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The amendment makes various additions, resulting in the impacts described by section below.

Sections 501 - 502 make certain surveillance pricing violations an unfair trade practice violation enforced by the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) resulting in no fiscal impact to the state. The OAG has the resources and expertise to meet the requirements of this amendment.

Sections 503 - 507 allow municipalities and local and regional boards of education (BOEs) to adjust their FY 27 budgets or tax levies to reflect the use supplemental education aid provided in sections 391 and 394 of sSB 1 as amended of the current session. Specifically, the amendment allows municipalities and BOEs to use the supplemental education aid to reduce the local share of spending above FY 26 levels and does not require them to use the supplemental education aid in addition to any previously adopted FY 27 education budget. The local share must be at least the greater of: (1) the amount of education funding under its adopted budget; and (2) the total of its FY 26 education budget and all supplemental education aid. Bridgeport is exempted.

The sections also remove the requirement in sSB 1 as amended that

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the supplemental education aid not supplant local funding for education and clarifies that the supplemental education aid received in FY 27 is not considered in the minimum budget requirement (MBR) for town education funding in FY 28.

Section 508 requires the Office of the Correction Ombudsman (OCO), beginning in FY 27 and annually thereafter, to submit a report regarding complaints that were not investigated. This results in no fiscal impact, as OCO has the necessary resources and expertise to complete the report within the provided timeline.

Section 509 extends, to the 2027 income year, the suspension of the income tax withholding requirement on lump sum distributions from pensions, annuities, and other specified sources. This does not result in any fiscal impact as it does not alter the tax liability due on such payments.

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