending on or after September 30, 2019, the commissioner shall deposit into the regional planning incentive account, established pursuant to section 4-66k, six and seven-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (B) of this subdivision and ten and seven-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (G) of this subdivision;

(ii) For calendar quarters ending on or after September 30, 2018, the commissioner shall deposit into the Tourism Fund established under section 10-395b ten per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (B) of this subdivision;

[(J)**]** (K) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2021, the commissioner shall deposit into said municipal revenue sharing

account seven and nine-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision; and

[(K)**]** <u>(L)</u> (i) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2017, the commissioner shall deposit into said Special Transportation Fund seven and nine-tenths per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision;

(ii) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2018, but prior to July 1, 2019, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 eight per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraphs (A) and (H) of this subdivision on the acceptance or receipt in this state of a motor vehicle;

(iii) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2019, but prior to July 1, 2020, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 seventeen per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraphs (A) and (H) of this subdivision on the acceptance or receipt in this state of a motor vehicle;

(iv) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2020, but prior to July 1, 2021, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 twenty-five per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraphs (A) and (H) of this subdivision on the acceptance or receipt in this state of a motor vehicle;

(v) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2021, but prior to July 1, 2022, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 seventy-five per

cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraphs (A) and (H) of this subdivision on the acceptance or receipt in this state of a motor vehicle; and

(vi) For calendar months commencing on or after July 1, 2022, the commissioner shall deposit into the Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 one hundred per cent of the amounts received by the state from the tax imposed under subparagraphs (A) and (H) of this subdivision on the acceptance or receipt in this state of a motor vehicle.

Sec. 325. Subdivision (37) of subsection (a) of section 12-407 of the general statutes, as amended by section 322 of this act, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020, and applicable to sales occurring on or after January 1, 2020*):

(37) "Services" for purposes of subdivision (2) of this subsection, means:

(A) Computer and data processing services, including, but not limited to, time, programming, code writing, modification of existing programs, feasibility studies and installation and implementation of software programs and systems even where such services are rendered in connection with the development, creation or production of canned or custom software or the license of custom software, but excluding digital goods;

(B) Credit information and reporting services;

(C) Services by employment agencies and agencies providing personnel services;

(D) Private investigation, protection, patrol work, watchman and armored car services, exclusive of (i) services of off-duty police officers and off-duty firefighters, and (ii) coin and currency services provided

to a financial services company by or through another financial services company. For purposes of this subparagraph, "financial services company" has the same meaning as provided under subparagraphs (A) to (H), inclusive, of subdivision (6) of subsection (a) of section 12-218b;

(E) Painting and lettering services;

(F) Photographic studio services;

(G) Telephone answering services;

(H) Stenographic services;

(I) Services to industrial, commercial or income-producing real property, including, but not limited to, such services as management, electrical, plumbing, painting and carpentry, provided income-producing property shall not include property used exclusively for residential purposes in which the owner resides and which contains no more than three dwelling units, or a housing facility for low and moderate income families and persons owned or operated by a nonprofit housing organization, as defined in subdivision (29) of section 12-412;

(J) Business analysis, management, management consulting and public relations services, excluding (i) any environmental consulting services, (ii) any training services provided by an institution of higher education licensed or accredited by the Board of Regents for Higher Education or Office of Higher Education pursuant to sections 10a-35a and 10a-34, respectively, and (iii) on and after January 1, 1994, any business analysis, management, management consulting and public relations services when such services are rendered in connection with an aircraft leased or owned by a certificated air carrier or in connection with an aircraft which has a maximum certificated take-off weight of six thousand pounds or more;

(K) Services providing "piped-in" music to business or professional establishments;

(L) Flight instruction and chartering services by a certificated air carrier on an aircraft, the use of which for such purposes, but for the provisions of subdivision (4) of section 12-410 and subdivision (12) of section 12-411, would be deemed a retail sale and a taxable storage or use, respectively, of such aircraft by such carrier;

(M) Motor vehicle repair services, including any type of repair, painting or replacement related to the body or any of the operating parts of a motor vehicle;

(N) Motor vehicle parking, [including the provision of space, other than metered space, in a lot having thirty or more spaces,] excluding [(i)] space in a parking lot owned or leased under the terms of a lease of not less than ten years' duration and operated by an employer for the exclusive use of its employees; [, (ii) space in municipally operated railroad parking facilities in municipalities located within an area of the state designated as a severe nonattainment area for ozone under the federal Clean Air Act or space in a railroad parking facility in a municipality located within an area of the state designated as a severe nonattainment area for ozone under the federal Clean Air Act owned or operated by the state on or after April 1, 2000, (iii) space in a seasonal parking lot provided by an entity subject to the exemption set forth in subdivision (1) of section 12-412, and (iv) space in a municipally owned parking lot;]

(O) Radio or television repair services;

(P) Furniture reupholstering and repair services;

(Q) Repair services to any electrical or electronic device, including, but not limited to, equipment used for purposes of refrigeration or air-conditioning;

(R) Lobbying or consulting services for purposes of representing the interests of a client in relation to the functions of any governmental entity or instrumentality;

(S) Services of the agent of any person in relation to the sale of any item of tangible personal property for such person, exclusive of the services of a consignee selling works of art, as defined in subsection (b) of section 12-376c, or articles of clothing or footwear intended to be worn on or about the human body other than (i) any special clothing or footwear primarily designed for athletic activity or protective use and which is not normally worn except when used for the athletic activity or protective use for which it was designed, and (ii) jewelry, handbags, luggage, umbrellas, wallets, watches and similar items carried on or about the human body but not worn on the body, under consignment, exclusive of services provided by an auctioneer;

(T) Locksmith services;

(U) Advertising or public relations services, including layout, art direction, graphic design, mechanical preparation or production supervision, not related to the development of media advertising or cooperative direct mail advertising;

(V) Landscaping and horticulture services;

(W) Window cleaning services;

(X) Maintenance services;

(Y) Janitorial services;

(Z) Exterminating services;

(AA) Swimming pool cleaning and maintenance services;

(BB) Miscellaneous personal services included in industry group 729

in the Standard Industrial Classification Manual, United States Office of Management and Budget, 1987 edition, or [U.S.] industry group 532220, 812191, 812199 or 812990 [in] of the North American [Industrial] Industry Classification System United States Manual, United States Office of Management and Budget (NAICS), 1997 edition, exclusive of (i) services rendered by massage therapists licensed pursuant to chapter 384a, and (ii) services rendered by an electrologist licensed pursuant to chapter 388;

(CC) Any repair or maintenance service to any item of tangible personal property including any contract of warranty or service related to any such item;

(DD) Business analysis, management or managing consulting services rendered by a general partner, or an affiliate thereof, to a limited partnership, provided (i) the general partner, or an affiliate thereof, is compensated for the rendition of such services other than through a distributive share of partnership profits or an annual percentage of partnership capital or assets established in the limited partnership's offering statement, and (ii) the general partner, or an affiliate thereof, offers such services to others, including any other partnership. As used in this subparagraph "an affiliate of a general partner" means an entity which is directly or indirectly owned fifty per cent or more in common with a general partner;

(EE) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 12-412, except subdivision (87) of said section 12-412, patient care services, as defined in subdivision (29) of this subsection by a hospital, except that "sale" and "selling" does not include such patient care services for which payment is received by the hospital during the period commencing July 1, 2001, and ending June 30, 2003;

(FF) Health and athletic club services, exclusive of (i) any such services provided without any additional charge which are included in

any dues or initiation fees paid to any such club, which dues or fees are subject to tax under section 12-543, and (ii) any such services provided by a municipality or an organization that is described in Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to time; [amended;]

(GG) Motor vehicle storage services, including storage of motor homes, campers and camp trailers, other than the furnishing of space as described in subparagraph (P) of subdivision (2) of this subsection;

(HH) Packing and crating services, other than those provided in connection with the sale of tangible personal property by the retailer of such property;

(II) Motor vehicle towing and road services, other than motor vehicle repair services;

(JJ) Intrastate transportation services provided by livery services, including limousines, community cars or vans, with a driver. Intrastate transportation services shall not include transportation by taxicab, motor bus, ambulance or ambulette, scheduled public transportation, nonemergency medical transportation provided under the Medicaid program, paratransit services provided by agreement or arrangement with the state or any political subdivision of the state, dial-a-ride services or services provided in connection with funerals;

(KK) Pet grooming and pet boarding services, except if such services are provided as an integral part of professional veterinary services, and pet obedience services;

(LL) Services in connection with a cosmetic medical procedure. For purposes of this subparagraph, "cosmetic medical procedure" means any medical procedure performed on an individual that is directed at improving the individual's appearance and that does not meaningfully

promote the proper function of the body or prevent or treat illness or disease. "Cosmetic medical procedure" includes, but is not limited to, cosmetic surgery, hair transplants, cosmetic injections, cosmetic soft tissue fillers, dermabrasion and chemical peel, laser hair removal, laser skin resurfacing, laser treatment of leg veins and sclerotherapy. "Cosmetic medical procedure" does not include reconstructive surgery. "Reconstructive surgery" includes any surgery performed on abnormal structures caused by or related to congenital defects, developmental abnormalities, trauma, infection, tumors or disease, including procedures to improve function or give a more normal appearance;

(MM) Manicure services, pedicure services and all other nail services, regardless of where performed, including airbrushing, fills, full sets, nail sculpting, paraffin treatments and polishes;

(NN) Spa services, regardless of where performed, including body waxing and wraps, peels, scrubs and facials; **[**and**]**

(OO) Car wash services, including coin-operated car washes;

(PP) Dry cleaning services and laundry services, excluding coin-operated services;

(QQ) Interior design services described in industry group 54141 of the NAICS, 2017 edition, as amended from time to time.

Sec. 326. Section 12-412 of the general statutes is amended by adding subdivision (124) as follows (*Effective January 1, 2020, and applicable to sales occurring on or after January 1, 2020*):

(NEW) (124) (A) Sales of interior design services set forth in subparagraph (QQ) of subdivision (37) of subsection (a) of section 12-407 that are purchased by a business for use by such business.

(B) To qualify for such exemption, each purchaser of the services

exempt pursuant to the provisions of this subdivision shall present a certificate to the retailer, in such form as the commissioner may prescribe, certifying that the purchaser is a business and is purchasing such services for its business. The purchaser of the services shall be liable for the tax otherwise imposed if the certificate is improperly provided to the seller, and any person who wilfully delivers a certificate that is known to be fraudulent or false in any material matter to a seller shall, in addition to any other penalty provided by law, be guilty of a class D felony.

Sec. 327. Subdivision (12) of subsection (a) of section 12-407 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019, and applicable to sales occurring on or after July 1, 2019*):

(12) "Retailer" includes:

(A) Every person engaged in the business of making sales at retail or in the business of making retail sales at auction of tangible personal property owned by the person or others;

(B) Every person engaged in the business of making sales for storage, use or other consumption or in the business of making sales at auction of tangible personal property owned by the person or others for storage, use or other consumption;

(C) Every operator, as defined in subdivision (18) of this subsection;

(D) Every seller rendering any service described in subdivision (2) of this subsection;

(E) Every person under whom any salesman, representative, peddler or canvasser operates in this state, or from whom such salesman, representative, peddler or canvasser obtains the tangible personal property that is sold;

(F) Every person with whose assistance any seller is enabled to solicit orders within this state;

(G) Every person making retail sales of tangible personal property or services from outside this state to a destination within this state, [who engages in regular or systematic solicitation of sales of tangible personal property in this state (i) by the display of advertisements on billboards or other outdoor advertising in this state, (ii) by the distribution of catalogs, periodicals, advertising flyers or other advertising by means of print, radio or television media, or (iii) by mail, telegraphy, telephone, computer data base, cable, optic, microwave, Internet or other communication system, for the purpose of effecting retail sales of tangible personal property,] provided such person has gross receipts of at least [two hundred fifty] one hundred thousand dollars and made two hundred or more retail sales from outside this state to destinations within this state during the twelve-month period ended on the September thirtieth immediately preceding the monthly or quarterly period with respect to which such person's liability for tax under this chapter is determined;

(H) Any person owned or controlled, either directly or indirectly, by a retailer engaged in business in this state which is the same as or similar to the line of business in which such person so owned or controlled is engaged;

(I) Any person owned or controlled, either directly or indirectly, by the same interests that own or control, either directly or indirectly, a retailer engaged in business in this state which is the same as or similar to the line of business in which such person so owned or controlled is engaged;

(J) Any assignee of a person engaged in the business of leasing tangible personal property to others, where leased property of such person which is subject to taxation under this chapter is situated

within this state and such assignee has a security interest, as defined in subdivision (35) of subsection (b) of section 42a-1-201, in such property;

(K) Every person making retail sales of items of tangible personal property from outside this state to a destination within this state who repairs or services such items, under a warranty, in this state, either directly or indirectly through an agent, independent contractor or subsidiary;

(L) Every person making sales of tangible personal property or services through an agreement with another person located in this state under which such person located in this state, for a commission or other consideration that is based upon the sale of tangible personal property or services by the retailer, directly or indirectly refers potential customers, whether by a link on an Internet web site or otherwise, to the retailer, provided the cumulative gross receipts from sales by the retailer to customers in the state who are referred to the retailer by all such persons with this type of an agreement with the retailer, is in excess of **[**two hundred fifty**]** one hundred thousand dollars during the preceding four quarterly periods ending on the last day of March, June, September and December; and

(M) Any marketplace facilitator, as defined in section 12-408e.

Sec. 328. Subparagraph (A) of subdivision (15) of subsection (a) of section 12-407 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019, and applicable to sales occurring on or after July 1, 2019*):

(15) (A) "Engaged in business in the state" means and, to the extent not prohibited by the Constitution of the United States, includes, but shall not be limited to, the following acts or methods of transacting business:

(i) Selling in this state, or any activity in this state in connection with selling in this state, tangible personal property for use, storage or consumption within the state;

(ii) [engaging] Engaging in the transfer for a consideration of the occupancy of any room or rooms in a hotel, lodging house or bed and breakfast establishment for a period of thirty consecutive calendar days or less;

(iii) [rendering] Rendering in this state any service described in any of the subparagraphs of subdivision (2) of this subsection;

(iv) [maintaining] Maintaining, occupying or using, permanently or temporarily, directly or indirectly, through a subsidiary or agent, by whatever name called, any office, place of distribution, sales or sample room or place, warehouse or storage point or other place of business or having any representative, agent, salesman, canvasser or solicitor operating in this state for the purpose of selling, delivering or taking orders;

(v) [notwithstanding the fact that retail sales are made] Selling tangible personal property or services from outside this state to a destination within this state, [engaging in regular or systematic solicitation of sales of tangible personal property in this state by the display of advertisements on billboards or other outdoor advertising in this state, by the distribution of catalogs, periodicals, advertising flyers or other advertising by means of print, radio or television media, or by mail, telegraphy, telephone, computer data base, cable, optic, microwave, Internet or other communication system, for the purpose of effecting retail sales of tangible personal property,] provided at least [two hundred fifty] one hundred thousand dollars of gross receipts are received and two hundred or more retail sales from outside this state to destinations within this state are made during the twelve-month period ended on the September thirtieth immediately preceding the

monthly or quarterly period with respect to which liability for tax under this chapter is determined;

(vi) [being] Being owned or controlled, either directly or indirectly, by a retailer engaged in business in this state which is the same as or similar to the line of business in which the retailer so owned or controlled is engaged;

(vii) [being] Being owned or controlled, either directly or indirectly, by the same interests that own or control, either directly or indirectly, a retailer engaged in business in this state which is the same as or similar to the line of business in which the retailer so owned or controlled is engaged;

(viii) [being] Being the assignee of a person engaged in the business of leasing tangible personal property to others, where leased property of such person is situated within this state and such assignee has a security interest, as defined in subdivision (35) of subsection (b) of section 42a-1-201, in such property;

(ix) [notwithstanding] Notwithstanding the fact that retail sales of items of tangible personal property are made from outside this state to a destination within this state, repairing or servicing such items, under a warranty, in this state, either directly or indirectly through an agent, independent contractor or subsidiary; and

(x) [selling] Selling tangible personal property or services through an agreement with a person located in this state, under which such person located in this state, for a commission or other consideration that is based upon the sale of tangible personal property or services by the retailer, directly or indirectly refers potential customers, whether by a link on an Internet web site or otherwise, to the retailer, provided the cumulative gross receipts from sales by the retailer to customers in the state who are referred to the retailer by all such persons with this

type of agreement with the retailer is in excess of [two hundred fifty] one hundred thousand dollars during the four preceding four quarterly periods ending on the last day of March, June, September and December.

Sec. 329. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) (a) As used in this section:

(1) "Short-term rental" means the transfer for a consideration of the occupancy in a furnished residence or similar accommodation for a period of thirty consecutive calendar days or less;

(2) "Short-term rental facilitator" means any person that (A) facilitates retail sales of at least two hundred fifty thousand dollars during the prior twelve-month period by short-term rental operators by providing a short-term rental platform, (B) directly or indirectly through agreements or arrangements with third parties, collects rent for occupancy and remits payments to the short-term rental operators, and (C) receives compensation or other consideration for such services;

(3) "Short-term rental operator" means any person that has an agreement with a short-term rental facilitator regarding the listing or advertising of a short-term rental in this state; and

(4) "Short-term rental platform" means a physical or electronic place, including, but not limited to, a store, a booth, an Internet web site, a catalog or a dedicated software application that allows short-term rental operators to display available accommodations to prospective guests.

(b) A short-term rental facilitator shall be required to obtain a permit to collect the tax set forth in subparagraph (B) of subdivision (1) of section 12-408 of the general statutes and shall be considered the retailer for each retail sale of a short-term rental that such facilitator facilitates on its platform for a short-term rental operator. Each short-term rental facilitator shall (1) be required to collect and remit for each

such sale any tax imposed under section 12-408 of the general statutes, (2) be responsible for all obligations imposed under chapter 219 of the general statutes as if such short-term rental facilitator was the operator of such lodging house and retailer for such sale, and (3) keep such records and information as may be required by the Commissioner of Revenue Services to ensure proper collection and remittance of such tax.

