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Referred to Committee on EDUCATION

Introduced by:
(ED)

AN ACT CONCERNING MAGNET SCHOOL PROGRAM FUNDING.

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 10-264l of the 2022 supplement to
2 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
3 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

4 (c) (1) The maximum amount each interdistrict magnet school
5 program, except those described in subparagraphs (A) to (G), inclusive,
6 of subdivision (3) of this subsection, shall be eligible to receive per
7 enrolled student who is not a resident of the town operating the magnet
8 school shall be (A) six thousand sixteen dollars for the fiscal year ending
9 June 30, 2008, (B) six thousand seven hundred thirty dollars for the fiscal
10 years ending June 30, 2009, to June 30, 2012, inclusive, (C) seven
11 thousand eighty-five dollars for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2013, to
12 June 30, 2019, inclusive, [and] (D) seven thousand two hundred twenty-
13 seven dollars for the fiscal [year] years ending June 30, 2020, to June 30,
14 2022, inclusive, and (E) seven thousand eight hundred five dollars for
15 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, and each fiscal year thereafter. The
16 per pupil grant for each enrolled student who is a resident of the town

17 operating the magnet school program shall be (i) three thousand dollars
18 for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2008, to June 30, 2019, inclusive, [and]
19 (ii) three thousand sixty dollars for the fiscal [year] years ending June
20 30, 2020, to June 30, 2022, inclusive, and (iii) three thousand three
21 hundred five dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, and each
22 fiscal year thereafter.

23 (2) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, and each fiscal year
24 thereafter, the commissioner may, within available appropriations,
25 provide supplemental grants for the purposes of enhancing educational
26 programs in such interdistrict magnet schools, as the commissioner
27 determines. Such grants shall be made after the commissioner has
28 conducted a comprehensive financial review and approved the total
29 operating budget for such schools, including all revenue and
30 expenditure estimates.

31 (3) (A) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraphs (C) to (G),
32 inclusive, of this subdivision, each interdistrict magnet school operated
33 by a regional educational service center that enrolls less than fifty-five
34 per cent of the school's students from a single town shall receive a per
35 pupil grant in the amount of (i) six thousand two hundred fifty dollars
36 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, (ii) six thousand five hundred
37 dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, (iii) seven thousand sixty
38 dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, (iv) seven thousand six
39 hundred twenty dollars for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2009, to June
40 30, 2012, inclusive, (v) seven thousand nine hundred dollars for the
41 fiscal years ending June 30, 2013, to June 30, 2019, inclusive, [and] (vi)
42 eight thousand fifty-eight dollars for the fiscal [year] years ending June
43 30, 2020, to June 30, 2022, inclusive, and (vii) eight thousand seven
44 hundred three dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, and each
45 fiscal year thereafter.

46 (B) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraphs (C) to (G),
47 inclusive, of this subdivision, each interdistrict magnet school operated
48 by a regional educational service center that enrolls at least fifty-five per
49 cent of the school's students from a single town shall receive a per pupil

50 grant for each enrolled student who is not a resident of the district that
51 enrolls at least fifty-five per cent of the school's students in the amount
52 of (i) six thousand sixteen dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008,
53 (ii) six thousand seven hundred thirty dollars for the fiscal years ending
54 June 30, 2009, to June 30, 2012, inclusive, (iii) seven thousand eighty-five
55 dollars for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2013, to June 30, 2019,
56 inclusive, [and] (iv) seven thousand two hundred twenty-seven dollars
57 for the fiscal [year] years ending June 30, 2020, to June 30, 2022,
58 inclusive, and (v) seven thousand eight hundred five dollars for the
59 fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, and each fiscal year thereafter. The per
60 pupil grant for each enrolled student who is a resident of the district that
61 enrolls at least fifty-five per cent of the school's students shall be [three
62 thousand sixty] three thousand three hundred five dollars.

