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AN ACT CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A MONEY-FOLLOWS-THE-CHILD APPROACH TO FUNDING PUBLIC EDUCATION.

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

1 Section 1. Section 10-262f of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

3 Whenever used in this section and sections 10-65, 10-66ee, 10-262h to
4 10-262j, inclusive, 10-264l and 10-266, as amended by this act:

5 (1) "Adjusted equalized net grand list" means the equalized net grand
6 list of a town multiplied by its income adjustment factor.

7 (2) "Base aid ratio" means (A) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2008,
8 to June 30, 2013, inclusive, one minus the ratio of a town's wealth to the
9 state guaranteed wealth level, provided no town's aid ratio shall be less
10 than nine one-hundredths, except for towns which rank from one to
11 twenty when all towns are ranked in descending order from one to one
12 hundred sixty-nine based on the ratio of the number of children below
13 poverty to the number of children age five to seventeen, inclusive, the

14 town's aid ratio shall not be less than thirteen one-hundredths when
15 based on data used to determine the grants pursuant to section 10-262h
16 of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 2013, for
17 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, (B) for the fiscal years ending June
18 30, 2014, to June 30, 2017, inclusive, one minus the town's wealth
19 adjustment factor, except that a town's aid ratio shall not be less than (i)
20 ten one-hundredths for a town designated as an alliance district, as
21 defined in section 10-262u, and (ii) two one-hundredths for a town that
22 is not designated as an alliance district, and (C) for the fiscal year ending
23 June 30, 2018, and each fiscal year thereafter, the sum of (i) one minus
24 the town's wealth adjustment factor, and (ii) the town's base aid ratio
25 adjustment factor, if any, except that a town's base aid ratio shall not be
26 less than (I) ten per cent for a town designated as an alliance district, as
27 defined in section 10-262u, and (II) one per cent for a town that is not
28 designated as an alliance district.

29 (3) "Income adjustment factor" means the average of a town's per
30 capita income divided by the per capita income of the town with the
31 highest per capita income in the state and a town's median household
32 income divided by the median household income of the town with the
33 highest median household income in the state.

34 (4) "Median household income" for each town means that
35 enumerated in the most recent federal decennial census of population
36 or that enumerated in the current population report series issued by the
37 United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census,
38 whichever is more recent and available on January first of the fiscal year
39 two years prior to the fiscal year in which payment is to be made
40 pursuant to section 10-262i.

41 (5) "Supplemental aid factor" means for each town the average of its
42 percentage of children eligible under the temporary family assistance
43 program and its grant mastery percentage.

44 (6) "Percentage of children eligible under the temporary family
45 assistance program" means the town's number of children under the

46 temporary family assistance program divided by the number of children
47 age five to seventeen, inclusive, in the town.

48 (7) "Average mastery percentage" means for each school year the
49 average of the three most recent mastery percentages available on
50 December first of the school year.

51 (8) "Equalized net grand list", for purposes of calculating the amount
52 of grant to which any town is entitled in accordance with section 10-
53 262h, means the average of the net grand lists of the town upon which
54 taxes were levied for the general expenses of the town two, three and
55 four years prior to the fiscal year in which such grant is to be paid,
56 provided such net grand lists are equalized in accordance with section
57 10-261a.

58 (9) "Foundation" means (A) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1990,
59 three thousand nine hundred eighteen dollars, (B) for the fiscal year
60 ending June 30, 1991, four thousand one hundred ninety-two dollars,
61 (C) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1992, four thousand four hundred
62 eighty-six dollars, (D) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1993, June 30,
63 1994, and June 30, 1995, four thousand eight hundred dollars, (E) for the
64 fiscal years ending June 30, 1996, June 30, 1997, and June 30, 1998, five
65 thousand seven hundred eleven dollars, (F) for the fiscal year ending
66 June 30, 1999, five thousand seven hundred seventy-five dollars, (G) for
67 the fiscal years ending June 30, 2000, to June 30, 2007, inclusive, five
68 thousand eight hundred ninety-one dollars, (H) for the fiscal years
69 ending June 30, 2008, to June 30, 2013, inclusive, nine thousand six
70 hundred eighty-seven dollars, and (I) for the fiscal year ending June 30,
71 2014, and each fiscal year thereafter, eleven thousand five hundred
72 twenty-five dollars.

73 (10) "Number of children age five to seventeen, inclusive" means that
74 enumerated in the most recent federal decennial census of population
75 or enumerated in the current population report series issued by the
76 United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census,
77 whichever is more recent and available on January first of the fiscal year

78 two years prior to the fiscal year in which payment is to be made
79 pursuant to section 10-262i.

80 (11) "Supplemental aid ratio" means .04 times the supplemental aid
81 factor of a town divided by the highest supplemental aid factor when
82 all towns are ranked from low to high, provided any town whose
83 percentage of children eligible under the temporary family assistance
84 program exceeds twenty-five shall have a supplemental aid ratio of .04.

85 (12) "Grant mastery percentage" means (A) for the school year ending
86 June 30, 1989, average mastery percentage, and (B) for the school years
87 ending June 30, 1990, through the school year ending June 30, 1995, the
88 average mastery percentage plus the mastery improvement bonus, and
89 (C) for each school year thereafter, the average mastery percentage.

90 (13) "Mastery count" of a town means for each school year the grant
91 mastery percentage of the town multiplied by the number of resident
92 students.

93 (14) "Mastery improvement bonus" means for each school year
94 through the school year ending June 30, 1995, seventy-five per cent of
95 the difference between (A) the grant mastery percentage for the
96 previous school year, and (B) the average mastery percentage for the
97 school year, but not less than zero.

98 (15) "Mastery percentage" of a town for any school year means, using
99 the mastery test data of record for the mastery examination
100 administered in such year, pursuant to section 10-14n, the number
101 obtained by dividing (A) the total number of valid tests with scores
102 below the state-wide standard for remedial assistance, as determined by
103 the Department of Education, in each subject of the examinations
104 pursuant to subsection (b) of section 10-14n taken by resident students,
105 by (B) the total number of such valid tests taken by such students.

106 (16) "Mastery test data of record" means for the school year
107 commencing July 1, 2013, and each school year thereafter, the data of
108 record subsequent to the administration of the mastery examinations

109 pursuant to subsection (b) of section 10-14n, as adjusted by the
110 Department of Education pursuant to a request by a local or regional
111 board of education filed with the department not later than the August
112 thirtieth following the administration of such examination.

113 (17) "Number of children under the temporary family assistance
114 program" means the number obtained by adding together the
115 unduplicated aggregate number of children five to eighteen years of age
116 eligible to receive benefits under the temporary family assistance
117 program or its predecessor federal program, as appropriate, in October
118 and May of each fiscal year, and dividing by two, such number to be
119 certified and submitted annually, no later than the first day of July of
120 the succeeding fiscal year, to the Commissioner of Education by the
121 Commissioner of Social Services.

122 (18) "Per capita income" for each town means that enumerated in the
123 most recent federal decennial census of population or that enumerated
124 in the current population report series issued by the United States
125 Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, whichever is more
126 recent and available on January first of the fiscal year two years prior to
127 the fiscal year in which payment is to be made pursuant to section 10-
128 262i.

129 (19) "Regional bonus" means, for any town which is a member of a
130 regional school district and has students who attend such regional
131 school district, an amount equal to one hundred dollars for each such
132 student enrolled in the regional school district on October first or the
133 full school day immediately preceding such date for the school year
134 prior to the fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid multiplied by the
135 ratio of the number of grades, kindergarten to grade twelve, inclusive,
136 in the regional school district to thirteen.

137 (20) "Regular program expenditures" means (A) total current
138 educational expenditures less (B) expenditures for (i) special education
139 programs pursuant to subsection (h) of section 10-76f, (ii) pupil
140 transportation eligible for reimbursement pursuant to section 10-266m,

141 (iii) land and capital building expenditures, and equipment otherwise
142 supported by a state grant pursuant to chapter 173, including debt
143 service, (iv) health services for nonpublic school children, (v) adult
144 education, (C) expenditures directly attributable to (i) state grants
145 received by or on behalf of school districts except grants for the
146 categories of expenditures listed in subparagraphs (B)(i) to (B)(iv),
147 inclusive, of this subdivision and except grants received pursuant to
148 section 10-262i and section 10-262c of the general statutes, revision of
149 1958, revised to January 1, 1987, and except grants received pursuant to
150 chapter 173, (ii) federal grants received by or on behalf of school districts
151 except for adult education and federal impact aid, and (iii) receipts from
152 the operation of child nutrition services and student activities services,
153 (D) expenditures of funds from private and other sources, and (E)
154 tuition received on account of nonresident students. The town of
155 Woodstock may include as part of the current expenses of its public
156 schools for each school year the amount expended for current expenses
157 in that year by Woodstock Academy from income from its endowment
158 funds upon receipt from said academy of a certified statement of such
159 current expenses. The town of Winchester may include as part of the
160 current expenses of its public school for each school year the amount
161 expended for current expenses in that year by the Gilbert School from
162 income from its endowment funds upon receipt from said school of a
163 certified statement of such current expenses.

164 (21) "Regular program expenditures per need student" means, in any
165 year, the regular program expenditures of a town for such year divided
166 by the number of total need students in the town for such school year,
167 provided for towns which are members of a kindergarten to grade
168 twelve, inclusive, regional school district and for such regional school
169 district, "regular program expenditures per need student" means, in any
170 year, the regular program expenditures of such regional school district
171 divided by the sum of the number of total need students in all such
172 member towns.

173 (22) "Resident students" means the number of pupils of the town
174 enrolled in public schools at the expense of the town on October first or

175 the full school day immediately preceding such date, provided the
176 number shall be decreased by the Department of Education for failure
177 to comply with the provisions of section 10-16 and shall be increased by
178 one one-hundred-eightieth for each full-time equivalent school day in
179 the school year immediately preceding such date of at least five hours
180 of actual school work in excess of one hundred eighty days and nine
181 hundred hours of actual school work and be increased by the full-time
182 equivalent number of such pupils attending the summer sessions
183 immediately preceding such date at the expense of the town; "enrolled"
184 shall include pupils who are scheduled for vacation on the above date
185 and who are expected to return to school as scheduled. [Pupils
186 participating in the program established pursuant to section 10-266aa
187 shall be counted in accordance with the provisions of subsection (h) of
188 section 10-266aa.] "Resident students" does not include any pupil
189 participating in (A) the programs established pursuant to sections 10-64
190 and 10-266aa, as amended by this act, or (B) any interdistrict magnet
191 school program subject to the reduced-isolation setting standards
192 developed pursuant to section 10-264r.

193 (23) "Schools" means nursery schools, kindergarten and grades one
194 to twelve, inclusive.

195 (24) "State guaranteed wealth level" means (A) for the fiscal year
196 ending June 30, 1990, 1.8335 times the town wealth of the town with the
197 median wealth as calculated using the data of record on December first
198 of the fiscal year prior to the year in which the grant is to be paid
199 pursuant to section 10-262i, (B) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1991,
200 and 1992, 1.6651 times the town wealth of the town with such median
201 wealth, (C) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1993, June 30, 1994, and
202 June 30, 1995, 1.5361 times the town wealth of the town with the median
203 wealth, (D) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1996, to June 30, 2007,
204 inclusive, 1.55 times the town wealth of the town with the median
205 wealth, and (E) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, and each fiscal
206 year thereafter, 1.75 times the town wealth of the town with the median
207 wealth.

