



Substitute Senate Bill No. 9

Public Act No. 22-146

AN ACT CONCERNING ADDITIONAL ADJUSTMENTS TO THE STATE BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDING JUNE 30, 2023, A COMMUNITY OMBUDSMAN PROGRAM, CERTAIN MUNICIPAL-RELATED PROVISIONS, SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECT GRANTS AND HIGH-DEDUCTIBLE HEALTH PLANS.

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

Section 1. Section 41 of special act 21-15, as amended by section 306 of public act 21-2 of the June special session, section 3 of special act 22-2 and section 10 of public act 22-118, is amended to read as follows (*Effective from passage*):

The following sums are allocated, in accordance with the provisions of special act 21-1, from the federal funds designated for the state pursuant to the provisions of section 602 of Subtitle M of Title IX of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, P.L. 117-2, as amended from time to time, for the annual periods indicated for the purposes described.

	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
BOARD OF REGENTS				
Enhance Student Retention at Community Colleges	6,500,000	6,500,000	6,500,000	

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Education Technology Training at Gateway		100,000		
CONNECTICUT STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES				
Healthcare Workforce Needs - both public and private schools		20,000,000	15,000,000	
Higher Education - CSCU	10,000,000	5,000,000		
Provide Operating Support		118,000,000		
Provide Support to Certain Facilities		5,000,000		
Temporary Support - Charter Oak		500,000		
Temporary Support - CT State Universities		14,500,000		
Temporary Support - Community Colleges		9,000,000		
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE				
Senior Food Vouchers	100,000	100,000		
Farmer's Market Nutrition	100,000	100,000		
Farm-to-School Grant	250,000	500,000		
Food Insecurity Grants to Food Pantries and Food Banks	1,000,000			
DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES				
Enhance Community Engagement Opportunities		2,000,000		
Improve Camps		2,000,000		
Respite Care for Family Caregivers	3,000,000	-		
One Time Stabilization Grant		20,000,000		

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Vista		500,000		
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT				
Beardsley Zoo	246,121	246,121		
Amistad	200,000	200,000		
Maritime Center Authority	196,295	196,295		
Mystic Aquarium	177,603	177,603		
Music Haven	100,000	100,000		
Norwalk Symphony	50,000	50,000		
Riverfront Recapture	250,000	250,000		
Connecticut Main Street Center	350,000	350,000		
Middletown Downtown Business District	100,000	100,000		
CRDA Economic Support for Venues	5,000,000	2,500,000		
Working Cities Challenge	1,000,000	1,000,000		
Charter Oak Temple Restoration Association	100,000	100,000		
West Haven Veterans Museum	25,000	25,000		
VFW Rocky Hill	15,000	15,000		
Playhouse on Park	15,000	15,000		
Family Justice Center	50,000	50,000		
East Hartford Little League	50,000			
Hartford YMCA	1,000,000			
ESF/Dream Camp of Hartford	100,000			
Beta Iota Boule Foundation -Youth Services	100,000			
Legacy Foundation [for Health and Disparities] of <u>Hartford</u>	100,000			

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Connecticut Center for Advanced Technologies	1,000,000			
Middlesex YMCA	50,000			
Shatterproof	100,000			
Summer Experience at Connecticut's Top Venues	15,000,000			
Statewide Marketing	7,107,000			
Governor's Workforce Initiatives	70,000,000			
CT Hospitality Industry Support	30,000,000			
Regulatory Modernization	1,000,000			
Historic Wooster Square Association	500,000			
Humane Commission/ Animal Shelter of New Haven	500,000			
Ball and Sockets - Cheshire	200,000			
Junta for Progressive Action	750,000			
<u>International Festival of Arts and Ideas New Haven</u>		<u>200,000</u>		
CT Summer at the Museum Program		15,000,000		
CT Next		2,000,000		
Hartford YMCA Family Programming		500,000		
Future, Inc.		1,300,000		
Sons of Thunder		100,000		
Youth Service Corp		1,100,000		
Northside Institution Neighborhood Alliance - Historic Preservation		100,000		
Amistad Center		200,000		
Charter Oak Cultural Center		200,000		

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City Seed of New Haven		200,000		
Beta Iota Boule Foundation		500,000		
Legacy Foundation of Hartford		500,000		
Bartlem Park South		250,000		
[Teams, Inc.] <u>Team, Inc.</u> - Derby		250,000		
[YMCA] <u>YWCA</u> of Hartford		250,000		
WBDC		250,000		
Concat New Haven		250,000		
Montville Parks and Rec Tennis Courts		500,000		
Vietnam Memorial Cheshire		200,000		
Norwich Historical Society		500,000		
Friends of FOSRV		44,000		
Dixwell Church Historic Preservation		2,000,000		
Opportunities Industrialization Center		150,000		
Bernard Buddy Jordan		50,000		
Bridgeport Arts Cultural Council		50,000		
McBride Foundation		100,000		
Artreach		300,000		
Ball and Sockets		400,000		
Bridgeport Youth LaCrosse Academy		25,000		
Cape Verdean Women's Association		25,000		
Cardinal Shehan Center		250,000		
Caribe		100,000		
Cheshire - Plan for Municipal Parking Lot		150,000		

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Compass Youth Collaborative		350,000		
Dixwell Community Center		200,000		
Emery Park		100,000		
Farnam Neighborhood House		100,000		
Flotilla 73, INC		5,000		
Municipal Outdoor Recreation		4,200,000		
Greater Bridgeport Community Enterprises		50,000		
Lebanon Pines		300,000		
Madison Cultural Art		60,000		
Minority Construction Council, Inc		100,000		
Nellie McKnight Museum		25,000		
Blue Hills Civic Association	500,000	500,000		
IMHOTEP CT National Medical Association Society	200,000	200,000		
Upper Albany Neighborhood Collaborative	125,000	125,000		
Noah Webster		100,000		
Norwalk International Cultural Exchange / NICE Festival		50,000		
Nutmeg Games		50,000		
Parenting Center - Stamford		250,000		
Ridgefield Playhouse		100,000		
Sisters at the Shore		50,000		
Taftville VFW Auxiliary		100,000		
The Knowlton		25,000		

