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The Committee on Appropriations reported through SEN. OSTEN of the 19th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT IMPLEMENTING A RECOMMENDATION OF THE AUDITORS OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS REGARDING NONLAPSING ACCOUNTS.

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

Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 3-22u of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "CHET Baby Scholars fund", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the office of the Treasurer for the purposes of the CHET Baby Scholars program established pursuant to this section.

Sec. 2. Section 3-123f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

The State Comptroller shall establish a separate, nonlapsing capital

reserve account **[**within the General Fund**]** for each constituent unit of the state system of higher education. The proceeds of the sale, pursuant to section 4b-21, of any surplus land or interest in land of any constituent unit of the state system of higher education shall upon deposit in the General Fund be credited to the capital reserve account of the appropriate constituent unit for the purpose of capital projects authorized by the constituent unit.

Sec. 3. Subsection (a) of section 3-123eee of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "partnership plan premium account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** All premiums paid by employers and their respective employees and retirees for coverage under a partnership plan pursuant to sections 3-123bbb to 3-123ddd, inclusive, shall be deposited into said account. The account shall be administered by the Comptroller for payment of claims and administrative fees to entities providing coverage or services under partnership plans.

Sec. 4. Subsection (a) of section 4-66h of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "Main Street Investment Fund account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Department of Housing for the purposes of providing grants not to exceed five hundred thousand dollars to municipalities with populations of not more than thirty thousand or municipalities eligible for the small town economic assistance program pursuant to section 4-66g for eligible projects as defined in subsection (d) of this section. Municipalities shall apply for such grants in a manner to be determined by the Commissioner of Housing. Said commissioner may contract with a nonprofit entity to

administer the provisions of this section.

Sec. 5. Subsection (a) of section 4-66k of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "regional planning incentive account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management for the purposes of first providing funding to regional planning organizations in accordance with the provisions of this section, next providing grants for the support of regional election advisors pursuant to section 9-229c and then providing grants under the regional performance incentive program established pursuant to section 4-124s.

Sec. 6. Subsection (b) of section 4-66*l* of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(b) There is established an account to be known as the "municipal revenue sharing account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. The secretary shall set aside and ensure availability of moneys in the account in the following order of priority and shall transfer or disburse such moneys as follows:

(1) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2023, moneys sufficient to make motor vehicle property tax grants payable to municipalities pursuant to subsection (c) of this section shall be expended not later than August first annually by the secretary;

(2) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2023, moneys sufficient to make the grants payable pursuant to subsection (d) of section 12-18b, subdivisions (1) and (3) of subsection (e) of section 12-18b, subsection (b) of section 12-19b and subsections (b) and (c) of

section 12-20b shall be expended by the secretary; and

(3) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2023, moneys in the account remaining shall be expended annually by the secretary for the purposes of the municipal revenue sharing grants established pursuant to subsection (d) of this section. Any such moneys deposited in the account for municipal revenue sharing grants, including moneys accrued to the account during each fiscal year but received after the end of such fiscal year, shall be distributed to municipalities not later than October first following the end of each fiscal year. Any municipality may apply to the Office of Policy and Management on or after July first for early disbursement of a portion of such grant. The Office of Policy and Management may approve such an application if it finds that early disbursement is required in order for a municipality to meet its cash flow needs. No early disbursement approved by said office may be issued later than September thirtieth.

Sec. 7. Subsection (a) of section 4-66n of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "municipal reimbursement and revenue account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account.

Sec. 8. Subsection (a) of section 4-66aa of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established **[**, within the General Fund,**]** a separate, nonlapsing account to be known as the "community investment account". The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. The funds in the account shall be distributed every three months as follows: (1) Ten dollars of each fee credited to said account shall be deposited into the agriculture sustainability account established pursuant to section 4-66cc, as amended by this act, and, then,

