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#### "AN ACT CONCERNING ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE."

- Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following in lieu thereof:
- "Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2025*) For the purposes of this section and sections 2 and 3 of this act, unless the context otherwise requires:
- (1) "Artificial intelligence system" means any machine-based system that (A) for any explicit or implicit objective, infers from the inputs such system receives how to generate outputs, including, but not limited to, content, decisions, predictions or recommendations, that can influence physical or virtual environments, and (B) may vary in its level of autonomy and adaptiveness after such system is deployed;
- 12 (2) "Consequential decision" means any decision or judgment that has

13 any material legal or similarly significant effect on the provision or 14 denial to any consumer of, or the cost or terms of, (A) any education 15 enrollment or education opportunity, (B) any employment or 16 employment opportunity, (C) any loan, financing or credit offered or 17 extended to a consumer for any personal, family or household purpose, 18 (D) any service provided by this state or any municipality in this state 19 to support the continuing operations of any state or municipal 20 government agency or to provide for the public health, safety or welfare, 21 including, but not limited to, any such service provided for the purposes 22 of Medicare, Medicaid, law enforcement, regulatory oversight, licensing 23 or permitting, (E) any housing, or (F) any legal services;

- 24 (3) "Consumer" means any individual who is a resident of this state;
- 25 (4) "Deploy" means to put a high-risk artificial intelligence system 26 into use;
- 27 (5) "Deployer" means any person doing business in this state that 28 deploys a high-risk artificial intelligence system in this state;
- 29 (6) "Developer" means any person doing business in this state that 30 develops, or intentionally and substantially modifies, an artificial 31 intelligence system;
  - (7) "High-risk artificial intelligence system" (A) means any artificial intelligence system that, when deployed, makes, or is a substantial factor in making, a consequential decision, and (B) unless the technology, when deployed, makes, or is a substantial factor in making, a consequential decision, does not include (i) any technology that (I) performs any narrow procedural task that is limited in nature, including, but not limited to, any technology that classifies incoming documents into categories, is used to detect duplicate applications among a large number of applications, categorizes documents based on when such documents were received, renames files according to standardized naming conventions or automates the extraction of metadata for indexing, (II) improves a previously completed human

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44 activity and is not a substantial factor in any decision resulting from 45 such human activity, including, but not limited to, any technology that 46 improves the language used in previously drafted documents, or (III) 47 detects preexisting decision-making patterns, or deviations from 48 preexisting decision-making patterns, following a previously completed 49 human assessment that such technology is not intended to influence or 50 replace without sufficient human review, including, but not limited to, 51 any technology that analyzes a particular decision-maker's preexisting 52 decisions or decision-making patterns and designates any decision as 53 potentially inconsistent or anomalous, (ii) any tool for filtering robocalls 54 or junk or spam electronic mail or messages, (iii) any spell-checking tool, 55 (iv) any calculator, (v) any Internet or computer network infrastructure 56 optimization, diagnostic or maintenance tool, including, but not limited 57 to, any domain name registration, web site hosting, content delivery, 58 web caching, network traffic management or system diagnostic tool, (vi) 59 any database, spreadsheet or similar tool that exclusively organizes data 60 that is already in the possession of the person using such database, 61 spreadsheet or similar tool, (vii) any technology that is used to perform, 62 assist or administer office support functions and other ancillary 63 business operations, including, but not limited to, any technology that 64 is used to order office supplies, manage meeting schedules or automate 65 inventory tracking, (viii) any fraud prevention system or tool that is 66 used to prevent, detect or respond to any unlawful and malicious 67 conduct or to comply with state and federal law, or (ix) any technology 68 that communicates with consumers in natural language for the purpose 69 of providing consumers with information, referrals, recommendations 70 or answers to questions, provided such technology is subject to an 71 acceptable use policy;

- (8) "Person" means any individual, association, corporation, limited liability company, partnership, trust or other legal entity;
  - (9) "Substantial factor" (A) means a factor that (i) assists in making a consequential decision, (ii) is capable of altering the outcome of a consequential decision, and (iii) is generated by an artificial intelligence

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77 system, and (B) includes, but is not limited to, any use of an artificial

- 78 intelligence system to generate any content, decision, prediction or
- 79 recommendation concerning a consumer that is used as a basis to make
- 80 a consequential decision concerning the consumer; and
- 81 (10) "Trade secret" has the same meaning as provided in section 35-82 51 of the general statutes.
- 83 Sec. 2. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2025) (a) (1) Beginning on October 84 1, 2026, and except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, each 85 person doing business in this state, including, but not limited to, each 86 deployer that deploys, offers, sells, leases, licenses, gives or otherwise 87 makes available, as applicable, any artificial intelligence system that is 88 intended to interact with consumers shall ensure that it is disclosed to 89 each consumer who interacts with such artificial intelligence system that 90 such consumer is interacting with an artificial intelligence system.
  - (2) No disclosure shall be required under subdivision (1) of this subsection under circumstances in which it would be obvious to a reasonable person that the person is interacting with an artificial intelligence system.
- (b) Beginning on October 1, 2026, each deployer that deploys a high risk artificial intelligence system to make, or be a substantial factor in
  making, a consequential decision concerning a consumer shall:
  - (1) Before the consequential decision is made, notify the consumer that the deployer has deployed a high-risk artificial intelligence system to make, or be a substantial factor in making, the consequential decision;
- 101 (2) Provide to the consumer a statement disclosing the purpose of the 102 high-risk artificial intelligence system and the nature of the 103 consequential decision;
- 104 (3) Provide to the consumer information, if applicable, regarding the 105 consumer's rights under section 42-518 of the general statutes, 106 including, but not limited to, subparagraph (C) of subdivision (5) of

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subsection (a) of section 42-518 of the general statutes, to opt-out of the processing of such consumer's personal data for the purposes set forth in said subparagraph, if applicable; and

- 110 (4) Provide to the consumer contact information for the deployer.
- 111 (c) (1) Beginning on October 1, 2026, each deployer that has deployed 112 a high-risk artificial intelligence system to make, or be a substantial 113 factor in making, a consequential decision concerning a consumer shall,
- if the consequential decision is adverse to the consumer, provide to the
- 115 consumer:
- 116 (A) A high-level statement disclosing the principal reason or reasons
- 117 for such adverse consequential decision, including, but not limited to,
- 118 (i) the degree to which, and manner in which, the high-risk artificial
- intelligence system contributed to such adverse consequential decision,
- 120 (ii) the type of data that were processed by such high-risk artificial
- 121 intelligence system in making such adverse consequential decision, and
- 122 (iii) the source of the data described in subparagraph (A)(ii) of this
- 123 subdivision; and
- 124 (B) An opportunity to (i) correct any incorrect personal data
- described in subparagraph (A)(ii) of this subdivision, and (ii) appeal an
- 126 adverse consequential decision arising from the deployment of the high-
- risk artificial intelligence system if the adverse consequential decision is
- based on any incorrect personal data described in subparagraph (A)(ii) of this subdivision, which appeal shall, if technically feasible, allow for
- of this subdivision, which appeal shall, if technically feasible, allow for
- human review unless providing such opportunity for appeal is not in
- the best interest of the consumer, including, but not limited to, in
- instances in which any delay might pose a risk to the life or safety of the
- 133 consumer.
- 134 (2) Each deployer that is required to provide a high-level statement
- to a consumer pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection shall
- provide such statement (A) directly to the consumer, (B) in plain
- language, (C) in all languages in which such deployer, in the ordinary

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138 course of such deployer's business, provides contracts, disclaimers, sales 139 announcements and other information to consumers, and (D) in a 140 format that is accessible to consumers with disabilities.