208 (25) "Total need students" means the sum of (A) the number of
209 resident students of the town for the school year, (B) (i) for any school
210 year commencing prior to July 1, 1998, one-quarter the number of
211 children under the temporary family assistance program for the prior
212 fiscal year, and (ii) for the school years commencing July 1, 1998, to July
213 1, 2006, inclusive, one-quarter the number of children under the
214 temporary family assistance program for the fiscal year ending June 30,
215 1997, (C) for school years commencing July 1, 1995, to July 1, 2006,
216 inclusive, one-quarter of the mastery count for the school year, (D) for
217 school years commencing July 1, 1995, to July 1, 2006, inclusive, ten per
218 cent of the number of eligible children, as defined in subdivision (1) of
219 section 10-17e, for whom the board of education is not required to
220 provide a program pursuant to section 10-17f, (E) for the school years
221 commencing July 1, 2007, to July 1, 2012, inclusive, fifteen per cent of the
222 number of eligible students, as defined in subdivision (1) of section 10-
223 17e, for whom the board of education is not required to provide a
224 program pursuant to section 10-17f, (F) for the school years commencing
225 July 1, 2007, to July 1, 2012, inclusive, thirty-three per cent of the number
226 of children below the level of poverty, (G) for the school years
227 commencing July 1, 2013, to July 1, 2016, inclusive, thirty per cent of the
228 number of children eligible for free or reduced price meals or free milk,
229 and (H) for the school year commencing July 1, 2017, and each school
230 year thereafter, (i) thirty per cent of the number of children eligible for
231 free or reduced price meals or free milk, (ii) five per cent of the number
232 of children eligible for free or reduced price meals or free milk in excess
233 of the number of children eligible for free or reduced price meals or free
234 milk that is equal to seventy-five per cent of the total number of resident
235 students of the town for the school year, and (iii) fifteen per cent of the
236 number of resident students who are English language learners, as
237 defined in section 10-76kk.

238 (26) "Town wealth" means the average of a town's adjusted equalized
239 net grand list divided by its total need students for the fiscal year prior
240 to the year in which the grant is to be paid and its adjusted equalized
241 net grand list divided by its population.

242 (27) "Population" of a town means that enumerated in the most recent
243 federal decennial census of population or that enumerated in the current
244 population report series issued by the United States Department of
245 Commerce, Bureau of the Census available on January first of the fiscal
246 year two years prior to the fiscal year in which a grant is to be paid,
247 whichever is most recent; except that any town whose enumerated
248 population residing in state and federal institutions within such town
249 and attributed to such town by the census exceeds forty per cent of such
250 "population" shall have its population adjusted as follows: Persons who
251 are incarcerated or in custodial situations, including, but not limited to
252 jails, prisons, hospitals or training schools or persons who reside in
253 dormitory facilities in schools, colleges, universities or on military bases
254 shall not be counted in the "population" of a town.

255 (28) "Base revenue" for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1995, means the
256 sum of the grant entitlements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1995, of
257 a town pursuant to section 10-262h of the general statutes, revision of
258 1958, revised to January 1, 2013, and subsection (a) of section 10-76g,
259 including its proportional share, based on enrollment, of the revenue
260 paid pursuant to section 10-76g, to the regional district of which the
261 town is a member, and for each fiscal year thereafter means the amount
262 of each town's entitlement pursuant to section 10-262h of the general
263 statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 2013, minus its density
264 supplement, as determined pursuant to subdivision (6) of subsection (a)
265 of section 10-262h of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to
266 January 1, 2013, except that for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, each
267 town's entitlement shall be determined without using the adjustments
268 made to the previous year's grant pursuant to subparagraph (M) of
269 subdivision (6) of subsection (a) of section 10-262h of the general
270 statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 2013, except that for the
271 fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, each town's entitlement shall be
272 determined without using the adjustments made to the previous year's
273 grant pursuant to subparagraph (N) of subdivision (6) of subsection (a)
274 of section 10-262h of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to
275 January 1, 2013.

276 (29) "Density" means the population of a town divided by the square
277 miles of a town.

278 (30) "Density aid ratio" means the product of (A) the density of a town
279 divided by the density of the town in the state with the highest density,
280 and (B) .006273.

281 (31) "Mastery goal improvement count" means the product of (A) the
282 difference between the percentage of state-wide mastery examination
283 scores, pursuant to subdivisions (1) and (2) of subsection (a) of section
284 10-14n, at or above the mastery goal level for the most recently
285 completed school year and the percentage of such scores for the prior
286 school year, and (B) the resident students of the town, or zero,
287 whichever is greater.

288 (32) "Target aid" means the sum of (A) the product of a town's base
289 aid ratio, the foundation level and the town's total need students for the
290 fiscal year prior to the year in which the grant is to be paid, (B) the
291 product of a town's supplemental aid ratio, the foundation level and the
292 sum of the portion of its total need students count described in
293 subparagraphs (B) and (C) of subdivision (25) of this section for the fiscal
294 year prior to the fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid, and the
295 adjustments to its resident student count described in subdivision (22)
296 of this section relative to length of school year and summer school
297 sessions, and (C) the town's regional bonus.

298 (33) "Fully funded grant" means the sum of (A) the product of a
299 town's base aid ratio, the foundation and the town's total need students
300 for the fiscal year prior to the year in which the grant is to be paid, and
301 (B) the town's regional bonus.

302 (34) "Number of children below the level of poverty" means the
303 number of children, ages five to seventeen, inclusive, in families in
304 poverty, as determined under Part A of Title I of the No Child Left
305 Behind Act, P.L. 107-110. The count for member towns of regional school
306 districts shall be the sum of towns' initial determination under Title I
307 and the proportionate share of the regional districts determination

308 based member enrollment in the regional district.

309 (35) "Current program expenditures" means (A) total current
310 educational expenditures less (B) expenditures for (i) land and capital
311 building expenditures, and equipment otherwise supported by a state
312 grant pursuant to chapter 173, including debt service, (ii) health services
313 for nonpublic school children, and (iii) adult education, (C)
314 expenditures directly attributable to (i) state grants received by or on
315 behalf of school districts except grants for the categories of expenditures
316 listed in subparagraphs (B)(i) to (B)(iii), inclusive, of this subdivision
317 and except grants received pursuant to section 10-262i and section 10-
318 262c of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 1987,
319 and except grants received pursuant to chapter 173, (ii) federal grants
320 received by or on behalf of school districts except for adult education
321 and federal impact aid, and (iii) receipts from the operation of child
322 nutrition services and student activities services, (D) expenditures of
323 funds from private and other sources, and (E) tuition received on
324 account of nonresident students. The town of Woodstock may include
325 as part of the current expenses of its public schools for each school year
326 the amount expended for current expenses in that year by Woodstock
327 Academy from income from its endowment funds upon receipt from
328 said academy of a certified statement of such current expenses. The
329 town of Winchester may include as part of the current expenses of its
330 public school for each school year the amount expended for current
331 expenses in that year by the Gilbert School from income from its
332 endowment funds upon receipt from said school of a certified statement
333 of such current expenses.

334 (36) "Current program expenditures per resident student" means, in
335 any year, the current program expenditures of a town for such year
336 divided by the number of resident students in the town for such school
337 year.

338 (37) "Base aid" means the amount of the grant pursuant to section 10-
339 262h of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 2013,
340 that a town was eligible to receive for the fiscal year ending June 30,

341 2013.

342 (38) "Local funding percentage" means that for the fiscal year two
343 years prior to the fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid pursuant to
344 section 10-262i, the number obtained by dividing (A) total current
345 educational expenditures less (i) expenditures for (I) land and capital
346 building expenditures, and equipment otherwise supported by a state
347 grant pursuant to chapter 173, including debt service, (II) health services
348 for nonpublic school children, and (III) adult education, (ii)
349 expenditures directly attributable to (I) state grants received by or on
350 behalf of school districts, except those grants for the categories of
351 expenditures described in subparagraphs (A)(i)(I) to (A)(i)(III),
352 inclusive, of this subdivision, and except grants received pursuant to
353 chapter 173, (II) federal grants received by or on behalf of local or
354 regional boards of education, except those grants for adult education
355 and federal impact aid, and (III) receipts from the operation of child
356 nutrition services and student activities services, (iii) expenditures of
357 funds from private and other sources, and (iv) tuition received by the
358 district for the education of nonresident students, by (B) total current
359 educational expenditures less expenditures for (i) land and capital
360 building expenditures, and equipment otherwise supported by a state
361 grant pursuant to chapter 173, including debt service, (ii) health services
362 for nonpublic school children, and (iii) adult education.

363 (39) "Minimum local funding percentage" means (A) for the fiscal
364 year ending June 30, 2013, twenty per cent, (B) for the fiscal year ending
365 June 30, 2014, twenty-one per cent, (C) for the fiscal year ending June 30,
366 2015, twenty-two per cent, (D) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016,
367 twenty-three per cent, and (E) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017,
368 twenty-four per cent.

369 (40) "Number of children eligible for free or reduced price meals or
370 free milk" means the number of pupils of the town enrolled in public
371 schools at the expense of the town on October first or the full school day
372 immediately preceding such date, in families that meet the income
373 eligibility guidelines established by the federal Department of

374 Agriculture for free or reduced price meals or free milk under the
375 National School Lunch Program, established pursuant to P.L. 79-396.

376 (41) "Equalized net grand list per capita" means the equalized net
377 grand list of a town divided by the population of such town.

378 (42) "Equalized net grand list adjustment factor" means (A) for the
379 fiscal years prior to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the ratio of the
380 town's equalized net grand list per capita to one and one-half times the
381 town equalized net grand list per capita of the town with the median
382 equalized net grand list per capita, and (B) for the fiscal year ending June
383 30, 2018, and each fiscal year thereafter, the ratio of the town's equalized
384 net grand list per capita to one and thirty-five-one-hundredths times the
385 town equalized net grand list per capita of the town with the median
386 equalized net grand list per capita.

387 (43) "Median household income adjustment factor" means (A) for the
388 fiscal years prior to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the ratio of the
389 median household income of the town to one and one-half times the
390 median household income of the town with the median household
391 income when all towns are ranked according to median household
392 income, and (B) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, and each fiscal
393 year thereafter, the ratio of the median household income of the town to
394 one and thirty-five-one-hundredths times the median household
395 income of the town with the median household income when all towns
396 are ranked according to median household income.

397 (44) "Wealth adjustment factor" means (A) for the fiscal years prior to
398 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the sum of a town's equalized net
399 grand list adjustment factor multiplied by ninety one-hundredths per
400 cent and a town's median household income adjustment factor
401 multiplied by ten one-hundredths per cent, and (B) for the fiscal year
402 ending June 30, 2018, and each fiscal year thereafter, the sum of a town's
403 equalized net grand list adjustment factor multiplied by seventy per
404 cent and a town's median household income adjustment factor
405 multiplied by thirty per cent.

406 (45) "Net current expenditures per resident student" means, in any
407 school year, the net current expenditures, as defined in section 10-261,
408 for such school year divided by the number of resident students in the
409 town for such school year.

410 (46) "Base aid ratio adjustment factor" means (A) six percentage
411 points for those towns ranked one, two, three, four or five in total
412 eligibility index points, (B) five percentage points for those towns
413 ranked six, seven, eight, nine or ten in total eligibility index points, (C)
414 four percentage points for those towns ranked eleven, twelve, thirteen,
415 fourteen or fifteen in total eligibility index points, and (D) three
416 percentage points for those towns ranked sixteen, seventeen, eighteen
417 or nineteen in total eligibility index points.

418 (47) "Eligibility index" has the same meaning as provided in section
419 7-545.

420 (48) "Base grant amount" means the equalization aid grant a town
421 was entitled to receive for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, as
422 enumerated in section 20 of public act 16-2 of the May special session,
423 minus any reductions to said equalization aid grant during the fiscal
424 year ending June 30, 2017, resulting from lapses to the funds
425 appropriated for said equalization aid grant attributable to the
426 recommendation made by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and
427 Management, pursuant to section 12 of public act 15-244.

428 (49) "Grant adjustment" means the absolute value of the difference
429 between a town's base grant amount and its fully funded grant.

