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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 1427

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## "AN ACT EXPANDING PAID FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE INSURANCE PROGRAM BENEFITS TO CERTAIN SCHOOL EMPLOYEES."

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

"Sec. 501. Subsection (b) of section 31-49g of the general statutes is
repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October*1, 2025):

6 (b) (1) Beginning on January 1, 2021, but not later than February 1, 7 2021, each employee and each self-employed individual or sole 8 proprietor who has enrolled in the program pursuant to section 31-49m 9 shall contribute a percentage of such employee's or self-employed 10 individual's or sole proprietor's subject earnings that shall not exceed the Social Security contribution and benefit base, as determined pursuant to 42 USC 430, as amended from time to time, to the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Trust Fund. Such percentage shall be established by the authority, provided that the percentage shall not exceed [one-half] <u>four-tenths</u> of one per cent.

16 (2) On September 1, 2022, and on each September first thereafter, the 17 authority shall publish the following information: (A) The total amount 18 of contributions collected and benefits paid during the previous fiscal 19 year, as well as the total amount required for the administration of the 20 Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program in such year; (B) the total 21 amount remaining in the trust fund at the close of such fiscal year; (C) 22 in light of such totals, and of expected future expenditures and 23 contributions, a target fund balance sufficient to ensure the ongoing 24 ability of the fund to pay the compensation described in subdivision (2) 25 of subsection (c) of this section, and to limit the need for contribution 26 rate increases or benefit reductions due to changing economic 27 conditions; (D) the amount by which the total amount remaining in the 28 trust fund at the close of the previous fiscal year is less than or greater 29 than that target fund balance. On November 1, 2022, and on each 30 November first thereafter, the authority may announce a revision to the 31 previously established contribution rate, provided the revised rate shall 32 not exceed [one-half] four-tenths of one per cent and shall be sufficient 33 to ensure that the trust fund shall achieve and maintain such target fund 34 balance. Effective on January first of the calendar year following each 35 such announcement, the revised contribution rate announced by the 36 authority under this subsection shall supersede the previously 37 established contribution rate.

(3) Each employer making payment of any wages to an employee
shall deduct and withhold from such wages for each payroll period a
contribution computed in such manner as to result, so far as practicable,
in withholding from the employee's wages during each calendar year
an amount substantially equivalent to the contribution reasonably
estimated to be due from the employee under this subsection with

44 respect to the amount of such wages during the calendar year.

(4) If, after notice, an employee or employer or self-employed
individual or sole proprietor who has enrolled in the program pursuant
to section 31-49m fails to make a payment required by this section, a
state collection agency, as defined in section 12-35, shall collect such
contribution and interest by any means provided in sections 12-35, 31265 and 31-266.

- 51 (5) Each employer making payment of any wages to an employee 52 shall (A) register with the authority, and (B) submit reports required by 53 the authority in a form and manner prescribed by the authority.
- (6) Any employer that fails to comply with the provisions of this
  subsection shall be subject to penalties established by the authority
  pursuant to subsection (b) of section 31-49h, as amended by this act."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	October 1, 2025	31-49g(b)