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The Legacy Foundation of Hartford, Inc	125,000	125,000		
The Ridgefield Theatre Barn		250,000		
Youth Business Initiative		50,000		
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION				
Right to Read		12,860,000	12,860,000	
Faith Acts Priority School Districts	5,000,000	5,000,000		
CT Writing Project	79,750	79,750		
Ascend Mentoring - Windsor	150,000	150,000		
Women in Manufacturing - Platt Tech Regional Vocational Technical School	65,000	65,000		
Elevate Bridgeport	200,000	200,000		
Grant to RHAM Manufacturing Program	22,000	-		
East Hartford Youth Services	200,000			
Student Achievement Through Opportunity	100,000			
Summer Camp Scholarships for Families	3,500,000			
New Haven Local Little League	500,000			
Hamden Before and After School Programming	400,000			
Hamden Pre-K Programming	100,000			
Expand Support for Learner Engagement and Attendance Program (LEAP)		7,000,000		
Increase College Opportunities Through Dual Enrollment		3,500,000		

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Provide Funding for the American School for the Deaf		1,115,000		
Provide Funding to Support FAFSA Completion		500,000		
Big Brothers / Big Sisters		2,000,000		
Social Worker Grant SB 1		5,000,000		
School Mental Health Workers		15,000,000		
School Mental Health Services Grant		8,000,000		
RESC Trauma Coordinators		1,200,000		
ParaEducational Professional Development HB 5321		1,800,000		
Leadership Education Athletic Partnership		400,000		
Sphere Summer Program		500,000		
Dream Camp Foundation		1,000,000		
Student Achievement Through Opportunities		300,000		
Keane Foundation		300,000		
Greater Hartford YMCA		300,000		
Free Meals for Students		30,000,000		
Summer Enrichment Funds to cover fifty per cent required match		8,000,000		
YWCA of New Britain		200,000		
FRLP/Direct Certification Census Assistance		200,000		
Drug and Alcohol [Counciling] Counseling - Woodstock Academy		200,000		

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Hartford Knights		100,000		
BSL Educational Foundation		100,000		
Magnets - Tuition Coverage for 1 year		11,000,000		
Bridgeport Education Fund		100,000		
Haddam-Killingworth Recreation Department		15,000		
Hall Neighborhood House		75,000		
New Haven Board of Education Adult Education Facility		500,000		
New Haven Reads		50,000		
Solar Youth		100,000		
<u>Bullard-Havens Technical High School for Operating</u>		<u>50,000</u>		
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION				
Air Quality Study	20,000	-		
Swimming Lessons to DEEP	500,000	500,000	500,000	
Health and Safety Barriers to Housing Remediation	7,000,000	-		
Efficient Energy Retrofit for Housing	7,000,000	-		
Quinnipiac Avenue Canoe Launch	250,000			
Outdoor Recreation with \$1,000,000 for East Rock Park and \$1,000,000 for West Rock Park for maintenance, repair and renovations		22,500,000		
Engineering Study for Dam Removal on Papermill Pond		500,000		

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Land Trust Boardwalk Installation		200,000		
Clinton Town Beach		55,000		
Crystal Lake & Bob Tedford Park Renovations		50,000		
Ludlow Park		75,000		
Lighthouse Park		500,000		
Park Commission Edgewood Park		800,000		
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING				
Downtown Evening Soup Kitchen	200,000			
Hands on Hartford	100,000			
Angel of Edgewood		175,000		
Homeless Youth Transitional Housing		1,000,000		
Homeless Services		5,000,000		
Southside Institutions Neighborhood Alliance		500,000		
Support for Affordable Housing		50,000,000		
Rental Assistance Program		1,000,000		
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH				
DPH Loan Repayment	500,000	5,100,000	3,000,000	3,000,000
Obesity & COVID-19 Study	500,000	500,000		
Cornell Scott - Hill Health	250,000			
Community Violence Prevention Programs		1,000,000		
Promote Healthy and Lead-Safe Homes		20,000,000	10,000,000	

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Provide Funding to Address and Respond to an Increase in Homicides		1,500,000		
School Based Health Centers		10,000,000		
Storage and Maintenance Costs of COVID 19 Preparedness Supplies		325,000		
CCMC Pediatrician Training		150,000		
Gaylord Hospital Electronic Records		2,600,000		
HB 5272 - Menstrual Products		2,000,000		
Pilot Program for Promoting Social Workers and Pediatrician Offices		2,500,000		
ICHC School Based Health Centers		604,000		
Durational Loan Manager		100,000		
Community Health Worker Association of Connecticut		100,000		
Child Psychiatrist Workforce Development		2,000,000		
CT VIP Street Outreach		300,000		
E-cigarette and Marijuana Prevention Pilot Program conducted by Yale to be in Stamford, Milford, East Haven		300,000		
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION				
Groton Water Taxi	100,000	100,000		

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Free Bus Service for July and August 2022		5,000,000		
Outfit M8 Rail Cars with 5G		23,000,000		
Extend Free Bus Service		8,100,000		
Replace Infrastructure Match		150,000,000		
Free Bus Public Transportation Services	8,100,000			
LABOR DEPARTMENT				
Domestic Worker Grants	200,000	200,000		
Veterans Employment Opportunity PILOT	350,000	350,000		
Opportunities for Long Term Unemployed Returning Citizens	750,000	750,000		
TBICO Danbury Women's Employment Program	25,000	25,000		
Boys and Girls Club Workforce Development - Milford	50,000	50,000		
Women's Mentoring Network- Strategic Life Skills Workshop	5,000	5,000		
Senior Jobs Bank - West Hartford	10,000	10,000		
Greater Bridgeport OIC Job Development and Training Program	250,000	100,000		
Unemployment Trust Fund	155,000,000	-		
Unemployment Support	15,000,000			
Reduce State UI Tax on Employers		40,000,000		
CDL Training at Community Colleges		1,000,000		
Bridgeport Workplace		750,000		
YouthBuild		750,000		
Cradle to Career - Bridgeport		150,000		