(c) A short-term rental operator shall not be liable for the collection of the tax set forth in subparagraph (B) of subdivision (1) of section 12-408 of the general statutes to the extent the short-term rental facilitator collected the tax due on such rent.

Sec. 330. Subdivision (12) of subsection (a) of section 12-407 of the general statutes, as amended by section 327 of this act, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019, and applicable to sales occurring on or after October 1, 2019*):

(12) "Retailer" includes:

(A) Every person engaged in the business of making sales at retail or in the business of making retail sales at auction of tangible personal property owned by the person or others;

(B) Every person engaged in the business of making sales for storage, use or other consumption or in the business of making sales at auction of tangible personal property owned by the person or others for storage, use or other consumption;

(C) Every operator, as defined in subdivision (18) of this subsection;

(D) Every seller rendering any service described in subdivision (2) of this subsection;

(E) Every person under whom any salesman, representative,

peddler or canvasser operates in this state, or from whom such salesman, representative, peddler or canvasser obtains the tangible personal property that is sold;

(F) Every person with whose assistance any seller is enabled to solicit orders within this state;

(G) Every person making retail sales of tangible personal property or services from outside this state to a destination within this state, provided such person has gross receipts of at least one hundred thousand dollars and made two hundred or more retail sales from outside this state to destinations within this state during the twelve-month period ended on the September thirtieth immediately preceding the monthly or quarterly period with respect to which such person's liability for tax under this chapter is determined;

(H) Any person owned or controlled, either directly or indirectly, by a retailer engaged in business in this state which is the same as or similar to the line of business in which such person so owned or controlled is engaged;

(I) Any person owned or controlled, either directly or indirectly, by the same interests that own or control, either directly or indirectly, a retailer engaged in business in this state which is the same as or similar to the line of business in which such person so owned or controlled is engaged;

(J) Any assignee of a person engaged in the business of leasing tangible personal property to others, where leased property of such person which is subject to taxation under this chapter is situated within this state and such assignee has a security interest, as defined in subdivision (35) of subsection (b) of section 42a-1-201, in such property;

(K) Every person making retail sales of items of tangible personal

property from outside this state to a destination within this state who repairs or services such items, under a warranty, in this state, either directly or indirectly through an agent, independent contractor or subsidiary;

(L) Every person making sales of tangible personal property or services through an agreement with another person located in this state under which such person located in this state, for a commission or other consideration that is based upon the sale of tangible personal property or services by the retailer, directly or indirectly refers potential customers, whether by a link on an Internet web site or otherwise, to the retailer, provided the cumulative gross receipts from sales by the retailer to customers in the state who are referred to the retailer by all such persons with this type of an agreement with the retailer, is in excess of one hundred thousand dollars during the preceding four quarterly periods ending on the last day of March, June, September and December; **[**and**]**

(M) Any marketplace facilitator, as defined in section 12-408e; and

(N) Any short-term rental facilitator, as defined in section 329 of this act.

Sec. 331. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Commissioner of Revenue Services shall consult with the Streamlined Sales Tax Governing Board to develop a list of certified service providers that can facilitate sales tax collection and remittance to the state. The commissioner shall develop a plan to implement the use of such providers for the collection, reporting and remittance of sales and use taxes. Such plan may include a requirement that retailers use such providers and shall identify the costs that may be incurred by retailers for such services.

(b) Not later than February 5, 2020, the commissioner shall submit such plan, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the

general statutes, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to finance, revenue and bonding, together with a draft of proposed legislation to implement such plan.

Sec. 332. Subparagraph (B) of subdivision (20) of subsection (a) of section 12-701 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage and applicable to taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2019*):

(B) There shall be subtracted therefrom:

(i) To the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, any income with respect to which taxation by any state is prohibited by federal law;

(ii) To the extent allowable under section 12-718, exempt dividends paid by a regulated investment company;

(iii) To the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, the amount of any refund or credit for overpayment of income taxes imposed by this state, or any other state of the United States or a political subdivision thereof, or the District of Columbia;

(iv) To the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes and not otherwise subtracted from federal adjusted gross income pursuant to clause (x) of this subparagraph in computing Connecticut adjusted gross income, any tier 1 railroad retirement benefits;

(v) To the extent any additional allowance for depreciation under Section 168(k) of the Internal Revenue Code for property placed in service after September 27, 2017, was added to federal adjusted gross income pursuant to subparagraph (A)(ix) of this subdivision in

computing Connecticut adjusted gross income, twenty-five per cent of such additional allowance for depreciation in each of the four succeeding taxable years;

(vi) To the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, any interest income from obligations issued by or on behalf of the state of Connecticut, any political subdivision thereof, or public instrumentality, state or local authority, district or similar public entity created under the laws of the state of Connecticut;

(vii) To the extent properly includable in determining the net gain or loss from the sale or other disposition of capital assets for federal income tax purposes, any gain from the sale or exchange of obligations issued by or on behalf of the state of Connecticut, any political subdivision thereof, or public instrumentality, state or local authority, district or similar public entity created under the laws of the state of Connecticut, in the income year such gain was recognized;

(viii) Any interest on indebtedness incurred or continued to purchase or carry obligations or securities the interest on which is subject to tax under this chapter but exempt from federal income tax, to the extent that such interest on indebtedness is not deductible in determining federal adjusted gross income and is attributable to a trade or business carried on by such individual;

(ix) Ordinary and necessary expenses paid or incurred during the taxable year for the production or collection of income which is subject to taxation under this chapter but exempt from federal income tax, or the management, conservation or maintenance of property held for the production of such income, and the amortizable bond premium for the taxable year on any bond the interest on which is subject to tax under this chapter but exempt from federal income tax, to the extent that such expenses and premiums are not deductible in determining federal adjusted gross income and are attributable to a trade or business

carried on by such individual;

(x) (I) For taxable years commencing prior to January 1, 2019, for a person who files a return under the federal income tax as an unmarried individual whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than fifty thousand dollars, or as a married individual filing separately whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than fifty thousand dollars, or for a husband and wife who file a return under the federal income tax as married individuals filing jointly whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than sixty thousand dollars or a person who files a return under the federal income tax as a head of household whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than sixty thousand dollars, an amount equal to the Social Security benefits includable for federal income tax purposes;

(II) For taxable years commencing prior to January 1, 2019, for a person who files a return under the federal income tax as an unmarried individual whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is fifty thousand dollars or more, or as a married individual filing separately whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is fifty thousand dollars or more, or for a husband and wife who file a return under the federal income tax as married individuals filing jointly whose federal adjusted gross income from such taxable year is sixty thousand dollars or more or for a person who files a return under the federal income tax as a head of household whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is sixty thousand dollars or more, an amount equal to the difference between the amount of Social Security benefits includable for federal income tax purposes and the lesser of twenty-five per cent of the Social Security benefits received during the taxable year, or twenty-five per cent of the excess described in Section 86(b)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code;

(III) For the taxable year commencing January 1, 2019, and each

taxable year thereafter, for a person who files a return under the federal income tax as an unmarried individual whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than seventy-five thousand dollars, or as a married individual filing separately whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than seventy-five thousand dollars, or for a husband and wife who file a return under the federal income tax as married individuals filing jointly whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than one hundred thousand dollars or a person who files a return under the federal income tax as a head of household whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than one hundred thousand dollars, an amount equal to the Social Security benefits includable for federal income tax purposes; and

(IV) For the taxable year commencing January 1, 2019, and each taxable year thereafter, for a person who files a return under the federal income tax as an unmarried individual whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is seventy-five thousand dollars or more, or as a married individual filing separately whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is seventy-five thousand dollars or more, or for a husband and wife who file a return under the federal income tax as married individuals filing jointly whose federal adjusted gross income from such taxable year is one hundred thousand dollars or more or for a person who files a return under the federal income tax as a head of household whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is one hundred thousand dollars or more, an amount equal to the difference between the amount of Social Security benefits includable for federal income tax purposes and the lesser of twenty-five per cent of the Social Security benefits received during the taxable year, or twenty-five per cent of the excess described in Section 86(b)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code;

(xi) To the extent properly includable in gross income for federal

income tax purposes, any amount rebated to a taxpayer pursuant to section 12-746;

(xii) To the extent properly includable in the gross income for federal income tax purposes of a designated beneficiary, any distribution to such beneficiary from any qualified state tuition program, as defined in Section 529(b) of the Internal Revenue Code, established and maintained by this state or any official, agency or instrumentality of the state;

(xiii) To the extent allowable under section 12-701a, contributions to accounts established pursuant to any qualified state tuition program, as defined in Section 529(b) of the Internal Revenue Code, established and maintained by this state or any official, agency or instrumentality of the state;

(xiv) To the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, the amount of any Holocaust victims' settlement payment received in the taxable year by a Holocaust victim;

(xv) To the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes of an account holder, as defined in section 31-51ww, interest earned on funds deposited in the individual development account, as defined in section 31-51ww, of such account holder;

(xvi) To the extent properly includable in the gross income for federal income tax purposes of a designated beneficiary, as defined in section 3-123aa, interest, dividends or capital gains earned on contributions to accounts established for the designated beneficiary pursuant to the Connecticut Homecare Option Program for the Elderly established by sections 3-123aa to 3-123ff, inclusive;

(xvii) To the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, any income received from the United States

government as retirement pay for a retired member of (I) the Armed Forces of the United States, as defined in Section 101 of Title 10 of the United States Code, or (II) the National Guard, as defined in Section 101 of Title 10 of the United States Code;

(xviii) To the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes for the taxable year, any income from the discharge of indebtedness in connection with any reacquisition, after December 31, 2008, and before January 1, 2011, of an applicable debt instrument or instruments, as those terms are defined in Section 108 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended by Section 1231 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, to the extent any such income was added to federal adjusted gross income pursuant to subparagraph (A)(xi) of this subdivision in computing Connecticut adjusted gross income for a preceding taxable year;

(xix) To the extent not deductible in determining federal adjusted gross income, the amount of any contribution to a manufacturing reinvestment account established pursuant to section 32-9zz in the taxable year that such contribution is made;

(xx) To the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, (I) for the taxable year commencing January 1, 2015, ten per cent of the income received from the state teachers' retirement system, (II) for the taxable years commencing January 1, 2016, **[**January 1, 2017, and January 1, 2018**]** to January 1, 2020, inclusive, twenty-five per cent of the income received from the state teachers' retirement system, and (III) for the taxable year commencing January 1, **[**2019**]** 2021, and each taxable year thereafter, fifty per cent of the income received from the state teachers' retirement system or the percentage, if applicable, pursuant to clause (xxi) of this subparagraph;

(xxi) To the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, except for retirement benefits under clause (iv) of

this subparagraph and retirement pay under clause (xvii) of this subparagraph, for a person who files a return under the federal income tax as an unmarried individual whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than seventy-five thousand dollars, or as a married individual filing separately whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than seventy-five thousand dollars, or as a head of household whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than seventy-five thousand dollars, or for a husband and wife who file a return under the federal income tax as married individuals filing jointly whose federal adjusted gross income for such taxable year is less than one hundred thousand dollars, (I) for the taxable year commencing January 1, 2019, fourteen per cent of any pension or annuity income, (II) for the taxable year commencing January 1, 2020, twenty-eight per cent of any pension or annuity income, (III) for the taxable year commencing January 1, 2021, forty-two per cent of any pension or annuity income, (IV) for the taxable year commencing January 1, 2022, fifty-six per cent of any pension or annuity income, (V) for the taxable year commencing January 1, 2023, seventy per cent of any pension or annuity income, (VI) for the taxable year commencing January 1, 2024, eighty-four per cent of any pension or annuity income, and (VII) for the taxable year commencing January 1, 2025, and each taxable year thereafter, any pension or annuity income;

(xxii) The amount of lost wages and medical, travel and housing expenses, not to exceed ten thousand dollars in the aggregate, incurred by a taxpayer during the taxable year in connection with the donation to another person of an organ for organ transplantation occurring on or after January 1, 2017;

(xxiii) To the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, the amount of any financial assistance received from the Crumbling Foundations Assistance Fund or paid to or on

behalf of the owner of a residential building pursuant to sections 8-442 and 8-443; [, and]

(xxiv) To the extent properly includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, the amount calculated pursuant to subsection (b) of section 12-704g for income received by a general partner of a venture capital fund, as defined in 17 CFR 275.203(l)-1, as amended from time to time; and

(xxv) To the extent any portion of a deduction under Section 179 of the Internal Revenue Code was added to federal adjusted gross income pursuant to subparagraph (A)(xiv) of this subdivision in computing Connecticut adjusted gross income, twenty-five per cent of such disallowed portion of the deduction in each of the four succeeding taxable years.

Sec. 333. Subsection (g) of section 12-699 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage and applicable to taxable and income years commencing on or after January 1, 2019*):

(g) (1) (A) Each person that is subject to the tax imposed under chapter 229 and is a member of an affected business entity shall be entitled to a credit against the tax imposed under said chapter, other than the tax imposed under section 12-707. Such credit shall be in an amount equal to such person's direct and indirect pro rata share of the tax paid under this section by any affected business entity of which such person is a member multiplied by [ninety-three and one-hundredths] eighty-seven and one-half per cent. If the amount of the credit allowed pursuant to this subdivision exceeds such person's tax liability for the tax imposed under said chapter, the commissioner shall treat such excess as an overpayment and, except as provided in section 12-739 or 12-742, shall refund the amount of such excess, without interest, to such person.

(B) Each person that is subject to the tax imposed under chapter 229 as a resident or a part-year resident of this state and is a member of an affected business entity shall also be entitled to a credit against the tax imposed under said chapter, other than the tax imposed under section 12-707, for such person's direct and indirect pro rata share of taxes paid to another state of the United States or the District of Columbia, on income of any affected business entity of which such person is a member that is derived therefrom, provided the taxes paid to another state of the United States or the District of Columbia results from a tax that the commissioner determines is substantially similar to the tax imposed under this section. Any such credit shall be calculated in the manner prescribed by the commissioner, which shall be consistent with the provisions of section 12-704.

(2) Each company that is subject to the tax imposed under chapter 208 and is a member of an affected business entity shall be entitled to a credit against the tax imposed under said chapter. Such credit shall be in an amount equal to such company's direct and indirect pro rata share of the tax paid under this section by any affected business entity of which such company is a member multiplied by **[**ninety-three and one-hundredths**]** <u>eighty-seven and one-half</u> per cent. Such credit shall be applied after all other credits are applied and shall not be subject to the limits imposed under section 12-217zz. Any credit that is not used in the income year during which the affected business entity incurs the tax under this section shall be carried forward to each of the succeeding income years by the company until such credit is fully taken against the tax under chapter 208.

Sec. 334. (*Effective from passage*) The provisions of section 12-722 of the general statutes shall not apply to any additional tax due as a result of the changes made to subparagraph (B) of subdivision (20) of subsection (a) of section 12-701 of the general statutes pursuant to section 332 of this act or to subsection (g) of section 12-699 of the

general statutes pursuant to section 333 of this act, for the taxable or income year commencing on or after January 1, 2019, but prior to the effective dates of sections 332 and 333 of this act.

Sec. 335. Section 12-704c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) Any resident of this state, as defined in subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 12-701, subject to the tax under this chapter for any taxable year shall be entitled to a credit in determining the amount of tax liability under this chapter, for all or a portion, as permitted by this section, of the amount of property tax, as defined in this section, first becoming due and actually paid during such taxable year by such person on such person's primary residence or motor vehicle in accordance with the provisions of this section, provided in the case of a person who files a return under the federal income tax for such taxable year as an unmarried individual, a married individual filing separately or a head of household, one motor vehicle shall be eligible for such credit and in the case of a husband and wife who file a return under federal income tax for such taxable year as married individuals filing jointly, no more than two motor vehicles shall be eligible for a credit under the provisions of this section.

(b) (1) The credit allowed under this section shall not exceed (A) **[**for taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2006, but prior to January 1, 2011, five hundred dollars; (B)**]** for taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2011, but prior to January 1, 2016, three hundred dollars; and **[**(C)**]** <u>(B)</u> for taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2016, two hundred dollars. In the case of any husband and wife who file a return under the federal income tax for such taxable year as married individuals filing a joint return, the credit allowed, in the aggregate, shall not exceed such **[**amounts**]** <u>amount</u> for each such taxable year.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, for the taxable years commencing January 1, 2017, **[**and January 1, 2018**]** to January 1, 2020, inclusive, the credit under this section shall be allowed only for a resident of this state (A) who has attained age sixty-five before the close of the applicable taxable year, or (B) who files a return under the federal income tax for the applicable taxable year validly claiming one or more dependents.

[(c) (1) (A) For taxable years commencing prior to January 1, 2000, in the case of any such taxpayer who files under the federal income tax for such taxable year as an unmarried individual whose Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds fifty-two thousand five hundred dollars, the amount of the credit that exceeds one hundred dollars shall be reduced by ten per cent for each ten thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayer's Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds said amount.

(B) For taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2000, but prior to January 1, 2001, in the case of any such taxpayer who files under the federal income tax for such taxable year as an unmarried individual whose Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds fifty-three thousand five hundred dollars, the amount of the credit that exceeds one hundred dollars shall be reduced by ten per cent for each ten thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayer's Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds said amount.

(C) For taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2001, but prior to January 1, 2004, in the case of any such taxpayer who files under the federal income tax for such taxable year as an unmarried individual whose Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds fifty-four thousand five hundred dollars, the amount of the credit shall be reduced by ten per cent for each ten thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayer's Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds said amount.

(D) For taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2004, but prior to January 1, 2007, in the case of any such taxpayer who files under the federal income tax for such taxable year as an unmarried individual whose Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds fifty-five thousand dollars, the amount of the credit shall be reduced by ten per cent for each ten thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayer's Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds said amount.

(E) For taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2007, but prior to January 1, 2008, in the case of any such taxpayer who files under the federal income tax for such taxable year as an unmarried individual whose Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds fifty-five thousand five hundred dollars, the amount of the credit shall be reduced by ten per cent for each ten thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayer's Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds said amount.