63 (C) (i) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2015, to June 30, 2019,
64 inclusive, each interdistrict magnet school operated by a regional
65 educational service center that began operations for the school year
66 commencing July 1, 2001, and that for the school year commencing July
67 1, 2008, enrolled at least fifty-five per cent, but no more than eighty per
68 cent of the school's students from a single town, shall receive a per pupil
69 grant (I) for each enrolled student who is a resident of the district that
70 enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but no more than eighty per cent of the
71 school's students, up to an amount equal to the total number of such
72 enrolled students as of October 1, 2013, using the data of record, in the
73 amount of eight thousand one hundred eighty dollars, (II) for each
74 enrolled student who is a resident of the district that enrolls at least fifty-
75 five per cent, but not more than eighty per cent of the school's students,
76 in an amount greater than the total number of such enrolled students as
77 of October 1, 2013, using the data of record, in the amount of three
78 thousand dollars, (III) for each enrolled student who is not a resident of
79 the district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but no more than
80 eighty per cent of the school's students, up to an amount equal to the
81 total number of such enrolled students as of October 1, 2013, using the
82 data of record, in the amount of eight thousand one hundred eighty
83 dollars, and (IV) for each enrolled student who is not a resident of the

84 district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but not more than eighty
85 per cent of the school's students, in an amount greater than the total
86 number of such enrolled students as of October 1, 2013, using the data
87 of record, in the amount of seven thousand eighty-five dollars.

88 (ii) For the fiscal [year] years ending June 30, 2020, [and each fiscal
89 year thereafter] to June 30, 2022, inclusive, each interdistrict magnet
90 school operated by a regional educational service center that began
91 operations for the school year commencing July 1, 2001, and that for the
92 school year commencing July 1, 2008, enrolled at least fifty-five per cent,
93 but not more than eighty per cent of the school's students from a single
94 town, shall receive a per pupil grant (I) for each enrolled student who is
95 a resident of the district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but not
96 more than eighty per cent of the school's students, up to an amount
97 equal to the total number of such enrolled students as of October 1, 2013,
98 using the data of record, in the amount of eight thousand three hundred
99 forty-four dollars, (II) for each enrolled student who is a resident of the
100 district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but not more than eighty
101 per cent of the school's students, in an amount greater than the total
102 number of such enrolled students as of October 1, 2013, using the data
103 of record, in the amount of three thousand sixty dollars, (III) for each
104 enrolled student who is not a resident of the district that enrolls at least
105 fifty-five per cent, but no more than eighty per cent of the school's
106 students, up to an amount equal to the total number of such enrolled
107 students as of October 1, 2013, using the data of record, in the amount
108 of eight thousand three hundred forty-four dollars, and (IV) for each
109 enrolled student who is not a resident of the district that enrolls at least
110 fifty-five per cent, but not more than eighty per cent of the school's
111 students, in an amount greater than the total number of such enrolled
112 students as of October 1, 2013, using the data of record, in the amount
113 of seven thousand two hundred twenty-seven dollars.

114 (iii) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, and each fiscal year
115 thereafter, each interdistrict magnet school operated by a regional
116 educational service center that began operations for the school year
117 commencing July 1, 2001, and that for the school year commencing July

118 1, 2008, enrolled at least fifty-five per cent, but not more than eighty per
119 cent of the school's students from a single town, shall receive a per pupil
120 grant (I) for each enrolled student who is a resident of the district that
121 enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but not more than eighty per cent of
122 the school's students, up to an amount equal to the total number of such
123 enrolled students as of October 1, 2013, using the data of record, in the
124 amount of nine thousand twelve dollars, (II) for each enrolled student
125 who is a resident of the district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but
126 not more than eighty per cent of the school's students, in an amount
127 greater than the total number of such enrolled students as of October 1,
128 2013, using the data of record, in the amount of three thousand three
129 hundred five dollars, (III) for each enrolled student who is not a resident
130 of the district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent, but no more than
131 eighty per cent of the school's students, up to an amount equal to the
132 total number of such enrolled students as of October 1, 2013, using the
133 data of record, in the amount of nine thousand twelve dollars, and (IV)
134 for each enrolled student who is not a resident of the district that enrolls
135 at least fifty-five per cent, but not more than eighty per cent of the
136 school's students, in an amount greater than the total number of such
137 enrolled students as of October 1, 2013, using the data of record, in the
138 amount of seven thousand eight hundred five dollars.