- (d) (1) The provisions of subsections (a) to (c), inclusive, of this section shall not be construed to require any person to disclose any information that is a trade secret or otherwise protected from disclosure under state or federal law.
- 145 (2) If a person withholds any information from a consumer under 146 subdivision (1) of this subsection, the person shall send a notice to the 147 consumer disclosing (A) that such person is withholding such 148 information from such consumer, and (B) the basis for such person's 149 decision to withhold such information from such consumer.
  - (e) The provisions of subsections (a) to (c), inclusive, of this section shall not be construed to apply to (1) any covered entity or business associate, as defined in 45 CFR 160.103, as amended from time to time, or (2) any person carrying out a contract with the federal government or any agency thereof.
  - (f) A violation of subsections (a) to (c), inclusive, of this section shall constitute an unfair trade practice under subsection (a) of section 42-110b of the general statutes and shall be enforced solely by the Attorney General. The provisions of section 42-110g of the general statutes shall not apply to any such violation. Nothing in this section shall be construed to create a private right of action.
- Sec. 3. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2025) Not later than January 1, 2026, 162 the Attorney General shall, within available appropriations, develop 163 and implement a comprehensive public education, outreach and 164 assistance program for developers and deployers that are small 165 businesses, as defined in section 4-168a of the general statutes. Such 166 program shall, at a minimum, disseminate educational materials 167 concerning (1) the provisions of sections 1 and 2 of this act, (2) the 168 Attorney General's powers under section 2 of this act, and (3) any other

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matters the Attorney General, in the Attorney General's discretion, deems relevant for the purposes of such program.

- Sec. 4. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) For the purposes of this section, "legislative leader" has the same meaning as provided in subsection (b) of section 4-9d of the general statutes.
- (b) Each legislative leader may request that the executive director of the Connecticut Academy of Science and Engineering designate a fellow selected by said academy to serve as such legislative leader's liaison with said academy, the office of the Attorney General and the Department of Economic and Community Development for the purpose of:
  - (1) Making recommendations concerning establishing a framework to provide a controlled and supervised environment in which artificial intelligence systems may be tested, which recommendations shall include, at a minimum, recommendations concerning the establishment of (A) an office to oversee such framework and environment, and (B) a program that would enable consultations between the state, businesses and other stakeholders concerning such framework and environment;
  - (2) Evaluating (A) the adoption of artificial intelligence systems by businesses, (B) the challenges posed to, and needs of, businesses in (i) adopting artificial intelligence systems, and (ii) understanding laws and regulations concerning artificial intelligence systems, and (C) how businesses that use artificial intelligence systems hire employees with necessary skills concerning artificial intelligence systems;
- 193 (3) Creating a plan for the state to provide high-performance 194 computing services to businesses and researchers in the state;
  - (4) Evaluating the benefits of creating a state-wide research collaborative among health care providers to enable the development of advanced analytics, ethical and trustworthy artificial intelligence systems and hands-on workforce education while using methods that protect patient privacy;

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(5) Evaluating, and making recommendations concerning, (A) the establishment of testbeds to support safeguards and systems to prevent the misuse of artificial intelligence systems, (B) risk assessments for the misuse of artificial intelligence systems, (C) evaluation strategies for artificial intelligence systems, and (D) the development, testing and evaluation of resources to support state oversight of artificial intelligence systems;

- (6) Developing a plan to design or identify an algorithmic computer model for the purpose of simulating and assessing various public policy decisions or proposed public policy decisions and the actual or potential effects of such decisions or proposed decisions; and
- 211 (7) Developing a plan to establish a technology transfer program (A) 212 for the purpose of supporting commercialization of new ideas and 213 research among public and private institutions of higher education in 214 this state, and (B) by working with (i) relevant public and private 215 organizations, including, but not limited to, the Department of 216 Economic and Community Development, and (ii) The University of 217 Connecticut and a state-wide consortium of public and private entities 218 in the state, including, but not limited to, public and private institutions 219 of higher education in the state, designed to advance the development, 220 application and impact of artificial intelligence across the state, to assess 221 whether The University of Connecticut can support technology 222 commercialization at other public and private institutions of higher 223 education in the state.
  - (c) No fellow of the Connecticut Academy of Science and Engineering designated pursuant to subsection (b) of this section shall be deemed a state employee, or receive any compensation from the state, for performing such fellow's duties under said subsection.
  - (d) Not later than January 1, 2026, the fellows of the Connecticut Academy of Science and Engineering designated pursuant to subsection (b) of this section shall jointly submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing

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committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to commerce and consumer protection.

- Sec. 5. (Effective October 1, 2025) (a) As used in this section:
- 235 (1) "Artificial intelligence" means artificial intelligence system;
- 236 (2) "Artificial intelligence system" has the same meaning as provided in section 1 of this act;
- 238 (3) "Consumer" has the same meaning as provided in section 1 of this act; and
- 240 (4) "Reference architecture" means an approach to innovation 241 planning that emphasizes use cases and industry engagement.
  - (b) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall enter into a contract with an outside vendor to develop, in collaboration with relevant stakeholders, a plan (1) to establish an artificial intelligence safety institute for the purpose of leading a reference architecture to establish standards and best practices for the safe application of artificial intelligence, and (2) that provides for the provision of functional components, including, but not limited to, the provision of de-identified or synthetic data for testing, secure data storage and access controls, representative and diverse data sets, bias evaluation toolkits and isolated testing environments.
  - (c) The outside vendor shall:

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- 253 (1) Be a state-wide consortium of public and private entities in the 254 state, including, but not limited to, public and private institutions of 255 higher education in the state, designed to advance the development, 256 application and impact of artificial intelligence best practices across the 257 state; and
- (2) Submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the Department of Economic and Community Development and the joint standing committees of the

General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to consumer protection and commerce disclosing:

- 263 (A) The composition of the outside vendor's board;
- (B) The resources available to the outside vendor;
- 265 (C) The outside vendor's funding sources; and
- (D) Whether the outside vendor has engaged representatives of civil society to perform any evaluation or reporting functions.
  - (d) The reference architecture and functional components shall be developed to serve as elements of a pilot program to facilitate the development, testing and deployment of innovative artificial intelligence systems in the state.
- (e) Not later than February 1, 2026, the outside vendor shall submit the plan developed pursuant to subsection (b) of this section to the Department of Economic and Community Development, in a form and manner prescribed by the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, which plan shall include recommendations concerning the reference architecture and functional components. The plan may be tailored to a particular artificial intelligence market segment.
  - (f) Not later than February 1, 2026, the outside vendor 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 consumer protection and commerce. Such report shall include:
- 284 (1) The plan developed pursuant to subsection (b) of this section;
- 285 (2) Research findings and policy recommendations concerning the 286 potential future implementation of (A) methods to evaluate and certify 287 compliance with laws and regulations concerning artificial intelligence, 288 (B) a framework to assess risk and implement mitigation agreements,
- 289 (C) safe harbors through negotiated standards and agency approval, (D)

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mechanisms to provide regulatory certainty through tailored agreements, and (E) additional strategies to foster innovation in the responsible development of artificial intelligence.

- 293 Sec. 6. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2025) The Commissioner of 294 Economic and Community Development, in consultation with the 295 Banking Commissioner, Commissioner of Health Strategy, 296 Commissioner of Public Health and Insurance Commissioner, shall 297 develop a plan to establish an artificial intelligence regulatory sandbox 298 program, which program shall allow an applicant to temporarily test an 299 innovative product or service on a limited basis under reduced 300 licensure, regulatory or other legal requirements than may otherwise be 301 required under the laws of the state. Such plan shall be developed for 302 the purpose of establishing a competitive business environment in the 303 state for the development and deployment of artificial intelligence 304 technologies relative to other jurisdictions. Not later than January 1, 305 2026, the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development 306 shall submit recommendations, in accordance with the provisions of 307 section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the Governor and the joint 308 standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of 309 matters relating to commerce, banking, insurance and public health 310 regarding the adoption of any legislation necessary to implement such 311 plan.
- Sec. 7. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2025*) (a) As used in this section, "artificial intelligence" means artificial intelligence system, as defined in section 1 of this act.
- (b) Not later than December 31, 2025, the Board of Regents for Higher Education shall establish, on behalf of Charter Oak State College and in consultation with the Labor Department, the State Board of Education, Workforce Investment Boards, employers and institutions of higher education in this state, a "Connecticut AI Academy". The academy shall, at a minimum:
- 321 (1) Curate and offer online courses concerning artificial intelligence

- and the responsible use of artificial intelligence;
- 323 (2) Promote digital literacy;
- 324 (3) Prepare students for careers in fields involving artificial 325 intelligence;
- 326 (4) Offer courses and provide resources directed at individuals 327 between thirteen and twenty years of age;
- 328 (5) Offer courses and provide resources that prepare small businesses 329 and nonprofit organizations to utilize artificial intelligence to improve 330 marketing and management efficiency;
- 331 (6) Develop courses concerning artificial intelligence that the Labor 332 Department and Workforce Investment Boards may incorporate into 333 workforce training programs;
- 334 (7) Develop and offer courses for primary and secondary school 335 teachers and administrators (A) concerning the appropriate use of 336 artificial intelligence in primary and secondary school classrooms, (B) 337 instructing such teachers how to use artificial intelligence, and (C) 338 informing teachers how to instruct primary and secondary school 339 students in the use of artificial intelligence; and
  - (8) Enable persons providing free or discounted public Internet access to distribute information and provide mentorship concerning artificial intelligence, the academy and methods available for the public to obtain free or discounted devices capable of accessing the Internet and utilizing artificial intelligence.
- 345 (c) The Board of Regents for Higher Education shall, in consultation 346 with Charter Oak State College, develop certificates and badges to be 347 awarded to persons who successfully complete courses offered by the 348 Connecticut AI Academy.
- Sec. 8. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2026*) The Labor Department shall provide a notice, in a form and manner prescribed by the Labor

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Commissioner, to each individual who makes a claim for unemployment compensation disclosing the existence of, and courses and services offered by, the Connecticut AI Academy established pursuant to section 7 of this act.

- Sec. 9. (NEW) (Effective January 1, 2026) The Secretary of the State, within available appropriations and in collaboration with Charter Oak State College, shall utilize the means by which the office of the Secretary of the State communicates with small business to disseminate information concerning the courses offered by the Connecticut AI Academy, established pursuant to section 7 of this act, that prepare small businesses to utilize artificial intelligence to improve marketing and management efficiency. As used in this section, "artificial intelligence" means artificial intelligence system, as defined in section 1 of this act.
- Sec. 10. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2026*) The Department of Housing, within available appropriations, shall work with housing authorities and other relevant housing providers to ensure that residents are aware of the courses and services offered by the Connecticut AI Academy established pursuant to section 7 of this act.
- Sec. 11. Subsection (b) of section 17b-751b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January* 1, 2026):
- 373 (b) The commissioner shall: (1) Ensure that all home visiting 374 programs (A) are one or more of the evidence-based home visiting 375 models that meet the criteria for evidence of effectiveness developed by 376 the federal Department of Health and Human Services, and (B) provide 377 information to parents regarding the Connecticut AI Academy 378 established pursuant to section 7 of this act; (2) provide oversight of 379 home visiting programs to insure model fidelity; and (3) develop, issue 380 and evaluate requests for proposals to procure the services required by 381 this section. In evaluating the proposals, the commissioner shall take 382 into consideration the most effective and consistent service delivery

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system allowing for the continuation of current public and private programs.

- Sec. 12. Section 10-21*l* of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):
- 387 There is established an account to be known as the ["computer science" 388 education account"] "computer science education and workforce 389 development account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account 390 within the General Fund. The account shall contain any moneys required or permitted by law to be deposited in the account and any 391 392 funds received from any public or private contributions, gifts, grants, 393 donations, bequests or devises to the account. The Department of 394 Education may make expenditures from the account (1) to support 395 curriculum development, teacher professional development, capacity 396 development for school districts [,] and other programs for the purposes 397 of supporting computer science education, and (2) in coordination with 398 the Office of Workforce Strategy and the Board of Regents for Higher 399 Education for the purpose of supporting workforce development 400 initiatives.
- Sec. 13. Section 32-7p of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):
- 403 (a) As used in this section:
- 404 (1) "Artificial intelligence" means artificial intelligence system, as 405 defined in section 1 of this act;
- 406 (2) "Generative artificial intelligence" means any form of artificial intelligence, including, but not limited to, a foundation model, that is able to produce synthetic digital content;
- 409 (3) "Prompt engineering" means the process of guiding generative 410 artificial intelligence to generate a desired output; and
- 411 (4) "Synthetic digital content" means any digital content, including,