430 (50) "Fully funded grant per pupil" means the number obtained by
431 dividing a town's fully funded grant by its resident student count.

432 (51) "Fully funded local share" means the sum of (A) the product of
433 (i) one minus a town's base aid ratio, (ii) the foundation, and (iii) the
434 town's total need students for the fiscal year prior to the year in which
435 the grant is to be paid, and (B) the town's regional bonus.

436 (52) "Fully funded local share per pupil" means the number obtained
437 by dividing a town's fully funded local share by its resident student
438 count.

439 Sec. 2. Section 10-264l of the general statutes is repealed and the
440 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

441 (a) The Department of Education shall, within available
442 appropriations, establish a grant program (1) to assist (A) local and
443 regional boards of education, (B) regional educational service centers,
444 (C) the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on
445 behalf of Quinebaug Valley Community College and Three Rivers
446 Community College, and (D) cooperative arrangements pursuant to
447 section 10-158a, and (2) in assisting the state in meeting its obligations
448 pursuant to the decision in *Sheff v. O'Neill*, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any
449 related stipulation or order in effect, as determined by the
450 commissioner, to assist (A) the Board of Trustees of the Community-
451 Technical Colleges on behalf of a regional community-technical college,
452 (B) the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System on
453 behalf of a state university, (C) the Board of Trustees of The University
454 of Connecticut on behalf of the university, (D) the board of governors
455 for an independent institution of higher education, as defined in
456 subsection (a) of section 10a-173, or the equivalent of such a board, on
457 behalf of the independent institution of higher education, and (E) any
458 other third-party not-for-profit corporation approved by the
459 commissioner with the operation of interdistrict magnet school
460 programs. All interdistrict magnet schools shall be operated in
461 conformance with the same laws and regulations applicable to public
462 schools. For the purposes of this section "an interdistrict magnet school
463 program" means a program which (i) supports racial, ethnic and
464 economic diversity, (ii) offers a special and high quality curriculum, and
465 (iii) requires students who are enrolled to attend at least half-time. An
466 interdistrict magnet school program does not include a regional
467 agricultural science and technology school, a technical education and
468 career school or a regional special education center. For the school years
469 commencing July 1, 2017, to July 1, 2020, inclusive, the governing

470 authority for each interdistrict magnet school program shall (I) restrict
471 the number of students that may enroll in the school from a participating
472 district to seventy-five per cent of the total school enrollment, and (II)
473 maintain a total school enrollment that is in accordance with the
474 reduced-isolation setting standards for interdistrict magnet school
475 programs, developed by the Commissioner of Education pursuant to
476 section 10-264r.

477 (b) (1) Applications for interdistrict magnet school program
478 operating grants awarded pursuant to this section shall be submitted
479 annually to the Commissioner of Education at such time and in such
480 manner as the commissioner prescribes, except that on and after July 1,
481 2009, applications for such operating grants for new interdistrict magnet
482 schools, other than those that the commissioner determines will assist
483 the state in meeting its obligations pursuant to the decision in *Sheff v.*
484 *O'Neill*, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect,
485 as determined by the commissioner, shall not be accepted until the
486 commissioner develops a comprehensive state-wide interdistrict
487 magnet school plan. The commissioner shall submit such
488 comprehensive state-wide interdistrict magnet school plan on or before
489 October 1, 2016, to the joint standing committees of the General
490 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education and
491 appropriations.

492 (2) In determining whether an application shall be approved and
493 funds awarded pursuant to this section, the commissioner shall
494 consider, but such consideration shall not be limited to: (A) Whether the
495 program offered by the school is likely to increase student achievement;
496 (B) whether the program is likely to reduce racial, ethnic and economic
497 isolation; (C) the percentage of the student enrollment in the program
498 from each participating district; and (D) the proposed operating budget
499 and the sources of funding for the interdistrict magnet school. For a
500 magnet school not operated by a local or regional board of education,
501 the commissioner shall only approve a proposed operating budget that,
502 on a per pupil basis, does not exceed the maximum allowable threshold
503 established in accordance with this subdivision. The maximum

504 allowable threshold shall be an amount equal to one hundred twenty
505 per cent of the state average of the quotient obtained by dividing net
506 current expenditures, as defined in section 10-261, by average daily
507 membership, as defined in said section, for the fiscal year two years
508 prior to the fiscal year for which the operating grant is requested. The
509 Department of Education shall establish the maximum allowable
510 threshold no later than December fifteenth of the fiscal year prior to the
511 fiscal year for which the operating grant is requested. If requested by an
512 applicant that is not a local or regional board of education, the
513 commissioner may approve a proposed operating budget that exceeds
514 the maximum allowable threshold if the commissioner determines that
515 there are extraordinary programmatic needs. For the fiscal years ending
516 June 30, 2017, June 30, 2018, June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, in the case
517 of an interdistrict magnet school that will assist the state in meeting its
518 obligations pursuant to the decision in *Sheff v. O'Neill*, 238 Conn. 1
519 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, as determined by the
520 commissioner, the commissioner shall also consider whether the school
521 is meeting the reduced-isolation setting standards for interdistrict
522 magnet school programs, developed by the commissioner pursuant to
523 section 10-264r. If such school has not met such reduced-isolation setting
524 standards, it shall not be entitled to receive a grant pursuant to this
525 section unless the commissioner finds that it is appropriate to award a
526 grant for an additional year or years and approves a plan to bring such
527 school into compliance with such reduced-isolation setting standards. If
528 requested by the commissioner, the applicant shall meet with the
529 commissioner or the commissioner's designee to discuss the budget and
530 sources of funding.

531 (3) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, to June 30, 2021,
532 inclusive, the commissioner shall not award a grant to an interdistrict
533 magnet school program that (A) has more than seventy-five per cent of
534 the total school enrollment from one school district, or (B) does not
535 maintain a total school enrollment that is in accordance with the
536 reduced-isolation setting standards for interdistrict magnet school
537 programs, developed by the Commissioner of Education pursuant to

538 section 10-264r, except the commissioner may award a grant to such
539 school for an additional year or years if the commissioner finds it is
540 appropriate to do so and approves a plan to bring such school into
541 compliance with such reduced-isolation setting standards.

542 (4) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, to June 30, 2021,
543 inclusive, if an interdistrict magnet school program does not maintain a
544 total school enrollment that is in accordance with the reduced-isolation
545 setting standards for interdistrict magnet school programs, developed
546 by the commissioner pursuant to section 10-264r, for two or more
547 consecutive years, the commissioner may impose a financial penalty on
548 the operator of such interdistrict magnet school program, or take any
549 other measure, in consultation with such operator, as may be
550 appropriate to assist such operator in complying with such reduced-
551 isolation setting standards.

552 (c) (1) The maximum amount each interdistrict magnet school
553 program, except those described in subparagraphs (A) to (G), inclusive,
554 of subdivision (3) of this subsection, shall be eligible to receive per
555 enrolled student who is not a resident of the town operating the magnet
556 school shall be (A) six thousand sixteen dollars for the fiscal year ending
557 June 30, 2008, (B) six thousand seven hundred thirty dollars for the fiscal
558 years ending June 30, 2009, to June 30, 2012, inclusive, (C) seven
559 thousand eighty-five dollars for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2013, to
560 June 30, 2019, inclusive, and (D) seven thousand two hundred twenty-
561 seven dollars for the fiscal [year] years ending June 30, 2020, and [each
562 fiscal year thereafter] June 30, 2021. The per pupil grant for each enrolled
563 student who is a resident of the town operating the magnet school
564 program shall be (i) three thousand dollars for the fiscal years ending
565 June 30, 2008, to June 30, 2019, inclusive, and (ii) three thousand sixty
566 dollars for the fiscal [year] years ending June 30, 2020, and [each fiscal
567 year thereafter] June 30, 2021.

568 (2) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, and each fiscal year
569 thereafter, the commissioner may, within available appropriations,
570 provide supplemental grants for the purposes of enhancing educational

571 programs in such interdistrict magnet schools, as the commissioner
572 determines. Such grants shall be made after the commissioner has
573 conducted a comprehensive financial review and approved the total
574 operating budget for such schools, including all revenue and
575 expenditure estimates.

576 (3) (A) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraphs (C) to (G),
577 inclusive, of this subdivision, each interdistrict magnet school operated
578 by a regional educational service center that enrolls less than fifty-five
579 per cent of the school's students from a single town shall receive a per
580 pupil grant in the amount of (i) six thousand two hundred fifty dollars
581 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, (ii) six thousand five hundred
582 dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, (iii) seven thousand sixty
583 dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, (iv) seven thousand six
584 hundred twenty dollars for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2009, to June
585 30, 2012, inclusive, (v) seven thousand nine hundred dollars for the
586 fiscal years ending June 30, 2013, to June 30, 2019, inclusive, and (vi)
587 eight thousand fifty-eight dollars for the fiscal [year] years ending June
588 30, 2020, and [each fiscal year thereafter] June 30, 2021.

589 (B) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraphs (C) to (G),
590 inclusive, of this subdivision, each interdistrict magnet school operated
591 by a regional educational service center that enrolls at least fifty-five per
592 cent of the school's students from a single town shall receive a per pupil
593 grant for each enrolled student who is not a resident of the district that
594 enrolls at least fifty-five per cent of the school's students in the amount
595 of (i) six thousand sixteen dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008,
596 (ii) six thousand seven hundred thirty dollars for the fiscal years ending
597 June 30, 2009, to June 30, 2012, inclusive, (iii) seven thousand eighty-five
598 dollars for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2013, to June 30, 2019,
599 inclusive, and (iv) seven thousand two hundred twenty-seven dollars
600 for the fiscal [year] years ending June 30, 2020, and [each fiscal year
601 thereafter] June 30, 2021. The per pupil grant for each enrolled student
602 who is a resident of the district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent of
603 the school's students shall be three thousand sixty dollars for the fiscal
604 year ending June 30, 2021.

605 (C) (i) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2015, to June 30, 2019,
606 inclusive, each interdistrict magnet school operated by a regional
607 educational service center that began operations for the school year
608 commencing July 1, 2001, and that for the school year commencing July
609 1, 2008, enrolled at least fifty-five per cent, but no more than eighty per
610 cent of the school's students from a single town, shall receive a per pupil
611 grant (I) for each enrolled student who is a resident of the district that
612 enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but no more than eighty per cent of the
613 school's students, up to an amount equal to the total number of such
614 enrolled students as of October 1, 2013, using the data of record, in the
615 amount of eight thousand one hundred eighty dollars, (II) for each
616 enrolled student who is a resident of the district that enrolls at least fifty-
617 five per cent, but not more than eighty per cent of the school's students,
618 in an amount greater than the total number of such enrolled students as
619 of October 1, 2013, using the data of record, in the amount of three
620 thousand dollars, (III) for each enrolled student who is not a resident of
621 the district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but no more than
622 eighty per cent of the school's students, up to an amount equal to the
623 total number of such enrolled students as of October 1, 2013, using the
624 data of record, in the amount of eight thousand one hundred eighty
625 dollars, and (IV) for each enrolled student who is not a resident of the
626 district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but not more than eighty
627 per cent of the school's students, in an amount greater than the total
628 number of such enrolled students as of October 1, 2013, using the data
629 of record, in the amount of seven thousand eighty-five dollars.