139 (D) (i) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (D)(ii) of this
140 subdivision, each interdistrict magnet school operated by (I) a regional
141 educational service center, (II) the Board of Trustees of the Community-
142 Technical Colleges on behalf of a regional community-technical college,
143 (III) the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System on
144 behalf of a state university, (IV) the Board of Trustees for The University
145 of Connecticut on behalf of the university, (V) the board of governors
146 for an independent institution of higher education, as defined in
147 subsection (a) of section 10a-173, or the equivalent of such a board, on
148 behalf of the independent institution of higher education, except as
149 otherwise provided in subparagraph (E) of this subdivision, (VI)
150 cooperative arrangements pursuant to section 10-158a, (VII) any other
151 third-party not-for-profit corporation approved by the commissioner,

152 and (VIII) the Hartford school district for the operation of Great Path
153 Academy on behalf of Manchester Community College, that enrolls less
154 than sixty per cent of its students from Hartford shall receive a per pupil
155 grant in the amount of nine thousand six hundred ninety-five dollars for
156 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, ten thousand four hundred forty-
157 three dollars for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2011, to June 30, 2019,
158 inclusive, [and] ten thousand six hundred fifty-two dollars for the fiscal
159 [year] years ending June 30, 2020, to June 30, 2022, inclusive, and eleven
160 thousand five hundred four dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30,
161 2023, and each fiscal year thereafter.

162 (ii) (I) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, to June 30, 2019,
163 inclusive, any interdistrict magnet school described in subparagraph
164 (D)(i) of this subdivision that enrolls less than fifty per cent of its
165 incoming students from Hartford shall receive a per pupil grant in the
166 amount of seven thousand nine hundred dollars for one-half of the total
167 number of non-Hartford students enrolled in the school over fifty per
168 cent of the total school enrollment and shall receive a per pupil grant in
169 the amount of ten thousand four hundred forty-three dollars for the
170 remainder of the total school enrollment. (II) For the fiscal [year] years
171 ending June 30, 2020, [and each fiscal year thereafter] to June 30, 2022,
172 inclusive, any interdistrict magnet school described in subparagraph
173 (D)(i) of this subdivision that enrolls less than fifty per cent of its
174 incoming students from Hartford shall receive a per pupil grant in the
175 amount of eight thousand fifty-eight dollars for one-half of the total
176 number of non-Hartford students enrolled in the school over fifty per
177 cent of the total school enrollment and shall receive a per pupil grant in
178 the amount of ten thousand six hundred fifty-two dollars for the
179 remainder of the total school enrollment, except the commissioner may,
180 upon the written request of an operator of such school, waive such fifty
181 per cent enrollment minimum for good cause. (III) For the fiscal year
182 ending June 30, 2023, and each fiscal year thereafter, any interdistrict
183 magnet school described in subparagraph (D)(i) of this subdivision that
184 enrolls less than fifty per cent of its incoming students from Hartford
185 shall receive a per pupil grant in the amount of eight thousand seven

186 hundred three dollars for one-half of the total number of non-Hartford
187 students enrolled in the school over fifty per cent of the total school
188 enrollment and shall receive a per pupil grant in the amount of eleven
189 thousand five hundred four dollars for the remainder of the total school
190 enrollment, except the commissioner may, upon the written request of
191 an operator of such school, waive such fifty per cent enrollment
192 minimum for good cause.

193 (E) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, and each fiscal year
194 thereafter, each interdistrict magnet school operated by the board of
195 governors for an independent institution of higher education, as defined
196 in subsection (a) of section 10a-173, or the equivalent of such a board, on
197 behalf of the independent institution of higher education, that (i) began
198 operations for the school year commencing July 1, 2014, (ii) enrolls less
199 than sixty per cent of its students from Hartford pursuant to the decision
200 in Sheff v. O'Neill, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation or order
201 in effect, as determined by the commissioner, and (iii) enrolls students
202 at least half-time, shall be eligible to receive a per pupil grant (I) equal
203 to sixty-five per cent of the grant amount determined pursuant to
204 subparagraph (D) of this subdivision for each student who is enrolled
205 at such school for at least two semesters in each school year, and (II)
206 equal to thirty-two and one-half per cent of the grant amount
207 determined pursuant to subparagraph (D) of this subdivision for each
208 student who is enrolled at such school for one semester in each school
209 year.

210 (F) Each interdistrict magnet school operated by a local or regional
211 board of education, pursuant to the decision in Sheff v. O'Neill, 238
212 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, shall receive
213 a per pupil grant for each enrolled student who is not a resident of the
214 district in the amount of (i) twelve thousand dollars for the fiscal year
215 ending June 30, 2010, (ii) thirteen thousand fifty-four dollars for the
216 fiscal years ending June 30, 2011, to June 30, 2019, inclusive, [and] (iii)
217 thirteen thousand three hundred fifteen dollars for the fiscal [year] years
218 ending June 30, 2020, to June 30, 2022, inclusive, and (iv) fourteen
219 thousand three hundred eighty dollars for the fiscal year ending June

220 30, 2023, and each fiscal year thereafter.