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LABOR DEPARTMENT - BANKING FUND				
Customized Services for Mortgage Crisis Jobs Training Program	550,000	550,000		
OFFICE OF EARLY CHILDHOOD				
Care4Kids Parent Fees	5,300,000	-		
Parents Fees for 3-4 Year Old's at State Funded Childcare Centers	3,500,000	-		
Universal Home Visiting	8,000,000	2,300,000		
Expand Access - Apprenticeship		5,000,000		
Care4Kids		10,000,000		
Early Childhood - Facility Renovation and Construction		15,000,000		
Capitol Child Day Care Center		75,000		
Childcare Apprenticeship Program		1,500,000		
School Readiness		30,000,000		
Seed Childrens Services Fund		20,000,000		
<u>[Learn to Grow] Start Early - Early Childhood Development Initiatives</u>		20,000,000		
OFFICE OF HIGHER EDUCATION				
Roberta Willis Need- Based Scholarships	20,000,000	40,000,000		
Summer College Corps	1,500,000	-		
Higher Education Mental Health Services		3,000,000		

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OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT				
Private Providers	30,000,000	30,000,000		
PPE & Supplies	10,000,000	10,000,000		
State Employee Essential Workers and National Guard Premium Pay	20,000,000	15,000,000		
Audits of ARPA Recipients		1,250,000		
COVID Response Measures		157,500,000		
Provide Private Provider Support-One Time Payments		20,000,000		
Evidence Based Evaluation of Initiatives		928,779		
Support ARPA Grant Administration		800,000		
Statewide GIS Capacity for Broadband Mapping/Data and Other Critical Services		9,532,000		
Invest Connecticut		[166,915,214] <u>163,515,214</u>		
Bethany Town Hall Auditorium		350,000		
Bethany Town Hall Windows		350,000		
Durham Town Website		25,000		
Hall Memorial Library Reading and Meditation Garden		66,626		
Orange Fire Department Clock purchase		10,000		
Resources to develop a combined Grammar School Support between Hampton and Scotland		25,000		

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Senior Center Outdoor Fitness Area - <u>Ellington</u>		57,418		
South Windsor Riverfront Linear Park Study and Planning		100,000		
Valley Regional High School Tennis Courts		300,000		
Lebanon Historical Society		\$300,000		
Bloomfield Social and Youth Services		\$100,000		
<u>Bridgeport - Revenue Replacement</u>		<u>2,200,000</u>		
DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES				
IT Modernization		\$3,000,000		
UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT				
Higher Education - UConn	20,000,000	5,000,000		
Temporary Support		33,200,000		
Social Media Impact Study		500,000		
<u>Puerto Rican Studies Initiative UConn Hartford</u>		<u>500,000</u>		
UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT HEALTH CENTER				
Revenue Impact	35,000,000			
University of Connecticut Health Center	38,000,000	-		
Temporary Support		72,700,000		
STATE LIBRARY				
Mary Cheney Library		500,000		

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DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES				
Fostering Community	10,000	10,000		
Casa Boricua-Meriden	50,000	50,000		
Children's Mental Health Initiatives	10,500,000			
Child First	5,100,000	5,100,000		
Expand Mobile Crisis Intervention Services		8,600,000	8,600,000	
Support Additional Urgent Crisis Centers and Sub-Acute Crisis Stabilization Units		21,000,000		
Support for Improved Outcomes for Youth (YSBs and JRBs)		2,000,000		
Social Determinant Mental Health Fund		1,000,000	1,000,000	
Family Assistance Grants		1,000,000		
Expand Access Mental Health		990,000		
Resource Guide		50,000		
Peer to Peer Training for Students		150,000		
Respite for non-DCF Children		85,000		
Children in Placement, Inc.		25,000		
Valley Save Our Youth		70,000		
Girls for Technology		100,000		
R-Kids		100,000		
JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT				
Mothers Against Violence	25,000	25,000		
Legal Representation for Tenant Eviction	10,000,000	10,000,000		

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New Haven Police Activities League	100,000			
Provide Funding to Build Out the Juvenile Intake Custody and Probable Cause Applications		377,742	363,752	
Provide Funding to Continue Temporary Staffing for the Foreclosure Mediation Program		3,410,901	3,444,293	
Provide Funding to Enhance Contracts for Direct Service Partnership for Households and Families		200,000	200,000	
Provide Funding to Enhance Technology for Citations and Hearings in the Criminal Infractions Bureau		606,915		
Provide Funding to Enhance the Department's Case Management and Scheduler Application		1,382,900		
Provide Funding to Establish Video Conferencing for Municipal Stations for Bail and Support Services		60,000		
Provide Funding to Expand Housing Opportunities for Individuals on Bail		2,915,614	2,915,614	
Provide Funding to Hire Assistant Clerks and Family Relations Counselors to Reduce Family and Support Matter Case Backlogs		3,294,851	3,294,851	
Provide Funding to Support Application		923,467	226,337	

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Development for Monitor Note-Taking and Recording				
Provide Increased Funding for Victim Service Providers		14,865,300		
Provide Remote Equipment to Reduce Child Support Backlog		121,600		
Inspire Basketball		2,000,000		
Children's Law Center		190,000		
Brother Carl Hardrick Institute - Violence Prevention		400,000		
Community Resources for Justice (Family Reentry)		300,000		
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION				
TRUE Unit - Cheshire CI	500,000	500,000		
WORTH Program York CI	250,000	250,000		
Vocational Village Dept Corrections	20,000,000	-		
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES				
Fair Haven Clinic	10,000,000	-		
Workforce Development, Education and Training	1,000,000			
Nursing Home Facility Support	10,000,000			
MyCT Resident One Stop	2,500,000			
New Reach Life Haven Shelter	500,000			
Mary Wade	750,000			
Community Action Agencies	5,000,000			
Expand Medical/Psychiatric Inpatient Unit at		15,000,000		

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Connecticut Children's Medical Center				
Provide Additional Supports for Victims of Domestic Violence		2,900,000		
Provide Support for Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Services		5,000,000		
Strengthen Family Planning		2,000,000		
Community Action Agencies - Community Health Workers	3,000,000	4,000,000		
Charter Oak Urgent Care		330,000		
ROCA		500,000		
Waterbury Seed Funds for Wheeler Clinic		650,000		
Provide Support for Residential Care Homes (RCH)		3,700,000		
Brain Injury Alliance of CT		300,000		
Hartford Communities that Care		500,000		
Hebrew Senior Care		150,000		
Connecticut Health Foundation		500,000		
Health Equity Solutions		500,000		
CT Oral Health Initiative		300,000		
Day Kimball Hospital		5,000,000		
Mothers United Against Violence		300,000		
Fair Haven		10,000,000		
Adult Day		3,000,000		
HRA		150,000		
Hands on Hartford		100,000		