(F) For taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2008, but prior to January 1, 2011, in the case of any such taxpayer who files under the federal income tax for such taxable year as an unmarried individual whose Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds fifty-six thousand five hundred dollars, the amount of the credit shall be reduced by ten per cent for each ten thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayer's Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds said amount.**]**

[(G)**]** <u>(c) (1) (A)</u> For taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2011, but prior to January 1, 2013, in the case of any such taxpayer who files under the federal income tax for such taxable year as an unmarried individual whose Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds fifty-six thousand five hundred dollars, the amount of the credit shall be reduced by fifteen per cent for each ten thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayer's Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds said amount.

[(H)**]** (B) For taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2013, but prior to January 1, 2014, in the case of any such taxpayer who files under the federal income tax for such taxable year as an unmarried individual whose Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds sixty thousand five hundred dollars, the amount of the credit shall be reduced by fifteen per cent for each ten thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayer's Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds said amount.

[(I)**]** (C) For taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2014, but prior to January 1, 2016, in the case of any such taxpayer who files under the federal income tax for such taxable year as an unmarried individual whose Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds forty-seven thousand five hundred dollars, the amount of the credit shall be reduced by fifteen per cent for each ten thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayer's Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds said amount.

[(J)**]** (D) For taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2016, in the case of any such taxpayer who files under the federal income tax for such taxable year as an unmarried individual whose Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds forty-nine thousand five hundred dollars, the amount of the credit shall be reduced by fifteen per cent for each ten thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayer's Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds said amount.

(2) In the case of any such taxpayer who files under the federal income tax for such taxable year as a married individual filing separately whose Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds thirty-five thousand two hundred fifty dollars, the amount of the credit shall be reduced by fifteen per cent for each five thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayer's Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds said amount.

(3) In the case of a taxpayer who files under the federal income tax for such taxable year as a head of household whose Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds fifty-four thousand five hundred dollars, the amount of the credit shall be reduced by fifteen per cent for each ten thousand dollars or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayer's Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds said amount.

(4) In the case of a taxpayer who files under federal income tax for such taxable year as married individuals filing jointly whose Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds seventy thousand five hundred dollars, the amount of the credit shall be reduced by fifteen per cent for each ten thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayer's Connecticut adjusted gross income exceeds said amount.

(d) (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (b) and (c) of this section, for taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2021, for any taxpayer who paid the conveyance tax on real property at the rate prescribed by subparagraph (C)(ii) of subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of section 12-494, the credit allowed under this section shall not exceed thirty-three and one-third per cent of the amount of the conveyance tax paid at such rate, in each of the three taxable years next succeeding the second taxable year after the taxable year in which such conveyance tax was paid. For any taxable year such taxpayer claims the credit or portion thereof under this subsection, such credit shall be in lieu of any credit such taxpayer may be eligible to claim under subsection (b) or (c) of this section.

(2) If any credit allowed under this subsection or portion thereof is not used because the amount of the credit exceeds the tax due and owing by the taxpayer or the amount of property tax paid by the taxpayer, the unused amount may be carried forward to each of the successive taxable years until such amount is fully taken, except that in no event may any amount of the credit be carried forward for a period of more than six taxable years.

[(d)] (e) The credit allowed under [the provisions of] this section shall be available for any person leasing a motor vehicle pursuant to a written agreement for a term of more than one year. Such lessee shall be entitled to the credit in accordance with the provisions of this section for the taxes actually paid by the lessor or lessee on such leased vehicle, provided the lessee was lawfully in possession of the motor vehicle at such time when the taxes first became due. The lessor shall provide the lessee with documentation establishing, to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Revenue Services, the amount of property tax paid during the time period in which the lessee was lawfully in possession of the motor vehicle. The lessor of the motor vehicle shall not be entitled to a credit under the provisions of this section.

[(e)] (f) The credit may only be used to reduce [such] a qualifying taxpayer's tax liability for the year for which such credit is applicable and shall not be used to reduce such tax liability to less than zero.

[(f)] (g) The amount of tax due pursuant to sections 12-705 and 12-722 shall be calculated without regard to this credit.

[(g)] (h) For the purposes of this section: (1) "Property tax" means the amount of property tax exclusive of any interest, fees or charges thereon for which a taxpayer is liable, or in the case of any husband and wife who file a return under the federal income tax for such taxable year as married individuals filing a joint return, for which the husband or wife or both are liable, to a Connecticut political subdivision on the taxpayer's primary residence or motor vehicles; (2) "motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle, as defined in section 14-1, [which] that is privately owned or leased; and (3) property tax first becomes due, if due and payable in a single installment, on the date designated by the legislative body of the municipality as the date on which such installment shall be due and payable and, if due and payable in two or more installments, on the date designated by the legislative body of the municipality as the date on which such

installment shall be due and payable or, at the election of the taxpayer, on the date designated by the legislative body of the municipality as the date on which any earlier installment of such tax shall be due and payable.

Sec. 336. Section 12-498 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) The tax imposed by section 12-494 shall not apply to:

(1) Deeds which this state is prohibited from taxing under the Constitution or laws of the United States;

(2) **[**deeds**]** Deeds which secure a debt or other obligation;

(3) **[**deeds**]** Deeds to which this state or any of its political subdivisions or its or their respective agencies is a party;

(4) **[**tax**]** Tax deeds;

(5) **[**deeds**]** Deeds of release of property which is security for a debt or other obligation;

(6) **[**deeds**]** Deeds of partition;

(7) **[**deeds**]** Deeds made pursuant to mergers of corporations;

(8) **[**deeds**]** Deeds made by a subsidiary corporation to its parent corporation for no consideration other than the cancellation or surrender of the subsidiary's stock;

(9) **[**deeds**]** Deeds made pursuant to a decree of the Superior Court under section 46b-81, 49-24 or 52-495 or pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure by market sale under section 49-24 or pursuant to a judgment of loss mitigation under section 49-30t or 49-30u;

(10) **[**deeds**]** Deeds, when the consideration for the interest or

property conveyed is less than two thousand dollars;

(11) [deeds] Deeds between affiliated corporations, provided both of such corporations are exempt from taxation pursuant to paragraph (2), (3) or (25) of Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to time; [amended;]

(12) [deeds] Deeds made by a corporation which is exempt from taxation pursuant to paragraph (3) of Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to time, [amended,] to any corporation which is exempt from taxation pursuant to said paragraph (3) of said Section 501(c);

(13) [deeds] Deeds made to any nonprofit organization which is organized for the purpose of holding undeveloped land in trust for conservation or recreation purposes;

(14) [deeds] Deeds between spouses;

(15) [deeds] Deeds of property for the Adriaen's Landing site or the stadium facility site, for purposes of the overall project, each as defined in section 32-651;

(16) [land] Land transfers made on or after July 1, 1998, to a water company, as defined in section 16-1, provided the land is classified as class I or class II land, as defined in section 25-37c, after such transfer;

(17) [transfers] Transfers or conveyances to effectuate a mere change of identity or form of ownership or organization, where there is no change in beneficial ownership;

(18) [conveyances] Conveyances of residential property which occur not later than six months after the date on which the property was

previously conveyed to the transferor if the transferor is (A) an employer which acquired the property from an employee pursuant to an employee relocation plan, or (B) an entity in the business of purchasing and selling residential property of employees who are being relocated pursuant to such a plan;

(19) [deeds] Deeds in lieu of foreclosure that transfer the transferor's principal residence; [and]

(20) [any] Any instrument [transferring a] that transfers the transferor's principal residence where the gross purchase price is insufficient to pay the sum of (A) mortgages encumbering the property transferred, and (B) any real property taxes and municipal utility or other charges for which the municipality may place a lien on the property and which have priority over the mortgages encumbering the property transferred; [.] and

(21) Deeds that transfer the transferor's principal residence, where such residence has a concrete foundation that has deteriorated due to the presence of pyrrhotite and such transferor has obtained a written evaluation from a professional engineer licensed pursuant to chapter 391 indicating that the foundation of such residence was made with defective concrete. The exemption authorized under this subdivision shall (A) apply to the first transfer of such residence after such written evaluation has been obtained, and (B) not be available to a transferor who has received financial assistance to repair or replace such foundation from the Crumbling Foundations Assistance Fund established under section 8-441.

(b) The tax imposed by subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 12-494 shall not apply to:

(1) [deeds] Deeds of the principal residence of any person approved for assistance under section 12-129b or 12-170aa for the current

assessment year of the municipality in which such person resides or to any such transfer which occurs within fifteen months of the completion of any municipal assessment year for which such person qualified for such assistance;

(2) **[**deeds**]** Deeds of property located in an area designated as an enterprise zone in accordance with section 32-70; and

(3) **[**deeds**]** Deeds of property located in an entertainment district designated under section 32-76 or established under section 2 of public act 93-311.

Sec. 337. Section 12-494 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) There is imposed a tax on each deed, instrument or writing, whereby any lands, tenements or other realty is granted, assigned, transferred or otherwise conveyed to, or vested in, the purchaser, or any other person by such purchaser's direction, when the consideration for the interest or property conveyed equals or exceeds two thousand dollars: **[**,**]**

(1) **[**subject**]** Subject to the provisions of subsection (b) of this section, at the rate of three-quarters of one per cent of the consideration for the interest in real property conveyed by such deed, instrument or writing, the revenue from which shall be remitted by the town clerk of the municipality in which such tax is paid, not later than ten days following receipt thereof, to the Commissioner of Revenue Services for deposit to the credit of the state General Fund; **[**,**]** and

(2) **[**at**]** At the rate of one-fourth of one per cent of the consideration for the interest in real property conveyed by such deed, instrument or writing, provided the amount imposed under this subdivision shall become part of the general revenue of the municipality in accordance with section 12-499.

(b) The rate of tax imposed under subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section shall, in lieu of the rate under said subdivision (1), be imposed on certain conveyances as follows:

(1) In the case of any conveyance of real property which at the time of such conveyance is used for any purpose other than residential use, except unimproved land, the tax under said subdivision (1) shall be imposed at the rate of one and one-quarter per cent of the consideration for the interest in real property conveyed;

(2) **[**in**]** In the case of any conveyance in which the real property conveyed is a residential estate, including a primary dwelling and any auxiliary housing or structures, regardless of the number of deeds, instruments or writings used to convey such residential real estate, for which the consideration or aggregate consideration, as the case may be, in such conveyance is eight hundred thousand dollars or more, the tax under said subdivision (1) shall be imposed:

(A) **[**at**]** At the rate of three-quarters of one per cent on that portion of such consideration up to and including the amount of eight hundred thousand dollars; **[**, and**]**

(B) **[**at**]** Prior to July 1, 2020, at the rate of one and one-quarter per cent on that portion of such consideration in excess of eight hundred thousand dollars; and

(C) On and after July 1, 2020, (i) at the rate of one and one-quarter per cent on that portion of such consideration in excess of eight hundred thousand dollars up to and including the amount of two million five hundred thousand dollars, and (ii) at the rate of two and one-quarter per cent on that portion of such consideration in excess of two million five hundred thousand dollars; and

(3) **[**in**]** In the case of any conveyance in which real property on which mortgage payments have been delinquent for not less than six

months is conveyed to a financial institution or its subsidiary [which] that holds such a delinquent mortgage on such property, the tax under said subdivision (1) shall be imposed at the rate of three-quarters of one per cent of the consideration for the interest in real property conveyed. For the purposes of subdivision (1) of this subsection, "unimproved land" includes land designated as farm, forest or open space land.

(c) In addition to the tax imposed under subsection (a) of this section, any targeted investment community, as defined in section 32-222, or any municipality in which properties designated as manufacturing plants under section 32-75c are located, may, on or after March 15, 2003, impose an additional tax on each deed, instrument or writing, whereby any lands, tenements or other realty is granted, assigned, transferred or otherwise conveyed to, or vested in, the purchaser, or any other person by his direction, when the consideration for the interest or property conveyed equals or exceeds two thousand dollars, which additional tax shall be at a rate of up to one-fourth of one per cent of the consideration for the interest in real property conveyed by such deed, instrument or writing. The revenue from such additional tax shall become part of the general revenue of the municipality in accordance with section 12-499.

Sec. 338. Subsection (b) of section 12-284b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(b) Each limited liability company, limited liability partnership, limited partnership and S corporation shall be liable for the tax imposed by this section for each taxable year or portion thereof that such company, partnership or corporation is an affected business entity. For taxable years commencing prior to January 1, 2013, each affected business entity shall annually, on or before the fifteenth day of the fourth month following the close of its taxable year, pay to the

Commissioner of Revenue Services a tax in the amount of two hundred fifty dollars. For taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2013, but prior to January 1, 2020, each affected business entity shall, on or before the fifteenth day of the fourth month following the close of every other taxable year, pay to the Commissioner of Revenue Services a tax in the amount of two hundred fifty dollars.

Sec. 339. Subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of section 12-217jj of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2020*):

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection, any entity that is not subject to tax under this chapter or chapter 207 shall not be subject to the limitations on the transfer of credits provided in subparagraphs (B) and (C) of said subdivision (1), provided such entity owns not less than fifty per cent, directly or indirectly, of a business entity, **[**subject to tax under**]** as defined in section 12-284b.

Sec. 340. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 12-219 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) (1) Each company subject to the provisions of this part shall pay for the privilege of carrying on or doing business within the state, the larger of the tax, if any, imposed by section 12-214 and the tax calculated under this subsection. The tax calculated under this section shall be a tax of (A) three and one-tenth mills per dollar for **[**each income year**]** income years commencing prior to January 1, 2021, (B) two and six-tenths mills per dollar for the income year commencing on or after January 1, 2021, and prior to January 1, 2022, (C) two and one-tenth mills per dollar for the income year commencing on or after January 1, 2022, and prior to January 1, 2023, (D) one and one-tenth

mills per dollar for the income year commencing on or after January 1, 2023, and prior to January 1, 2024, and (E) zero mills per dollar for income years commencing on or after January 1, 2024, of the amount derived [(A)] (i) by adding [(i)] (I) the average value of the issued and outstanding capital stock, including treasury stock at par or face value, fractional shares, scrip certificates convertible into shares of stock and amounts received on subscriptions to capital stock, computed on the balances at the beginning and end of the taxable year or period, the average value of surplus and undivided profit computed on the balances at the beginning and end of the taxable year or period, and [(ii)] (II) the average value of all surplus reserves computed on the balances at the beginning and end of the taxable year or period, [(B)] (ii) by subtracting from the sum so calculated [(i)] (I) the average value of any deficit carried on the balance sheet computed on the balances at the beginning and end of the taxable year or period, and [(ii)] (II) the average value of any holdings of stock of private corporations including treasury stock shown on the balance sheet computed on the balances at the beginning and end of the taxable year or period, and [(C)] (iii) by apportioning the remainder so derived between this and other states under the provisions of section 12-219a, provided in no event shall the tax so calculated exceed one million dollars or be less than two hundred fifty dollars.

Sec. 341. Subdivision (8) of subsection (b) of section 12-214 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage and applicable to income years commencing on or after January 1, 2019*):

(8) (A) With respect to income years commencing on or after January 1, 2018, and prior to January 1, [2019] 2021, any company subject to the tax imposed in accordance with subsection (a) of this section shall pay, for such income year, except when the tax so calculated is equal to two hundred fifty dollars, an additional tax in an

amount equal to ten per cent of the tax calculated under said subsection (a) for such income year, without reduction of the tax so calculated by the amount of any credit against such tax. The additional amount of tax determined under this subsection for any income year shall constitute a part of the tax imposed by the provisions of said subsection (a) and shall become due and be paid, collected and enforced as provided in this chapter.

(B) Any company whose gross income for the income year was less than one hundred million dollars shall not be subject to the additional tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision. This exception shall not apply to taxable members of a combined group that files a combined unitary tax return.

Sec. 342. Subdivision (8) of subsection (b) of section 12-219 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage and applicable to income years commencing on or after January 1, 2019*):

(8) (A) With respect to income years commencing on or after January 1, 2018, and prior to January 1, **[**2019**]** 2021, the additional tax imposed on any company and calculated in accordance with subsection (a) of this section shall, for such income year, except when the tax so calculated is equal to two hundred fifty dollars, be increased by adding thereto an amount equal to ten per cent of the additional tax so calculated for such income year, without reduction of the tax so calculated by the amount of any credit against such tax. The increased amount of tax payable by any company under this section, as determined in accordance with this subsection, shall become due and be paid, collected and enforced as provided in this chapter.

(B) Any company whose gross income for the income year was less than one hundred million dollars shall not be subject to the additional tax imposed under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision. This

exception shall not apply to taxable members of a combined group that files a combined unitary tax return.

Sec. 343. (*Effective from passage*) The provisions of section 12-242d of the general statutes shall not apply to any additional tax due as a result of the change made to subparagraph (A) of subdivision (8) of subsection (b) of section 12-214 of the general statutes pursuant to section 341 of this act or to subparagraph (A) of subdivision (8) of subsection (b) of section 12-219 of the general statutes pursuant to section 342 of this act, for the income year commencing on or after January 1, 2019, but prior to the effective dates of sections 341 and 342 of this act.

Sec. 344. Subsection (a) of section 34-38n of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) The Secretary of the State shall receive, for filing any document or certificate required to be filed under sections 34-10, 34-13a, 34-13e, 34-32, 34-32a, 34-32c, 34-38g and 34-38s, the following fees: (1) For reservation or cancellation of reservation of name, sixty dollars; (2) for a certificate of limited partnership and appointment of statutory agent, one hundred twenty dollars; (3) for a certificate of amendment, one hundred twenty dollars; (4) for a certificate of merger or consolidation, sixty dollars; (5) for a certificate of registration, one hundred twenty dollars; (6) for a change of agent or change of address of agent, twenty dollars; (7) for a certificate of reinstatement, one hundred twenty dollars; and (8) for an annual report, (A) prior to July 1, 2020, twenty dollars, and (B) on or after July 1, 2020, eighty dollars.