of the remaining funds, (2) twenty-five per cent to the Department of Economic and Community Development to use as follows: (A) Three hundred eighty thousand dollars, annually, to supplement the technical assistance and preservation activities of the Connecticut Trust for Historic Preservation, established pursuant to special act 75-93, and (B) the remainder to supplement historic preservation activities as provided in sections 10-409 to 10-415, inclusive; (3) twenty-five per cent to the Department of Housing to supplement new or existing affordable housing programs; (4) twenty-five per cent to the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection for municipal open space grants; and (5) twenty-five per cent to the Department of Agriculture to use as follows: (A) Five hundred thousand dollars annually for the agricultural viability grant program established pursuant to section 22-26j; (B) five hundred thousand dollars annually for the farm transition program established pursuant to section 22-26k; (C) one hundred thousand dollars annually to encourage the sale of Connecticut-grown food to schools, restaurants, retailers and other institutions and businesses in the state; (D) seventy-five thousand dollars annually for the Connecticut farm link program established pursuant to section 22-26*l*; (E) forty-seven thousand five hundred dollars annually for the Seafood Advisory Council established pursuant to section 22-455; (F) forty-seven thousand five hundred dollars annually for the Connecticut Farm Wine Development Council established pursuant to section 22-26c; (G) twenty-five thousand dollars annually to the Connecticut Food Policy Council established pursuant to section 22-456; and (H) the remainder for farmland preservation programs pursuant to chapter 422. Each agency receiving funds under this section may use not more than ten per cent of such funds for administration of the programs for which the funds were provided.

Sec. 9. Section 4-66cc of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There is established an account to be known as the "agricultural sustainability account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys

required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Commissioner of Agriculture for the purpose of providing agricultural assistance pursuant to section 22-265b.

Sec. 10. Subsection (d) of section 4-68aa of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(d) There is established an account to be known as the "social innovation account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Any interest accruing to the account shall be credited to the account. Moneys may be transferred to the account from the General Fund. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management for the purposes of facilitating the reentry of moderate and high-risk offenders into the community. The secretary may apply for and accept gifts, grants or donations from public or private sources to enable the account to be a source of payments to investors purchasing interests in a social investment vehicle.

Sec. 11. Subsection (d) of section 4-68aaa of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(d) There is established an account to be known as the "youth sports grant account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account and may accept gifts, grants and donations from public or private sources. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management for the purposes of providing grants to distressed municipalities in accordance with the provisions of this section.

Sec. 12. Subsection (a) of section 4-124jj of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "Office of Workforce Strategy account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account and any funds received from any public or private contributions, gifts, grants, donations, bequests or devises to the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Office of Workforce Strategy for the purposes of funding workforce training programs and supporting administrative expenses of the Office of Workforce Strategy. The Office of Workforce Strategy may enter into contracts or agreements with the constituent units of the state system of higher education and regional workforce development boards for the purposes of this section. The Chief Workforce Officer, in consultation with the Labor Commissioner and the regional workforce development boards, shall (1) ensure that, as appropriate, participants in a workforce training program funded through the Office of Workforce Strategy account also enroll in additional workforce development programs for the purpose of minimizing duplication across existing workforce programs and leveraging federal funds; and (2) establish funding eligibility criteria for workforce training programs for the purpose of meeting the workforce needs of in-demand occupations.

Sec. 13. Section 4b-21a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There is established an account to be known as the "state properties improvement account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account may contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. The moneys in said account shall be allocated by the State Bond Commission for capital improvements to, and the maintenance of, real property owned by the state.

Sec. 14. Subsection (c) of section 4b-53 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(c) There is established **[**within the General Fund**]** a state building works of art account, which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. The moneys within said account shall be used (1) for the purchase of works of art from distinguished Connecticut artists, which shall be placed on public view in state buildings, (2) to establish a bank of major works of art, from which individual works of art may be circulated among state buildings, public art museums and nonprofit galleries, and (3) for repair of all works acquired under this section. The Department of Economic and Community Development, in consultation with the Commissioner of Administrative Services, shall adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, which shall (A) indicate the portion of the one per cent allocation under subsection (b) of this section, up to one quarter of such allocation, which shall be deposited in the General Fund and credited to said account, (B) set forth the manner in which the moneys in said account shall be allocated and expended for the purposes of this subsection, and (C) establish procedures to ensure accountability in maintaining the integrity of such bank of works of art.

Sec. 15. Subsection (a) of section 4d-82a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established a separate, nonlapsing account, **[**within the General Fund to**]** which shall be known as the **[**Ed-Net account**]** "Ed-Net account". Any reimbursements received by the Department of Administrative Services for costs associated with the Connecticut Education Network shall be deposited in the General Fund and credited to the Ed-Net account to be used by said department to support the costs of said network.