630 (ii) For the fiscal [year] years ending June 30, 2020, and [each fiscal
631 year thereafter] June 30, 2021, each interdistrict magnet school operated
632 by a regional educational service center that began operations for the
633 school year commencing July 1, 2001, and that for the school year
634 commencing July 1, 2008, enrolled at least fifty-five per cent, but not
635 more than eighty per cent of the school's students from a single town,
636 shall receive a per pupil grant (I) for each enrolled student who is a
637 resident of the district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but not
638 more than eighty per cent of the school's students, up to an amount

639 equal to the total number of such enrolled students as of October 1, 2013,
640 using the data of record, in the amount of eight thousand three hundred
641 forty-four dollars, (II) for each enrolled student who is a resident of the
642 district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but not more than eighty
643 per cent of the school's students, in an amount greater than the total
644 number of such enrolled students as of October 1, 2013, using the data
645 of record, in the amount of three thousand sixty dollars, (III) for each
646 enrolled student who is not a resident of the district that enrolls at least
647 fifty-five per cent, but no more than eighty per cent of the school's
648 students, up to an amount equal to the total number of such enrolled
649 students as of October 1, 2013, using the data of record, in the amount
650 of eight thousand three hundred forty-four dollars, and (IV) for each
651 enrolled student who is not a resident of the district that enrolls at least
652 fifty-five per cent, but not more than eighty per cent of the school's
653 students, in an amount greater than the total number of such enrolled
654 students as of October 1, 2013, using the data of record, in the amount
655 of seven thousand two hundred twenty-seven dollars.

656 (D) (i) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (D)(ii) of this
657 subdivision, each interdistrict magnet school operated by (I) a regional
658 educational service center, (II) the Board of Trustees of the Community-
659 Technical Colleges on behalf of a regional community-technical college,
660 (III) the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System on
661 behalf of a state university, (IV) the Board of Trustees for The University
662 of Connecticut on behalf of the university, (V) the board of governors
663 for an independent institution of higher education, as defined in
664 subsection (a) of section 10a-173, or the equivalent of such a board, on
665 behalf of the independent institution of higher education, except as
666 otherwise provided in subparagraph (E) of this subdivision, (VI)
667 cooperative arrangements pursuant to section 10-158a, (VII) any other
668 third-party not-for-profit corporation approved by the commissioner,
669 and (VIII) the Hartford school district for the operation of Great Path
670 Academy on behalf of Manchester Community College, that enrolls less
671 than sixty per cent of its students from Hartford shall receive a per pupil
672 grant in the amount of nine thousand six hundred ninety-five dollars for

673 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, ten thousand four hundred forty-
674 three dollars for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2011, to June 30, 2019,
675 inclusive, and ten thousand six hundred fifty-two dollars for the fiscal
676 [year] years ending June 30, 2020, and [each fiscal year thereafter] June
677 30, 2021.

678 (ii) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, to June 30, 2019,
679 inclusive, any interdistrict magnet school described in subparagraph
680 (D)(i) of this subdivision that enrolls less than fifty per cent of its
681 incoming students from Hartford shall receive a per pupil grant in the
682 amount of seven thousand nine hundred dollars for one-half of the total
683 number of non-Hartford students enrolled in the school over fifty per
684 cent of the total school enrollment and shall receive a per pupil grant in
685 the amount of ten thousand four hundred forty-three dollars for the
686 remainder of the total school enrollment. For the fiscal [year] years
687 ending June 30, 2020, and [each fiscal year thereafter] June 30, 2021, any
688 interdistrict magnet school described in subparagraph (D)(i) of this
689 subdivision that enrolls less than fifty per cent of its incoming students
690 from Hartford shall receive a per pupil grant in the amount of eight
691 thousand fifty-eight dollars for one-half of the total number of non-
692 Hartford students enrolled in the school over fifty per cent of the total
693 school enrollment and shall receive a per pupil grant in the amount of
694 ten thousand six hundred fifty-two dollars for the remainder of the total
695 school enrollment.

696 (E) For the fiscal [year] years ending June 30, 2015, [and each fiscal
697 year thereafter] to June 30, 2021, inclusive, each interdistrict magnet
698 school operated by the board of governors for an independent
699 institution of higher education, as defined in subsection (a) of section
700 10a-173, or the equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the independent
701 institution of higher education, that (i) began operations for the school
702 year commencing July 1, 2014, (ii) enrolls less than sixty per cent of its
703 students from Hartford pursuant to the decision in Sheff v. O'Neill, 238
704 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, as
705 determined by the commissioner, and (iii) enrolls students at least half-
706 time, shall be eligible to receive a per pupil grant (I) equal to sixty-five

707 per cent of the grant amount determined pursuant to subparagraph (D)
708 of this subdivision for each student who is enrolled at such school for at
709 least two semesters in each school year, and (II) equal to thirty-two and
710 one-half per cent of the grant amount determined pursuant to
711 subparagraph (D) of this subdivision for each student who is enrolled
712 at such school for one semester in each school year.

713 (F) Each interdistrict magnet school operated by a local or regional
714 board of education, pursuant to the decision in *Sheff v. O'Neill*, 238
715 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, shall receive
716 a per pupil grant for each enrolled student who is not a resident of the
717 district in the amount of (i) twelve thousand dollars for the fiscal year
718 ending June 30, 2010, (ii) thirteen thousand fifty-four dollars for the
719 fiscal years ending June 30, 2011, to June 30, 2019, inclusive, and (iii)
720 thirteen thousand three hundred fifteen dollars for the fiscal [year] years
721 ending June 30, 2020, and [each fiscal year thereafter] June 30, 2021.

722 (G) In addition to the grants described in subparagraph (E) of this
723 subdivision, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, the commissioner
724 may, subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and
725 Management and the Finance Advisory Committee, established
726 pursuant to section 4-93, provide supplemental grants to the Hartford
727 school district of up to one thousand fifty-four dollars for each student
728 enrolled at an interdistrict magnet school operated by the Hartford
729 school district who is not a resident of such district.

730 (H) For the fiscal [year] years ending June 30, 2016, [and each fiscal
731 year thereafter] to June 30, 2021, inclusive, the half-day Greater Hartford
732 Academy of the Arts interdistrict magnet school operated by the Capital
733 Region Education Council shall be eligible to receive a per pupil grant
734 equal to sixty-five per cent of the per pupil grant specified in
735 subparagraph (A) of this subdivision.

736 (I) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, to June 30, 2018, inclusive,
737 the half-day Greater Hartford Academy of Mathematics and Science
738 interdistrict magnet school operated by the Capitol Region Education

739 Council shall be eligible to receive a per pupil grant equal to six
740 thousand seven hundred eighty-seven dollars for (i) students enrolled
741 in grades ten to twelve, inclusive, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016,
742 (ii) students enrolled in grades eleven and twelve for the fiscal year
743 ending June 30, 2017, and (iii) students enrolled in grade twelve for the
744 fiscal year ending June 30, 2018. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016,
745 and each fiscal year thereafter, the half-day Greater Hartford Academy
746 of Mathematics and Science interdistrict magnet school shall not be
747 eligible for any additional grants pursuant to subsection (c) of this
748 section.

749 (4) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2015, and June 30, 2016, the
750 department may limit payment to an interdistrict magnet school
751 operator to an amount equal to the grant that such magnet school
752 operator was eligible to receive based on the enrollment level of the
753 interdistrict magnet school program on October 1, 2013. Approval of
754 funding for enrollment above such enrollment level shall be prioritized
755 by the department as follows: (A) Increases in enrollment in an
756 interdistrict magnet school program that is adding planned new grade
757 levels for the school years commencing July 1, 2015, and July 1, 2016; (B)
758 increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program that
759 added planned new grade levels for the school year commencing July 1,
760 2014, and was funded during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015; (C)
761 increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program that
762 is moving into a permanent facility for the school years commencing
763 July 1, 2014, to July 1, 2016, inclusive; (D) increases in enrollment in an
764 interdistrict magnet school program to ensure compliance with
765 subsection (a) of this section; and (E) new enrollments for a new
766 interdistrict magnet school program commencing operations on or after
767 July 1, 2014, pursuant to the decision in *Sheff v. O'Neill*, 238 Conn. 1
768 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, as determined by the
769 commissioner. Any interdistrict magnet school program operating less
770 than full-time, but at least half-time, shall be eligible to receive a grant
771 equal to sixty-five per cent of the grant amount determined pursuant to
772 this subsection.

773 (5) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the department may limit
774 payment to an interdistrict magnet school operator to an amount equal
775 to the grant that such magnet school operator was eligible to receive
776 based on the enrollment level of the interdistrict magnet school program
777 on October 1, 2013, or October 1, 2015, whichever is lower. Approval of
778 funding for enrollment above such enrollment level shall be prioritized
779 by the department as follows: (A) Increases in enrollment in an
780 interdistrict magnet school program that is adding planned new grade
781 levels for the school years commencing July 1, 2015, and July 1, 2016; (B)
782 increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program that
783 added planned new grade levels for the school year commencing July 1,
784 2014, and was funded during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015; (C)
785 increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program that
786 added planned new grade levels for the school year commencing July 1,
787 2015, and was funded during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016; and
788 (D) increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program to
789 ensure compliance with subsection (a) of this section. Any interdistrict
790 magnet school program operating less than full-time, but at least half-
791 time, shall be eligible to receive a grant equal to sixty-five per cent of the
792 grant amount determined pursuant to this subsection.

793 (6) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, and within available
794 appropriations, the department may limit payment to an interdistrict
795 magnet school operator to an amount equal to the grant that such
796 magnet school operator was eligible to receive based on the enrollment
797 level of the interdistrict magnet school program on October 1, 2013,
798 October 1, 2015, or October 1, 2016, whichever is lower. Approval of
799 funding for enrollment above such enrollment level shall be prioritized
800 by the department and subject to the commissioner's approval,
801 including increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school
802 program as a result of planned and approved new grade levels. Any
803 interdistrict magnet school program operating less than full-time, but at
804 least half-time, shall be eligible to receive a grant equal to sixty-five per
805 cent of the grant amount determined pursuant to this subsection.

806 (7) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, and within available

807 appropriations, the department may limit payment to an interdistrict
808 magnet school operator to an amount equal to the grant that such
809 magnet school operator was eligible to receive based on the enrollment
810 level of the interdistrict magnet school program on October 1, 2013,
811 October 1, 2015, October 1, 2016, or October 1, 2017, whichever is lower.
812 Approval of funding for enrollment above such enrollment level shall
813 be prioritized by the department and subject to the commissioner's
814 approval, including increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet
815 school program as a result of planned and approved new grade levels.
816 Any interdistrict magnet school program operating less than full-time,
817 but at least half-time, shall be eligible to receive a grant equal to sixty-
818 five per cent of the grant amount determined pursuant to this
819 subsection.

820 (8) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and within available
821 appropriations, the department may limit payment to an interdistrict
822 magnet school operator to an amount equal to the grant that such
823 magnet school operator was eligible to receive based on the enrollment
824 level of the interdistrict magnet school program on October 1, 2013,
825 October 1, 2015, October 1, 2016, October 1, 2017, or October 1, 2018,
826 whichever is lower. Approval of funding for enrollment above such
827 enrollment level shall be prioritized by the department and subject to
828 the commissioner's approval, including increases in enrollment in an
829 interdistrict magnet school program as a result of planned and
830 approved new grade levels. Any interdistrict magnet school program
831 operating less than full-time, but at least half-time, shall be eligible to
832 receive a grant equal to sixty-five per cent of the grant amount
833 determined pursuant to this subsection.

834 (9) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, and within available
835 appropriations, the department may limit payment to an interdistrict
836 magnet school operator to an amount equal to the grant that such
837 magnet school operator was eligible to receive based on the enrollment
838 level of the interdistrict magnet school program on October 1, 2013,
839 October 1, 2015, October 1, 2016, October 1, 2017, October 1, 2018, or
840 October 1, 2019, whichever is lower. Approval of funding for enrollment

841 above such enrollment level shall be prioritized by the department and
842 subject to the commissioner's approval, including increases in
843 enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program as a result of
844 planned and approved new grade levels. Any interdistrict magnet
845 school program operating less than full-time, but at least half-time, shall
846 be eligible to receive a grant equal to sixty-five per cent of the grant
847 amount determined pursuant to this subsection.