Sec. 345. Subsection (a) of section 34-243u of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) Fees for filing documents and issuing certificates: (1) Filing an application to reserve a limited liability company name or to cancel a reserved limited liability company name, sixty dollars; (2) filing a transfer of reserved limited liability company name, sixty dollars; (3) filing a certificate of organization, including appointment of registered agent, one hundred twenty dollars; (4) filing a change of address of agent certificate or change of agent certificate, fifty dollars; (5) filing a notice of resignation of registered agent, fifty dollars; (6) filing an amendment to certificate of organization, one hundred twenty dollars; (7) filing a restated certificate of organization, one hundred twenty dollars; (8) filing a certificate of merger, sixty dollars; (9) filing a certificate of interest exchange, sixty dollars; (10) filing a certificate of abandonment, fifty dollars; (11) filing a certificate of reinstatement, one hundred twenty dollars; (12) filing a foreign registration certificate by a foreign limited liability company to transact business in this state, one hundred twenty dollars; (13) filing an application of foreign limited liability company for amended foreign registration certificate, one hundred twenty dollars; (14) filing a certificate of withdrawal of registration under section 34-275h, one hundred twenty dollars; (15) filing an annual report, (A) prior to July 1, 2020, twenty dollars, and (B) on or after July 1, 2020, eighty dollars; (16) filing an interim notice of change of manager or member, twenty dollars; (17) filing a registration of name or a renewal of registration of name, sixty dollars; (18) filing a statement of correction, one hundred dollars; and (19) filing a transfer of registration, sixty dollars plus the qualification fee.

Sec. 346. Subsection (a) of section 34-413 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) Fees for filing documents and processing certificates: (1) Filing application to reserve a registered limited liability partnership name or to cancel a reserved limited liability partnership name, sixty dollars; (2)

filing transfer of reserved registered limited liability partnership name, sixty dollars; (3) filing change of address of statutory agent or change of statutory agent, fifty dollars; (4) filing certificate of limited liability partnership, one hundred twenty dollars; (5) filing amendment to certificate of limited liability partnership, one hundred twenty dollars; (6) filing certificate of authority to transact business in this state, including appointment of statutory agent, one hundred twenty dollars; (7) filing amendment to certificate of authority to transact business in this state, one hundred twenty dollars; (8) filing an annual report, (A) prior to July 1, 2020, twenty dollars, and (B) on or after July 1, 2020, eighty dollars; (9) filing statement of merger, sixty dollars; and (10) filing certificate of reinstatement, one hundred twenty dollars.

Sec. 347. Section 12-704d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019, and applicable to taxable and income years commencing on or after January 1, 2019*):

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Angel investor" means an accredited investor, as defined by the Securities and Exchange Commission, or network of accredited investors who review new or proposed businesses for potential investment and who may seek active involvement, such as consulting and mentoring, in a Connecticut business, but "angel investor" does not include (A) a person controlling fifty per cent or more of the Connecticut business invested in by the angel investor, (B) a venture capital company, or (C) any bank, bank and trust company, insurance company, trust company, national bank, savings association or building and loan association for activities that are a part of its normal course of business;

(2) "Cash investment" means the contribution of cash, at a risk of loss, to a qualified Connecticut business in exchange for qualified

securities;

(3) "Connecticut business" means any business with its principal place of business in Connecticut;

(4) "Bioscience" means manufacturing pharmaceuticals, medicines, medical equipment or medical devices and analytical laboratory instruments, operating medical or diagnostic testing laboratories, or conducting pure research and development in life sciences;

(5) "Advanced materials" means developing, formulating or manufacturing advanced alloys, coatings, lubricants, refrigerants, surfactants, emulsifiers or substrates;

(6) "Photonics" means generation, emission, transmission, modulation, signal processing, switching, amplification, detection and sensing of light from ultraviolet to infrared and the manufacture, research or development of opto-electronic devices, including, but not limited to, lasers, masers, fiber optic devices, quantum devices, holographic devices and related technologies;

(7) "Information technology" means software publishing, motion picture and video production, teleproduction and postproduction services, telecommunications, data processing, hosting and related services, custom computer programming services, computer system design, computer facilities management services, other computer related services and computer training;

(8) "Clean technology" means the production, manufacture, design, research or development of clean energy, green buildings, smart grid, high-efficiency transportation vehicles and alternative fuels, environmental products, environmental remediation and pollution prevention;

(9) "Qualified securities" means any form of equity, including a

general or limited partnership interest, common stock, preferred stock, with or without voting rights, without regard to seniority position that must be convertible into common stock; and

(10) "Emerging technology business" means any business that is engaged in bioscience, advanced materials, photonics, information technology, clean technology or any other emerging technology as determined by the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development.

(b) There shall be allowed a credit against the tax imposed under this chapter, other than the liability imposed by section 12-707, for a cash investment of not less than twenty-five thousand dollars in the qualified securities of a Connecticut business by an angel investor. The credit shall be in an amount equal to twenty-five per cent of such investor's cash investment, provided the total tax credits allowed to any angel investor shall not exceed **[**two hundred fifty**]** five hundred thousand dollars. The credit shall be claimed in the taxable year in which such cash investment is made by the angel investor. The credit may be sold, assigned or otherwise transferred, in whole or in part.

(c) To qualify for a tax credit pursuant to this section, a cash investment shall be in a Connecticut business that (1) has been approved as a qualified Connecticut business pursuant to subsection (d) of this section; (2) had annual gross revenues of less than one million dollars in the most recent income year of such business; (3) has fewer than twenty-five employees, not less than seventy-five per cent of whom reside in this state; (4) has been operating in this state for less than seven consecutive years; (5) is primarily owned by the management of the business and their families; and (6) received less than two million dollars in cash investments eligible for the tax credits provided by this section.

(d) (1) A Connecticut business may apply to Connecticut

Innovations, Incorporated, for approval as a Connecticut business qualified to receive cash investments eligible for a tax credit pursuant to this section. The application shall include (A) the name of the business and a copy of the organizational documents of such business, (B) a business plan, including a description of the business and the management, product, market and financial plan of the business, (C) a description of the business's innovative technology, product or service, (D) a statement of the potential economic impact of the business, including the number, location and types of jobs expected to be created, (E) a description of the qualified securities to be issued and the amount of cash investment sought by the qualified Connecticut business, (F) a statement of the amount, timing and projected use of the proceeds to be raised from the proposed sale of qualified securities, and (G) such other information as the chief executive officer of Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, may require.

(2) Said chief executive officer shall, on a monthly basis, compile a list of approved applications, categorized by the cash investments being sought by the qualified Connecticut business and type of qualified securities offered.

(e) (1) Any angel investor that intends to make a cash investment in a business on such list may apply to Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, to reserve a tax credit in the amount indicated by such investor. The aggregate amount of all tax credits under this section that may be reserved by Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, shall not exceed six million dollars annually for the fiscal years commencing July 1, 2010, to July 1, 2012, inclusive, and shall not exceed **[**three**]** five million dollars in each fiscal year thereafter. Each fiscal year, Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, shall not reserve more than seventy-five per cent of the tax credits available under this section for investments in emerging technology businesses, except if any credits remain available for reservation after April first in any fiscal year, such

remaining credits may be reserved for investments in such businesses, and may be prioritized for veteran-owned, women-owned or minority-owned businesses and businesses owned by individuals with disabilities. Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, shall not reserve tax credits under this section for any investment made on or after July 1, **[**2019**]** 2024.

(2) The amount of the credit allowed to any investor pursuant to this section shall not exceed the amount of tax due from such investor under this chapter, other than section 12-707, with respect to such taxable year. Any tax credit that is claimed by the angel investor but not applied against the tax due under this chapter, other than the liability imposed under section 12-707, may be carried forward for the five immediately succeeding taxable years until the full credit has been applied.

(f) If the angel investor is an S corporation or an entity treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes, the tax credit may be claimed by the shareholders or partners of the angel investor. If the angel investor is a single member limited liability company that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, the tax credit may be claimed by such limited liability company's owner, provided such owner is a person subject to the tax imposed under this chapter.

(g) A review of the cumulative effectiveness of the credit under this section shall be conducted by Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, by July 1, 2014, and by July first annually thereafter. Such review shall include, but need not be limited to, the number and type of Connecticut businesses that received angel investments, the number of angel investors and the aggregate amount of cash investments, the current status of each Connecticut business that received angel investments, the number of employees employed in each year following the year in which such Connecticut business received the angel investment, and the economic impact in the state, of the

Connecticut business that received the angel investment. Such review shall be submitted to the Office of Policy and Management and to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to commerce, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a.

Sec. 348. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 4a-60g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

(1) "Small contractor" means any contractor, subcontractor, manufacturer, service company or nonprofit corporation (A) that maintains its principal place of business in the state, (B) that had gross revenues not exceeding **[**fifteen**]** twenty million dollars in the most recently completed fiscal year prior to such application, and (C) that is independent. "Small contractor" does not include any person who is affiliated with another person if both persons considered together have a gross revenue exceeding **[**fifteen**]** twenty million dollars.

Sec. 349. Subsection (a) of section 12-217zz of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage and applicable to income years commencing on or after January 1, 2019*):

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, and except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) of this section and sections 12-217aaa and 12-217bbb, the amount of tax credit or credits otherwise allowable against the tax imposed under this chapter shall be as follows:

(1) For any income year commencing on or after January 1, 2002, and prior to January 1, 2015, the amount of tax credit or credits otherwise allowable shall not exceed seventy per cent of the amount of tax due from such taxpayer under this chapter with respect to any such

income year of the taxpayer prior to the application of such credit or credits;

(2) For any income year commencing on or after January 1, 2015, the amount of tax credit or credits otherwise allowable shall not exceed fifty and one one-hundredths per cent of the amount of tax due from such taxpayer under this chapter with respect to any such income year of the taxpayer prior to the application of such credit or credits;

(3) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (2) of this subsection, any taxpayer that possesses excess credits may utilize the excess credits as follows:

(A) For income years commencing on or after January 1, 2016, and prior to January 1, 2017, the aggregate amount of tax credits and excess credits allowable shall not exceed fifty-five per cent of the amount of tax due from such taxpayer under this chapter with respect to any such income year of the taxpayer prior to the application of such credit or credits;

(B) For income years commencing on or after January 1, 2017, and prior to January 1, 2018, the aggregate amount of tax credits and excess credits allowable shall not exceed sixty per cent of the amount of tax due from such taxpayer under this chapter with respect to any such income year of the taxpayer prior to the application of such credit or credits; <u>and</u>

(C) For income years commencing on or after January 1, 2018, and prior to January 1, 2019, the aggregate amount of tax credits and excess credits allowable shall not exceed sixty-five per cent of the amount of tax due from such taxpayer under this chapter with respect to any such income year of the taxpayer prior to the application of such credit or credits;

[(D) For income years commencing on or after January 1, 2019, the

aggregate amount of tax credits and excess credits allowable shall not exceed seventy per cent of the amount of tax due from such taxpayer under this chapter with respect to any such income year of the taxpayer prior to the application of such credit or credits;**]**

(4) For purposes of this subsection, "excess credits" means any remaining credits available under section 12-217j, 12-217n or 32-9t after tax credits are utilized in accordance with subdivision (2) of this subsection.

Sec. 350. Section 16-331ii of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

Notwithstanding the provisions of section 16-331cc, the sum of three million five hundred thousand dollars shall be transferred from the public, educational and governmental programming and education technology investment account and credited to the resources of the General Fund for the fiscal **[**year**]** years ending June 30, 2018, **[**and each fiscal year thereafter**]** to June 30, 2021, inclusive.

Sec. 351. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019, and applicable to sales occurring on or after October 1, 2019*) (a) As used in this section:

(1) "Electronic nicotine delivery system" has the same meaning as provided in section 19a-342a of the general statutes;

(2) "Liquid nicotine container" has the same meaning as provided in section 19a-342a of the general statutes;

(3) "Vapor product" has the same meaning as provided in section 19a-342a of the general statutes;

(4) "Electronic cigarette liquid" means a liquid that, when used in an electronic nicotine delivery system or a vapor product, produces a vapor that includes nicotine and is inhaled by the user of such

electronic nicotine delivery system or vapor product;

(5) "Electronic cigarette products" means electronic nicotine delivery systems, liquid nicotine containers, vapor products and electronic cigarette liquids;

(6) "Electronic cigarette wholesaler" means (A) any person engaged in the business of selling electronic cigarette products at wholesale in the state, (B) any person in this state who purchases electronic cigarette products at wholesale from a manufacturer, or (C) any dealer, retailer or other person that otherwise imports, or causes another person to import, untaxed electronic cigarette products into this state;

(7) "Wholesale sales price" means the price of electronic cigarette products or, if no price has been set, the wholesale value of such products; and

(8) "Sale" means any transfer of title or possession or both, exchange, barter, distribution or gift, of electronic cigarette products, with or without consideration.

(b) (1) For each calendar month commencing on or after October 1, 2019, a tax is imposed on all sales of electronic cigarette products made in this state by electronic cigarette wholesalers and payable by such wholesalers, at the following rates:

(A) For an electronic cigarette product that is prefilled, sealed by the manufacturer and not intended to be refillable, forty cents per milliliter of the electronic cigarette liquid contained therein; and

(B) For any other electronic cigarette product, ten per cent of the wholesale sales price of such product, whether or not sold at wholesale, or if not sold, then at the same rate upon the use by the wholesaler.

(2) Only the first sale or use of the same product by an electronic cigarette wholesaler shall be used in computing the amount of tax due under this subsection.

(c) Each electronic cigarette wholesaler shall file with the Commissioner of Revenue Services, on or before the last day of each month, a return for the calendar month immediately preceding in such form and containing such information as the commissioner may prescribe. The return shall be accompanied by a payment of the amount of the tax shown to be due thereon. Each electronic cigarette wholesaler shall file such return electronically with the Department of Revenue Services and make such payment by electronic funds transfer in the manner provided by chapter 228g of the general statutes.

(d) If any person fails to pay the amount of tax reported due on its return within the time specified under this section, there shall be imposed a penalty equal to ten per cent of such amount due and unpaid, or fifty dollars, whichever is greater. Such amount shall bear interest at the rate of one per cent per month or fraction thereof, from the due date of such tax until the date of payment. Subject to the provisions of section 12-3a of the general statutes, the commissioner may waive all or part of the penalties provided under this section when it is proven to the commissioner's satisfaction that the failure to pay any tax was due to reasonable cause and was not intentional or due to neglect.

(e) Each person, other than an electronic cigarette wholesaler, who is required, on behalf of an electronic cigarette wholesaler, to collect, truthfully account for and pay over the tax imposed on such electronic cigarette wholesaler under this section and who wilfully fails to collect, truthfully account for and pay over such tax or who wilfully attempts in any manner to evade or defeat the tax or the payment thereof, shall, in addition to other penalties provided by law, be liable for a penalty equal to the total amount of the tax evaded, or not collected, or not

accounted for and paid over, including any penalty or interest attributable to such wilful failure to collect or truthfully account for and pay over such tax or such wilful attempt to evade or defeat such tax, provided such penalty shall only be imposed against such person in the event that such tax, penalty or interest cannot otherwise be collected from the electronic cigarette wholesaler. The amount of such penalty with respect to which a person may be personally liable under this section shall be collected in accordance with the provisions of section 12-555a of the general statutes and any amount so collected shall be allowed as a credit against the amount of such tax, penalty or interest due and owing from the electronic cigarette wholesaler. The dissolution of the electronic cigarette wholesaler shall not discharge any person in relation to any personal liability under this section for wilful failure to collect or truthfully account for and pay over such tax or for a wilful attempt to evade or defeat such tax prior to dissolution, except as otherwise provided in this section. For purposes of this section, "person" includes any individual, corporation, limited liability company or partnership and any officer or employee of any corporation, including a dissolved corporation, and a member or employee of any partnership or limited liability company who, as such officer, employee or member, is under a duty to file a tax return under this section on behalf of an electronic cigarette wholesaler or to collect or truthfully account for and pay over the tax imposed under this section on behalf of an electronic cigarette wholesaler.

(f) No tax credit or credits shall be allowable against the tax imposed under this section.

(g) The provisions of sections 12-550 to 12-554, inclusive, and section 12-555a of the general statutes shall apply to the provisions of this section in the same manner and with the same force and effect as if the language of said sections had been incorporated in full into this section and had expressly referred to the tax under this section, except to the

extent that any provision is inconsistent with a provision in this section.

(h) The commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to implement the provisions of this section.

(i) At the close of each fiscal year commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the Comptroller is authorized to record as revenue for such fiscal year the amount of the tax imposed under the provisions of this section that is received by the commissioner not later than five business days from the last day of July immediately following the end of such fiscal year.

Sec. 352. Section 12-435 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019, and applicable to sales occurring on or after October 1, 2019*):

Each distributor of alcoholic beverages shall pay a tax to the state on all sales within the state of alcoholic beverages, except sales to licensed distributors, sales of alcoholic beverages **[**which**]** that, in the course of such sales, are actually transported to some point without the state and except malt beverages which are consumed on the premises covered by a manufacturer's permit, at the rates for the respective categories of alcoholic beverages listed below:

[(a)**]** (1) Beer, except as provided in subdivision (2) of this section, seven dollars and twenty cents for each barrel, three dollars and sixty cents for each half barrel, one dollar and eighty cents for each quarter barrel and twenty-four cents per wine gallon or fraction thereof on quantities less than a quarter barrel;

(2) Beer sold on the premises covered by a manufacturer's permit for off-premises consumption, three dollars and sixty cents for each barrel, one dollar and eighty cents for each half barrel, ninety cents for each

quarter barrel and twelve cents per wine gallon or fraction thereof on quantities less than a quarter barrel;

[(b)**]** (3) Liquor, five dollars and **[**forty**]** ninety-four cents per wine gallon;

[(c)**]** (4) Still wines containing not more than twenty-one per cent of absolute alcohol, except as provided in **[**subsections (g) and (h)**]** subdivisions (8) and (9) of this section, **[**seventy-two**]** seventy-nine cents per wine gallon;

[(d)**]** (5) Still wines containing more than twenty-one per cent of absolute alcohol and sparkling wines, one dollar and **[**eighty**]** ninety-eight cents per wine gallon;

[(e)**]** (6) Alcohol in excess of 100 proof, five dollars and **[**forty**]** ninety-four cents per proof gallon;

[(f)**]** (7) Liquor coolers containing not more than seven per cent of alcohol by volume, two dollars and **[**forty-six**]** seventy-one cents per wine gallon;

[(g)**]** (8) Still wine containing not more than twenty-one per cent of absolute alcohol, produced by a person who produces not more than fifty-five thousand wine gallons of wine during the calendar year, **[**eighteen**]** twenty cents per wine gallon, provided such person presents to each distributor of alcoholic beverages described in this section a certificate, issued by the commissioner, stating that such person produces not more than fifty-five thousand wine gallons of wine during the calendar year. The commissioner is authorized to issue such certificates, prescribe the procedures for obtaining such certificates and prescribe their form; and

[(h)**]** (9) Cider containing not more than seven per cent of absolute alcohol, **[**shall be subject to the same rate as applies to beer, as

provided in subsection (a) of this section] seven dollars and ninety-two cents for each barrel, three dollars and ninety-six cents for each half barrel, one dollar and ninety-eight cents for each quarter barrel and twenty-six cents per wine gallon or fraction thereof on quantities less than a quarter barrel.