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Human Resources Agency of New Britain		300,000		
Teeg		200,000		
LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT				
CTN	1,000,000	-		
Review of Title 7		27,000		
DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES				
DMHAS Private Providers	25,000,000	25,000,000		
Enhance Mobile Crisis Services- Case Management		3,200,000		
Enhance Respite Bed Services for Forensic Population		4,292,834		
Expand Availability of Privately-Provided Mobile Crisis Services		6,000,000		
Fund Supportive Services to Accompany New Housing Vouchers		1,125,000	1,125,000	562,500
Provide Mental Health Peer Supports in Hospital Emergency Departments		2,400,000		
Implement Electronic Health Records		16,000,000		
Public Awareness Grants		1,000,000		
Peer-to-Peer		500,000		
United Services Pilot on Crisis Intervention		200,000		
Clifford Beers		200,000		
The Pathfinders Association		100,000		
<u>Fellowship Place New Haven</u>		<u>150,000</u>		

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DEPARTMENT OF AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES				
Blind and Deaf Community Supports	2,000,000			
Senior Centers		10,000,000		
Meals on Wheels		3,000,000		
Respite Care for Alzheimers		1,000,000		
Area Agencies on Aging		4,000,000		
Avon Senior Center		100,000		
Dixwell Senior Center		100,000		
Eisenhower Senior Center		100,000		
Orange Senior Center		100,000		
Sullivan Senior Center		100,000		
DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION				
Provide Funding for a Mobile Crime Laboratory		995,000		
Provide Funding for the Gun Tracing Task Force		2,500,000		
Provide Funding to State and Local Police Departments to Address Auto Theft and Violence		2,600,000	2,600,000	
Upgrade Forensic Technology at the State Crime Lab		1,500,000	1,343,000	
Rural Roads Speed Enforcement		2,600,000		
Expand Violet Crimes Task Force		1,108,000		
Online Abuse Grant SB 5		500,000		
Fire Data Collection		300,000		

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P.O.S.T. High School Recruitment Program for Police		200,000		
Poquetanuck Volunteer Fire Department		150,000		
Preston City Volunteer Fire Department		150,000		
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE SERVICES				
Provide Payments to Filers Eligible for the Earned Income Tax Credit		42,250,000		
DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE				
Provide Funding to Reduce Court Case Backlogs Through Temporary Prosecutors		2,199,879	2,126,550	
OFFICE OF HEALTH STRATEGY				
Improve Data Collection and Integration with HIE		500,000	650,000	
Study Behavioral Health Coverage by Private Insurers		200,000		
Payment Parity Study		655,000		
Telehealth Study		300,000		
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER				
Testing and Other COVID-Related Expenditures		860,667		
PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICES COMMISSION				
Provide Funding to Reduce Court Backlogs		2,023,821	1,956,360	

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Through Temporary Public Defenders				
POLICE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING COUNCIL				
Time Limited Police Loan Forgiveness		1,000,000		
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES				
Support School Air Quality		75,000,000		
<u>OFFICE OF WORKFORCE STRATEGY</u>				
<u>HVAC Training Agency</u>		<u>300,000</u>		
Revenue		314,900,000		

Sec. 2. Section 14 of public act 22-118 is amended to read as follows
(*Effective from passage*):

Up to \$25,000,000 of the amount appropriated to the Department of Social Services, for Medicaid, in section 1 of special act 21-15 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, shall not lapse on June 30, 2022, and shall be transferred to the Labor Department, for Personal Services, and made available during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, to support the personal services and fringe benefit and indirect overhead costs for staff at the Labor Department for the unemployment insurance program's increased caseload due to the COVID-19 pandemic and shall not be eligible for fringe benefit recovery from the State Comptroller's General Fund fringe benefit accounts.

Sec. 3. Section 64 of public act 22-118 is amended to read as follows

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(Effective from passage):

Not later than the [fifteenth] twenty-fifth day of each month during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management 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 concerning the status of (1) any amount carried forward and transferred from the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, or June 30, 2022, pursuant to special act 21-15, public act 21-2 of the June special session or [this act] public act 22-118; and (2) any amount allocated pursuant to section 41 of special act 21-15, as amended by public act 21-2 of the June special session and sections 9 and 10 of [this act] public act 22-118.

Sec. 4. Section 21a-420f of the 2022 supplement to the general statutes, as amended by section 129 of public act 22-118, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof *(Effective from passage)*:

(a) (1) There is established an account to be known as the "cannabis regulatory and investment 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 allocated by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, in consultation with the Social Equity Council, as defined in section 21a-420, to state agencies for the purpose of paying costs incurred to implement the activities authorized under RERACA, as defined in section 21a-420.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 21a-420e, for the fiscal [year] years ending June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2023, the following shall be deposited in the cannabis regulatory and investment account: (A) All fees received by the state pursuant to section 21a-421b and subdivisions (1) to (11), inclusive, of subsection (c) of section 21a-420e; (B) the tax received by the state under section 12-330ll; and (C) the tax received by

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the state under chapter 219 from a cannabis retailer, hybrid retailer or micro-cultivator, as those terms are defined in section 12-330ll.

(3) At the end of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, all moneys remaining in the cannabis regulatory and investment account shall be transferred to the General Fund.

(b) (1) There is established an account to be known as the "social equity and innovation 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 allocated by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, in consultation with the Social Equity Council, to state agencies for the purpose of (A) paying costs incurred by the Social Equity Council, (B) administering programs under RERACA to provide (i) access to capital for businesses, (ii) technical assistance for the start-up and operation of a business, (iii) funding for workforce education, and (iv) funding for community investments, and (C) paying costs incurred to implement the activities authorized under RERACA.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 21a-420e and 21a-420o, for the fiscal [year] years ending June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2023, the following shall be deposited in the social equity and innovation account: All fees received by the state pursuant to sections 21a-420l, 21a-420o and 21a-420u and subdivisions (12) and (13) of subsection (c) of section 21a-420e.

(3) At the end of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, five million dollars shall be transferred from the social equity and innovation account to the General Fund, or, if the account contains less than five million dollars, all remaining moneys in the account. All moneys in the account not transferred to the General Fund pursuant to this subdivision shall be transferred to the Social Equity and Innovation Fund established under subsection (c) of this section.