848 (10) (A) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, and each fiscal year
849 thereafter, the state shall pay each operator of an interdistrict magnet
850 school program for each student enrolled in such program an amount
851 equal to the fully funded grant per pupil for the town in which the
852 student resides.

853 (B) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, and each fiscal year
854 thereafter, the local or regional board of education for the town in which
855 a student resides and who is enrolled in an interdistrict magnet school
856 program shall pay to the operator of such program an amount equal to
857 the fully funded local share per pupil for each such student.

858 [(10)] (11) Within available appropriations, the commissioner may
859 make grants to the following entities that operate an interdistrict magnet
860 school that assists the state in meeting its obligations pursuant to the
861 decision in Sheff v. O'Neill, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation
862 or order in effect, as determined by the commissioner and that provide
863 academic support programs and summer school educational programs
864 approved by the commissioner to students participating in such
865 interdistrict magnet school program: (A) Regional educational service
866 centers, (B) local and regional boards of education, (C) the Board of
867 Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on behalf of a regional
868 community-technical college, (D) the Board of Trustees of the
869 Connecticut State University System on behalf of a state university, (E)
870 the Board of Trustees for The University of Connecticut on behalf of the
871 university, (F) the board of governors for an independent institution of
872 higher education, as defined in subsection (a) of section 10a-173, or the
873 equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the independent institution of

874 higher education, (G) cooperative arrangements pursuant to section 10-
875 158a, and (H) any other third-party not-for-profit corporation approved
876 by the commissioner.

877 [(11)] (12) Within available appropriations, the Commissioner of
878 Education may make grants, in an amount not to exceed seventy-five
879 thousand dollars, for start-up costs associated with the development of
880 new interdistrict magnet school programs that assist the state in meeting
881 its obligations pursuant to the decision in *Sheff v. O'Neill*, 238 Conn. 1
882 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, as determined by the
883 commissioner, to the following entities that develop such a program: (A)
884 Regional educational service centers, (B) local and regional boards of
885 education, (C) the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical
886 Colleges on behalf of a regional community-technical college, (D) the
887 Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System on behalf
888 of a state university, (E) the Board of Trustees for The University of
889 Connecticut on behalf of the university, (F) the board of governors for
890 an independent institution of higher education, as defined in subsection
891 (a) of section 10a-173, or the equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the
892 independent institution of higher education, (G) cooperative
893 arrangements pursuant to section 10-158a, and (H) any other third-party
894 not-for-profit corporation approved by the commissioner.

895 [(12)] (13) The amounts of the grants determined pursuant to this
896 subsection shall be proportionately adjusted, if necessary, within
897 available appropriations, and in no case shall the total grant paid to an
898 interdistrict magnet school operator pursuant to this section exceed the
899 aggregate total of the reasonable operating budgets of the interdistrict
900 magnet school programs of such operator, less revenues from other
901 sources.

902 (d) (1) Grants made pursuant to this section, except those made
903 pursuant to subdivision (7) of subsection (c) of this section and
904 subdivision (2) of this subsection, shall be paid as follows: Seventy per
905 cent not later than September first and the balance not later than May
906 first of each fiscal year. The May first payment shall be adjusted to reflect

907 actual interdistrict magnet school program enrollment as of the
908 preceding October first using the data of record as of the intervening
909 January thirty-first, if the actual level of enrollment is lower than the
910 projected enrollment stated in the approved grant application. The May
911 first payment shall be further adjusted for the difference between the
912 total grant received by the magnet school operator in the prior fiscal year
913 and the revised total grant amount calculated for the prior fiscal year in
914 cases where the aggregate financial audit submitted by the interdistrict
915 magnet school operator pursuant to subdivision (1) of subsection (n) of
916 this section indicates an overpayment by the department.
917 Notwithstanding the provisions of this section to the contrary, grants
918 made pursuant to this section may be paid to each interdistrict magnet
919 school operator as an aggregate total of the amount that the interdistrict
920 magnet schools operated by each such operator are eligible to receive
921 under this section. Each interdistrict magnet school operator may
922 distribute such aggregate grant among the interdistrict magnet school
923 programs that such operator is operating pursuant to a distribution plan
924 approved by the Commissioner of Education.

925 (2) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, and each fiscal year
926 thereafter, grants made pursuant to subparagraph (E) of subdivision (3)
927 of subsection (c) of this section shall be paid as follows: Fifty per cent of
928 the amount not later than September first based on estimated student
929 enrollment for the first semester on September first, and another fifty
930 per cent not later than May first of each fiscal year based on actual
931 student enrollment for the second semester on February first. The May
932 first payment shall be adjusted to reflect actual interdistrict magnet
933 school program enrollment for those students who have been enrolled
934 at such school for at least two semesters of the school year, using the
935 data of record, and actual student enrollment for those students who
936 have been enrolled at such school for only one semester, using data of
937 record. The May first payment shall be further adjusted for the
938 difference between the total grant received by the magnet school
939 operator in the prior fiscal year and the revised total grant amount
940 calculated for the prior fiscal year where the financial audit submitted

941 by the interdistrict magnet school operator pursuant to subdivision (1)
942 of subsection (n) of this section indicates an overpayment by the
943 department.

944 (e) The Department of Education may retain up to one-half of one per
945 cent of the amount appropriated, in an amount not to exceed five
946 hundred thousand dollars, for purposes of this section for program
947 evaluation and administration.

948 (f) Each local or regional school district in which an interdistrict
949 magnet school is located shall provide the same kind of transportation
950 to its children enrolled in such interdistrict magnet school as it provides
951 to its children enrolled in other public schools in such local or regional
952 school district. The parent or guardian of a child denied the
953 transportation services required to be provided pursuant to this
954 subsection may appeal such denial in the manner provided in sections
955 10-186 and 10-187.

956 (g) On or before October fifteenth of each year, the Commissioner of
957 Education shall determine if interdistrict magnet school enrollment is
958 below the number of students for which funds were appropriated. If the
959 commissioner determines that the enrollment is below such number, the
960 additional funds shall not lapse but shall be used by the commissioner
961 for grants for interdistrict cooperative programs pursuant to section 10-
962 74d.

963 (h) (1) In the case of a student identified as requiring special
964 education, the school district in which the student resides shall: (A)
965 Hold the planning and placement team meeting for such student and
966 shall invite representatives from the interdistrict magnet school to
967 participate in such meeting; and (B) pay the interdistrict magnet school
968 an amount equal to the difference between the reasonable cost of
969 educating such student and the sum of the amount received by the
970 interdistrict magnet school for such student pursuant to subsection (c)
971 of this section and amounts received from other state, federal, local or
972 private sources calculated on a per pupil basis. Such school district shall

973 be eligible for reimbursement pursuant to section 10-76g. If a student
974 requiring special education attends an interdistrict magnet school on a
975 full-time basis, such interdistrict magnet school shall be responsible for
976 ensuring that such student receives the services mandated by the
977 student's individualized education program whether such services are
978 provided by the interdistrict magnet school or by the school district in
979 which the student resides.

980 (2) In the case of a student with a plan pursuant to Section 504 of the
981 Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended from time to time, the school
982 district in which the student resides shall pay the interdistrict magnet
983 school an amount equal to the difference between the reasonable cost of
984 educating such student and the sum of the amount received by the
985 interdistrict magnet school for such student pursuant to subsection (c)
986 of this section and amounts received from other state, federal, local or
987 private sources calculated on a per pupil basis. If a student with a plan
988 pursuant to Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended
989 from time to time, attends an interdistrict magnet school on a full-time
990 basis, such interdistrict magnet school shall be responsible for ensuring
991 that such student receives the services mandated by the student's plan,
992 whether such services are provided by the interdistrict magnet school
993 or by the school district in which the student resides.

994 (i) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the
995 enrollment of nonpublic school students in an interdistrict magnet
996 school program that operates less than full-time, provided (1) such
997 students constitute no more than five per cent of the full-time equivalent
998 enrollment in such magnet school program, and (2) such students are
999 not counted for purposes of determining the amount of grants pursuant
1000 to this section and section 10-264i.

1001 (j) After accommodating students from participating districts in
1002 accordance with an approved enrollment agreement, an interdistrict
1003 magnet school operator that has unused student capacity may enroll
1004 directly into its program any interested student. A student from a
1005 district that is not participating in an interdistrict magnet school or the

1006 interdistrict student attendance program pursuant to section 10-266aa,
1007 as amended by this act, to an extent determined by the Commissioner
1008 of Education shall be given preference. The local or regional board of
1009 education otherwise responsible for educating such student shall
1010 contribute funds to support the operation of the interdistrict magnet
1011 school in an amount equal to the per student tuition, if any, charged to
1012 participating districts.

1013 (k) (1) For the fiscal [year] years ending June 30, 2014, [and each fiscal
1014 year thereafter] to June 30, 2021, inclusive, any tuition charged to a local
1015 or regional board of education by a regional educational service center
1016 operating an interdistrict magnet school or any tuition charged by the
1017 Hartford school district operating the Great Path Academy on behalf of
1018 Manchester Community College for any student enrolled in
1019 kindergarten to grade twelve, inclusive, in such interdistrict magnet
1020 school shall be in an amount equal to the difference between (A) the
1021 average per pupil expenditure of the magnet school for the prior fiscal
1022 year, and (B) the amount of any per pupil state subsidy calculated under
1023 subsection (c) of this section plus any revenue from other sources
1024 calculated on a per pupil basis. If any such board of education fails to
1025 pay such tuition, the commissioner may withhold from such board's
1026 town or towns a sum payable under section 10-262i in an amount not to
1027 exceed the amount of the unpaid tuition to the magnet school and pay
1028 such money to the fiscal agent for the magnet school as a supplementary
1029 grant for the operation of the interdistrict magnet school program. In no
1030 case shall the sum of such tuitions exceed the difference between (i) the
1031 total expenditures of the magnet school for the prior fiscal year, and (ii)
1032 the total per pupil state subsidy calculated under subsection (c) of this
1033 section plus any revenue from other sources. The commissioner may
1034 conduct a comprehensive financial review of the operating budget of a
1035 magnet school to verify such tuition rate.

1036 (2) (A) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2013, and June 30, 2014, a
1037 regional educational service center operating an interdistrict magnet
1038 school offering a preschool program that is not located in the Sheff
1039 region may charge tuition to the Department of Education for a child

1040 enrolled in such preschool program in an amount not to exceed an
1041 amount equal to the difference between (i) the average per pupil
1042 expenditure of the preschool program offered at the magnet school for
1043 the prior fiscal year, and (ii) the amount of any per pupil state subsidy
1044 calculated under subsection (c) of this section plus any revenue from
1045 other sources calculated on a per pupil basis. The commissioner may
1046 conduct a comprehensive financial review of the operating budget of
1047 any such magnet school charging such tuition to verify such tuition rate.
1048 For purposes of this subdivision, "Sheff region" means the school
1049 districts for the towns of Avon, Bloomfield, Canton, East Granby, East
1050 Hartford, East Windsor, Ellington, Farmington, Glastonbury, Granby,
1051 Hartford, Manchester, Newington, Rocky Hill, Simsbury, South
1052 Windsor, Suffield, Vernon, West Hartford, Wethersfield, Windsor and
1053 Windsor Locks.

1054 (B) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, a regional educational
1055 service center operating an interdistrict magnet school offering a
1056 preschool program that is not located in the Sheff region may charge
1057 tuition to the parent or guardian of a child enrolled in such preschool
1058 program in an amount that is in accordance with the sliding tuition scale
1059 adopted by the State Board of Education pursuant to section 10-264p.
1060 The Department of Education shall be financially responsible for any
1061 unpaid portion of the tuition not charged to such parent or guardian
1062 under such sliding tuition scale. Such tuition shall not exceed an amount
1063 equal to the difference between (i) the average per pupil expenditure of
1064 the preschool program offered at the magnet school for the prior fiscal
1065 year, and (ii) the amount of any per pupil state subsidy calculated under
1066 subsection (c) of this section plus any revenue from other sources
1067 calculated on a per pupil basis. The commissioner may conduct a
1068 comprehensive financial review of the operating budget of any such
1069 magnet school charging such tuition to verify such tuition rate.