Sec. 353. (*Effective October 1, 2019*) (a) No person, except a licensed distributor, shall, on or after October 1, 2019, sell, or after November 15, 2019, possess with intent to sell, alcoholic beverages owned by such person and held within this state on October 1, 2019, without complying with the provisions of this section. Each such person shall take an inventory of the alcoholic beverages owned by such person and held within this state at the opening of business on October 1, 2019, including therein the whole number and any fractional part of (1) wine gallons of liquor; (2) wine gallons of still wines containing not more than twenty-one per cent of absolute alcohol; (3) wine gallons of (A) still wines containing more than twenty-one per cent of absolute alcohol, and (B) sparkling wines; (4) proof gallons of alcohol in excess of 100 proof; (5) liquor coolers containing not more than seven per cent alcohol by volume; and (6) barrels, half barrels, quarter barrels and wine gallons of quantities less than quarter barrels, of cider containing not more than seven per cent of absolute alcohol. Not later than November 15, 2019, each such person shall file a report of such inventory with the Commissioner of Revenue Services on forms to be prescribed or furnished by said commissioner. The tax on such inventory, at the rates set forth in subsection (b) of this section, shall be due and payable on the due date of such report.

(b) The tax on alcoholic beverages included in such inventory shall be at the following rates:

(1) Liquor, fifty-four cents per wine gallon;

(2) Still wines containing not more than twenty-one per cent of

absolute alcohol, seven cents per wine gallon;

(3) Still wines containing more than twenty-one per cent of absolute alcohol and sparkling wines, eighteen cents per wine gallon;

(4) Alcohol in excess of 100 proof, fifty-four cents per proof gallon;

(5) Liquor coolers containing not more than seven per cent alcohol by volume, twenty-five cents per wine gallon;

(6) Still wines containing not more than twenty-one per cent of absolute alcohol, produced by a person who produces not more than fifty-five thousand wine gallons of wine during the calendar year, two cents per wine gallon; and

(7) Cider containing not more than seven per cent of absolute alcohol, seventy-two cents for each barrel, thirty-six cents for each half barrel, eighteen cents for each quarter barrel and two cents per wine gallon or fraction thereof on quantities less than a quarter barrel.

(c) If any person required to file a report under this section fails to file such report on or before November 15, 2019, the commissioner shall make an estimate of the amounts of alcoholic beverages of the categories specified in subsection (b) of this section owned by such person and held within this state on October 1, 2019, based on any information in the commissioner's possession or that may come into the commissioner's possession. The provisions of chapter 220 of the general statutes pertaining to failure to file returns, examination of returns by the commissioner, the issuance of deficiency assessments or assessments where no return has been filed, the collection of tax, the imposition of penalties and the accrual of interest shall apply to the persons required to pay the tax imposed under this section as if such persons were distributors licensed under chapter 220 of the general statutes. Failure to file such report and pay the tax when due shall be sufficient reason to revoke any state license or permit issued by the

Department of Revenue Services to such person.

(d) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall cooperate with the Commissioner of Revenue Services in the enforcement of the tax imposed pursuant to this section.

Sec. 354. Section 12-541 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019, and applicable to sales made on or after July 1, 2019*):

(a) [There] Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, there is hereby imposed a tax of ten per cent of the admission charge to any place of amusement, entertainment or recreation. [, except that no] No tax shall be imposed with respect to any admission charge:

(1) [when] When the admission charge is less than one dollar or, in the case of any motion picture show, when the admission charge is not more than five dollars; [,]

(2) [when] When a daily admission charge is imposed [which] that entitles the patron to participate in an athletic or sporting activity; [,]

(3) [to] To any event, other than events held at the stadium facility, as defined in section 32-651, if all of the proceeds from the event inure exclusively to an entity [which] that is exempt from federal income tax under the Internal Revenue Code, provided such entity actively engages in and assumes the financial risk associated with the presentation of such event; [,]

(4) [to] To any event, other than events held at the stadium facility, as defined in section 32-651, [which] that, in the opinion of the commissioner, is conducted primarily to raise funds for an entity [which] that is exempt from federal income tax under the Internal Revenue Code, provided the commissioner is satisfied that the net profit [which] that inures to such entity from such event will exceed

the amount of the admissions tax [which] that, but for this subdivision, would be imposed upon the person making such charge to such event; [,]

(5) [other] Other than for events held at the stadium facility, as defined in section 32-651, paid by centers of service for elderly persons, as described in section 17a-310; [,]

(6) [to] To any production featuring live performances by actors or musicians presented at Gateway's Candlewood Playhouse, Ocean Beach Park or any nonprofit theater or playhouse in the state, provided such theater or playhouse possesses evidence confirming exemption from federal tax under Section 501 of the Internal Revenue Code; [,]

(7) [to] To any carnival or amusement ride; [,]

(8) [to] To any interscholastic athletic event held at the stadium facility, as defined in section 32-651; [, or]

(9) [if] If the admission charge would have been subject to tax under the provisions of section 12-542 of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 1999; [.] or

(10) On and after July 1, 2020, to any event at the Dunkin' Donuts Park in Hartford.

(b) (1) For the following venues and events, for sales occurring on or after July 1, 2019, but prior to July 1, 2020, the tax imposed under this section shall be seven and one-half per cent of the admission charge to:

(A) Any event at the XL Center in Hartford;

(B) Any event at Dillon Stadium in Hartford;

(C) Any athletic event presented by a member team of the Atlantic League of Professional Baseball at the New Britain Stadium;

(D) Any event at the Webster Bank Arena in Bridgeport;

(E) Any event at the Harbor Yard Amphitheater in Bridgeport;

(F) Any event at Dodd Stadium in Norwich;

(G) Any event at the Oakdale Theatre in Wallingford; and

(H) Any event other than an interscholastic athletic event at the stadium facility, as defined in section 32-651.

(2) For sales occurring on or after July 1, 2019, but prior to July 1, 2020, for any event at the Dunkin' Donuts Park in Hartford, the tax imposed under this section shall be five per cent of the admission charge.

(3) For the venues and events specified in subdivision (1) of this subsection, for sales occurring on or after July 1, 2020, the tax imposed under this section shall be five per cent of the admission charge.

(4) On and after July 1, **[**2000**]** 2001, the tax imposed under this section on any motion picture show shall be **[**eight**]** six per cent of the admission charge. **[**and, on and after July 1, 2001, the tax imposed on any such motion picture show shall be six per cent of such charge.**]**

[(b)**]** (c) The tax shall be imposed upon the person making such charge and reimbursement for the tax shall be collected by such person from the purchase. Such reimbursement, termed "tax", shall be paid by the purchaser to the person making the admission charge. Such tax, when added to the admission charge, shall be a debt from the purchaser to the person making the admission charge and shall be recoverable at law. The amount of tax reimbursement, when so collected, shall be deemed to be a special fund in trust for the state of Connecticut.

Sec. 355. (NEW) (*Effective August 1, 2019*) (a) As used in this section:

(1) "Single-use checkout bag" means a plastic bag with a thickness of less than four mils that is provided by a store to a customer at the point of sale. "Single-use checkout bag" does not include: (A) A bag provided to contain meat, seafood, loose produce or other unwrapped food items; (B) a newspaper bag; or (C) a laundry or dry cleaning bag;

(2) "Store" means any retailer, as defined in section 12-407 of the general statutes, that maintains a retail store within the state and sells tangible personal property directly to the public.

(b) (1) For the period commencing August 1, 2019, and ending June 30, 2021, each store shall charge a fee of ten cents for each single-use checkout bag provided to a customer at the point of sale. The store shall indicate the number of single-use checkout bags provided and the total amount of the fee charged on any transaction receipt provided to a customer. Any fees collected pursuant to this subsection shall be excluded from gross receipts under chapter 219 of the general statutes.

(2) Each store shall report all fees collected pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection to the Commissioner of Revenue Services with its return due under section 12-414 of the general statutes and remit payment at the same time and in the same form and manner required under section 12-414 of the general statutes.

(3) Any fees due and unpaid under this subsection shall be subject to the penalties and interest established under section 12-419 of the general statutes and the amount of such fee, penalty or interest, due and unpaid, may be collected under the provisions of section 12-35 of the general statutes as if they were taxes due to the state.

(4) The provisions of sections 12-415, 12-416 and 12-421 to 12-428, inclusive, of the general statutes shall apply to the provisions of this section in the same manner and with the same force and effect as if the language of said sections had been incorporated in full into this section

and had expressly referred to the fee imposed under this section, except to the extent that any such provision is inconsistent with a provision of this section.

(5) The Commissioner of Revenue Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection, may adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to carry out the provisions of this section.

(6) At the close of each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, the Comptroller is authorized to record as revenue for such fiscal year the amount of the fee imposed under the provisions of this section that is received by the Commissioner of Revenue Services not later than five business days from the last day of July immediately following the end of such fiscal year.

(c) On and after July 1, 2021, no owner or operator of a store shall provide or sell a single-use checkout bag to a customer.

(d) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit a municipality from enacting or enforcing an ordinance concerning single-use checkout bags made of plastic, provided such ordinance is as restrictive or more restrictive as the provisions of this section concerning the provision or selling of such bags to customers by stores. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit a municipality from enacting or enforcing an ordinance concerning single-use checkout bags made of paper, including, but not limited to, enabling each store to charge a fee for any such bag distributed to a customer.

Sec. 356. Section 12-263q of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) (1) For each calendar quarter commencing on or after July 1, 2017, each hospital shall pay a tax on the total net revenue received by such hospital for the provision of inpatient hospital services and

outpatient hospital services.

(A) On and after July 1, 2017, [and prior to July 1, 2019,] the rate of tax for the provision of inpatient hospital services shall be six per cent of each hospital's audited net revenue for the fiscal year, [2016] as set forth in subparagraph (C) of this subdivision, attributable to inpatient hospital services.

(B) On and after July 1, 2017, [and prior to July 1, 2019,] the rate of tax for the provision of outpatient hospital services shall be nine hundred million dollars less the total tax imposed on all hospitals for the provision of inpatient hospital services, which sum shall be divided by the total audited net revenue for the fiscal year, [2016] as set forth in subparagraph (C) of this subdivision, attributable to outpatient hospital services, of all hospitals that are required to pay such tax.

(C) [On and after July 1, 2019, the rate of tax for the provision of inpatient hospital services and outpatient hospital services shall be three hundred eighty-four million dollars divided by the total audited net revenue for fiscal year 2016, of all hospitals that are required to pay such tax.] For the state fiscal years commencing July 1, 2017, and July 1, 2018, the fiscal year upon which the tax shall be imposed under subparagraphs (A) and (B) of this subdivision shall be fiscal year 2016. For the biennium commencing July 1, 2019, and for each biennium thereafter, the fiscal year upon which the tax shall be imposed under subparagraphs (A) and (B) of this subdivision for each year of the biennium shall be the fiscal year occurring three years prior to the first state fiscal year of each biennium.

(D) If a hospital or hospitals subject to the tax imposed under this subdivision merge, consolidate or otherwise reorganize, the surviving hospital shall assume and be liable for the total tax imposed under this subdivision on the merging, consolidating or reorganizing hospitals,

including any outstanding liabilities from periods prior to such merger, consolidation or reorganization. If a hospital ceases to operate as a hospital for any reason other than a merger, consolidation or reorganization, or ceases for any reason to be subject to the tax imposed under this subdivision, the amount of tax due from each taxpayer under this subdivision shall not be recalculated to take into account such occurrence but the total amount of such tax to be collected under subparagraphs (A) and (B) of this subdivision shall be reduced by the amount of the tax liability imposed on the hospital that is no longer subject to the tax.

(E) (i) If the Commissioner of Social Services determines for any fiscal year that the effective rate of tax for the tax imposed on net revenue for the provision of inpatient hospital services exceeds the rate permitted under the provisions of 42 CFR 433.68(f), as amended from time to time, the amount of tax collected that exceeds the permissible amount shall be refunded to hospitals, in proportion to the amount of net revenue for the provision of inpatient hospital services upon which the hospitals were taxed. The effective rate of tax shall be calculated by comparing the amount of tax paid by hospitals on net revenue for the provision of inpatient hospital services in a state fiscal year with the amount of net revenue received by hospitals subject to the tax for the provision of inpatient hospital services for the equivalent fiscal year.

(ii) On or before July 1, 2020, and annually thereafter, each hospital subject to the tax imposed under this subdivision shall report to the Commissioner of Social Services, in the manner prescribed by and on forms provided by said commissioner, the amount of tax paid pursuant to this subsection by such hospital and the amount of net revenue received by such hospital for the provision of inpatient hospital services, in the state fiscal year commencing two years prior to each such reporting date. Not later than ninety days after said commissioner receives completed reports from all hospitals required to

submit such reports, said commissioner shall notify the Commissioner of Revenue Services of the amount of any refund due each hospital to be in compliance with 42 CFR 433.68(f), as amended from time to time. Not later than thirty days after receiving such notice, the Commissioner of Revenue Services shall notify the Comptroller of the amount of each such refund and the Comptroller shall draw an order on the Treasurer for payment of each such refund. No interest shall be added to any refund issued pursuant to this subparagraph.

(2) Except as provided in subdivision (3) of this subsection, each [such] hospital subject to the tax imposed under subdivision (1) of this subsection shall be required to pay the total amount due in four quarterly payments consistent with section 12-263s, with the first quarter commencing with the first day of each state fiscal year and the last quarter ending on the last day of each state fiscal year. Hospitals shall make all payments required under this subsection in accordance with procedures established by and on forms provided by the commissioner.

(3) (A) For the state fiscal year commencing July 1, 2017, each hospital required to pay tax on inpatient hospital services or outpatient hospital services shall make an estimated tax payment on December 15, 2017, which estimated payment shall be equal to one hundred thirty-three per cent of the tax due under chapter 211a for the period ending June 30, 2017. If a hospital was not required to pay tax under [said] chapter 211a on either inpatient hospital services or outpatient hospital services, such hospital shall make its estimated payment based on its unaudited net patient revenue.

(B) Each hospital required to pay tax pursuant to this subdivision on inpatient hospital services or outpatient hospital services shall pay the remaining balance determined to be due in two equal payments, which shall be due on April 30, 2018, and July 31, 2018, respectively.

(C) (i) For each state fiscal year commencing on or after July 1, 2017, and prior to July 1, 2019, each hospital required to pay tax on inpatient hospital services or outpatient hospital services shall calculate the amount of tax due on forms prescribed by the commissioner by multiplying the applicable rate set forth in subdivision (1) of this subsection by its audited net revenue for fiscal year 2016. **[**Hospitals shall make all payments required under this section in accordance with procedures established by and on forms provided by the commissioner.**]**

(ii) For each state fiscal year commencing on or after July 1, 2019, each hospital required to pay tax on inpatient hospital services or outpatient hospital services shall calculate the amount of tax due on forms prescribed by the commissioner by multiplying the applicable rate set forth in subdivision (1) of this subsection by its audited net revenue for the fiscal year, as set forth in subparagraph (C) of subdivision (1) of this subsection.

(D) The commissioner shall apply any payment made by a hospital in connection with the tax under chapter 211a for the period ending September 30, 2017, as a partial payment of such hospital's estimated tax payment due on December 15, 2017, under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision. The commissioner shall return to a hospital any credit claimed by such hospital in connection with the tax imposed under **[**said**]** chapter 211a for the period ending September 30, 2017, for assignment as provided under section 12-263s.

(4) (A) **[**Each**]** (i) For each state fiscal year commencing on or after July 1, 2017, and prior to July 1, 2019, each hospital required to pay tax on inpatient hospital services or outpatient hospital services shall submit to the commissioner such information as the commissioner requires in order to calculate the audited net inpatient revenue for fiscal year 2016, the audited net outpatient revenue for fiscal year 2016 and the audited net revenue for fiscal year 2016 of all such health care

providers. Such information shall be provided to the commissioner not later than January 1, 2018. The commissioner shall make additional requests for information as necessary to fully audit each hospital's net revenue. Upon completion of the commissioner's examination, the commissioner shall notify, prior to February 28, 2018, each hospital of its audited net inpatient revenue for fiscal year 2016, audited net outpatient revenue for fiscal year 2016 and audited net revenue for fiscal year 2016.

(ii) For each state fiscal year commencing on or after July 1, 2019, each hospital required to pay tax on inpatient hospital services or outpatient hospital services shall submit to the commissioner biennially such information as the commissioner requires in order to calculate for the applicable fiscal year, as set forth in subparagraph (C) of subdivision (1) of this subsection, the audited net inpatient revenue, the audited net outpatient revenue and the audited net revenue of all such health care providers. For the state fiscal year commencing July 1, 2019, such information shall be provided to the commissioner not later than June 30, 2019. For the biennium commencing July 1, 2021, and each biennium thereafter, such information shall be provided to the commissioner not later than January fifteenth of the second year of the biennium immediately preceding. The commissioner shall make additional requests for information as necessary to fully audit each hospital's net revenue. Upon completion of the commissioner's examination, the commissioner shall notify each hospital of its audited net inpatient revenue, audited net outpatient revenue and audited net revenue for the applicable fiscal year, as set forth in subparagraph (C) of subdivision (1) of this subsection.