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

229 (H) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, and each fiscal year
230 thereafter, the half-day Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts
231 interdistrict magnet school operated by the Capital Region Education
232 Council shall be eligible to receive a per pupil grant equal to sixty-five
233 per cent of the per pupil grant specified in subparagraph (A) of this
234 subdivision.

235 (I) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, to June 30, 2018, inclusive,
236 the half-day Greater Hartford Academy of Mathematics and Science
237 interdistrict magnet school operated by the Capitol Region Education
238 Council shall be eligible to receive a per pupil grant equal to six
239 thousand seven hundred eighty-seven dollars for (i) students enrolled
240 in grades ten to twelve, inclusive, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016,
241 (ii) students enrolled in grades eleven and twelve for the fiscal year
242 ending June 30, 2017, and (iii) students enrolled in grade twelve for the
243 fiscal year ending June 30, 2018. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016,
244 and each fiscal year thereafter, the half-day Greater Hartford Academy
245 of Mathematics and Science interdistrict magnet school shall not be
246 eligible for any additional grants pursuant to subsection (c) of this
247 section.

248 (4) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2015, and June 30, 2016, the
249 department may limit payment to an interdistrict magnet school
250 operator to an amount equal to the grant that such magnet school
251 operator was eligible to receive based on the enrollment level of the

252 interdistrict magnet school program on October 1, 2013. Approval of
253 funding for enrollment above such enrollment level shall be prioritized
254 by the department as follows: (A) Increases in enrollment in an
255 interdistrict magnet school program that is adding planned new grade
256 levels for the school years commencing July 1, 2015, and July 1, 2016; (B)
257 increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program that
258 added planned new grade levels for the school year commencing July 1,
259 2014, and was funded during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015; (C)
260 increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program that
261 is moving into a permanent facility for the school years commencing
262 July 1, 2014, to July 1, 2016, inclusive; (D) increases in enrollment in an
263 interdistrict magnet school program to ensure compliance with
264 subsection (a) of this section; and (E) new enrollments for a new
265 interdistrict magnet school program commencing operations on or after
266 July 1, 2014, pursuant to the decision in *Sheff v. O'Neill*, 238 Conn. 1
267 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, as determined by the
268 commissioner. Any interdistrict magnet school program operating less
269 than full-time, but at least half-time, shall be eligible to receive a grant
270 equal to sixty-five per cent of the grant amount determined pursuant to
271 this subsection.

272 (5) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the department may limit
273 payment to an interdistrict magnet school operator to an amount equal
274 to the grant that such magnet school operator was eligible to receive
275 based on the enrollment level of the interdistrict magnet school program
276 on October 1, 2013, or October 1, 2015, whichever is lower. Approval of
277 funding for enrollment above such enrollment level shall be prioritized
278 by the department as follows: (A) Increases in enrollment in an
279 interdistrict magnet school program that is adding planned new grade
280 levels for the school years commencing July 1, 2015, and July 1, 2016; (B)
281 increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program that
282 added planned new grade levels for the school year commencing July 1,
283 2014, and was funded during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015; (C)
284 increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program that
285 added planned new grade levels for the school year commencing July 1,

286 2015, and was funded during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016; and
287 (D) increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program to
288 ensure compliance with subsection (a) of this section. Any interdistrict
289 magnet school program operating less than full-time, but at least half-
290 time, shall be eligible to receive a grant equal to sixty-five per cent of the
291 grant amount determined pursuant to this subsection.

292 (6) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, and within available
293 appropriations, the department may limit payment to an interdistrict
294 magnet school operator to an amount equal to the grant that such
295 magnet school operator was eligible to receive based on the enrollment
296 level of the interdistrict magnet school program on October 1, 2013,
297 October 1, 2015, or October 1, 2016, whichever is lower. Approval of
298 funding for enrollment above such enrollment level shall be prioritized
299 by the department and subject to the commissioner's approval,
300 including increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school
301 program as a result of planned and approved new grade levels. Any
302 interdistrict magnet school program operating less than full-time, but at
303 least half-time, shall be eligible to receive a grant equal to sixty-five per
304 cent of the grant amount determined pursuant to this subsection.