but not limited to, any audio, image, text or video, that is produced or

- 413 <u>manipulated by any form of artificial intelligence, including, but not</u>
- 414 limited to, generative artificial intelligence.
- [(a)] (b) There shall be a Technology Talent and Innovation Fund
- 416 Advisory Committee within the Department of Economic and
- 417 Community Development. Such committee shall consist of members
- 418 appointed by the Commissioner of Economic and Community
- Development, including, but not limited to, representatives of The
- 420 University of Connecticut, the Board of Regents for Higher Education,
- 421 independent institutions of higher education, the Office of Workforce
- 422 Strategy and private industry. Such members shall be subject to term
- limits prescribed by the commissioner. Each member shall hold office
- 424 until a successor is appointed.
- 425 [(b)] (c) The commissioner shall call the first meeting of the advisory
- 426 committee not later than October 15, 2016. The advisory committee shall
- meet not less than quarterly thereafter and at such other times as the
- 428 chairperson deems necessary. The Technology Talent and Innovation
- 429 Fund Advisory Committee shall designate the chairperson of the
- 430 committee from among its members.
- 431 [(c)] (d) No member of the advisory committee shall receive
- compensation for such member's service, except that each member shall
- be entitled to reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses incurred
- during the performance of such member's official duties.
- [(d)] (e) A majority of members of the advisory committee shall
- 436 constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business or the exercise
- of any power of the advisory committee. The advisory committee may
- act by a majority of the members present at any meeting at which a
- 439 quorum is in attendance, for the transaction of any business or the
- 440 exercise of any power of the advisory committee, except as otherwise
- 441 provided in this section.
- [(e)] (f) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, it shall

not constitute a conflict of interest for a trustee, director, partner or officer of any person, firm or corporation, or any individual having a financial interest in a person, firm or corporation, to serve as a member of the advisory committee, provided such trustee, director, partner, officer or individual complies with all applicable provisions of chapter 10. All members of the advisory committee shall be deemed public officials and shall adhere to the code of ethics for public officials set forth in chapter 10, except that no member shall be required to file a statement of financial interest as described in section 1-83.

[(f) The Technology Talent Advisory Committee shall, in the following order of priority, (1) calculate the number of software developers and other persons (A) employed in technology-based fields where there is a shortage of qualified employees in this state for businesses to hire, including, but not limited to, data mining, data analysis and cybersecurity, and (B) employed by businesses located in Connecticut as of December 31, 2016; (2) develop pilot programs to recruit software developers to Connecticut and train residents of the state in software development and such other technology fields, with the goal of increasing the number of software developers and persons employed in such other technology fields residing in Connecticut and employed by businesses in Connecticut by at least double the number calculated pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection by January 1, 2026; and (3) identify other technology industries where there is a shortage of qualified employees in this state for growth stage businesses to hire.]

(g) The Technology Talent <u>and Innovation Fund</u> Advisory Committee may <u>partner with institutions of higher education and other nonprofit organizations to</u> develop [pilot] programs [for (1) marketing and publicity campaigns designed to recruit technology talent to the state; (2) student loan deferral or forgiveness for students who start businesses in the state; and (3) training, apprenticeship and gap-year initiatives] to expand the technology talent pipeline in the state, including, but not limited to, in the fields of artificial intelligence and

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477 I(h) The Technology Talent Advisory Committee shall report, in 478 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, and present such report 479 to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having 480 cognizance of matters relating to commerce, education, higher 481 education and finance, revenue and bonding on or before January 1, 482 2017, concerning the (1) pilot programs developed pursuant to 483 subsections (f) and (g) of this section, (2) number of software developers 484 and persons employed in technology-based fields described in 485 subsection (f) of this section targeted for recruitment pursuant to 486 subsection (f) of this section, and (3) timeline and measures for reaching 487 the recruitment target.]

- 488 (h) Not later than July 1, 2026, the Technology Talent and Innovation 489 Fund Advisory Committee shall partner with public and private 490 institutions of higher education in the state and other training providers to develop programs in the field of artificial intelligence, including, but 492 not limited to, in areas such as prompt engineering, artificial intelligence 493 marketing for small businesses and artificial intelligence for small 494 business operations.
- 495 Sec. 14. Subsection (b) of section 32-235 of the general statutes is 496 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1*, 497 2025):
  - (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the Department of Economic and Community Development (1) for the purposes of sections 32-220 to 32-234, inclusive, including economic cluster-related programs and activities, and for the Connecticut job training finance demonstration program pursuant to sections 32-23uu and 32-23vv, provided (A) three million dollars shall be used by said department solely for the purposes of section 32-23uu, (B) not less than one million dollars shall be used for an educational technology grant to the deployment center program and the nonprofit business consortium

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508 deployment center approved pursuant to section 32-41l, (C) not less than two million dollars shall be used by said department for the 509 510 establishment of a pilot program to make grants to businesses in 511 designated areas of the state for construction, renovation or 512 improvement of small manufacturing facilities, provided such grants 513 are matched by the business, a municipality or another financing entity. 514 The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall 515 designate areas of the state where manufacturing is a substantial part of 516 the local economy and shall make grants under such pilot program 517 which are likely to produce a significant economic development benefit 518 for the designated area, (D) five million dollars may be used by said 519 department for the manufacturing competitiveness grants program, (E) 520 one million dollars shall be used by said department for the purpose of 521 a grant to the Connecticut Center for Advanced Technology, for the 522 purposes of subdivision (5) of subsection (a) of section 32-7f, (F) fifty 523 million dollars shall be used by said department for the purpose of 524 grants to the United States Department of the Navy, the United States 525 Department of Defense or eligible applicants for projects related to the 526 enhancement of infrastructure for long-term, on-going naval operations 527 at the United States Naval Submarine Base-New London, located in 528 Groton, which will increase the military value of said base. Such projects 529 shall not be subject to the provisions of sections 4a-60 and 4a-60a, (G) 530 two million dollars shall be used by said department for the purpose of 531 a grant to the Connecticut Center for Advanced Technology, Inc., for 532 manufacturing initiatives, including aerospace and defense, and (H) 533 four million dollars shall be used by said department for the purpose of 534 a grant to companies adversely impacted by the construction at the 535 Quinnipiac Bridge, where such grant may be used to offset the increase 536 in costs of commercial overland transportation of goods or materials 537 brought to the port of New Haven by ship or vessel, (2) for the purposes 538 of the small business assistance program established pursuant to section 539 32-9yy, provided fifteen million dollars shall be deposited in the small 540 business assistance account established pursuant to said section 32-9yy, 541 (3) to deposit twenty million dollars in the small business express 542 assistance account established pursuant to section 32-7h, (4) to deposit