(B) Any hospital that fails to provide the requested information **[**prior to January 1, 2018,**]** by the dates specified in subparagraph (A) of this subdivision or fails to comply with a request for additional information made under this subdivision shall be subject to a penalty

of one thousand dollars per day for each day the hospital fails to provide the requested information or additional information.

(C) The commissioner may engage an independent auditor to assist in the performance of the commissioner's duties and responsibilities under this subdivision.

(5) Net revenue derived from providing a health care item or service to a patient shall be taxed only one time under this section.

(6) (A) For purposes of this section:

(i) ["Audited net inpatient revenue for fiscal year 2016"] "Audited net inpatient revenue for the fiscal year" means the amount of revenue that the commissioner determines, in accordance with federal law, that a hospital received for the provision of inpatient hospital services during the [2016] applicable federal fiscal year;

(ii) ["Audited net outpatient revenue for fiscal year 2016"] "Audited net outpatient revenue for the fiscal year" means the amount of revenue that the commissioner determines, in accordance with federal law, that a hospital received for the provision of outpatient hospital services during the [2016] applicable federal fiscal year; and

(iii) ["Audited net revenue for fiscal year 2016"] "Audited net revenue for the fiscal year" means net revenue, as reported in each hospital's audited financial statement, less the amount of revenue that the commissioner determines, in accordance with federal law, that a hospital received from other than the provision of inpatient hospital services and outpatient hospital services. The total audited net revenue for the fiscal year [2016] shall be the sum of all audited net revenue for the applicable fiscal year [2016] for all hospitals required to pay tax on inpatient hospital services and outpatient hospital services.

(B) Audited net inpatient revenue and audited net outpatient

revenue shall be based on information provided by each hospital required to pay tax on inpatient hospital services or outpatient hospital services.

(b) (1) The Commissioner of Social Services shall seek approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to exempt from the net revenue tax imposed under subsection (a) of this section the following: (A) Specialty hospitals; (B) children's general hospitals; and (C) hospitals operated exclusively by the state other than a short-term acute hospital operated by the state as a receiver pursuant to chapter 920. Any hospital for which the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services grants an exemption shall be exempt from the net revenue tax imposed under subsection (a) of this section. Any hospital for which the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services denies an exemption shall be deemed to be a hospital for purposes of this section and shall be required to pay the net revenue tax imposed under subsection (a) of this section on inpatient hospital services and outpatient hospital services.

(2) Each hospital shall provide to the Commissioner of Social Services, upon request, such information as said commissioner may require to make any computations necessary to seek approval for exemption under this subsection.

(3) As used in this subsection, (A) "specialty hospital" means a health care facility, as defined in section 19a-630, other than a facility licensed by the Department of Public Health as a short-term general hospital or a short-term children's hospital. "Specialty hospital" includes, but is not limited to, a psychiatric hospital or a chronic disease hospital, and (B) "children's general hospital" means a health care facility, as defined in section 19a-630, that is licensed by the Department of Public Health as a short-term children's hospital. "Children's general hospital" does not include a specialty hospital.

(c) Prior to **[**January 1, 2018**]** <u>July 1, 2019</u>, and every three years thereafter, the Commissioner of Social Services shall seek approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to exempt financially distressed hospitals from the net revenue tax imposed on outpatient hospital services. Any such hospital for which the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services grants an exemption shall be exempt from the net revenue tax imposed on outpatient hospital services under subsection (a) of this section. Any hospital for which the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services denies an exemption shall be required to pay the net revenue tax imposed on outpatient hospital services under subsection (a) of this section. For purposes of this subsection, "financially distressed hospital" means a hospital that has experienced over a five-year period an average net loss of more than five per cent of aggregate revenue. A hospital has an average net loss of more than five per cent of aggregate revenue if such a loss is reflected in the five most recent years of financial reporting that have been made available by the Health Systems Planning Unit of the Office of Health Strategy for such hospital in accordance with section 19a-670 as of the effective date of the request for approval which effective date shall be July first of the year in which the request is made.

(d) The commissioner shall issue guidance regarding the administration of the tax on inpatient hospital services and outpatient hospital services. Such guidance shall be issued upon completion of a study of the applicable federal law governing the administration of tax on inpatient hospital services and outpatient hospital services. The commissioner shall conduct such study in collaboration with the Commissioner of Social Services, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, the Connecticut Hospital Association and the hospitals subject to the tax imposed on inpatient hospital services and outpatient hospital services.

(e) (1) The commissioner shall determine, in consultation with the

Commissioner of Social Services, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, the Connecticut Hospital Association and the hospitals subject to the tax imposed on inpatient hospital services and outpatient hospital services, if there is any underreporting of revenue on hospitals' audited financial statements. Such consultation shall only be as authorized under section 12-15. The commissioner shall issue guidance, if necessary, to address any such underreporting.

(2) If the commissioner determines, in accordance with this subsection, that a hospital underreported net revenue on its audited financial statement, the amount of underreported net revenue shall be added to the amount of net revenue reported on such hospital's audited financial statement so as to comply with federal law and the revised net revenue amount shall be used for purposes of calculating the amount of tax owed by such hospital under this section. For purposes of this subsection, "underreported net revenue" means any revenue of a hospital subject to the tax imposed under this section that is required to be included in net revenue from the provision of inpatient hospital services and net revenue from the provision of outpatient hospital services to comply with 42 CFR 433.56, as amended from time to time, 42 CFR 433.68, as amended from time to time, and Section 1903(w) of the Social Security Act, as amended from time to time, but that was not reported on such hospital's audited financial statement. Underreported net revenue shall only include revenue of the hospital subject to such tax.

(f) Nothing in this section shall affect the commissioner's obligations under section 12-15 regarding disclosure and inspection of returns and return information.

(g) The provisions of section 17b-8 shall not apply to any exemption or exemptions sought by the **[**Department**]** Commissioner of Social Services from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services under this section.

Sec. 357. Subsection (a) of section 12-263r of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) For each calendar quarter commencing on or after July 1, 2017, there is hereby imposed a quarterly fee on each nursing home and intermediate care facility in this state, which fee shall be the product of each facility's total resident days during the calendar quarter multiplied by the user fee. Except as otherwise provided in this section, (1) the user fee for nursing homes shall be twenty-one dollars and two cents, and (2) the user fee for intermediate care facilities shall be (A) twenty-seven dollars and twenty-six cents for calendar quarters commencing on or after July 1, 2017, and prior to July 1, 2019, and (B) twenty-seven dollars and seventy-six cents for calendar quarters commencing on or after July 1, 2019. As used in this subsection, "resident day" means nursing home resident day and intermediate care facility resident day, as applicable.

Sec. 358. Section 12-571 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

(a) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall enter into negotiations with a person or business organization for the award of a contract of sale of the off-track betting system including, but not limited to, the assets and liabilities of the system and the right to operate the system. Such contract of sale shall authorize the purchaser of the system to establish and conduct a system of off-track betting on races held within or without the state pursuant to the provisions of this chapter. All proceeds derived from such sale shall be deposited as provided in section 39 of public act 93-332. Until the effective date of transfer of ownership of the off-track betting system, the commissioner shall establish and conduct systems of off-track betting on races held within or without the state pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.

(b) It is hereby declared that off-track betting on races conducted under the administration or regulatory authority of the department in the manner and subject to the conditions of this chapter shall be lawful notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, general, special or municipal, including any law prohibiting or restricting lotteries, bookmaking or any other kind of gambling, it being the purpose of this chapter to derive from such betting, as authorized by this chapter, a reasonable revenue for the support of state government and to prevent and curb unlawful bookmaking and illegal betting on races.

[(b)**]** (c) Until the effective date of transfer of ownership of the off-track betting system, the commissioner shall adopt rules and regulations, consistent with this chapter, establishing and governing the permitted method or methods of operation of the system of off-track betting.

(d) For the purposes of this section, the effective date of transfer of ownership of the off-track betting system was June 30, 1993.

Sec. 359. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) (a) For the purposes of this section, "advance deposit wager" means an off-track betting wager on racing events by means of telephone or other electronic means. Any advance deposit wager that originates or is placed from within the boundaries of the state shall be considered to be a wager made exclusively in the state.

(b) (1) No person or business organization, other than the authorized operator of the off-track betting system, shall conduct off-track betting in the state or accept off-track betting wagers or advance deposit wagers originating or placed from within the boundaries of the state.

(2) A violation of subdivision (1) of this subsection shall be an unfair trade practice pursuant to subsection (a) of section 42-110b of the

general statutes and any person or business organization that violates the provisions of said subdivision shall be further subject to the penalty for professional gambling, as provided in subsection (b) of section 53-278b of the general statutes, and for transmission of gambling information, as provided in subsection (a) of section 53-278d of the general statutes.

Sec. 360. Subsection (b) of section 13b-121 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(b) Each transportation network company shall pay a fee of **[**twenty-five**]** thirty cents on each prearranged ride that originates in this state.

Sec. 361. Section 14-62c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019, and applicable to transactions occurring on or after October 1, 2019*):

The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall charge each new car dealer or used car dealer licensed pursuant to section 14-52 a fee of **[**thirty-five**]** one hundred dollars for each transaction in which the new car dealer or used car dealer processes a used motor vehicle traded in by the purchaser of a new motor vehicle or used motor vehicle from such new car dealer or used car dealer. Any fees collected pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the General Fund.

Sec. 362. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2019*) (a) As used in this section:

(1) "Award" means the greater of: (A) The unpaid portion, if any, of a qualifying student's eligible institutional costs after subtracting his or her financial aid, or (B) a minimum award of two hundred fifty dollars;

(2) "Eligible institutional costs" means the tuition and required fees incurred each semester by an individual student that are established by the Board of Regents for Higher Education for the regional

community-technical colleges;

(3) "Financial aid" means the sum of all scholarships, grants and federal, state and institutional aid received by a qualifying student. "Financial aid" does not include any federal, state or private student loans received by a qualifying student;

(4) "Qualifying student" means any person who (A) graduated from a public or nonpublic high school in the state, (B) enrolls as a full-time student for the fall semester of 2020, or any semester thereafter, for the first time at a regional community-technical college in a program leading to a degree or certificate and continues to be enrolled as a full-time student at a regional community-technical college, (C) is classified as an in-state student pursuant to section 10a-29 of the general statutes, (D) is making satisfactory academic progress while enrolled at a regional community-technical college, (E) has completed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, and (F) has accepted all available financial aid;

(5) "Full-time student" means a student who is enrolled at a regional community-technical college and (A) is carrying twelve or more credit hours in a semester, or (B) has a learning disability documented with the regional community-technical college in which he or she is enrolled and is enrolled in the maximum number of credit hours that is feasible for such student to attempt in a semester, as determined by such student's academic advisor; and

(6) "Semester" means the fall or spring semester of an academic year. "Semester" does not include a summer semester or session.

(b) Not later than January 1, 2020, the Board of Regents for Higher Education shall (1) establish a debt-free community college program to make awards to qualifying students each semester, (2) adopt rules, procedures and forms necessary to implement the debt-free

community college program, and (3) submit a report outlining such rules, procedures and forms, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to higher education.

(c) For the fall semester of 2020, and each semester thereafter, the Board of Regents for Higher Education shall make awards to qualifying students within available appropriations. An award shall be available to a qualifying student for the first seventy-two credit hours earned by the qualifying student during the first thirty-six months that such student is enrolled at a regional community-technical college, provided the qualifying student meets and continues to meet the requirements of this section. The board shall not use an award to supplant any financial aid, including, but not limited to, state or institutional aid, otherwise available to a qualifying student.

(d) (1) Any qualifying student who takes an administratively approved medical or personal leave of absence from a regional community-technical college may continue to qualify for the debt-free community college program upon resuming his or her enrollment as a full-time student at a regional community-technical college, provided such student continues to meet the requirements of this section upon reenrollment and the total amount of time of all approved leaves of absence does not exceed six months.

(2) Any qualifying student who is a member of the armed forces called to active duty during any semester may continue to qualify for the debt-free community college program upon resuming his or her enrollment as a full-time student at a regional community-technical college, provided such student (A) continues to meet the requirements of this section upon reenrollment, and (B) reenrolls not later than four years after the date on which such student is released from active duty.

(e) Not later than March 1, 2021, and October 1, 2021, and each semester thereafter, the Board of Regents for Higher Education shall report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to higher education and employment advancement and appropriations regarding the debt-free community college program, including, but not limited to, (1) the number of qualifying students enrolled at the regional community-technical colleges during each semester, (2) the number of qualifying students receiving minimum awards and the number of qualifying students receiving awards for the unpaid portion of eligible institutional costs, (3) the average number of credit hours the qualifying students enrolled in each semester and the average number of credit hours the qualifying students completed each semester, (4) the average amount of the award made to qualifying students under this section for the unpaid portion of eligible institutional costs, and (5) the completion rates of qualifying students receiving awards under this section by degree or certificate program.

Sec. 363. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The month of December in each year shall be known as "FAFSA Month". On or before December 1, 2019, the Board of Regents for Higher Education shall implement a program to host events for high school seniors and their families in each region of the state throughout the month of December in each year. During such events the board shall provide assistance to the high school seniors and their families in completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid with the goal of increasing the number of such applications made by state residents each year.

Sec. 364. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) (a) The Governor, through the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, shall consult with the Connecticut Lottery Corporation, the Attorney General and the Commissioner of Consumer Protection, on the feasibility of allowing

the Connecticut Lottery Corporation to offer online its existing lottery draw games through the corporation's Internet web site, online service or mobile application. The Governor shall determine whether such online offering is feasible and whether the revenue from such online offering is sufficient to offset the costs of the debt-free community college program established under section 362 of this act. On or before February 5, 2020, the secretary shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the General Assembly regarding the feasibility of such online offering.

(b) (1) If, after the consultation required under subsection (a) of this section, the Governor finds that the online offering is not feasible, the Governor shall propose adjustments to the state budget for the biennium ending June 30, 2021, to account for the costs of the debt-free community college program established under section 362 of this act, including any source of revenue or reduction in spending equivalent to the costs of such program.

(2) If, after the consultation required under subsection (a) of this section, the Governor finds that the online offering is not feasible, the Governor shall propose adjustments to the state budget for the biennium ending June 30, 2021, to provide not less than one million dollars to support the initiatives recommended under section 366 of this act, including any source of revenue or reduction in spending equivalent to the cost of such initiatives.

Sec. 365. Section 4-66k of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "regional planning incentive account" which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the General Fund. The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. **[**Moneys**]** Except as provided in subsection (d) of this section, moneys, in the

account shall be expended by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management in accordance with subsection (b) of this section for the purposes of first providing funding to regional planning organizations in accordance with the provisions of subsections (b) and (c) of this section and then to providing grants under the regional performance incentive program established pursuant to section 4-124s.

(b) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, funds from the regional planning incentive account shall be distributed to each regional planning organization, as defined in section 4-124i, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 2013, in the amount of one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars. Any regional council of governments that is comprised of any two or more regional planning organizations that voluntarily consolidate on or before December 31, 2013, shall receive an additional payment in an amount equal to the amount the regional planning organizations would have received if such regional planning organizations had not voluntarily consolidated.

(c) Beginning in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, and annually thereafter, funds from the regional planning incentive account shall be distributed to each regional council of governments formed pursuant to section 4-124j, in the amount of one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars plus fifty cents per capita, using population information from the most recent federal decennial census. Any regional council of governments that is comprised of any two or more regional planning organizations, as defined in section 4-124i, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 2013, that voluntarily consolidated on or before December 31, 2013, shall receive a payment in the amount of one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars for each such regional planning organization that voluntarily consolidated on or before said date.

(d) There is established a regionalization subaccount within the regional planning incentive account. If the Connecticut Lottery Corporation offers online its existing lottery draw games through the

corporation's Internet web site, online service or mobile application, the revenue from such online offering that exceeds an amount equivalent to the costs of the debt-free community college program under section 362 of this act shall be deposited in the subaccount, or, if such online offering is not established, the amount provided under subsection (b) of section 364 of this act for regionalization initiatives shall be deposited in the subaccount. Moneys in the subaccount shall be expended only for the purposes recommended by the task force established under section 366 of this act.

Sec. 366. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a task force to study ways to encourage greater and improved collaboration among the state and municipal governments and regional bodies. Such study shall include, but not be limited to, (1) the examination of functions, activities or services, currently performed by municipalities individually, that might be more efficiently performed by the Office of Policy and Management on behalf of municipalities willing to opt in or opt out of accepting such performance on their behalf, (2) the examination of functions, activities or services, currently performed by the state or municipalities that might be provided in a more efficient, high-quality, cost-effective or responsive manner by regional councils of governments, regional educational service centers or other similar regional bodies that are responsive to residents, (3) cost savings of government services, including, but not limited to, joint purchasing, for a municipality and its local or regional school district, (4) cost savings through the sharing of government services, including, but not limited to, joint purchasing, among municipalities, (5) the standardization and alignment of various regions of the state, (6) analyses of any other initiatives that might facilitate the delivery of services in a more efficient, high-quality, cost-effective or responsive manner, and (7) a recommendation of the division, if any, of revenue in the regionalization subaccount within the regional planning incentive account established under section 4-66k of the general

statutes, between the Office of Policy and Management and the regional councils of governments, regional educational service centers or similar regional bodies for the purposes of subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection. Any initiative recommended to be undertaken by the task force shall be offered to municipalities on a voluntary basis.

(b) The task force shall consist of (1) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management or the secretary's designee, (2) the chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to planning and development and finance, revenue and bonding, or their designees, and (3) the members of the Connecticut Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations, established under section 2-79a of the general statutes.

(c) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to finance, revenue and bonding shall serve as administrative staff of the task force. The Office of Policy and Management shall provide additional support to the task force as necessary.