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(c) (1) On and after July 1, 2022, there is established a fund to be known as the "Social Equity and Innovation Fund" which shall be a separate, nonlapsing fund. The fund shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the fund and shall be held by the Treasurer separate and apart from all other moneys, funds and accounts. Moneys in the fund shall be appropriated for the purposes of providing the following: Access to capital for businesses; technical assistance for the start-up and operation of a business; funding for workforce education; funding for community investments; and paying costs incurred to implement the activities authorized under RERACA. All such appropriations shall be dedicated to expenditures that further the principles of equity, as defined in section 21a-420.

(2) (A) For the purposes of subdivision (1) of this subsection, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, and for each fiscal year thereafter, the Social Equity Council shall transmit, for even-numbered years, estimates of expenditure requirements and for odd-numbered years, recommended adjustments and revisions, if any, of such estimates, to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, in the manner prescribed for a budgeted agency under subsection (a) of section 4-77. The council shall recommend for each fiscal year commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, appropriate funding for all credits payable to angel investors that invest in cannabis businesses pursuant to section 12-704d.

(B) The Office of Policy and Management may not make adjustments to any such estimates or adjustments and revisions of such estimates transmitted by the council. Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes or any special act, the Governor shall not reduce the allotment requisitions or allotments in force pursuant to section 4-85 or make reductions in allotments in order to achieve budget savings in the General Fund, concerning any appropriations made by the General Assembly for the purposes of subdivision (1) of this subsection.

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(d) On and after July 1, 2022, there is established a fund to be known as the "Prevention and Recovery Services Fund" which shall be a separate, nonlapsing fund. The fund shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the fund and shall be held by the Treasurer separate and apart from all other moneys, funds and accounts. Moneys in the fund shall be appropriated for the purposes of (1) substance abuse prevention, treatment and recovery services, and (2) collection and analysis of data regarding substance use. The Social Equity Council may make recommendations to any relevant state agency regarding expenditures to be made for the purposes set forth in this subsection.

Sec. 5. Subsection (i) of section 12-330ll of the 2022 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(i) The tax received by the state under this section shall be deposited as follows:

(1) For the fiscal [year] years ending June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2023, in the cannabis regulatory and investment account established under section 21a-420f; [and for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, in the General Fund;]

(2) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2024, June 30, 2025, and June 30, 2026, sixty per cent of such tax received in the Social Equity and Innovation Fund established under section 21a-420f, twenty-five per cent of such tax received in the Prevention and Recovery Services Fund established under section 21a-420f and fifteen per cent in the General Fund;

(3) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2027, and June 30, 2028, sixty-five per cent of such tax received in the Social Equity and Innovation Fund established under section 21a-420f, twenty-five per cent of such tax received in the Prevention and Recovery Services Fund and ten per

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cent in the General Fund; and

(4) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2029, and each fiscal year thereafter, seventy-five per cent of such tax received in the Social Equity and Innovation Fund established under section 21a-420f and twenty-five per cent of such tax received in the Prevention and Recovery Services Fund established under section 21a-420f.

Sec. 6. Section 135 of public act 22-118 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) [The Commissioner of Public Health shall proportionately adjust the rates for the conveyance and treatment of patients by licensed ambulance services and invalid coaches and the rates for certified ambulance services and paramedic intercept services established pursuant to subparagraph (A) of subdivision (9) of section 19a-177 of the general statutes in accordance with any increases made by the Commissioner of Social Services to the Medicaid emergency and nonemergency ambulance service rates established pursuant to section 17b-273 of the general statutes, not later than thirty days after the Commissioner of Social Services makes such increases.] For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, the Commissioner of Public Health shall increase the rates for the conveyance and treatment of patients by licensed ambulance services and invalid coaches and the rates for certified ambulance services and paramedic intercept services established pursuant to subparagraph (A) of subdivision (9) of section 19a-177 of the general statutes in proportion to the appropriations made available to the Department of Public Health for the administration of the provisions of said section.

(b) Not later than January 1, 2023, the commissioner 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 public safety and appropriations and

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the budgets of state agencies regarding the amount of such rates for the preceding ten fiscal years.

Sec. 7. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2022*) (a) As used in this section, (1) "authorized representative" means a person designated by a home care client, in writing, to act on such client's behalf, including, but not limited to, a health care representative appointed pursuant to section 19a-575a or 19a-577 of the general statutes; (2) "home care" means long-term services and supports provided to adults in a home or community-based program administered by the Department of Social Services; (3) "home care provider" means a person or organization, including, but not limited to, (A) a home health agency or hospice agency, as defined in section 19a-490 of the general statutes, or (B) a homemaker-companion agency, as defined in section 20-670 of the general statutes; and (4) "long-term services and supports" means (A) health, health-related, personal care and social services provided to persons with physical, cognitive or mental health conditions or disabilities to facilitate optimal functioning and quality of life, or (B) hospice care provided to persons who may be nearing the end of their lives.

(b) There is established a Community Ombudsman program within the independent Office of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman, established pursuant to section 17a-405 of the general statutes. Not later than October 1, 2022, the State Ombudsman appointed pursuant to said section shall, within available appropriations, appoint a Community Ombudsman who shall have access to data pertaining to long-term services and supports provided by a home care provider to a client, provided (1) such client or such client's authorized representative provides written consent to such access, or (2) if such client is incapable of providing such consent due to a physical, cognitive or mental health condition or disability and has no authorized representative, the Community Ombudsman determines the data is necessary to investigate a complaint concerning such client's care.

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(c) The Community Ombudsman program may:

- (1) Identify, investigate, refer and resolve complaints about home care services;
- (2) Raise public awareness about home care and the program;
- (3) Promote access to home care services;
- (4) Advocate for long-term care options;
- (5) Coach individuals in self advocacy; and
- (6) Provide referrals to home care clients for legal, housing and social services.