1070 (C) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, and each fiscal year
1071 thereafter, a regional educational service center operating an
1072 interdistrict magnet school offering a preschool program that is not
1073 located in the Sheff region shall charge tuition to the parent or guardian

1074 of a child enrolled in such preschool program in an amount up to four
1075 thousand fifty-three dollars, except such regional educational service
1076 center shall not charge tuition to such parent or guardian with a family
1077 income at or below seventy-five per cent of the state median income.
1078 The Department of Education shall, within available appropriations, be
1079 financially responsible for any unpaid tuition charged to such parent or
1080 guardian with a family income at or below seventy-five per cent of the
1081 state median income. The commissioner may conduct a comprehensive
1082 financial review of the operating budget of any such magnet school
1083 charging such tuition to verify such tuition rate.

1084 (l) A participating district shall provide opportunities for its students
1085 to attend an interdistrict magnet school in a number that is at least equal
1086 to the number specified in any written agreement with an interdistrict
1087 magnet school operator or in a number that is at least equal to the
1088 average number of students that the participating district enrolled in
1089 such magnet school during the previous three school years.

1090 (m) (1) On or before May 15, 2010, and annually thereafter, each
1091 interdistrict magnet school operator shall provide written notification to
1092 any school district that is otherwise responsible for educating a student
1093 who resides in such school district and will be enrolled in an interdistrict
1094 magnet school under the operator's control for the following school
1095 year. Such notification shall include (A) the number of any such
1096 students, by grade, who will be enrolled in an interdistrict magnet
1097 school under the control of such operator, (B) the name of the school in
1098 which such student has been placed, and (C) the amount of tuition to be
1099 charged to the local or regional board of education for such student.
1100 Such notification shall represent an estimate of the number of students
1101 expected to attend such interdistrict magnet schools in the following
1102 school year, but shall not be deemed to limit the number of students
1103 who may enroll in such interdistrict magnet schools for such year.

1104 (2) For the school [year] years commencing July 1, 2015, [and each
1105 school year thereafter] to July 1, 2020, inclusive, any interdistrict magnet
1106 school operator that is a local or regional board of education and did not

1107 charge tuition to a local or regional board of education for the school
1108 year commencing July 1, 2014, may not charge tuition to such board
1109 unless (A) such operator receives authorization from the Commissioner
1110 of Education to charge the proposed tuition, and (B) if such
1111 authorization is granted, such operator provides written notification on
1112 or before September first of the school year prior to the school year in
1113 which such tuition is to be charged to such board of the tuition to be
1114 charged to such board for each student that such board is otherwise
1115 responsible for educating and is enrolled at the interdistrict magnet
1116 school under such operator's control. In deciding whether to authorize
1117 an interdistrict magnet school operator to charge tuition under this
1118 subdivision, the commissioner shall consider (i) the average per pupil
1119 expenditure of such operator for each interdistrict magnet school under
1120 the control of such operator, and (ii) the amount of any per pupil state
1121 subsidy and any revenue from other sources received by such operator.
1122 The commissioner may conduct a comprehensive financial review of the
1123 operating budget of the magnet school of such operator to verify that
1124 the tuition is appropriate. The provisions of this subdivision shall not
1125 apply to any interdistrict magnet school operator that is a regional
1126 educational service center or assisting the state in meeting the goals of
1127 the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill,
1128 et al., as extended, or the goals of the 2013 stipulation and order for Milo
1129 Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended.

1130 (3) Not later than two weeks following an enrollment lottery for an
1131 interdistrict magnet school conducted by a magnet school operator, the
1132 parent or guardian of a student (A) who will enroll in such interdistrict
1133 magnet school in the following school year, or (B) whose name has been
1134 placed on a waiting list for enrollment in such interdistrict magnet
1135 school for the following school year, shall provide written notification
1136 of such prospective enrollment or waiting list placement to the school
1137 district in which such student resides and is otherwise responsible for
1138 educating such student.

1139 (n) (1) Each interdistrict magnet school operator shall annually file
1140 with the Commissioner of Education, at such time and in such manner

1141 as the commissioner prescribes, (A) a financial audit for each
1142 interdistrict magnet school operated by such operator, and (B) an
1143 aggregate financial audit for all of the interdistrict magnet schools
1144 operated by such operator.

1145 (2) Annually, the commissioner shall randomly select one
1146 interdistrict magnet school operated by a regional educational service
1147 center to be subject to a comprehensive financial audit conducted by an
1148 auditor selected by the commissioner. The regional educational service
1149 center shall be responsible for all costs associated with the audit
1150 conducted pursuant to the provisions of this subdivision.

1151 (o) For the school years commencing July 1, 2009, to July 1, 2018,
1152 inclusive, any local or regional board of education operating an
1153 interdistrict magnet school pursuant to the decision in *Sheff v. O'Neill*,
1154 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, shall not
1155 charge tuition for any student enrolled in a preschool program or in
1156 kindergarten to grade twelve, inclusive, in an interdistrict magnet
1157 school operated by such school district, except the Hartford school
1158 district may charge tuition for any student enrolled in the Great Path
1159 Academy.

1160 (p) For the fiscal [year] years ending June 30, 2016, [and each fiscal
1161 year thereafter] to June 30, 2021, inclusive, if the East Hartford school
1162 district has greater than seven per cent of its resident students, as
1163 defined in section 10-262f, as amended by this act, enrolled in an
1164 interdistrict magnet school program, then the board of education for the
1165 town of East Hartford shall not be financially responsible for four
1166 thousand four hundred dollars of the portion of the per student tuition
1167 charged for each such student in excess of such seven per cent. The
1168 Department of Education shall, within available appropriations, be
1169 financially responsible for such excess per student tuition.
1170 Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, for the fiscal year
1171 ending June 30, 2016, and each fiscal year thereafter, the amount of the
1172 grants payable to the board of education for the town of East Hartford
1173 in accordance with this subsection shall be reduced proportionately if

1174 the total of such grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated
1175 for purposes of this subsection.

1176 Sec. 3. Section 10-65 of the general statutes is repealed and the
1177 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

1178 (a) Each local or regional school [district] board of education
1179 operating an agricultural science and technology education center
1180 approved by the State Board of Education for program, educational
1181 need, location and area to be served shall be eligible for the following
1182 grants: [(1)] In accordance with the provisions of chapter 173, through
1183 progress payments in accordance with the provisions of section 10-287i,
1184 [(A) for projects for which an application was filed prior to July 1, 2011,
1185 ninety-five per cent, and (B)] for projects for which an application was
1186 filed on or after July 1, 2011, eighty per cent of the net eligible costs of
1187 constructing, acquiring, renovating and equipping approved facilities to
1188 be used exclusively for such agricultural science and technology
1189 education center, for the expansion or improvement of existing facilities
1190 or for the replacement or improvement of equipment therein. [, and (2)
1191 subject to the provisions of section 10-65b and within available
1192 appropriations, in an amount equal to four thousand two hundred
1193 dollars per student for every secondary school student who was
1194 enrolled in such center on October first of the previous year.]

1195 (b) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, and each fiscal year
1196 thereafter, the state shall pay to the local or regional board of education
1197 operating an agricultural science and technology education center for
1198 each student enrolled in such center an amount equal to the fully funded
1199 grant per pupil, as defined in section 10-262f, as amended by this act, for
1200 the town in which such student resides for the fiscal year in which the
1201 grant is to be paid. Such payments shall be made as follows: Twenty-
1202 five per cent of the amount not later than July fifteenth and September
1203 first based on estimated student enrollment on May first, twenty-five
1204 per cent of the amount not later than January first and the remaining
1205 amount not later than April first, each based on student enrollment on
1206 October first.

1207 (c) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, and each fiscal year
1208 thereafter, the local or regional board of education for the town in which
1209 a student resides and who is enrolled in an agricultural science and
1210 technology education center shall pay to the local or regional board of
1211 education operating such agricultural science and technology education
1212 center an amount equal to the fully funded local share per pupil, as
1213 defined in section 10-262f, as amended by this act, for the town in which
1214 such student resides for the fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid.
1215 Such payments shall be made as follows: Twenty-five per cent of the
1216 amount not later than July fifteenth and September first based on
1217 estimated student enrollment on May first, twenty-five per cent of the
1218 amount not later than January first and the remaining amount not later
1219 than April first, each based on student enrollment on October first.

1220 [(b)] (d) Each local or regional board of education not maintaining an
1221 agricultural science and technology education center shall provide
1222 opportunities for its students to enroll in one or more such centers in a
1223 number that is at least equal to the number specified in any written
1224 agreement with each such center or centers, or in the absence of such an
1225 agreement, a number that is at least equal to the average number of its
1226 students that the board of education enrolled in each such center or
1227 centers during the previous three school years, provided, in addition to
1228 such number, each such board of education shall provide opportunities
1229 for its students to enroll in the ninth grade in a number that is at least
1230 equal to the number specified in any written agreement with each such
1231 center or centers, or in the absence of such an agreement, a number that
1232 is at least equal to the average number of students that the board of
1233 education enrolled in the ninth grade in each such center or centers
1234 during the previous three school years. If a local or regional board of
1235 education provided opportunities for students to enroll in more than
1236 one center for the school year commencing July 1, 2007, such board of
1237 education shall continue to provide such opportunities to students in
1238 accordance with this subsection. [The board of education operating an
1239 agricultural science and technology education center may charge,
1240 subject to the provisions of section 10-65b, tuition for a school year in an

1241 amount not to exceed fifty-nine and two-tenths per cent of the
1242 foundation level pursuant to subdivision (9) of section 10-262f, per
1243 student for the fiscal year in which the tuition is paid, except that such
1244 board may charge tuition for (1) students enrolled under shared-time
1245 arrangements on a pro rata basis, and (2) special education students
1246 which shall not exceed the actual costs of educating such students minus
1247 the amounts received pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of
1248 this section and subsection (c) of this section. Any tuition paid by such
1249 board for special education students in excess of the tuition paid for
1250 non-special-education students shall be reimbursed pursuant to section
1251 10-76g.]

1252 [(c) In addition to the grants described in subsection (a) of this section,
1253 within available appropriations, (1) each local or regional board of
1254 education operating an agricultural science and technology education
1255 center in which more than one hundred fifty of the students in the prior
1256 school year were out-of-district students shall be eligible to receive a
1257 grant in an amount equal to five hundred dollars for every secondary
1258 school student enrolled in such center on October first of the previous
1259 year, (2) on and after July 1, 2000, if a local or regional board of education
1260 operating an agricultural science and technology education center that
1261 received a grant pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection no longer
1262 qualifies for such a grant, such local or regional board of education shall
1263 receive a grant in an amount determined as follows: (A) For the first
1264 fiscal year such board of education does not qualify for a grant under
1265 said subdivision (1), a grant in the amount equal to four hundred dollars
1266 for every secondary school student enrolled in its agricultural science
1267 and technology education center on October first of the previous year,
1268 (B) for the second successive fiscal year such board of education does
1269 not so qualify, a grant in an amount equal to three hundred dollars for
1270 every such secondary school student enrolled in such center on said
1271 date, (C) for the third successive fiscal year such board of education does
1272 not so qualify, a grant in an amount equal to two hundred dollars for
1273 every such secondary school student enrolled in such center on said
1274 date, and (D) for the fourth successive fiscal year such board of

1275 education does not so qualify, a grant in an amount equal to one
1276 hundred dollars for every such secondary school student enrolled in
1277 such center on said date, and (3) each local and regional board of
1278 education operating an agricultural science and technology education
1279 center that does not receive a grant pursuant to subdivision (1) or (2) of
1280 this subsection shall receive a grant in an amount equal to sixty dollars
1281 for every secondary school student enrolled in such center on said date.