(d) Not later than February 5, 2020, the task force shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, on its findings and recommendations for any legislative changes to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to planning and development and finance, revenue and bonding. The task force shall terminate on the date that it submits such report or February 5, 2020, whichever is later.

(e) On and after July 1, 2020, and in accordance with the findings and recommendations of the task force under this section, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall commence offering the performance of any functions, activities or services

recommended under subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section.

(f) The secretary shall establish requirements of and procedures and guidelines for the performance of functions, activities or services under subsection (a) of this section, the amounts of any grants to be awarded and deadlines for application submissions and final selection of grant recipients. The secretary may also establish fees to be charged to municipalities that opt to participate in any functions, activities or services offered under subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section.

(g) Any regional council of governments, regional educational service center or other similar regional body offering any functions, activities or services under subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section may establish fees to be charged to municipalities that opt to participate in such functions, activities or services.

Sec. 367. (*Effective from passage*) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall analyze and compare the calculations derived from the eligibility index established under section 7-545 of the general statutes and the representative tax system methodology used in the May, 2015 New England Public Policy Center Research Report 15-1. Not later than February 5, 2020, the secretary shall make a recommendation to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to planning and development and finance, revenue and bonding, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, on which calculations are more relevant and useful to determining an accurate measure of a municipality's fiscal capacity and outline the respective merits of each methodology. Such recommendation shall include legislative changes necessary and an estimate of the necessary appropriations, to implement such recommendation.

Sec. 368. (*Effective from passage*) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall review the fees collected by each department

and make recommendations for increases of existing fees. The total amount of the increase shall be not less than fifty million dollars. Not later than February 5, 2020, the secretary shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, containing such recommendations, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to finance, revenue and bonding.

Sec. 369. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2019*) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the Comptroller shall transfer $5,200,000 of the resources of the State Banking Fund to the General Fund for each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021.

Sec. 370. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) Not later than June 30, 2020, the Comptroller shall transfer $7,000,000 of the resources of the General Fund to the public, educational and governmental programming and education technology investment account established under section 16-331cc of the general statutes.

Sec. 371. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) Not later than June 30, 2020, the Comptroller shall transfer $30,000,000 of the resources of the Special Transportation Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, to be accounted for as revenue of the Special Transportation Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021.

Sec. 372. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) Not later than June 30, 2020, the Comptroller shall designate $85,000,000 of the resources of the General Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, to be accounted for as revenue of the General Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021.

Sec. 373. (*Effective from passage*) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the Comptroller shall transfer $5,100,000 from the resources of the General Fund to the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Trust

Fund established pursuant to section 5 of public act 19-25.

Sec. 374. (*Effective from passage*) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, the amount deemed appropriated pursuant to sections 3-20i and 3-115b of the general statutes in such fiscal year shall be one dollar.

Sec. 375. Subsection (a) of section 13b-74 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) **[**(1)**]** Whenever the General Assembly has empowered the State Bond Commission to authorize special tax obligation bonds of the state for specific transportation projects and uses and has found that such projects and uses are for any of the purposes set forth under subsection (b) of this section, and whenever the State Bond Commission finds that the authorization of such bonds will be in the best interests of the state, the State Bond Commission shall authorize the issuance of such bonds from time to time in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding the aggregate amount authorized therefor by the General Assembly.

[(2) For the fiscal years that end July 1, 2019, and July 1, 2020, the Treasurer may not issue special tax obligation bonds for transportation projects pursuant to sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, that exceed in the aggregate seven hundred fifty million dollars in each such fiscal year.**]**

Sec. 376. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 12-217 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) (1) In arriving at net income as defined in section 12-213, whether or not the taxpayer is taxable under the federal corporation net income tax, there shall be deducted from gross income, (A) all items deductible under the Internal Revenue Code effective and in force on the last day

of the income year except (i) any taxes imposed under the provisions of this chapter which are paid or accrued in the income year and in the income year commencing January 1, 1989, and thereafter, any taxes in any state of the United States or any political subdivision of such state, or the District of Columbia, imposed on or measured by the income or profits of a corporation which are paid or accrued in the income year, (ii) deductions for depreciation, which shall be allowed as provided in subsection (b) of this section, (iii) deductions for qualified domestic production activities income, as provided in Section 199 of the Internal Revenue Code, and (iv) in the case of any captive real estate investment trust, the deduction for dividends paid provided under Section 857(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, and (B) additionally, in the case of a regulated investment company, the sum of (i) the exempt-interest dividends, as defined in the Internal Revenue Code, and (ii) expenses, bond premium, and interest related to tax-exempt income that are disallowed as deductions under the Internal Revenue Code, and (C) in the case of a taxpayer maintaining an international banking facility as defined in the laws of the United States or the regulations of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, as either may be amended from time to time, the gross income attributable to the international banking facility, provided, no expense or loss attributable to the international banking facility shall be a deduction under any provision of this section, and (D) additionally, in the case of all taxpayers, all dividends as defined in the Internal Revenue Code effective and in force on the last day of the income year not otherwise deducted from gross income, including dividends received from a DISC or former DISC as defined in Section 992 of the Internal Revenue Code and dividends deemed to have been distributed by a DISC or former DISC as provided in Section 995 of said Internal Revenue Code, other than thirty per cent of dividends received from a domestic corporation in which the taxpayer owns less than twenty per cent of the total voting power and value of the stock of such corporation, and (E) additionally, in the case of all taxpayers, the value of any capital

gain realized from the sale of any land, or interest in land, to the state, any political subdivision of the state, or to any nonprofit land conservation organization where such land is to be permanently preserved as protected open space or to a water company, as defined in section 25-32a, where such land is to be permanently preserved as protected open space or as Class I or Class II water company land, and (F) in the case of manufacturers, the amount of any contribution to a manufacturing reinvestment account established pursuant to section 32-9zz in the income year that such contribution is made to the extent not deductible for federal income tax purposes, **[**(G) additionally, to the extent allowable under subsection (g) of section 32-776, the amount paid by a 7/7 participant, as defined in section 32-776, for the remediation of a brownfield,**]** and **[**(H)**]** (G) the amount of any contribution made on or after December 23, 2017, by the state of Connecticut or a political subdivision thereof to the extent included in a company's gross income under Section 118(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Sec. 377. Section 3-123rrr of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

As used in this section and sections 3-123sss to 3-123vvv, inclusive, and section 382 of this act:

(1) "Health Care Cost Containment Committee" means the committee established in accordance with the ratified agreement between the state and the State Employees Bargaining Agent Coalition pursuant to subsection (f) of section 5-278.

(2) "Nonstate public employee" means any employee or elected officer of a nonstate public employer.

(3) "Nonstate public employer" means a municipality or other political subdivision of the state, including a board of education, quasi-

public agency or public library. A municipality and a board of education may be considered separate employers.

(4) "State employee plan" means the group hospitalization, medical, pharmacy and surgical insurance plan offered to state employees and retirees pursuant to section 5-259.

(5) "Health enhancement program" means the program established in accordance with the provisions of the Revised State Employees Bargaining Agent Coalition agreement, approved by the General Assembly on August 22, 2011, for state employees, as may be amended by stipulated agreements.

(6) "Value-based insurance design" means health benefit designs that lower or remove financial barriers to essential, high-value clinical services.

(7) "Health care coverage type" means the type of health care coverage offered by nonstate public employers, including, but not limited to, coverage for a nonstate public employee, nonstate public employee plus spouse and nonstate public employee plus family.

Sec. 378. Section 3-123sss of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) (1) Notwithstanding any provision of title 38a, the Comptroller shall offer to nonstate public employers and their nonstate public employees, and their retirees, if applicable, coverage under the state employee plan or another group hospitalization, medical, pharmacy and surgical insurance plan developed by the Comptroller to provide coverage for nonstate public employees and their retirees, if applicable. Such nonstate public employees, or retirees, if applicable, shall be pooled with the state employee plan, provided the Comptroller receives an application from a nonstate public employer and the application is approved in accordance with this section or section 3-

123ttt. Premium payments for such coverage shall be remitted by the nonstate public employer to the Comptroller and shall be the same as those paid by the state inclusive of any premiums paid by state employees, except that premium payments shall be adjusted pursuant to subdivision (2) of this subsection for nonstate public employers enrolled in coverage on and after July 1, 2019, to reflect the cost of health care in the county in which the majority of such nonstate public employer's employees work, differences from the benefits and networks provided to state employees or as otherwise provided in this section or section 3-123uuu. The Comptroller may charge each nonstate public employer participating in the state employee plan an administrative fee calculated on a per member, per month basis.

(2) During the two-year period beginning July 1, 2020, the Comptroller shall phase in the adjustment for premium payments to reflect the cost of health care in the county in which the majority of a nonstate public employer's employees work, as described in subdivision (1) of this subsection. In no year shall the adjustment for premium payments be greater than one-half of the total adjustment.

(b) Any group hospitalization, medical, pharmacy and surgical insurance plan developed by the Comptroller pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall (1) include the health enhancement program, (2) be consistent with value-based insurance design principles, and (3) be approved by the Health Care Cost Containment Committee prior to being offered to nonstate public employers. The Comptroller shall, prior to the approval of the Health Care Cost Containment Committee, and offering any such plan, and annually thereafter, (A) cause the premium payments associated with such plan to be reviewed by an independent actuarial firm to determine the adequacy of such premiums relative to experience and total costs, and (B) provide a report concerning such review to the Health Care Cost Containment Committee, the Office of Policy and Management and the joint

standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a.

[(b)] (c) (1) The Comptroller shall offer participation in such plan for not less than three-year intervals. A nonstate public employer may apply for renewal prior to the expiration of each interval.

(2) The Comptroller shall develop procedures by which nonstate public employers receiving coverage for nonstate public employees pursuant to the state employee plan or a plan developed by the Comptroller pursuant to subsection (a) of this section may (A) apply for renewal, or (B) withdraw from such coverage, including, but not limited to, the terms and conditions under which such nonstate public employers may withdraw prior to the expiration of the interval. [and the procedure by which any premium payments such nonstate public employers may be entitled to or premium equivalent payments made in excess of incurred claims shall be refunded to such nonstate public employer.] Any such procedures shall provide that nonstate public employees covered by collective bargaining shall withdraw from such coverage in accordance with chapters 68, 113 and 166.

[(c)] (d) Nothing in sections 3-123rrr to 3-123vvv, inclusive, shall (1) require the Comptroller to offer coverage to every nonstate public employer seeking coverage under the state employee plan [,] or a plan developed by the Comptroller pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, (2) prevent the Comptroller from procuring coverage for nonstate public employees from vendors other than those providing coverage to state employees, or (3) prevent the Comptroller from offering plans other than the plans offered to state employees on July 1, 2019, provided no such plan shall be offered if such plan qualifies as a high deductible health plan, as defined in Section 220(c)(2) or Section 223(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as amended

from time to time, and is used to establish a medical savings account or an Archer MSA pursuant to said Section 220 or a health savings account pursuant to said section 223.

[(d)] (e) The Comptroller shall create applications for coverage under and for renewal of the state employee plan and any other plan developed by the Comptroller pursuant to subsection (a) of this section. Such applications shall require a nonstate public employer to disclose whether such nonstate public employer shall offer any other health care benefits plan to the nonstate public employees who are offered the state employee plan.

[(e)] (f) No nonstate public employee shall be enrolled in the state employee plan or a plan developed by the Comptroller pursuant to subsection (a) of this section if such nonstate public employee is covered through a nonstate public employer's health insurance plans or insurance arrangements issued to or in accordance with a trust established pursuant to collective bargaining subject to the federal Labor Management Relations Act.

[(f)] (g) (1) A nonstate public employer may submit an application to the Comptroller to provide coverage under the state employee plan or a plan developed by the Comptroller pursuant to subsection (a) of this section for nonstate public employees employed by such nonstate public employer.

(2) If a nonstate public employer submits an application for coverage of all of its nonstate public employees, the Comptroller shall provide such coverage not later than the first day of the third calendar month following such application.

(3) (A) Except as provided in subsection [(g)] (h) of this section, if a nonstate public employer submits an application for coverage for fewer than all of its nonstate public employees, or indicates in the

application that the nonstate public employer shall offer other health plans to nonstate public employees who are offered the state health plan, the Comptroller shall forward such application to the Health Care Cost Containment Committee not later than five business days after receiving such application. Said committee may, not later than thirty days after receiving such application, certify to the Comptroller that the application will shift a significantly disproportional part of a nonstate public employer's medical risks to the state employee plan.

(B) If the Health Care Cost Containment Committee certifies to the Comptroller that the application will shift a significantly disproportional part of a nonstate public employer's medical risks to the state employee plan, the Comptroller shall not provide coverage to such nonstate public employer. If the Health Care Cost Containment Committee does not certify to the Comptroller that the application will shift a significantly disproportional part of a nonstate public employer's medical risks to the state employee plan, the Comptroller shall provide coverage not later than the first day of the third calendar month following the deadline for receiving the certification.

(4) Notwithstanding any provisions of the general statutes, initial and continuing participation in the state employee plan <u>or a plan developed by the Comptroller pursuant to subsection (a) of this section</u> by a nonstate public employer shall be a mandatory subject of collective bargaining and shall be subject to binding interest arbitration in accordance with the same procedures and standards that apply to any other mandatory subject of bargaining pursuant to chapters 68, 113 and 166.

[(g)**]** <u>(h)</u> If a nonstate public employer included fewer than all of its nonstate public employees in its application for coverage because of (1) the decision by individual nonstate public employees to decline such coverage for themselves or their dependents, or (2) the nonstate public employer's decision to not offer coverage to temporary, part-time or

durational employees, the Comptroller shall not forward such nonstate public employer's application to the Health Care Cost Containment Committee pursuant to subdivision (3) of subsection [(f)] (g) of this section.

[(h)] (i) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, neither the state employee plan nor any plan developed by the Comptroller pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall [not] be deemed (1) an unauthorized insurer, or (2) a multiple employer welfare arrangement. Any licensed insurer in this state may conduct business with the state employee plan or any plan developed by the Comptroller pursuant to subsection (a) of this section.

(j) Nothing in this section shall require a nonstate public employer enrolled in the state employee plan to enroll in another plan developed by the Comptroller pursuant to this section.

Sec. 379. Section 3-123ttt of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(a) Any nonstate public employer that is eligible to seek coverage under the state employee plan or a plan developed by the Comptroller pursuant to subsection (a) of section 3-123sss for its nonstate public employees may seek such coverage for such nonstate public employer's retirees in accordance with this section. Premium payments for such coverage shall be remitted by the nonstate public employer to the Comptroller and shall be the same as those paid by the state, inclusive of any premiums paid by retired state employees.

(b) (1) If a nonstate public employer seeks coverage for all of its retirees in accordance with this section and all of the nonstate public employees employed by such nonstate public employer in accordance with section 3-123sss, the Comptroller shall accept such application upon the terms and conditions applicable to the state employee plan or

plan developed by the Comptroller pursuant to subsection (a) of section 3-123sss and shall provide coverage not later than the first day of the third calendar month following such application.

(2) If a nonstate public employer seeks coverage for fewer than all of its retirees, regardless of whether such nonstate public employer is seeking coverage for all of the nonstate public employees employed by such nonstate public employer, the Comptroller shall forward such application to the Health Care Cost Containment Committee not later than five business days after receiving such application. Said committee may, not later than thirty days after receiving such application, certify to the Comptroller that, with respect to such retirees, the application will shift a significantly disproportional part of such nonstate public employer's medical risks to the state employee plan.

(3) If the Health Care Cost Containment Committee certifies to the Comptroller that the application will shift a significantly disproportional part of a nonstate public employer's medical risks to the state employee plan, the Comptroller shall not provide coverage to such nonstate public employer's retirees. If the Health Care Cost Containment Committee does not certify to the Comptroller that the application will shift a significantly disproportional part of a nonstate public employer's medical risks to the state employee plan, the Comptroller shall provide coverage not later than the first day of the third calendar month following the deadline for receiving the certification.

(c) Nothing in sections 3-123rrr to 3-123vvv, inclusive, shall diminish any right to retiree health insurance pursuant to a collective bargaining agreement or to any other provision of the general statutes.

Sec. 380. Section 3-123uuu of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

[(a) There is established an account to be known as the "state employee plan premium account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the General Fund. All premiums paid by nonstate public employers and nonstate public employees pursuant to participation in the state employee plan shall be deposited into said account. The account shall be administered by the Comptroller, with the advice of the Health Care Cost Containment Committee, for payment of claims and administrative fees to entities providing coverage or services under the state employee plan.**]**

[(b)**]** <u>(a)</u> Each nonstate public employer shall pay monthly the amount determined by the Comptroller for coverage of its nonstate public employees or its nonstate public employees and retirees, as appropriate, under the state employee plan. A nonstate public employer may require each nonstate public employee to contribute a portion of the cost of his or her coverage under the plan, subject to any collective bargaining obligation applicable to such nonstate public employer.

<u>(b) The Comptroller shall establish accounting procedures to track claims and premium payments paid by nonstate public employers.</u>

(c) If any payment due by a nonstate public employer under this **[**subsection**]** <u>section</u> is not paid after the date such payment is due, interest to be paid by such nonstate public employer shall be added, retroactive to the date such payment was due, at the prevailing rate of interest as determined by the Comptroller.

(d) If a nonstate public employer fails to make premium payments, the Comptroller may direct the State Treasurer, or any other officer of the state who is the custodian of any moneys made available by grant, allocation or appropriation payable to such nonstate public employer at any time subsequent to such failure, to withhold the payment of such moneys until the amount of the premium or interest due has been

paid to the Comptroller, or until the State Treasurer or such custodial officer determines that arrangements have been made, to the satisfaction of the State Treasurer, for the payment of such premium and interest. Such moneys shall not be withheld if such withholding will adversely affect the receipt of any federal grant or aid in connection with such moneys.

Sec. 381. Section 3-123vvv of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

The Comptroller shall not offer coverage under the state employee plan pursuant to sections 3-123rrr to 3-123uuu, inclusive, or section 378 of this act, until the State Employees' Bargaining Agent Coalition has provided its consent to the clerks of both houses of the General Assembly to incorporate the terms of sections 3-123rrr to 3-123uuu, inclusive, and section 378 of this act, into its collective bargaining agreement.