305 (7) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, and within available
306 appropriations, the department may limit payment to an interdistrict
307 magnet school operator to an amount equal to the grant that such
308 magnet school operator was eligible to receive based on the enrollment
309 level of the interdistrict magnet school program on October 1, 2013,
310 October 1, 2015, October 1, 2016, or October 1, 2017, whichever is lower.
311 Approval of funding for enrollment above such enrollment level shall
312 be prioritized by the department and subject to the commissioner's
313 approval, including increases in enrollment in an interdistrict magnet
314 school program as a result of planned and approved new grade levels.
315 Any interdistrict magnet school program operating less than full-time,
316 but at least half-time, shall be eligible to receive a grant equal to sixty-
317 five per cent of the grant amount determined pursuant to this
318 subsection.

319 (8) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and within available
320 appropriations, the department may limit payment to an interdistrict
321 magnet school operator to an amount equal to the grant that such
322 magnet school operator was eligible to receive based on the enrollment
323 level of the interdistrict magnet school program on October 1, 2013,
324 October 1, 2015, October 1, 2016, October 1, 2017, or October 1, 2018,
325 whichever is lower. Approval of funding for enrollment above such
326 enrollment level shall be prioritized by the department and subject to
327 the commissioner's approval, including increases in enrollment in an
328 interdistrict magnet school program as a result of planned and
329 approved new grade levels. Any interdistrict magnet school program
330 operating less than full-time, but at least half-time, shall be eligible to
331 receive a grant equal to sixty-five per cent of the grant amount
332 determined pursuant to this subsection.

333 (9) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, and within available
334 appropriations, the department may limit payment to an interdistrict
335 magnet school operator to an amount equal to the grant that such
336 magnet school operator was eligible to receive based on the enrollment
337 level of the interdistrict magnet school program on October 1, 2013,
338 October 1, 2015, October 1, 2016, October 1, 2017, October 1, 2018, or
339 October 1, 2019, whichever is lower. Approval of funding for enrollment
340 above such enrollment level shall be prioritized by the department and
341 subject to the commissioner's approval, including increases in
342 enrollment in an interdistrict magnet school program as a result of
343 planned and approved new grade levels. Any interdistrict magnet
344 school program operating less than full-time, but at least half-time, shall
345 be eligible to receive a grant equal to sixty-five per cent of the grant
346 amount determined pursuant to this subsection.

347 (10) Within available appropriations, the commissioner may make
348 grants to the following entities that operate an interdistrict magnet
349 school that assists the state in meeting its obligations pursuant to the
350 decision in *Sheff v. O'Neill*, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation
351 or order in effect, as determined by the commissioner and that provide
352 academic support programs and summer school educational programs

353 approved by the commissioner to students participating in such
354 interdistrict magnet school program: (A) Regional educational service
355 centers, (B) local and regional boards of education, (C) the Board of
356 Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on behalf of a regional
357 community-technical college, (D) the Board of Trustees of the
358 Connecticut State University System on behalf of a state university, (E)
359 the Board of Trustees for The University of Connecticut on behalf of the
360 university, (F) the board of governors for an independent institution of
361 higher education, as defined in subsection (a) of section 10a-173, or the
362 equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the independent institution of
363 higher education, (G) cooperative arrangements pursuant to section 10-
364 158a, and (H) any other third-party not-for-profit corporation approved
365 by the commissioner.

366 (11) Within available appropriations, the Commissioner of Education
367 may make grants, in an amount not to exceed seventy-five thousand
368 dollars, for start-up costs associated with the development of new
369 interdistrict magnet school programs that assist the state in meeting its
370 obligations pursuant to the decision in *Sheff v. O'Neill*, 238 Conn. 1
371 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, as determined by the
372 commissioner, to the following entities that develop such a program: (A)
373 Regional educational service centers, (B) local and regional boards of
374 education, (C) the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical
375 Colleges on behalf of a regional community-technical college, (D) the
376 Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System on behalf
377 of a state university, (E) the Board of Trustees for The University of
378 Connecticut on behalf of the university, (F) the board of governors for
379 an independent institution of higher education, as defined in subsection
380 (a) of section 10a-173, or the equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the
381 independent institution of higher education, (G) cooperative
382 arrangements pursuant to section 10-158a, and (H) any other third-party
383 not-for-profit corporation approved by the commissioner.

384 (12) In no case shall the total grant paid to an interdistrict magnet
385 school operator pursuant to this section exceed the aggregate total of the
386 reasonable operating budgets of the interdistrict magnet school

387 programs of such operator, less revenues from other sources.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2022	10-2641(c)

Statement of Purpose:

To increase the funding for interdistrict magnet schools by eight per cent.

[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.]