543 four million nine hundred thousand dollars per year in each of the fiscal 544 years ending June 30, 2017, to June 30, 2019, inclusive, and June 30, 2021, 545 and nine million nine hundred thousand dollars in the fiscal year ending 546 June 30, 2020, in the CTNext Fund established pursuant to section 32-547 39i, which shall be used by the Department of Economic and 548 Community Development to provide grants-in-aid to designated 549 innovation places, as defined in section 32-39f, planning grants-in-aid 550 pursuant to section 32-39l, and grants-in-aid for projects that network 551 innovation places pursuant to subsection (b) of section 32-39m, 552 provided not more than three million dollars be used for grants-in-aid 553 for such projects, and further provided any portion of any such deposit 554 that remains unexpended in a fiscal year subsequent to the date of such 555 deposit may be used by the Department of Economic and Community 556 Development for any purpose described in subsection (e) of section 32-557 39i, (5) to deposit two million dollars per year in each of the fiscal years 558 ending June 30, 2019, to June 30, 2021, inclusive, in the CTNext Fund 559 established pursuant to section 32-39i, which shall be used by the 560 Department of Economic and Community Development for the purpose 561 of providing higher education entrepreneurship grants-in-aid pursuant 562 to section 32-39g, provided any portion of any such deposit that remains 563 unexpended in a fiscal year subsequent to the date of such deposit may 564 be used by the Department of Economic and Community Development 565 for any purpose described in subsection (e) of section 32-39i, (6) for the 566 purpose of funding the costs of the Technology Talent and Innovation 567 Fund Advisory Committee established pursuant to section 32-7p, as 568 amended by this act, provided not more than ten million dollars may be 569 used on or after July 1, 2023, for such purpose, (7) to provide (A) a grant-570 in-aid to the Connecticut Supplier Connection in an amount equal to 571 two hundred fifty thousand dollars in each of the fiscal years ending 572 June 30, 2017, to June 30, 2021, inclusive, and (B) a grant-in-aid to the 573 Connecticut Procurement Technical Assistance Program in an amount 574 equal to three hundred thousand dollars in each of the fiscal years 575 ending June 30, 2017, to June 30, 2021, inclusive, (8) to deposit four 576 hundred fifty thousand dollars per year, in each of the fiscal years 577 ending June 30, 2017, to June 30, 2021, inclusive, in the CTNext Fund

578 established pursuant to section 32-39i, which shall be used by the 579 Department of Economic and Community Development to provide 580 growth grants-in-aid pursuant to section 32-39g, provided any portion 581 of any such deposit that remains unexpended in a fiscal year subsequent 582 to the date of such deposit may be used by the Department of Economic 583 and Community Development for any purpose described in subsection 584 (e) of section 32-39i, (9) to transfer fifty million dollars to the Labor 585 Department which shall be used by said department for the purpose of 586 funding workforce pipeline programs selected pursuant to section 31-587 11rr, provided, notwithstanding the provisions of section 31-11rr, (A) 588 not less than five million dollars shall be provided to the workforce 589 development board in Bridgeport serving the southwest region, for 590 purposes of such program, and the board shall distribute such money 591 in proportion to population and need, and (B) not less than five million 592 dollars shall be provided to the workforce development board in 593 Hartford serving the north central region, for purposes of such program, 594 (10) to transfer twenty million dollars to Connecticut Innovations, 595 Incorporated, provided ten million dollars shall be used by Connecticut 596 Innovations, Incorporated for the purpose of the proof of concept fund 597 established pursuant to subsection (b) of section 32-39x and ten million 598 dollars shall be used by Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated for the 599 purpose of the venture capital fund program established pursuant to 600 section 32-4100, (11) to provide a grant to The University of Connecticut 601 of eight million dollars for the establishment, development and 602 operation of a center for sustainable aviation pursuant to subsection (a) 603 of section 10a-110o, and (12) for up to twenty million dollars in 604 investments in federally designated opportunity zones through an 605 impact investment firm including, subject to the approval of the 606 Governor, funding from the Economic Assistance Revolving Fund, 607 established pursuant to section 32-231.

- Sec. 15. (Effective July 1, 2025) (a) As used in this section:
- (1) "Generative artificial intelligence" has the same meaning as provided in section 32-7p of the general statutes, as amended by this act;

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- 612 (2) "State agency" means any department, board, council, 613 commission, institution or other executive branch agency of state 614 government, including, but not limited to, each constituent unit and 615 each public institution of higher education.
  - (b) Each state agency, in consultation with the employees of such state agency and relevant experts, (1) shall conduct a study to determine whether generative artificial intelligence may be utilized to improve such state agency's processes and create efficiencies within such state agency, and (2) may, based on the results of such study, develop and propose one or more generative artificial intelligence pilot programs (A) for inclusion in the information and telecommunication systems strategic plan developed under section 4d-7 of the general statutes, (B) for the purpose of (i) improving residents' access to, and experience with, government services provided by such state agency, (ii) assisting the employees of such state agency in the performance of their duties, or (iii) positively impacting any other relevant domain, and (C) to measure any improvement, assistance or impact described in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision.
  - (c) Each state agency shall submit the results of the study conducted pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, and any proposed generative artificial intelligence pilot program developed pursuant to said subsection, to the Department of Administrative Services. The Commissioner of Administrative Services shall assess any proposed generative artificial intelligence pilot program in accordance with the provisions of section 4a-2e of the general statutes, and may disapprove any such program that fails such assessment or requires additional legislation in order to implement such program.
  - (d) The Commissioner of Administrative Services shall submit to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management a report including a summary of all pilot programs approved by the commissioner under this section and any recommendations for legislation necessary to

643 implement any additional pilot programs under this section. The

- 644 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall include such
- 645 summary and recommendations in said secretary's report to the
- 646 Governor and the General Assembly under subsection (e) of section 4d-
- 7 of the general statutes.
- Sec. 16. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2025*) (a) As used in this section:
- (1) "Artificial intelligence" means artificial intelligence system, as defined in section 1 of this act; and
- 651 (2) "Generative artificial intelligence" has the same meaning as 652 provided in section 32-7p of the general statutes, as amended by this act.
- 653 (b) The Office of Legislative Management may, within available 654 appropriations, (1) work with the legislative caucuses and legislative 655 offices to develop a process to solicit ideas for one or more generative 656 artificial intelligence pilot programs for the purpose of (A) improving 657 residents' experience with, and access to, such caucuses and offices, and 658 (B) supporting employees of the legislative branch in the performance 659 of their duties, and (2) work with organizations that support technology 660 fellowships to establish a technology fellowship program to assist the 661 legislative branch in implementing the pilot programs described in 662 subdivision (1) of this subsection.
- Sec. 17. (*Effective July 1, 2025*) (a) For the purposes of this section:
- 664 (1) "Artificial intelligence" means artificial intelligence system, as 665 defined in section 1 of this act;
  - (2) "General-purpose artificial intelligence model" (A) means a model used by any form of artificial intelligence that (i) displays significant generality, (ii) is capable of competently performing a wide range of distinct tasks, and (iii) can be integrated into a variety of downstream applications or systems, and (B) does not include any artificial intelligence model that is used for development, prototyping and research activities before such artificial intelligence model is released on