(d) The Office of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman shall oversee the Community Ombudsman program and provide administrative and organizational support by:

- (1) Developing and implementing a public awareness strategy about the Community Ombudsman program;
- (2) Applying for, or working in collaboration with other state agencies to apply for, available federal funding for Community Ombudsman services;
- (3) Collaborating with persons administering other state programs and services to design and implement an agenda to promote the rights of elderly persons and persons with disabilities;
- (4) Providing information to public and private agencies, elected and appointed officials, the media and other persons regarding the problems and concerns of older adults and people with disabilities receiving home care;
- (5) Advocating for improvements in the home and community-based

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long-term services and supports system; and

(6) Recommending changes in federal, state and local laws, regulations, policies and actions pertaining to the health, safety, welfare and rights of people receiving home care.

(e) Not later than December 1, 2023, and annually thereafter, the State Ombudsman 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 aging, human services and public health on (1) implementation of the public awareness strategy relating to the Community Ombudsman program, (2) the number of persons served in the program, (3) the number of complaints regarding home care filed with the program, (4) the disposition of such complaints, and (5) any gaps in services and resources needed to address such gaps.

(f) The State Ombudsman and the Community Ombudsman shall ensure that any health data obtained pursuant to subsection (b) of this section relating to a home care client is protected in accordance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, P.L. 104-191, as amended from time to time.

Sec. 8. Section 12-62s of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2022*):

(a) For purposes of this section:

(1) "Owner-occupied home" means a building containing three or fewer dwelling units, one of which units is occupied as a primary residence by the owner of the building or, with respect to a common interest community, as defined in section 47-202, "owner-occupied home" means a dwelling unit occupied as a primary residence by the owner of the unit, within a common interest community containing three or fewer dwelling units; and

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(2) "Eligible renter" means a person leasing and occupying a dwelling unit as a primary residence who graduated from a four-year college, provided such person graduated not earlier than two years prior to the date a lease is signed.

(b) A municipality that has adopted the property tax system under section 12-62r shall institute a program to promote homeownership in certain areas of such municipality. Such program shall be applicable to two or more designated census [blocks] tracts that have owner-occupied home rates of fifteen per cent or less [,] and shall [abate property taxes for the owners of owner-occupied homes within such designated census blocks and] provide an exemption from personal income taxes for the owners of owner-occupied homes and for eligible renters within such designated census [blocks] tracts. For purposes of this subsection, ["census block"] "census tract" means [the smallest geographic unit used by the United States Census Bureau] a census tract as determined in accordance with the most recent United States census.

(c) A municipality required to proceed under this section shall determine which of the census [blocks] tracts within such municipality have a number of owner-occupied homes equaling fifteen per cent or less of the dwelling units in such census [block,] tract and shall designate two or more of such census [blocks] tracts as a homeownership incentive [block] tract. [The municipality shall abate one hundred per cent of the property taxes on any owner-occupied home within a homeownership incentive block.]

(d) The Department of Revenue Services shall exempt each owner of an owner-occupied home and each eligible renter within a homeownership incentive [block] tract from the taxes due under chapter 229, other than the liability imposed by section 12-707, provided such owner and eligible renter shall continue to be eligible for the credit under section 12-704e. Such tax exemption shall be available to each eligible renter who occupies a dwelling unit within a homeownership

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incentive [block] tract as a primary residence. The municipality shall provide the department with any information needed by the department to allow such exemption.

(e) The tax [abatements and exemptions] exemption offered to owners of owner-occupied homes and eligible renters within a homeownership incentive [block] tract pursuant to this section shall continue until the number of owner-occupied homes within such [block] homeownership incentive tract meets or exceeds forty-nine per cent of the dwelling units in such [block] tract. Upon reaching such percentage, the municipality shall notify such owners and eligible renters and the Department of Revenue Services, and the [abatement and exemptions] exemption allowed pursuant to this section shall phase out over a five-year period. [(1) The municipality shall charge the owner of each owner-occupied home within such block twenty per cent of the property tax otherwise owing during the first assessment year commencing after the forty-nine-per-cent goal is reached, and an additional twenty per cent each year thereafter, until the owner is liable for all property tax owed on such owner-occupied home. (2)] Owners of an owner-occupied home and eligible renters within such [block] homeownership incentive tract shall be liable for twenty per cent of the income tax otherwise due, as described in subsection (d) of this section, in the first taxable year commencing after the forty-nine-per-cent goal is reached, and shall be liable for an additional twenty per cent each year thereafter, until such owner and eligible renter is liable for all income taxes owed. The municipality shall provide the department with any information needed by the department to process such phase-out.

Sec. 9. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of the general statutes or of any special act, municipal charter or home rule ordinance, any municipality may, by vote of its legislative body:

(1) Waive any interest accrued during the period of June 30, 2019, to June 30, 2022, inclusive, on delinquent property taxes owed by any

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social or recreational club exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(7) 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

(2) Waive any future interest that may accrue during the period of July 1, 2022, to July 1, 2027, on delinquent property taxes owed by any such club.

Sec. 10. Section 32-610a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2022, and applicable to assessment years commencing on or after October 1, 2022*):

For purposes of determining the assessment of apartment property as defined in section 12-62r, that is newly created or converted by the Capital Region Development Authority within the [capital city economic development district, as defined in section 32-600] city of Hartford, the tax assessor shall assess any such property receiving a certificate of occupancy after July 1, 2013, as residential property, as defined in [said] section 12-62r.

Sec. 11. Subdivision (37) of subsection (b) of section 29 of special act 21-15, as amended by section 308 of public act 21-2 of the June special session and section 12 of public act 22-118, is amended to read as follows (*Effective from passage*):

(37) Up to \$3,000,000 to the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, for Other Expenses, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, to provide the following grants: (A) \$1,500,000 for the Eastern Pequot Tribe for design and construction of a well, septic system and access road, (B) \$1,000,000 to the [Schaughticok Tribal Nation] Schaghticoke Tribe for design and construction of (i) fencing and a stone retaining wall on cemetery grounds, (ii) bathroom and storage facilities, and (iii) a well and septic system, and (C) \$500,000 for the Golden Hill

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Paugussett Tribe for design and construction of a community building;

Sec. 12. Section 59 of public act 22-118 is amended to read as follows
(*Effective from passage*):

Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 3-55i and 3-55j of the general statutes, and in addition to any payments made to towns from the Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall distribute the amount of three thousand dollars from the Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund to each of the three tribes identified as [Schaughticok Tribal Nation] The Schaghticoke, the Paucatuck Eastern Pequot and the Golden Hill Paugussett during said fiscal year. Said tribes shall utilize such amounts for the purpose of management of their properties and shall not use such amounts in connection with any legal claim made by said tribe against the state or federal government.