Sec. 16. Section 7-131s of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

[(a)**]** There is established a Charter Oak open space trust account, **[**within the General Fund,**]** which shall be nonlapsing and shall be separate from bond funds provided for any similar programs or purposes.

[(b) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, disbursements from the Charter Oak open space trust account shall be made as follows: (1) Sixty per cent of the funds shall be deposited into the Charter Oak open space grant program account established pursuant to section 7-131t; and (2) forty per cent of the funds shall be deposited in the Charter Oak state parks and forest account established pursuant to section 7-131u.**]**

Sec. 17. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 7-131t of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) (1) There is established a Charter Oak open space grant program account, **[**within the General Fund,**]** which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. The account shall consist of any funds required or allowed by law to be deposited into the account including, but not limited to, funds from the Charter Oak open space trust account established pursuant to section 7-131s, as amended by this act, gifts or donations received for the purposes of section 7-131d. Investment earnings credited to the assets of the account shall become part of the assets of the account. Any balance remaining in the account at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in the account for the fiscal year next succeeding. Payments from the account shall be made upon authorization by the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection. Neither the proceeds of any general obligation bonds of the state nor the investment earnings of any such proceeds shall be deposited in the account.

Sec. 18. Subsection (a) of section 7-131u of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established a Charter Oak state parks and forests account, **[**within the General Fund,**]** which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. The account shall consist of any funds required or allowed by law to be deposited into the account including, but not limited to, funds from the Charter Oak open space trust account established pursuant to section 7-131s, as amended by this act, gifts or donations received for

the purposes of this section**.** Investment earnings credited to the assets of the account shall become part of the assets of the account. Any balance remaining in the account at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in the account for the fiscal year next succeeding. Payments from the account shall be made upon authorization by the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection. Neither the proceeds of any general obligation bonds of the state nor the investment earnings of any such proceeds shall be deposited in the account. Funds in the state parks and forests account shall be expended to acquire land as set forth in subsection (b) of this section.

Sec. 19. Subsection (b) of section 7-294p of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(b) The department may establish and maintain a municipal police officer training and education extension account, which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. The account shall be used for the operation of such training and education programs and sessions as the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, in consultation with the Police Officer Standards and Training Council, may establish. All proceeds derived from the operation of the training and education programs and sessions shall be deposited in the General Fund and shall be credited to and become a part of the resources of the account. All direct expenses incurred in the conduct of the training and education programs and sessions shall be charged and any payments of interest and principal of bonds or any sums transferable to any fund for the payment of interest and principal of bonds and any cost of equipment for such operations may be charged, against the account on order of the State Comptroller. Any balance of receipts above expenditures shall remain in the account to be used for training and education programs and sessions.

Sec. 20. Subsection (a) of section 7-313h of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*

2025):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "firefighters cancer relief account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by (1) the cancer relief subcommittee of the Connecticut State Firefighters Association, established pursuant to section 7-313i, for the purposes of providing wage replacement benefits to firefighters who are diagnosed with a condition of cancer described in section 7-313j, and (2) by the State Treasurer for purposes of providing reimbursement to municipalities that provide compensation and benefits to firefighters diagnosed with a condition of cancer in accordance with section 7-313p.

Sec. 21. Subsection (a) of section 7-406n of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "municipal pension solvency account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain: (1) The proceeds of notes, bonds or other obligations issued by the state for the purpose of deposit in said account and use in accordance with this section and section 7-406o; (2) payments received from any municipality in repayment of a municipal pension solvency loan; (3) interest or other income earned on the investment of moneys in said account; and (4) any additional moneys made available from any sources, public or private, for the purposes for which said account was established and for the purpose of deposit in said account.

Sec. 22. Subsection (a) of section 8-441 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "Crumbling Foundations Assistance Fund", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing

account. [within the General Fund.] The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account and any voluntary contributions. Moneys in the account shall be made available to incorporate the captive insurance company established pursuant to section 38a-91vv. Moneys in the account shall be transferred to such captive insurance company upon licensure by the Insurance Department. Voluntary contributions to the fund shall be deemed to be given for the purpose of providing financial assistance to owners of residential buildings for the repair or replacement of concrete foundations of such buildings that have deteriorated due to the presence of pyrrhotite and to minimize any negative impact on the economies of municipalities in which such residential buildings are located. No such contributions shall be further restricted by the donor or used by the captive insurance company for any other purposes. The captive insurance company shall not return any portion of such contributions to any donor. Any bond proceeds deposited into the fund shall be kept separate from any and all other funds deposited into the fund.