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- 673 the market; and
- 674 (3) "Synthetic digital content" has the same meaning as provided in 675 section 32-7p of the general statutes, as amended by this act.
- 676 (b) There is established a working group to engage stakeholders and 677 experts to:
- 678 (1) Make recommendations concerning:
- (A) The best practices to avoid the negative impacts, and to maximize the positive impacts, on services and state employees in connection with the implementation of new digital technologies and artificial intelligence;
- (B) The collection of reports, recommendations and plans from state agencies considering the implementation of artificial intelligence, and the assessment of such reports, recommendations and plans against the best practices described in subparagraph (A) of this subdivision; and
- 687 (C) Any other matters which the working group may deem relevant 688 for the purposes of avoiding the negative impacts, and maximizing the 689 positive impacts, described in subparagraph (A) of this subdivision;
- 690 (2) Make recommendations concerning methods to create resources 691 for the purpose of assisting small businesses to adopt artificial 692 intelligence to improve their efficiency and operations;
- 693 (3) Make recommendations and develop proposals to create a 694 technology court for the purpose of adjudicating artificial intelligence, 695 data privacy and other technology-related issues;
- 696 (4) Propose legislation to (A) regulate the use of general-purpose 697 artificial intelligence models, and (B) require social media platforms to 698 provide a signal when such social media platforms are displaying 699 synthetic digital content;
- 700 (5) After reviewing the laws and regulations, and any proposed

701 legislation or regulations, of other states concerning artificial 702 intelligence, propose legislation concerning artificial intelligence;

- 703 (6) Develop an outreach plan for the purpose of bridging the digital 704 divide and providing workforce training to persons who do not have 705 high-speed Internet access;
- 706 (7) Evaluate and make recommendations concerning:
- 707 (A) The establishment of testbeds to support safeguards and systems 708 to prevent the misuse of artificial intelligence;
- 709 (B) Risk assessments for the misuse of artificial intelligence;
- 710 (C) Evaluation strategies for artificial intelligence; and
- 711 (D) The development, testing and evaluation of resources to support 712 state oversight of artificial intelligence;
- 713 (8) Review the protections afforded to trade secrets and other 714 proprietary information under existing state law and make 715 recommendations concerning such protections;
- 716 (9) Make recommendations concerning the establishment and 717 membership of a permanent artificial intelligence advisory council; and
- 718 (10) Make such other recommendations concerning artificial intelligence which the working group may deem appropriate.
- 720 (c) (1) (A) The working group shall be part of the Legislative 721 Department and consist of the following voting members: (i) One 722 appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, who shall be 723 a representative of the industries that are developing artificial 724 intelligence; (ii) one appointed by the president pro tempore of the 725 Senate, who shall be a representative of the industries that are using artificial intelligence; (iii) one appointed by the majority leader of the 726 727 House of Representatives, who shall be an academic with a 728 concentration in the study of technology and technology policy; (iv) one

appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who shall be an academic with a concentration in the study of government and public policy; (v) one appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives, who shall be a representative of an industry association representing the industries that are developing artificial intelligence; (vi) one appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, who shall be a representative of an industry association representing the industries that are using artificial intelligence; (vii) one appointed by the House chairperson of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to consumer protection; (viii) one appointed by the Senate chairperson of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to consumer protection; (ix) one appointed by the House ranking member of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to consumer protection, who shall be a representative of the artificial intelligence industry or a related industry; (x) one appointed by the Senate ranking member of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to consumer protection, who shall be a representative of the artificial intelligence industry or a related industry; (xi) one appointed by the House chairperson of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to labor, who shall be a representative of a labor organization; (xii) one appointed by the Senate chairperson of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to labor, who shall be a representative of a labor organization; (xiii) one appointed by the House ranking member of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to labor, who shall be a representative of a small business; (xiv) one appointed by the Senate ranking member of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to labor, who shall be a representative of a small business; and (xv) two appointed by the Governor, who shall be members of the Connecticut Academy of Science and Engineering.

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(B) All voting members of the working group appointed pursuant to subparagraph (A) of this subdivision shall have professional experience or academic qualifications in matters pertaining to artificial intelligence, automated systems, government policy or another related field.

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- (C) All initial appointments to the working group shall be made not later than July 31, 2025. Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority.
- 770 (D) Any action taken by the working group shall be taken by a 771 majority vote of all members present who are entitled to vote, provided 772 no such action may be taken unless at least fifty per cent of such 773 members are present.
  - (2) The working group shall include the following nonvoting, exofficio members: (A) The House chairperson of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to consumer protection; (B) the Senate chairperson of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to consumer protection; (C) the House chairperson of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to labor; (D) the Senate chairperson of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to labor; (E) the Attorney General, or the Attorney General's designee; (F) the Comptroller, or the Comptroller's designee; (G) the Treasurer, or the Treasurer's designee; (H) the Commissioner of Administrative Services, or said commissioner's designee; (I) the Chief Data Officer, or said officer's designee; (J) the executive director of the Freedom of Information Commission, or such executive director's designee; (K) the executive director of the Commission on Women, Children, Seniors, Equity and Opportunity, or such executive director's designee; (L) the Chief Court Administrator, or said administrator's designee; and (M) the executive director of the Connecticut Academy of Science and Engineering, or such executive director's designee.
- 794 (d) The chairpersons of the joint standing committee of the General

795 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to consumer protection

- and the executive director of the Connecticut Academy of Science and
- 797 Engineering shall serve as chairpersons of the working group. Such
- 798 chairpersons shall schedule the first meeting of the working group,
- 799 which shall be held not later than August 31, 2025.
- 800 (e) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the 801 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to consumer
- 802 protection shall serve as administrative staff of the working group.
- 803 (f) Not later than February 1, 2026, the working group shall submit a
- 804 report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing
- 805 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
- 806 relating to consumer protection, in accordance with the provisions of
- section 11-4a of the general statutes. The working group shall terminate
- on the date that the working group submits such report or February 1,
- 809 2026, whichever is later.
- Sec. 18. Subsections (b) and (c) of section 4-68jj of the general statutes
- are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
- 812 1, 2025):
- (b) (1) [Not later than February 1, 2024, the] The Office of Policy and
- 814 Management shall develop and establish policies and procedures
- 815 concerning the development, procurement, implementation, utilization
- and ongoing assessment of systems that employ artificial intelligence
- and are in use by state agencies. Such policies and procedures shall, at a
- 818 minimum, include policies and procedures that:
- 819 (A) Govern the procurement, implementation and ongoing
- 820 assessment of such systems by state agencies;
- 821 (B) Are sufficient to ensure that no such system (i) results in any
- 822 unlawful discrimination against any individual or group of individuals,
- or (ii) has any unlawful disparate impact on any individual or group of
- 824 individuals on the basis of any actual or perceived differentiating
- 825 characteristic, including, but not limited to, age, genetic information,

color, ethnicity, race, creed, religion, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, marital status, familial status, pregnancy, veteran status, disability or lawful source of income;