Sec. 13. Subsection (a) of section 10-285a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective June 1, 2022*):

(a) (1) The percentage of school building project grant money a local board of education may be eligible to receive, under the provisions of section 10-286, shall be assigned by the Commissioner of Administrative Services in accordance with the percentage calculated by the Commissioner of Education as follows: [(1)] (A) For grants approved pursuant to [subsection (b) of] section 10-283 for which application is made on and after July 1, 1991, and before July 1, 2011, [(A)] (i) each town shall be ranked in descending order from one to one hundred sixty-nine according to such town's adjusted equalized net grand list per capita, as defined in section 10-261; and [(B)] (ii) based upon such ranking, a percentage of not less than twenty nor more than eighty shall be determined for each town on a continuous scale; [(2)] (B) for grants

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approved pursuant to [subsection (b) of] section 10-283 for which application is made on and after July 1, 2011, and before July 1, 2017, [(A)] (i) each town shall be ranked in descending order from one to one hundred sixty-nine according to such town's adjusted equalized net grand list per capita, as defined in section 10-261, and [(B)] (ii) based upon such ranking, [(i)] (I) a percentage of not less than ten nor more than seventy shall be determined for new construction or replacement of a school building for each town on a continuous scale, and [(ii)] (II) a percentage of not less than twenty nor more than eighty shall be determined for renovations, extensions, code violations, roof replacements and major alterations of an existing school building and the new construction or replacement of a school building when a town or regional school district can demonstrate that a new construction or replacement is less expensive than a renovation, extension or major alteration of an existing school building for each town on a continuous scale; [and (3)] (C) for grants approved pursuant to [subsection (b) of] section 10-283 for which application is made on and after July 1, 2017, [(A)] and before June 1, 2022, (i) each town shall be ranked in descending order from one to one hundred sixty-nine according to the adjusted equalized net grand list per capita, as defined in section 10-261, of the town two, three and four years prior to the fiscal year in which application is made, [and (B)] (ii) based upon such ranking, [(i)] (I) a percentage of not less than ten nor more than seventy shall be determined for new construction or replacement of a school building for each town on a continuous scale, and [(ii)] (II) a percentage of not less than twenty nor more than eighty shall be determined for renovations, extensions, code violations, roof replacements and major alterations of an existing school building and the new construction or replacement of a school building when a town or regional school district can demonstrate that a new construction or replacement is less expensive than a renovation, extension or major alteration of an existing school building for each town on a continuous scale; and (D) except as otherwise provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, for grants

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approved pursuant to section 10-283 for which application is made on and after June 1, 2022, (i) each town shall be ranked in descending order from one to one hundred sixty-nine according to the adjusted equalized net grand list per capita, as defined in section 10-261, of the town two, three and four years prior to the fiscal year in which application is made, and (ii) based upon such ranking, (I) a percentage of not less than ten nor more than seventy shall be determined for new construction or replacement of a school building for each town on a continuous scale, and (II) a percentage of not less than twenty nor more than eighty shall be determined for renovations, extensions, code violations, roof replacements and major alterations of an existing school building and the new construction or replacement of a school building when a town or regional school district can demonstrate that a new construction or replacement is less expensive than a renovation, extension or major alteration of an existing school building for each town on a continuous scale.

(2) For grants approved pursuant to section 10-283 for which application is made prior to July 1, 2047, the percentage of school building project grant money a local board of education for (A) any town with a total population of eighty thousand or greater may be eligible to receive shall be the greater of the percentage calculated pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection or sixty per cent, and (B) the town of Cheshire shall be the greater of the percentage calculated pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection or fifty per cent.

Sec. 14. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2022*) (a) The State Fire Administrator shall, within available appropriations, pay five hundred dollars to each volunteer fire company for each call to which it responds on (1) a limited access highway, designated pursuant to section 13b-27 of the general statutes, (2) the section of the highway known as the Berlin Turnpike, which begins at the end of the existing Wilbur Cross Parkway in the town of Meriden and extends northerly along Route 15 to the beginning

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of a section of limited access highway in the town of Wethersfield known as South Meadows Expressway, or (3) the section of Route 8 in the town of Beacon Falls which is within the boundaries of the Naugatuck State Forest.

(b) No municipality that provides funds to a volunteer fire company may reduce such funding based on the payments that such company receives, or is anticipated to receive, under subsection (a) of this section.

Sec. 15. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) As used in this section, (1) "Home and Community-Based Services Provider Payments" means payments disbursed by state agencies to providers of health and human services that were received by such agencies through Section 9817 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, and (2) "attempt to recover or otherwise offset" means (A) reductions by state agencies in contracted amounts for such providers for the same or similar services from one contract period to the next contract period, or (B) demands for reimbursement of funds in the amount of any Home and Community-Based Services Provider Payments.

(b) No state agency contracting with a provider of health and human services may attempt to recover or otherwise offset Home and Community-Based Services Provider Payments obtained or retained by such provider. Nothing in this subsection shall require state agencies to take action that would jeopardize federal claims or Medicaid reimbursements.

Sec. 16. (*Effective July 1, 2022*) The amount appropriated in section 1 of special act 21-15, as amended by section 1 of public act 22-118, to the Department of Social Services, for Adjust Funding Related to the Substance Use Disorder Waiver, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, shall be made available in said fiscal year to the Department of Social Services, for Substance Use Disorder Waiver Reserve Account.

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Sec. 17. Section 307 of public act 21-2 of the June special session, as amended by section 11 of public act 22-118, is amended to read as follows (*Effective from passage*):

The following sums are allocated, in accordance with the provisions of special act 21-1, from the federal funds designated for the state pursuant to the provisions of section 604 of Subtitle M of Title IX of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, P.L. 117-2, as amended from time to time, for the annual periods indicated for the purposes described.

