



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 5798**

LCO No. 1839



Referred to Committee on EDUCATION

Introduced by:  
REP. CURREY, 11th Dist.  
REP. ROJAS, 9th Dist.

***AN ACT ADDRESSING EDUCATION FUNDING AND RACIAL EQUITY  
IN CONNECTICUT.***

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

1        That chapter 172 of the general statutes be amended to (1) revise the  
2        formula used to calculate a town's equalization aid grant by increasing  
3        the weight for English language learners to twenty-five per cent,  
4        increasing the concentrated poverty weight to fifteen per cent, reducing  
5        the concentrated poverty threshold to sixty per cent, and fully phasing-  
6        in such revised formula for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, (2)  
7        replace the existing funding levels for interdistrict magnet schools, state  
8        charter schools, regional agricultural science and technology education  
9        centers, and the open choice program with a new weighted funding  
10       amount per pupil based on student need, and (3) repeal the charging of  
11       tuition for interdistrict magnet schools and regional agricultural science  
12       and technology education centers.

***Statement of Purpose:***

To make revisions to how public education is funded in the state to address issues of equity and systemic racism.