- 829 (C) Require a state agency to assess the likely impact of any such system before implementing such system; and
- (D) Provide for the Department of Administrative Services to perform ongoing assessments of such systems to ensure that no such system results in any unlawful discrimination or disparate impact described in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision.
- (2) The Office of Policy and Management may develop and establish
  policies and procedures that govern user training for systems that
  employ artificial intelligence and are in use by state agencies.
- [(2)] (3) The Office of Policy and Management may revise the policies and procedures established pursuant to [subdivision] <u>subdivisions</u> (1) and (2) of this subsection if the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management determines, in said secretary's discretion, that such revision is necessary.
  - [(3)] (4) The Office of Policy and Management shall post the policies and procedures established pursuant to [subdivision] <u>subdivisions</u> (1) <u>and (2)</u> of this subsection, and any revision made to such policies and procedures pursuant to subdivision [(2)] (3) of this subsection, on the office's Internet web site.
  - (c) [Beginning on February 1, 2024, no] No state agency shall implement any system that employs artificial intelligence (1) unless the state agency has performed an impact assessment, in accordance with the policies and procedures established pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, to ensure that such system will not result in any unlawful discrimination or disparate impact described in subparagraph (B) of subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of this section, or (2) if the head of such state agency determines, in such agency head's discretion, that such system will result in any unlawful discrimination or disparate impact

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Sec. 19. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2025*) Each employer that serves written notice on the Labor Department pursuant to 29 USC 2102(a), as amended from time to time, shall disclose to the department, in a form and manner prescribed by the Labor Commissioner, whether the layoffs that are the subject of such written notice are related to the employer's use of artificial intelligence or another technological change. As used in this section, "artificial intelligence" means artificial intelligence system, as defined in section 1 of this act.

Sec. 20. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2025) (a) Each regional educational service center shall coordinate and provide an artificial intelligence literacy initiative to each of its member boards of education for towns designated as an alliance district, as defined in section 10-262u of the general statutes. Such artificial intelligence literacy initiative shall include, but need not be limited to, direct technical assistance, coaching, regional conferences, in-service training and stipends for educators. Such artificial intelligence literacy initiative shall be integrated into the curriculum offered to students in grades kindergarten to eight, inclusive, and include an assured artificial intelligence experience that is unique to each such grade, such as pattern recognition, machine learning and ethical use. In developing its artificial intelligence literacy initiative, a regional educational service center shall expend any funds received for such initiative for curriculum adaptation, equipment and other materials and hands-on learning kits that are grade-level appropriate for students and include, but are not limited to, data sorting games and storytelling around algorithms.

(b) Any in-service training provided to educators under an artificial intelligence literacy initiative shall be offered in accordance with the provisions of section 10-220a of the general statutes and include, but need not be limited to, understanding age-appropriate artificial intelligence concepts, codesigned literacy-infused learning experiences and building local capacity and leadership.

(c) Each regional educational service center shall engage a part-time artificial intelligence project coordinator to manage, track and scale efforts to implement its artificial intelligence literacy initiative under this section. Such project coordinator shall be responsible for collecting information from member boards of education participating in the artificial intelligence literacy initiative to measure teacher learning and student impact under the initiative.

Sec. 21. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2025) The Department of Education, in collaboration with the RESC Alliance, shall convene an annual statewide conference relating to artificial intelligence literacy. Such conference shall include, but need not be limited to, an opportunity to share exemplars of artificial intelligence literacy, provide information on federal law and national frameworks relating to artificial intelligence and provide opportunities to build interdistrict learning networks for the integration and application of artificial intelligence literacy initiatives provided pursuant to section 20 of this act.

Sec. 22. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2025) (a) A person is guilty of unlawful dissemination of an intimate synthetically created image when (1) such person intentionally disseminates by electronic or other means such image of (A) the genitals, pubic area or buttocks of another person with less than a fully opaque covering of such body part, or the breast of such other person who is female with less than a fully opaque covering of any portion of such breast below the top of the nipple, or (B) another person engaged in sexual intercourse, as defined in section 53a-193 of the general statutes, (2) such person disseminates such image without the consent of such other person, (3) knowing such image is a synthetically created image, disseminates the image intending for another person who views such image to be deceived into believing the image is an actual depiction of such other person, and (4) such other person suffers harm as a result of such dissemination, or (5) such person violates subdivisions (1) to (4), inclusive, of this subsection, and such person acquired, created or had created such synthetically created image with intention to harm such other person.

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- 924 (1) "Disseminate" means to sell, give, provide, lend, trade, mail, 925 deliver, transfer, publish, distribute, circulate, present, exhibit, advertise 926 or otherwise offer;
- 927 (2) "Harm" includes, but is not limited to, subjecting such other 928 person to hatred, contempt, ridicule, physical injury, financial injury, 929 psychological harm or serious emotional distress; and
  - (3) "Synthetically created image" means any photograph, film, videotape or other image of a person that (A) is (i) not wholly recorded by a camera, or (ii) either partially or wholly generated by a computer system, and (B) depicts, and is virtually indistinguishable from what a reasonable person would believe is the actual depiction of, an identifiable person.
    - (c) The provisions of subsection (a) of this section shall not apply to:
- 937 (1) Any image described in subsection (a) of this section of such other 938 person if such image resulted from voluntary exposure or engagement 939 in sexual intercourse by such other person, in a public place, as defined 940 in section 53a-181 of the general statutes, or in a commercial setting; or
  - (2) Any image described in subsection (a) of this section of such other person, if such other person is not clearly identifiable, unless other personally identifying information is associated with or accompanies the image.
  - (d) Unlawful dissemination of an intimate synthetically created image to (1) a person by any means is a class D misdemeanor, except that if such person violated subdivision (5) of subsection (a) of this section, a class A misdemeanor, and (2) more than one person by means of an interactive computer service, as defined in 47 USC 230, an information service, as defined in 47 USC 153, or a telecommunications service, as defined in section 16-247a of the general statutes, is a class C misdemeanor, except that if such person violated subdivision (5) of

953 subsection (a) of this section, is a class D felony.

(e) Nothing in this section shall be construed to impose liability on the provider of an interactive computer service, as defined in 47 USC 230, an information service, as defined in 47 USC 153, or a telecommunications service, as defined in section 16-247a of the general statutes, for content provided by another person.