Sec. 23. Subsection (a) of section 8-446 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "Healthy Homes Fund", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. [within the General Fund.] The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Department of Housing for the purposes of:

(1) Funding of not more than one million dollars, from remittances transferred pursuant to section 38a-331 for the period beginning January 1, 2019, and ending December 31, 2019, shall be remitted to the Department of Economic and Community Development to be used for grants-in-aid to homeowners with homes located in the immediate vicinity of the West River in the Westville section of New Haven and Woodbridge for structurally damaged homes due to subsidence and to homeowners with homes abutting the Yale Golf Course in the Westville

section of New Haven for damage to such homes from water infiltration or structural damage due to subsidence, and, from remittances transferred pursuant to section 38a-331, for the period beginning May 1, 2022, and ending April 30, 2023, funding not exceeding the actual cost of remediation or relocation shall be remitted to the Department of Housing to be used for grants-in-aid for the remediation of structurally deficient foundations in owner-occupied units or the relocation of any owner of any such unit of any condominium associations located in the town of Hamden;

(2) Funding a program, and any related administrative expense, to reduce health and safety hazards in residential dwellings in Connecticut, including, but not limited to, lead, radon and other contaminants or conditions, through removal, remediation, abatement and other appropriate methods. For purposes of this subdivision, "administrative expense" means any administrative or other cost or expense incurred by the Department of Housing in carrying out the provisions of this section, including, but not limited to, the hiring of necessary employees and entering into necessary contracts; and

(3) Funding of not more than one hundred seventy-five thousand dollars, from remittances transferred pursuant to section 38a-331 for the period beginning January 1, 2021, and ending December 31, 2021, shall be remitted to the captive insurance company established pursuant to section 38a-91vv, to be used for the research and development of the report described in section 4 of public act 21-120* and any related administrative expense. Such sum shall not be considered in calculating the total funds allocated or made available to the captive insurance company used for administrative or operational costs pursuant to section 38a-91vv.

Sec. 24. Section 9-701 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There is established the "Citizens' Election Fund", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The fund may contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the fund.

Investment earnings credited to the assets of the fund shall become part of the assets of the fund. The State Treasurer shall administer the fund. All moneys deposited in the fund shall be used for the purposes of sections 9-700 to 9-716, inclusive.

Sec. 25. Section 10-21*l* of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There is established an account to be known as the "computer science education account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required or permitted by law to be deposited in the account and any funds received from any public or private contributions, gifts, grants, donations, bequests or devises to the account. The Department of Education may make expenditures from the account to support curriculum development, teacher professional development, capacity development for school districts, and other programs for the purposes of supporting computer science education.

Sec. 26. Subsection (a) of section 10-265ff of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "Philanthropic Match account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account.

Sec. 27. Section 10-373bb of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There is established an account to be known as the "cultural heritage development account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account may contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. The moneys in said account shall be allocated to a grant program administered by the Connecticut Humanities Council, to provide funds for local institutions

in the humanities, including but not limited to, libraries, museums and historical and cultural societies and associations. No such grant for technical assistance shall exceed ten thousand dollars, no such grant for planning or professional development shall exceed twenty-five thousand dollars, and no such grant for implementation shall exceed one hundred fifty thousand dollars. Each grant under this section shall be matched equally by the local institution, through an in-kind contribution, monetary contribution, or any combination of an in-kind or monetary contribution. In the case of an implementation grant in the amount of five thousand dollars or more, but less than twenty-five thousand dollars, at least twenty-five per cent of the matching contribution by the local institution shall be from private sources. In the case of an implementation grant in the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars or more, at least fifty per cent of the matching contribution by the local institution shall be from private sources. The council shall report to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the Department of Economic and Community Development in December of each year concerning the grants made under the program and their purposes.

Sec. 28. Section 10-507 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "smart start competitive capital grant account", which shall be a capital projects fund. The account shall contain the amounts authorized by the State Bond Commission in accordance with section 10-508 and any other moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Office of Early Childhood for the purposes of the Connecticut Smart Start competitive grant program established pursuant to section 10-506.