1282 (d) (1) If there are any remaining funds after the amount of the grants
1283 described in subsections (a) and (c) of this section are calculated, within
1284 available appropriations, each local or regional board of education
1285 operating an agricultural science and technology education center shall
1286 be eligible to receive a grant in an amount equal to one hundred dollars
1287 for each student enrolled in such center on October first of the previous
1288 school year. (2) If there are any remaining funds after the amount of the
1289 grants described in subdivision (1) of this subsection are calculated,
1290 within available appropriations, each local or regional board of
1291 education operating an agricultural science and technology education
1292 center that had more than one hundred fifty out-of-district students
1293 enrolled in such center on October first of the previous school year shall
1294 be eligible to receive a grant based on the ratio of the number of out-of-
1295 district students in excess of one hundred fifty out-of-district students
1296 enrolled in such center on said date to the total number of out-of-district
1297 students in excess of one hundred fifty out-of-district students enrolled
1298 in all agricultural science and technology education centers that had in
1299 excess of one hundred fifty out-of-district students enrolled on said
1300 date.

1301 (e) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2012, and June 30, 2013, the
1302 Department of Education shall allocate five hundred thousand dollars
1303 to local or regional boards of education operating an agricultural science
1304 and technology education center in accordance with the provisions of
1305 subsections (b) to (d), inclusive, of this section.

1306 (f) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, and each fiscal year
1307 thereafter, if a local or regional board of education receives an increase

1308 in funds pursuant to this section over the amount it received for the
1309 prior fiscal year such increase shall not be used to supplant local funding
1310 for educational purposes.

1311 (g) Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 10-51 and 10-222, for
1312 the fiscal years ending June 30, 2015, to June 30, 2017, inclusive, any
1313 amount received by a local or regional board of education pursuant to
1314 subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section that exceeds the amount
1315 appropriated for education by the municipality or the amount in the
1316 budget approved by such regional board of education for purposes of
1317 said subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section, shall be available
1318 for use by such local or regional board of education, provided such
1319 excess amount is spent in accordance with the provisions of subdivision
1320 (2) of subsection (a) of this section.]

1321 Sec. 4. Section 10-66ee of the general statutes is repealed and the
1322 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

1323 (a) For the purposes of equalization aid under section 10-262h a
1324 student enrolled (1) in a local charter school shall be considered a
1325 student enrolled in the school district in which such student resides, and
1326 (2) in a state charter school shall not be considered a student enrolled in
1327 the school district in which such student resides.

1328 (b) (1) The local board of education of the school district in which a
1329 student enrolled in a local charter school resides shall pay, annually, in
1330 accordance with its charter, to the fiscal authority for the charter school
1331 for each such student the amount specified in its charter, including the
1332 reasonable special education costs of students requiring special
1333 education. The board of education shall be eligible for reimbursement
1334 for such special education costs pursuant to section 10-76g.

1335 (2) The local or regional board of education of the school district in
1336 which the local charter school is located shall be responsible for the
1337 financial support of such local charter school at a level that is at least
1338 equal to the product of (A) the per pupil cost for the fiscal year two years
1339 prior to the fiscal year for which support will be provided, and (B) the

1340 number of students attending such local charter school in the current
1341 fiscal year. As used in this subdivision, "per pupil cost" means, for a local
1342 or regional board of education, the quotient of the current program
1343 expenditures, as defined in section 10-262f, as amended by this act,
1344 divided by the number of resident students, as defined in section 10-
1345 262f, as amended by this act, of such local or regional board of
1346 education.

1347 (c) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, and each fiscal year
1348 thereafter, the State Board of Education may approve, within available
1349 appropriations, a per student grant to a local charter school in an
1350 amount not to exceed three thousand dollars for each student enrolled
1351 in such local charter school, provided the local or regional board of
1352 education for such local charter school and the representatives of the
1353 exclusive bargaining unit for certified employees, chosen pursuant to
1354 section 10-153b, mutually agree on staffing flexibility in such local
1355 charter school, and such agreement is approved by the State Board of
1356 Education. The state shall make such payments, in accordance with this
1357 subsection, to the fiscal authority for a local charter school for each
1358 student enrolled in such school as follows: Twenty-five per cent of the
1359 amount not later than July fifteenth and September first based on
1360 estimated student enrollment on May first, and twenty-five per cent of
1361 the amount not later than January first and the remaining amount not
1362 later than April first, each based on student enrollment on October first.

1363 (d) (1) The state shall pay in accordance with this subsection, to the
1364 fiscal authority for a state charter school for each student enrolled in
1365 such school, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, ten thousand two
1366 hundred dollars, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, ten thousand
1367 five hundred dollars, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2015, to June
1368 30, 2018, inclusive, eleven thousand dollars, and for the fiscal [year]
1369 years ending June 30, 2019, [and each fiscal year thereafter] to June 30,
1370 2021, inclusive, eleven thousand two hundred fifty dollars. Such
1371 payments shall be made as follows: Twenty-five per cent of the amount
1372 not later than July fifteenth and September first based on estimated
1373 student enrollment on May first, and twenty-five per cent of the amount

1374 not later than January first and the remaining amount not later than
1375 April first, each based on student enrollment on October first.

1376 (2) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, and each fiscal year
1377 thereafter, the state shall pay to the fiscal authority for a state charter
1378 school for each student enrolled in such school an amount equal to the
1379 fully funded grant per pupil, as defined in section 10-262f, as amended
1380 by this act, for the town in which such student resides for the fiscal year
1381 in which the grant is to be paid. Such payments shall be made as follows:
1382 Twenty-five per cent of the amount not later than July fifteenth and
1383 September first based on estimated student enrollment on May first,
1384 twenty-five per cent of the amount not later than January first and the
1385 remaining amount not later than April first, each based on student
1386 enrollment on October first.

1387 (3) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, and each fiscal year
1388 thereafter, the local or regional board of education for the town in which
1389 a student resides and who is enrolled in a state charter school shall pay
1390 to the fiscal authority for such state charter school an amount equal to
1391 the fully funded local share per pupil, as defined in section 10-262f, as
1392 amended by this act, for the town in which such student resides for the
1393 fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid. Such payments shall be made
1394 as follows: Twenty-five per cent of the amount not later than July
1395 fifteenth and September first based on estimated student enrollment on
1396 May first, twenty-five per cent of the amount not later than January first
1397 and the remaining amount not later than April first, each based on
1398 student enrollment on October first.

1399 [(2)] (e) In the case of a student identified as requiring special
1400 education, the school district in which the student resides shall: [(A)] (1)
1401 Hold the planning and placement team meeting for such student and
1402 shall invite representatives from the charter school to participate in such
1403 meeting; and [(B)] (2) pay the state charter school, on a quarterly basis,
1404 an amount equal to the difference between the reasonable cost of
1405 educating such student and the sum of the amount received by the state
1406 charter school for such student pursuant to subdivision [(1)] (3) of [this]

1407 subsection (d) of this section and amounts received from other state,
1408 federal, local or private sources calculated on a per pupil basis. Such
1409 school district shall be eligible for reimbursement pursuant to section
1410 10-76g. The charter school a student requiring special education attends
1411 shall be responsible for ensuring that such student receives the services
1412 mandated by the student's individualized education program whether
1413 such services are provided by the charter school or by the school district
1414 in which the student resides.

1415 ~~[(e)]~~ (f) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, if at
1416 the end of a fiscal year amounts received by a state charter school,
1417 pursuant to subdivision (1) of subsection (d) of this section, are
1418 unexpended, the charter school (1) may use, for the expenses of the
1419 charter school for the following fiscal year, up to ten per cent of such
1420 amounts, and (2) may (A) create a reserve fund to finance a specific
1421 capital or equipment purchase or another specified project as may be
1422 approved by the commissioner, and (B) deposit into such fund up to five
1423 per cent of such amounts.

1424 ~~[(f)]~~ (g) The local or regional board of education of the school district
1425 in which the charter school is located shall provide transportation
1426 services for students of the charter school who reside in such school
1427 district pursuant to section 10-273a unless the charter school makes
1428 other arrangements for such transportation. Any local or regional board
1429 of education may provide transportation services to a student attending
1430 a charter school outside of the district in which the student resides and,
1431 if it elects to provide such transportation, shall be reimbursed pursuant
1432 to section 10-266m for the reasonable costs of such transportation. Any
1433 local or regional board of education providing transportation services
1434 under this subsection may suspend such services in accordance with the
1435 provisions of section 10-233c. The parent or guardian of any student
1436 denied the transportation services required to be provided pursuant to
1437 this subsection may appeal such denial in the manner provided in
1438 sections 10-186 and 10-187.

1439 ~~[(g)]~~ (h) Charter schools shall be eligible to the same extent as boards

1440 of education for any grant for special education, competitive state grants
1441 and grants pursuant to sections 10-17g and 10-266w.

1442 [(h)] (i) If the commissioner finds that any charter school uses a grant
1443 under this section for a purpose that is inconsistent with the provisions
1444 of this part, the commissioner may require repayment of such grant to
1445 the state.

1446 [(i)] (j) Charter schools shall receive, in accordance with federal law
1447 and regulations, any federal funds available for the education of any
1448 pupils attending public schools.

1449 [(j)] (k) The governing council of a charter school may (1) contract or
1450 enter into other agreements for purposes of administrative or other
1451 support services, transportation, plant services or leasing facilities or
1452 equipment, and (2) receive and expend private funds or public funds,
1453 including funds from local or regional boards of education and funds
1454 received by local charter schools for out-of-district students, for school
1455 purposes.

1456 [(k)] (l) If in any fiscal year, more than one new state or local charter
1457 school is approved pursuant to section 10-66bb and is awaiting funding
1458 pursuant to the provisions of this section, the State Board of Education
1459 shall determine which school is funded first based on a consideration of
1460 the following factors in order of importance as follows: (1) The quality
1461 of the proposed program as measured against the criteria required in
1462 the charter school application process pursuant to section 10-66bb, (2)
1463 whether the applicant has a demonstrated record of academic success
1464 by students, (3) whether the school is located in a school district with a
1465 demonstrated need for student improvement, and (4) whether the
1466 applicant has plans concerning the preparedness of facilities, staffing
1467 and outreach to students.

1468 [(l)] (m) Within available appropriations, the state may provide a
1469 grant in an amount not to exceed seventy-five thousand dollars to any
1470 newly approved state charter school that assists the state in meeting the
1471 goals of the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William

1472 A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, or the goals of the 2013 stipulation and
1473 order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, as
1474 determined by the Commissioner of Education, for start-up costs
1475 associated with the new charter school program.

1476 [(m)] (n) Charter schools may, to the same extent as local and regional
1477 boards of education, enter into cooperative arrangements as described
1478 in section 10-158a, provided such arrangements are approved by the
1479 Commissioner of Education. Any state charter school participating in a
1480 cooperative arrangement under this subsection shall maintain its status
1481 as a state charter school and not be excused from any obligations
1482 pursuant to sections 10-66aa to 10-66ll, inclusive.

1483 [(n)] (o) The Commissioner of Education shall provide any town
1484 receiving aid pursuant to subsection (c) or (d) of this section with the
1485 amount of such aid to be paid to each state or local charter school located
1486 in such town.

1487 Sec. 5. Section 10-266aa of the general statutes is repealed and the
1488 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

1489 (a) As used in this section:

1490 (1) "Receiving district" means any school district that accepts students
1491 under the program established pursuant to this section;

1492 (2) "Sending district" means any school district that sends students it
1493 would otherwise be legally responsible for educating to another school
1494 district under the program; and

1495 (3) "Minority students" means students who are "pupils of racial
1496 minorities", as defined in section 10-226a.