	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	<u>FY 2025</u>
OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT				
Multi-purpose community facility projects		25,000,000		
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION				
Low-Income/Multi-family Curb-to-home and Business Broadband infrastructure buildout and underserved area broadband infrastructure grants	20,000,000	22,966,125		
		[16,158,373]		
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES				
Connecticut Education Network Wi-Fi connectivity and broadband for public spaces	10,000,000	719,936		
Expand CEN Broadband to Remaining Municipalities and Libraries		8,025,474	6,600,000	6,600,000

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Upgrade the Connecticut Education Network (CEN)		20,060,884	19,025,000	2,024,000
CEN Charter School Fiber Internet Connectivity Program		441,195	300,000	170,000

Sec. 18. (*Effective July 1, 2022*) The sum of \$150,000 of the amount appropriated in section 1 of special act 21-15, as amended by section 1 of public act 22-118, to the Department of Economic and Community Development, for Other Expenses, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, shall be made available in said fiscal year to provide funding to the Greater Hartford Community Foundation for the Travelers Championship.

Sec. 19. Subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 12-117a of the general statutes, as amended by section 473 of public act 22-118, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

(2) For any application made on or after July 1, 2022, under subparagraph (B) of subdivision (1) of this subsection, if the assessed value of the real property that is the subject of such application is one million dollars or more and the application concerns the valuation of such real property, the applicant shall file with the court, not later than [ninety] one hundred twenty days after making such application, an appraisal of the real property that is the subject of the application. Such appraisal shall be completed by an individual or a company licensed to perform real estate appraisals in the state. The court may extend the [ninety-day] one-hundred-twenty-day period for good cause. If such appraisal is not timely filed, the court may dismiss the application.

Sec. 20. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2022*) (a) As used in this section:

(1) "MDMA" means the synthetic psychoactive drug, 3,4-methylenedioxymethamphetamine, commonly known as ecstasy or

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molly, that acts as a serotonin receptor agonist and reuptake inhibitor of serotonin and dopamine.

(2) "Psilocybin" means a serotonin receptor agonist that occurs naturally in some mushroom species.

(3) "Qualified patient" means a resident of the state who is (A) a veteran, (B) a retired first responder, or (C) a direct care health care worker.

(b) Not later than January 1, 2023, the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services shall establish, within available appropriations, a psychedelic-assisted therapy pilot program, to be administered by a medical school in the state. Such pilot program shall provide qualified patients with MDMA-assisted or psilocybin-assisted therapy as part of a research program approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration pursuant to 21 CFR 312, as amended from time to time. The department shall cease to operate the pilot program when MDMA and psilocybin have been approved to have a medical use by the Drug Enforcement Administration, or any successor agency.

Sec. 21. Subsection (a) of section 10-29a of the 2022 supplement to the general statutes is amended by adding subdivision (104) as follows (*Effective October 1, 2022*):

(NEW) (104) The Governor shall proclaim the first full week of April each year to be Health Equity Week to reaffirm the state's commitment to eliminating health inequities to ensure all residents have the opportunity to achieve optimal health. Suitable exercises shall be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the observance of the week.

Sec. 22. Section 38a-477ff of the 2022 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage and applicable to policies delivered, issued for delivery,*

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renewed, amended or continued on or after January 1, 2022):

(a) Each insurer, health care center, hospital service corporation, medical service corporation, fraternal benefit society or other entity that delivers, issues for delivery, renews, amends or continues an individual or group health insurance policy in this state on or after January 1, 2022, providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 shall, when calculating an insured's liability for a coinsurance, copayment, deductible or other out-of-pocket expense for a covered benefit, give credit for any discount provided or payment made by a third party for the amount of, or any portion of the amount of, the coinsurance, copayment, deductible or other out-of-pocket expense for the covered benefit.

(b) The provisions of subsection (a) of this section shall apply to a high deductible health plan, as that term is used in subsection (f) of section 38a-493 or subsection (f) of section 38a-520, as applicable, 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 said subsection (a) 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. 23. Section 38a-477gg of the 2022 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage and applicable to contracts entered into on or after January 1, 2022*):

(a) On and after January 1, 2022, each contract entered into between

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a health carrier, as defined in section 38a-591a, and a pharmacy benefits manager, as defined in section 38a-479aaa, for the administration of the pharmacy benefit portion of a health benefit plan in this state on behalf of plan sponsors shall require that the pharmacy benefits manager, when calculating an insured's or enrollee's liability for a coinsurance, copayment, deductible or other out-of-pocket expense for a covered prescription drug benefit, give credit for any discount provided or payment made by a third party for the amount of, or any portion of the amount of, the coinsurance, copayment, deductible or other out-of-pocket expense for the covered prescription drug benefit.

(b) The provisions of subsection (a) of this section shall apply to a high deductible health plan, as that term is used in subsection (f) of section 38a-493 or subsection (f) of section 38a-520, as applicable, 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 said subsection (a) 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. 24. Section 38a-478w of the 2022 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage and applicable to contracts delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued on or after January 1, 2022*):

(a) For any contract delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state on or after January 1, 2022, each managed care organization shall, when calculating an enrollee's liability for a coinsurance, copayment, deductible or other out-of-pocket expense for

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a covered benefit, give credit for any discount provided or payment made by a third party for the amount of, or any portion of the amount of, the coinsurance, copayment, deductible or other out-of-pocket expense for the covered benefit.

(b) The provisions of subsection (a) of this section shall apply to a high deductible health plan, as that term is used in subsection (f) of section 38a-493 or subsection (f) of section 38a-520, as applicable, 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 said subsection (a) 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. 25. Subsection (c) of section 4-28e of the general statutes, as amended by section 198 of public act 22-118, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

(c) Commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, annual disbursements from the Tobacco Settlement Fund shall be made as follows: (1) To [the General Fund in the amount identified as "Transfer from Tobacco Settlement Fund" in the General Fund revenue schedule adopted by the General Assembly; and (2) to] the Tobacco and Health Trust Fund in an amount equal to twelve million dollars; and (2) the remainder to the General Fund.

Sec. 26. (*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

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purposes of this act, including, but not limited to, correcting inaccurate internal references.

Sec. 27. Section 75 of public act 22-118 is repealed. (*Effective from passage*)

Sec. 28. Sections 202 to 206, inclusive, of public act 22-118 are repealed. (*Effective from passage*)

Sec. 29. Section 245 of public act 22-118 is repealed. (*Effective from passage*)

Sec. 30. Section 250 of public act 22-118 is repealed. (*Effective from passage*)

Sec. 31. Section 413 of public act 22-118 is repealed. (*Effective from passage*)

Sec. 32. Section 511 of public act 22-118 is repealed. (*Effective from passage*)

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