Sec. 382. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Not later than October 1, 2019, and annually thereafter, each nonstate public employer shall submit a report to the Comptroller, Office of Policy and Management and Office of Fiscal Analysis, in a form and manner prescribed by the Comptroller. Such report shall contain (1) the total number of employees covered under a health care plan sponsored by such employer, (2) the coverage type selected by each covered employee, (3) the total premium for each coverage type, inclusive of employee and employer shares and medical and pharmacy coverage, (4) the amount of any contributions by such employer to health savings or health reimbursement accounts, (5) the number of participants in such health care plans, including employee dependents, (6) a summary of benefits and coverage for each health care plan offered by such employer and the number of employees enrolled in each such plan, and (7) information concerning retirement plans and benefits offered or provided by such employer and the total costs to such employer

associated with the provision of such plans and benefits in the preceding year.

Sec. 383. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Not later than January 1, 2021, and annually thereafter, the Comptroller shall submit a report to the Health Care Cost Containment Committee, Office of Policy and Management and joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, concerning municipal group hospitalization, medical, pharmacy and surgical insurance plans developed by the Comptroller pursuant to subsection (a) of section 3-923sss of the general statutes. Such report shall include, but need not be limited to, the total number of contracts, members, plan costs and premium payments and other revenues associated with such plans and the corresponding profit loss ratio for the previous calendar year. Such report shall distinguish municipal health care plans from the state employee plan and demonstrate cost neutrality by individual municipal insurance plan and in total across all municipal insurance plans. If the profit loss ratio demonstrates inadequacy in premium payments, such report shall include a plan to ensure the fiscal adequacy of the premium rate structure for such individual municipal insurance plans and the associated benefit design to eliminate any prior year financial loss and prevent financial loss in the upcoming plan year.

Sec. 384. Subsection (b) of section 32-4*l* of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(b) (1) Financial assistance for the first five plus program for eligible business development projects shall be exempt from the provisions of subsection (c) of section 32-223, section 32-462, subsection (q) of section 32-9t and, at the commissioner's discretion, section 12-211a for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2012, June 30, 2013, June 30, 2014, June 30,

2015, June 30, 2016, June 30, 2017, June 30, 2018, June 30, 2019, and June 30, 2020.

(2) For any assistance agreements originally executed on December 22, 2011, financial assistance for the first five plus program for eligible business development projects shall be exempt from the provisions of subsection (c) of section 32-223, section 32-462, subsection (q) of section 32-9t and, at the commissioner's discretion, section 12-211a for any of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2021, to June 30, 2024, inclusive.

Sec. 385. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Department of Revenue Services shall gather data it needs to evaluate the implementation of a payroll tax on employers in the state commencing January 1, 2021. The department shall develop and produce an information return form and, not later than August 15, 2019, mail such form to all such employers. Such information return form shall be sent by first class mail or electronic means and have a return due date of not later than October 1, 2019. Each employer that receives such information return form shall provide the data requested not later than the due date. For the purposes of this section, "employer" does not include the federal government, the state, municipalities, local or regional boards of education, the tribal nations or self-employed individuals.

(b) (1) (A) There is established a Payroll Commission, which shall consist of the Commissioner of Revenue Services, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the cochairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to finance, revenue and bonding. The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to finance, revenue and bonding shall serve as administrative staff of the commission.

(B) The Department of Revenue Services and the Office of Policy and Management shall provide additional support to the commission

as necessary. The commission may consult with and solicit advice from tax experts and business leaders.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 12-15 of the general statutes, the commissioner shall disclose the data collected pursuant to subsection (a) of this section to members of the commission and may disclose such data to the administrative staff of the commission and members of the Department of Revenue Services and the Office of Policy and Management providing support to the commission pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection, provided (A) no member of the commission, other than the commissioner as authorized under section 12-15 of the general statutes, no member of the administrative staff of the commission and no staff member of the Department of Revenue Services or the Office of Policy and Management providing support to the commission who is not otherwise authorized under section 12-15 of the general statutes, may disclose to any person not a member of the commission any returns or return information, as such terms are defined in section 12-15 of the general statutes, and (B) such data shall be used solely for the purposes of this section.

(c) The Payroll Commission shall hold informational forums to educate its members and the public about the payroll tax proposal and shall request and receive public comments and written testimony and information from the public. The commission shall consider such comments and testimony and analyze the data collected pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, to do the following:

(1) Establish the wage base on which to impose a payroll tax. The commission shall use the wage base it establishes under this subdivision for any estimates or calculations made under this subsection requiring the use of a wage base;

(2) Provide an opinion whether a payroll tax may be imposed on the

federal government or on tribal nations for wages paid to its employees in the state;

(3) Provide a recommendation on whether a payroll tax should be levied on the state, municipalities, local or regional boards of education or employers exempt from tax under Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to time, for wages paid to its employees in the state;

(4) Recommend an option for the treatment of minimum wage employers and minimum wage employees under a payroll tax by examining the costs and impacts of the following on such employers and employees:

(A) Redefining "minimum fair wage" to include the portion of the payroll tax imposed on the employer that is attributable to the wages paid to an employee;

(B) Exempting employee wages of less than a threshold amount from the payroll tax. The commission shall specify a recommended threshold amount under this option;

(C) Providing a credit to employers for the amount of payroll tax paid on behalf of employees earning the minimum wage;

(D) Leaving the minimum wage unadjusted; or

(E) Any other option the commission deems reasonable;

(5) Assuming the implementation of (A) the commission's recommendations and findings under subdivisions (1) to (4), inclusive, of this subsection, and (B) the provisions of subdivisions (7) and (14) of this subsection, recommend a tax credit for low-income taxpayers, as determined by the commission, such that the net income of all

taxpayers is not less than the projected net income of all taxpayers under the current tax imposed under chapter 229 of the general statutes. Any such tax credit (i) (I) shall be refundable, (II) shall be structured to avoid the result of taxpayers with a greater adjusted gross income having a lower net income than taxpayers with a lower adjusted gross income, (III) may have a cap or a limit on total income or unearned income, (IV) may be phased out, (V) may be made dependent on the payroll tax paid on an employee's wages, or (VI) may have eligibility requirements such as filing status, and (ii) shall be structured to incur as minimal a revenue decrease as possible. The commission shall specify the threshold used for its determination of a low-income taxpayer and any limits or requirements under clause (i) of this subparagraph it deems desirable or necessary to achieve the purposes of this subdivision;

(6) Assuming the implementation of the commission's recommendations and findings under subdivisions (1) to (4), inclusive, of this subsection, provide estimates, in accordance with the provisions set forth in subdivision (14) of this subsection, of total revenue generated from a payroll tax on employers;

(7) (A) Provide an estimate of the total decrease in revenue as a result of reducing the income tax rates under chapter 229 of the general statutes on wage income as follows:

Current rate	New rate
3.0%	0%
5.0%	0%
5.5%	0.5%
6.0%	1.0%
6.5%	2.5%
6.9%	2.9%
6.99%	2.99%

(B) In calculating such estimate, the commission shall assume (i) the

continued application of the current income tax rates under chapter 229 of the general statutes to nonwage income, and (ii) the implementation of its recommendations and findings under subdivisions (1) to (4), inclusive, of this subsection;

(8) Assuming that a payroll tax cannot be levied on the federal government, calculate the decrease in state personal income tax liability for federal employees in the state as a result of the reduced income tax rates proposed under subdivision (7) of this subsection;

(9) Assuming that a payroll tax cannot be levied on the tribal nations, calculate the decrease in state personal income tax liability for tribal nation employees in the state as a result of the reduced income tax rates proposed under subdivision (7) of this subsection;

(10) Provide estimates, in accordance with the provisions set forth in subdivision (14) of this subsection, of (A) the total revenue of the tax imposed under chapter 229 of the general statutes from individuals who work in other states and take a credit against said tax, and (B) the total revenue of the tax imposed under chapter 229 of the general statutes from such individuals under the reduced income tax rates proposed under subdivision (7) of this subsection;

(11) Assuming (A) the implementation of the commission's recommendations and findings under subdivisions (1) to (4), inclusive, of this subsection, and (B) that some employers will reduce wages, reduce wage increases or forego wage increases in response to the implementation of a payroll tax, provide estimates, in accordance with the provisions set forth in subdivision (14) of this subsection, of the decrease in federal income, Social Security and Medicare taxes that would be paid by employees, by income decile and tax type. The commission shall specify the number or percentage of employers it assumed for the purpose of subparagraph (B) of this subdivision;

(12) Assuming (A) the implementation of the commission's recommendations and findings under subdivisions (1) to (4), inclusive, of this subsection, and (B) the reduction in income tax rates as set forth in subdivision (7) of this subsection, provide estimates, in accordance with the provisions set forth in subdivision (14) of this subsection, of the annual total of state income tax and payroll tax that would be paid by or on behalf of an employee for each income decile. For each income decile, the commission shall provide a comparison of such estimated amounts to the amount of state income tax that would be paid by an employee who receives a wage increase equal to the increase in average hourly earnings of all private employees as reported by the United Stated Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics in its most recent year-over-year reporting;

(13) Assuming (A) the implementation of the commission's recommendations and findings under subdivisions (1) to (4), inclusive, of this subsection, and (B) the reduction in income tax rates as set forth in subdivision (7) of this subsection, and excluding any other applicable deduction that may be taken, provide an estimate of the total additional amount of property tax deductions that taxpayers may take under an itemized federal tax return as a result of the reductions in the income tax rates as set forth in subdivision (7) of this section;

(14) For the purposes of subdivisions (5), (6) and (10) to (12), inclusive, of this subsection, the commission shall provide separate estimates based on each of the following assumptions: The imposition of a payroll tax commencing January 1, 2021, (A) at the rate of five per cent on wage income; and (B) a phase-in of such tax over three years at the rate of (i) one and one-half per cent on wage income in the first year, (ii) three per cent on wage income in the second year, and (iii) five per cent on wage income in the third year. For the estimate based on the assumption set forth in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, the commission shall assume the reductions in income tax rates as set

forth in subdivision (7) of this subsection are phased in proportionately.

(d) The Payroll Commission shall also examine the capacity of the computer and other technology system capabilities of the Department of Revenue Services for the implementation of a payroll tax. The commission may include any additional recommendations, findings or estimates it deems appropriate or desirable to accomplish the goals of this section.

(e) (1) Not later than January 15, 2020, the Payroll Commission shall submit a report containing the recommendations, findings and estimates set forth in subsections (c) and (d) of this section. The report shall also include:

(A) Withholding schedules developed by the commission for the following:

(i) Assuming the implementation of (I) the reductions in income tax rates as set forth in subdivision (7) of subsection (c) of this section, (II) the department's recommendations and findings under subdivisions (1) to (4), inclusive, of subsection (c) of this section, and (III) the imposition of a payroll tax as set forth in subparagraph (A) of subdivision (14) of subsection (c) of this section; and

(ii) Assuming the implementation of (I) the reductions in income tax rates as set forth in subdivision (7) of subsection (c) of this section, (II) the commission's recommendations and findings under subdivisions (1) to (4), inclusive, of subsection (c) of this section, and (III) the imposition of a payroll tax as set forth in subparagraph (B) of subdivision (14) of subsection (c) of this section; and

(B) Ways to publicize and educate taxpayers about the payroll tax proposal, including any recommendations for funding to support such publicity and education efforts.

(2) Such report shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to finance, revenue and bonding. The commission shall terminate on the date it submits such report or January 15, 2020, whichever is later.

Sec. 386. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The appropriations in section 1 of this act are supported by the GENERAL FUND revenue estimates as follows:

	2019-2020	2020-2021
TAXES		
Personal Income		
Withholding	$6,910,500,000	$7,168,500,000
Estimates and Finals	2,762,500,000	2,836,900,000
Sales and Use	4,444,100,000	4,588,400,000
Corporations	1,099,800,000	1,082,500,000
Pass-Through Entities	850,000,000	850,000,000
Public Service	237,700,000	244,700,000
Inheritance and Estate	165,800,000	146,300,000
Insurance Companies	203,300,000	205,800,000
Cigarettes	344,700,000	326,900,000
Real Estate Conveyance	217,400,000	230,600,000
Alcoholic Beverages	68,900,000	69,700,000
Admissions and Dues	41,900,000	41,500,000
Health Provider Tax	1,050,100,000	1,051,600,000
Miscellaneous	48,400,000	48,000,000
TOTAL TAXES	18,445,100,000	18,891,400,000
Refunds of Taxes	(1,309,300,000)	(1,378,900,000)
Earned Income Tax Credit	(97,300,000)	(100,600,000)
R & D Credit Exchange	(5,100,000)	(5,200,000)
NET TOTAL TAX REVENUE	17,033,400,000	17,406,700,000
OTHER REVENUE		

Transfers-Special Revenue	368,000,000	376,600,000
Indian Gaming Payments	226,000,000	225,400,000
Licenses, Permits, Fees	341,200,000	384,300,000
Sales of Commodities and Services	30,200,000	31,000,000
Rents, Fines and Escheats	158,500,000	160,900,000
Investment Income	52,600,000	52,900,000
Miscellaneous	178,100,000	181,700,000
Refunds of Payments	(66,400,000)	(67,700,000)
NET TOTAL OTHER REVENUE	1,288,200,000	1,345,100,000
OTHER SOURCES		
Federal Grants	1,526,000,000	1,508,600,000
Transfer From Tobacco Settlement	136,000,000	114,500,000
Transfers To/From Other Funds	(205,100,000)	74,800,000
NET TOTAL OTHER SOURCES	1,456,900,000	1,697,900,000
Transfer to Budget Reserve Fund - Volatility Cap	(318,300,000)	(301,500,000)
TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUE	19,460,200,000	20,148,200,000

Sec. 387. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The appropriations in section 2 of this act are supported by the SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION FUND revenue estimates as follows:

	2019-2020	2020-2021
TAXES		
Motor Fuels	$507,200,000	$505,100,000
Oil Companies	322,900,000	330,200,000
Sales and Use	414,300,000	454,100,000
Sales Tax DMV	85,700,000	86,100,000
Refund of Taxes	(14,300,000)	(15,000,000)
TOTAL TAXES	1,315,800,000	1,360,500,000
OTHER SOURCES		
Motor Vehicle Receipts	254,400,000	256,400,000

Licenses, Permits, Fees	145,500,000	146,600,000
Interest Income	36,100,000	36,700,000
Federal Grants	12,100,000	11,800,000
Transfers To Other Funds	(35,500,000)	24,500,000
Refunds of Payments	(5,000,000)	(5,200,000)
NET TOTAL OTHER SOURCES	407,600,000	470,800,000
TOTAL SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION FUND REVENUE	1,723,400,000	1,831,300,000

Sec. 388. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The appropriations in section 3 of this act are supported by the MASHANTUCKET PEQUOT AND MOHEGAN FUND revenue estimates as follows:

	2019-2020	2020-2021
Transfers from General Fund	$51,500,000	$51,500,000
TOTAL MASHANTUCKET PEQUOT AND MOHEGAN FUND REVENUE	51,500,000	51,500,000

Sec. 389. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The appropriations in section 4 of this act are supported by the REGIONAL MARKET OPERATION FUND revenue estimates as follows:

	2019-2020	2020-2021
Rentals and Investment Income	$1,100,000	$1,100,000
TOTAL REGIONAL MARKET OPERATION FUND REVENUE	1,100,000	1,100,000

Sec. 390. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The appropriations in section 5 of this act are supported by the BANKING FUND revenue estimates as follows:

	2019-2020	2020-2021
Fees and Assessments	$28,800,000	$28,800,000
TOTAL BANKING FUND REVENUE	28,800,000	28,800,000

Sec. 391. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The appropriations in section 6 of this act are supported by the INSURANCE FUND revenue estimates as follows:

	2019-2020	2020-2021
Fees and Assessments	$105,800,000	$114,700,000
TOTAL INSURANCE FUND REVENUE	105,800,000	114,700,000

Sec. 392. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The appropriations in section 7 of this act are supported by the CONSUMER COUNSEL AND PUBLIC UTILITY CONTROL FUND revenue estimates as follows:

	2019-2020	2020-2021
Fees and Assessments	$27,500,000	$28,500,000
TOTAL CONSUMER COUNSEL AND PUBLIC UTILITY CONTROL FUND REVENUE	27,500,000	28,500,000

Sec. 393. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The appropriations in section 8 of this act are supported by the WORKERS' COMPENSATION FUND revenue estimates as follows:

	2019-2020	2020-2021
Fees and Assessments	$28,100,000	$28,700,000
TOTAL WORKERS' COMPENSATION FUND REVENUE	28,100,000	28,700,000

Sec. 394. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The appropriations in section 9 of this act are supported by the CRIMINAL INJURIES COMPENSATION FUND revenue estimates as follows:

	2019-2020	2020-2021
Restitutions	$3,000,000	$3,000,000

TOTAL CRIMINAL INJURIES COMPENSATION FUND REVENUE	3,000,000	3,000,000

Sec. 395. (*Effective July 1, 2019*) The appropriations in section 10 of this act are supported by the TOURISM FUND revenue estimates as follows:

	2019-2020	2020-2021
Room Occupancy Tax	$13,700,000	$14,200,000
TOTAL TOURISM FUND REVENUE	13,700,000	14,200,000

Sec. 396. Sections 11 and 557 of public act 17-2 of the June special session are repealed. (*Effective from passage*)

Sec. 397. Sections 12-704f and 32-776 of the general statutes are repealed. (*Effective from passage and applicable to taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2019*)

Sec. 398. Sections 2-135, 2-136 and 19a-202b of the general statutes are repealed. (*Effective July 1, 2019*)

Sec. 399. Section 2-36a of the general statutes is repealed. (*Effective October 1, 2019*)

Sec. 400. Subdivision (91) of section 12-412 of the general statutes is repealed. (*Effective January 1, 2020*)

Sec. 401. Section 38a-999b of the general statutes is repealed. (*Effective October 1, 2020*)

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