1497 (b) There is established, within available appropriations, an
1498 interdistrict public school attendance program. The purpose of the
1499 program shall be to: (1) Improve academic achievement; (2) reduce
1500 racial, ethnic and economic isolation or preserve racial and ethnic
1501 balance; and (3) provide a choice of educational programs. The

1502 Department of Education shall provide oversight for the program,
1503 including the setting of reasonable limits for the transportation of
1504 students participating in the program, and may provide for the
1505 incremental expansion of the program for the school year commencing
1506 in 2000 for each town required to participate in the program pursuant
1507 to subsection (c) of this section.

1508 (c) The program shall be phased in as provided in this subsection. (1)
1509 For the school year commencing in 1998, and for each school year
1510 thereafter, the program shall be in operation in the Hartford, New
1511 Haven and Bridgeport regions. The Hartford program shall operate as
1512 a continuation of the program described in section 10-266j. Students
1513 who reside in Hartford, New Haven or Bridgeport may attend school in
1514 another school district in the region and students who reside in such
1515 other school districts may attend school in Hartford, New Haven or
1516 Bridgeport, provided, beginning with the 2001-2002 school year, the
1517 proportion of students who are not minority students to the total
1518 number of students leaving Hartford, Bridgeport or New Haven to
1519 participate in the program shall not be greater than the proportion of
1520 students who were not minority students in the prior school year to the
1521 total number of students enrolled in Hartford, Bridgeport or New
1522 Haven in the prior school year. The regional educational service center
1523 operating the program shall make program participation decisions in
1524 accordance with the requirements of this subdivision. (2) For the school
1525 year commencing in 2000, and for each school year thereafter, the
1526 program shall be in operation in New London, provided beginning with
1527 the 2001-2002 school year, the proportion of students who are not
1528 minority students to the total number of students leaving New London
1529 to participate in the program shall not be greater than the proportion of
1530 students who were not minority students in the prior year to the total
1531 number of students enrolled in New London in the prior school year.
1532 The regional educational service center operating the program shall
1533 make program participation decisions in accordance with this
1534 subdivision. (3) The Department of Education may provide, within
1535 available appropriations, grants for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003,

1536 to the remaining regional educational service centers to assist school
1537 districts in planning for a voluntary program of student enrollment in
1538 every priority school district, pursuant to section 10-266p, which is
1539 interested in participating in accordance with this subdivision. For the
1540 school year commencing in 2003, and for each school year thereafter, the
1541 voluntary enrollment program may be in operation in every priority
1542 school district in the state. Students from other school districts in the
1543 area of a priority school district, as determined by the regional
1544 educational service center pursuant to subsection (d) of this section, may
1545 attend school in the priority school district, provided such students
1546 bring racial, ethnic and economic diversity to the priority school district
1547 and do not increase the racial, ethnic and economic isolation in the
1548 priority school district.

1549 (d) School districts which received students from New London under
1550 the program during the 2000-2001 school year shall allow such students
1551 to attend school in the district until they graduate from high school. The
1552 attendance of such students in such program shall not be supported by
1553 grants pursuant to subsections (f) and (g) of this section but shall be
1554 supported, in the same amounts as provided for in said subsections, by
1555 interdistrict cooperative grants pursuant to section 10-74d to the
1556 regional educational service centers operating such programs.

1557 (e) Once the program is in operation in the region served by a
1558 regional educational service center pursuant to subsection (c) of this
1559 section, the Department of Education shall provide an annual grant to
1560 such regional educational service center to assist school districts in its
1561 area in administering the program and to provide staff to assist students
1562 participating in the program to make the transition to a new school and
1563 to act as a liaison between the parents of such students and the new
1564 school district. Each regional educational service center shall determine
1565 which school districts in its area are located close enough to a priority
1566 school district to make participation in the program feasible in terms of
1567 student transportation pursuant to subsection (f) of this section,
1568 provided any student participating in the program prior to July 1, 1999,
1569 shall be allowed to continue to attend the same school such student

1570 attended prior to said date in the receiving district until the student
1571 completes the highest grade in such school. If there are more students
1572 who seek to attend school in a receiving district than there are spaces
1573 available, the regional educational service center shall assist the school
1574 district in determining attendance by the use of a lottery or lotteries
1575 designed to preserve or increase racial, ethnic and economic diversity,
1576 except that the regional educational service center shall give preference
1577 to siblings and to students who would otherwise attend a school that
1578 has lost its accreditation by the New England Association of Schools and
1579 Colleges or has been identified as in need of improvement pursuant to
1580 the No Child Left Behind Act, P.L. 107-110. The admission policies shall
1581 be consistent with section 10-15c and this section. No receiving district
1582 shall recruit students under the program for athletic or extracurricular
1583 purposes. Each receiving district shall allow out-of-district students it
1584 accepts to attend school in the district until they graduate from high
1585 school.

1586 (f) The Department of Education shall provide grants to regional
1587 educational service centers or local or regional boards of education for
1588 the reasonable cost of transportation for students participating in the
1589 program. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2015, to June 30, 2017,
1590 inclusive, the department shall provide such grants within available
1591 appropriations, provided the state-wide average of such grants does not
1592 exceed an amount equal to three thousand two hundred fifty dollars for
1593 each student transported, except that the Commissioner of Education
1594 may grant to regional educational service centers or local or regional
1595 boards of education additional sums from funds remaining in the
1596 appropriation for such transportation services if needed to offset
1597 transportation costs that exceed such maximum amount. The regional
1598 educational service centers shall provide reasonable transportation
1599 services to high school students who wish to participate in supervised
1600 extracurricular activities. For purposes of this section, the number of
1601 students transported shall be determined on October first of each fiscal
1602 year.

1603 (g) (1) Except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, for the

1604 fiscal years ending June 30, 2013, to June 30, 2021, inclusive, the
1605 Department of Education shall provide, within available
1606 appropriations, an annual grant to the local or regional board of
1607 education for each receiving district in an amount not to exceed two
1608 thousand five hundred dollars for each out-of-district student who
1609 attends school in the receiving district under the program.

1610 (2) For the fiscal [year] years ending June 30, 2013, [and each fiscal
1611 year thereafter] to June 30, 2021, inclusive, the department shall provide,
1612 within available appropriations, an annual grant to the local or regional
1613 board of education for each receiving district if one of the following
1614 conditions are met as follows: (A) Three thousand dollars for each out-
1615 of-district student who attends school in the receiving district under the
1616 program if the number of such out-of-district students is less than two
1617 per cent of the total student population of such receiving district, (B)
1618 four thousand dollars for each out-of-district student who attends
1619 school in the receiving district under the program if the number of such
1620 out-of-district students is greater than or equal to two per cent but less
1621 than three per cent of the total student population of such receiving
1622 district, (C) six thousand dollars for each out-of-district student who
1623 attends school in the receiving district under the program if the number
1624 of such out-of-district students is greater than or equal to three per cent
1625 but less than four per cent of the total student population of such
1626 receiving district, (D) six thousand dollars for each out-of-district
1627 student who attends school in the receiving district under the program
1628 if the Commissioner of Education determines that the receiving district
1629 has an enrollment of greater than four thousand students and has
1630 increased the number of students in the program by at least fifty per cent
1631 from the previous fiscal year, or (E) eight thousand dollars for each out-
1632 of-district student who attends school in the receiving district under the
1633 program if the number of such out-of-district students is greater than or
1634 equal to four per cent of the total student population of such receiving
1635 district.

1636 (3) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, and each fiscal year
1637 thereafter, the state shall pay to the local or regional board of education

1638 for a receiving district for each out-of-district student who attends
1639 school in such receiving district under the program in an amount equal
1640 to the fully funded grant per pupil, as defined in section 10-262f, as
1641 amended by this act, for the town in which such out-of-district student
1642 resides for the fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid.

1643 (4) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, and each fiscal year
1644 thereafter, the local or regional board of education for the town in which
1645 an out-of-district student resides and who attends school in a receiving
1646 district under the program shall pay to the local or regional board of
1647 education for such receiving district an amount equal to the fully funded
1648 local share per pupil, as defined in section 10-262f, as amended by this
1649 act, for the town in which such out-of-district student resides for the
1650 fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid.

1651 [(3)] (5) Each town which receives funds pursuant to this subsection
1652 shall make such funds available to its local or regional board of
1653 education in supplement to any other local appropriation, other state or
1654 federal grant or other revenue to which the local or regional board of
1655 education is entitled.

1656 (h) Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter, [each sending
1657 district and each receiving district shall divide] the number of children
1658 participating in the program [who reside in such district or attend
1659 school in such district by two] shall not be counted for purposes of the
1660 counts for subdivision (22) of section 10-262f, as amended by this act,
1661 and subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 10-261.

1662 (i) In the case of an out-of-district student who requires special
1663 education and related services, the sending district shall pay the
1664 receiving district an amount equal to the difference between the
1665 reasonable cost of providing such special education and related services
1666 to such student and the amount received by the receiving district
1667 pursuant to subsection (g) of this section and in the case of students
1668 participating pursuant to subsection (d) of this section, the per pupil
1669 amount received pursuant to section 10-74d. The sending district shall

1670 be eligible for reimbursement pursuant to section 10-76g.

1671 (j) Nothing in this section shall prohibit school districts from charging
1672 tuition to other school districts that do not have a high school pursuant
1673 to section 10-33.

1674 (k) On or before March first of each year, the Commissioner of
1675 Education shall determine if the enrollment in the program pursuant to
1676 subsection (c) of this section for the fiscal year is below the number of
1677 students for which funds were appropriated. If the commissioner
1678 determines that the enrollment is below such number, the additional
1679 funds shall not lapse but shall be used by the commissioner in
1680 accordance with this subsection.

1681 (1) Any amount up to five hundred thousand dollars of such
1682 nonlapsing funds shall be used for supplemental grants to receiving
1683 districts on a pro rata basis for each out-of-district student in the
1684 program pursuant to subsection (c) of this section who attends the same
1685 school in the receiving district as at least nine other such out-of-district
1686 students, not to exceed one thousand dollars per student.

1687 (2) Any amount of such nonlapsing funds equal to or greater than
1688 five hundred thousand dollars, but less than one million dollars, shall
1689 be used for supplemental grants, in an amount determined by the
1690 commissioner, on a pro rata basis to receiving districts that report to the
1691 commissioner on or before March first of the current school year that the
1692 number of out-of-district students enrolled in such receiving district is
1693 greater than the number of out-of-district students enrolled in such
1694 receiving district from the previous school year.

1695 (3) Any remaining nonlapsing funds shall be used by the
1696 commissioner to increase enrollment in the interdistrict public school
1697 attendance program described in this section.

1698 (l) For purposes of the state-wide mastery examinations under
1699 section 10-14n, students participating in the program established
1700 pursuant to this section shall be considered residents of the school

1701 district in which they attend school.

1702 (m) Within available appropriations, the commissioner may make
 1703 grants to regional education service centers which provide summer
 1704 school educational programs approved by the commissioner to students
 1705 participating in the program.

1706 (n) The Commissioner of Education may provide grants for children
 1707 in the Hartford program described in this section to participate in
 1708 preschool and all day kindergarten programs. In addition to the subsidy
 1709 provided to the receiving district for educational services, such grants
 1710 may be used for the provision of before and after-school care and
 1711 remedial services for the preschool and kindergarten students
 1712 participating in the program.

1713 (o) Within available appropriations, the commissioner may make
 1714 grants for academic student support for programs pursuant to this
 1715 section that assist the state in meeting the goals of the 2008 stipulation
 1716 and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended,
 1717 or the goals of the 2013 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v.
 1718 William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, as determined by the
 1719 commissioner.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	10-262f
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	10-264l
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	10-65
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	10-66ee
Sec. 5	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	10-266aa

Statement of Purpose:

To establish a money-follows-the-child approach to funding public education in Connecticut.

[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.]

