



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5324

LCO No. 1799



Referred to Committee on EDUCATION

Introduced by:
(ED)

AN ACT CONCERNING EDUCATION MANDATE RELIEF.

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

1 Section 1. Section 17a-106h of the 2026 supplement to the general
2 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
3 (*Effective July 1, 2026*):

4 (a) The Commissioner of Children and Families, in consultation with
5 the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection, shall
6 develop an initial educational training program and refresher training
7 program for the accurate and prompt identification and reporting of
8 suspected human trafficking.

9 (b) The training program shall include a presentation, developed and
10 approved by said commissioners, that offers awareness of human
11 trafficking issues and guidance to (1) law enforcement personnel, (2)
12 judges of the Superior Court, (3) prosecutors, (4) public defenders and
13 other attorneys who represent criminal defendants, (5) hospital
14 emergency room staff, urgent care facility staff and emergency medical
15 services personnel who have contact with patients, and (6) persons

16 employed by a local or regional board of education or a constituent unit,
17 as defined in section 10a-1, who have contact with students.

18 (c) Any person described in subsection (b) of this section shall
19 complete the initial educational training program not later than July 1,
20 2018, and, except for a person described in subdivision (6) of said
21 subsection, shall complete the refresher training program every three
22 years thereafter, provided any person being employed as such a person
23 shall complete such initial educational training program not later than
24 six months after beginning such employment or July 1, 2018, whichever
25 is later.

26 Sec. 2. Subdivision (5) of subsection (a) of section 22a-226e of the 2026
27 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is
28 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2026*):

29 (5) On and after July 1, [2026] 2028, each public or nonpublic school
30 building or educational facility in which students in grades
31 kindergarten to twelve, inclusive, or any combination thereof, are
32 enrolled, that is located not more than twenty miles from either an
33 authorized source-separated organic material composting facility and
34 that generates an average projected volume of not less than twenty-six
35 tons per year of source-separated organic materials shall: (A) Separate
36 such source-separated organic materials from other solid waste; and (B)
37 ensure that such source-separated organic materials are recycled at any
38 authorized source-separated organic material composting facility that
39 has available capacity and that will accept such source-separated
40 organic material.

41 Sec. 3. Subsection (f) of section 10-262j of the 2026 supplement to the
42 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
43 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2026*):

44 (f) Any district that has (1) elected to act as a self-insurer, pursuant to
45 section 10-236, (2) experienced a loss that is overexposure of an insured
46 member or incurred as a result of one or more catastrophic events, as

47 declared by a nationally recognized catastrophe loss index provider,
48 during the prior fiscal year, and (3) increased its budgeted appropriation
49 for education during said prior fiscal year as a result of such loss, shall
50 not be required to include the amount of such increase in the calculation
51 of such district's budgeted appropriation for education for the
52 subsequent fiscal year.

53 Sec. 4. Sections 10-14ee, 10-212l, 10-212m and 10-234gg of the general
54 statutes are repealed. (*Effective July 1, 2026*)

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2026</i>	17a-106h
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2026</i>	22a-226e(a)(5)
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2026</i>	10-262j(f)
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2026</i>	Repealer section

Statement of Purpose:

To repeal and reduce education mandates.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]