- Sec. 23. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 42-517 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective* February 1, 2026):
- 962 (a) The provisions of sections 42-515 to 42-525, inclusive, do not apply 963 to any: (1) Body, authority, board, bureau, commission, district or 964 agency of this state or of any political subdivision of this state; (2) person 965 who has entered into a contract with any body, authority, board, bureau, 966 commission, district or agency described in subdivision (1) of this 967 subsection while such person is processing consumer health data on 968 behalf of such body, authority, board, bureau, commission, district or 969 agency pursuant to such contract; (3) [nonprofit organization] candidate 970 committee, national committee, party committee or political committee, 971 as such terms are defined in section 9-601; (4) institution of higher 972 education; (5) national securities association that is registered under 15 973 USC 780-3 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended from time 974 to time; (6) [financial institution or data subject to Title V of the Gramm-975 Leach-Bliley Act, 15 USC 6801 et seq.; (7)] covered entity or business 976 associate, as defined in 45 CFR 160.103; [(8)] (7) tribal nation government 977 organization; [or (9)] (8) air carrier, as defined in 49 USC 40102, as 978 amended from time to time, and regulated under the Federal Aviation 979 Act of 1958, 49 USC 40101 et seq., and the Airline Deregulation Act of 980 1978, 49 USC 41713, as said acts may be amended from time to time; (9) 981 insurer, as defined in section 38a-1, or its affiliate, fraternal benefit 982 society, within the meaning of section 38a-595, health carrier, as defined 983 in section 38a-591a, insurance-support organization, as defined in 984 section 38a-976, or insurance agent or insurance producer, as such terms 985 are defined in section 38a-702a; (10) bank, Connecticut credit union,

986 federal credit union, out-of-state bank or out-of-state credit union, or 987 any affiliate or subsidiary thereof, as such terms are defined in section 988 36a-2, that (A) is only and directly engaged in financial activities as 989 described in 12 USC 1843(k), (B) is regulated and examined by the 990 Department of Banking or an applicable federal bank regulatory agency, and (C) has established a program to comply with all applicable 991 992 requirements established by the Banking Commissioner or the 993 applicable federal bank regulatory agency concerning personal data; or 994 (11) agent, broker-dealer, investment adviser or investment adviser 995 agent, as such terms are defined in section 36b-3, who is regulated by 996 the Department of Banking or the Securities and Exchange Commission.

(b) The following information and data [is] are exempt from the provisions of sections 42-515 to 42-526, inclusive: (1) Protected health information under HIPAA; (2) patient-identifying information for purposes of 42 USC 290dd-2; (3) identifiable private information for purposes of the federal policy for the protection of human subjects under 45 CFR 46; (4) identifiable private information that is otherwise information collected as part of human subjects research pursuant to the good clinical practice guidelines issued by the International Council for Harmonization of Technical Requirements for Pharmaceuticals for Human Use; (5) personal data for purposes of the protection of human subjects under 21 CFR Parts 6, 50 and 56, or personal data used or shared in research, as defined in 45 CFR 164.501, that is conducted in accordance with the standards set forth in this subdivision and subdivisions (3) and (4) of this subsection, or other research conducted in accordance with applicable law; (6) information and documents created for purposes of the Health Care Quality Improvement Act of 1986, 42 USC 11101 et seq.; (7) patient safety work product for purposes of section 19a-127o and the Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act, 42 USC 299b-21 et seq., as amended from time to time; (8) information derived from any of the health care-related information listed in this subsection that is de-identified in accordance with the requirements for de-identification pursuant to HIPAA; (9) information originating from and intermingled to be indistinguishable with, or

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1020 information treated in the same manner as, information exempt under 1021 this subsection that is maintained by a covered entity or business 1022 associate, program or qualified service organization, as specified in 42 1023 USC 290dd-2, as amended from time to time; (10) information used for 1024 public health activities and purposes as authorized by HIPAA, 1025 community health activities and population health activities; (11) the 1026 collection, maintenance, disclosure, sale, communication or use of any 1027 personal information bearing on a consumer's credit worthiness, credit 1028 standing, credit capacity, character, general reputation, personal 1029 characteristics or mode of living by a consumer reporting agency, 1030 furnisher or user that provides information for use in a consumer report, 1031 and by a user of a consumer report, but only to the extent that such 1032 activity is regulated by and authorized under the Fair Credit Reporting 1033 Act, 15 USC 1681 et seq., as amended from time to time; (12) personal 1034 data collected, processed, sold or disclosed in compliance with the 1035 Driver's Privacy Protection Act of 1994, 18 USC 2721 et seq., as amended 1036 from time to time; (13) personal data regulated by the Family 1037 Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 USC 1232g et seq., as amended 1038 from time to time; (14) personal data collected, processed, sold or 1039 disclosed in compliance with the Farm Credit Act, 12 USC 2001 et seq., 1040 as amended from time to time; (15) data processed or maintained (A) in 1041 the course of an individual applying to, employed by or acting as an 1042 agent or independent contractor of a controller, processor, consumer 1043 health data controller or third party, to the extent that the data [is] are 1044 collected and used within the context of that role, (B) as the emergency 1045 contact information of an individual under sections 42-515 to 42-526, 1046 inclusive, used for emergency contact purposes, or (C) that [is] are 1047 necessary to retain to administer benefits for another individual relating 1048 to the individual who is the subject of the information under subdivision 1049 (1) of this subsection and used for the purposes of administering such 1050 benefits; [and] (16) personal data collected, processed, sold or disclosed 1051 in relation to price, route or service, as such terms are used in the Federal 1052 Aviation Act of 1958, 49 USC 40101 et seq., and the Airline Deregulation Act of 1978, 49 USC 41713, as said acts may be amended from time to 1053 1054 time; (17) data subject to Title V of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, 15 USC

6801 et seq., as amended from time to time; and (18) information included in a limited data set, as described in 45 CFR 164.514(e), as amended from time to time, to the extent such information is used, disclosed and maintained in the manner specified in 45 CFR 164.514(e), as amended from time to time.

Sec. 24. Section 4 of substitute senate bill 1356 of the current session, as amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A", is repealed. (*Effective July 1*, 2025)"

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following		
sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2025	New section
Sec. 2	October 1, 2025	New section
Sec. 3	October 1, 2025	New section
Sec. 4	from passage	New section
Sec. 5	October 1, 2025	New section
Sec. 6	October 1, 2025	New section
Sec. 7	July 1, 2025	New section
Sec. 8	January 1, 2026	New section
Sec. 9	January 1, 2026	New section
Sec. 10	January 1, 2026	New section
Sec. 11	January 1, 2026	17b-751b(b)
Sec. 12	July 1, 2025	10-211
Sec. 13	July 1, 2025	32-7p
Sec. 14	July 1, 2025	32-235(b)
Sec. 15	July 1, 2025	New section
Sec. 16	July 1, 2025	New section
Sec. 17	July 1, 2025	New section
Sec. 18	July 1, 2025	4-68jj(b) and (c)
Sec. 19	October 1, 2025	New section
Sec. 20	July 1, 2025	New section
Sec. 21	July 1, 2025	New section
Sec. 22	October 1, 2025	New section
Sec. 23	February 1, 2026	42-517(a) and (b)
Sec. 24	July 1, 2025	Repealer section

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