(b) There is established an account to be known as the "smart start competitive operating grant account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys

in the account shall be expended by the Office of Early Childhood for the purposes of the Connecticut Smart Start competitive grant program established pursuant to section 10-506.

Sec. 29. Section 10a-11e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

The Office of Higher Education may solicit and accept for use any gift of money or property made by will or otherwise, and any grant of money, services or property from the federal government, the state or any political subdivision thereof or any private source for the purpose of administering the Planning Commission of Higher Education. Such funds shall be deposited in an account to be known as the "Planning Commission for Higher Education Fund", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]**

Sec. 30. Section 10a-22q of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

After each annual determination of the balance of the private career school student protection account required by section 10a-22w, if the balance of the account is more than two million five hundred thousand dollars, the State Treasurer shall transfer to a separate, nonlapsing account, **[**within the General Fund,**]** to be known as the **[**private career school student benefit account**]** "private career school student benefit account", three-fourths of the annually accrued interest of said student protection account.

Sec. 31. Subsection (a) of section 10a-170w of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) The Board of Regents for Higher Education may establish and administer an account to be known as the **[**gear up for Connecticut futures account**]** "gear up for Connecticut futures account". The account shall be a separate and nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall be used for scholarships pursuant to the federal GEAR

UP program, 20 USC 1070a-21 et seq. The board may deposit state funds appropriated as a state match to the federally funded GEAR UP grant in the account.

Sec. 32. Section 11-8i of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There is established **[**, within the General Fund,**]** a separate and nonlapsing account to be known as the "historic documents preservation account". The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Investment earnings credited to the assets of the account shall become part of the assets of the account. Any balance remaining in the account at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward for the fiscal year next succeeding. The moneys in said account shall be used for the purposes of sections 11-8j to 11-8*l*, inclusive.

Sec. 33. Subsection (d) of section 12-806b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(d) There is established an account to be known as the "lottery assessment account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Department of Consumer Protection.

Sec. 34. Subsection (a) of section 13b-55b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "harbor improvement account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** There shall be deposited in the account: (1) The proceeds of notes, bonds or other obligations issued by the state for the purpose of deposit therein and use in accordance with the permissible uses thereof; (2) funds appropriated by the General

Assembly for the purpose of deposit therein and used in accordance with the permissible uses thereof; and (3) any other funds required or permitted by law to be deposited in the account. The funds in said account shall be expended by the Connecticut Port Authority for the purpose of initiating harbor improvement projects in accordance with section 13b-55a and for the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section.

Sec. 35. Subsection (d) of section 14-19b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(d) The Comptroller shall establish an account for each institution of higher education for which the commissioner has established a commemorative number plate pursuant to subsection (a) of this section. Each such account shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** Such account shall contain any moneys required to be deposited in the account pursuant to this section. The moneys in each such account shall be distributed quarterly by the commissioner to the institution of higher education for which the account is established. Such institutions of higher education shall expend funds received from such accounts to provide funding for scholarships on the basis of financial need and for alumni outreach efforts.

Sec. 36. Subsection (a) of section 14-21g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "Keep Kids Safe account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account.

Sec. 37. Subsection (d) of section 14-21i of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(d) There is established an account to be known as the "greenways commemorative account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. [within the General Fund.] The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. The funds in the account shall be expended by the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection to fund the greenways capital grant program established pursuant to section 23-101 and the bikeway, pedestrian walkway, recreational trail and greenway grant program described in section 23-103.

Sec. 38. Subsection (a) of section 14-21k of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "Amistad commemorative account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. [within the General Fund.] The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account.

Sec. 39. Subsection (a) of section 14-21m of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "Olympic Spirit commemorative account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. [within the General Fund.] The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account.

Sec. 40. Subsection (a) of section 14-21p of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "United We Stand commemorative account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. [within the General Fund.] The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account.

Sec. 41. Subsection (a) of section 14-21r of the general statutes is

repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "childhood cancer awareness account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account.

Sec. 42. Subsection (c) of section 14-21u of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(c) There is established the "Support Our Troops!" commemorative account, which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. The funds in said account shall be used by Connecticut Support Our Troops, Inc. for programs to assist troops, families of troops, and veterans. Connecticut Support Our Troops, Inc. may receive private donations to said account and any such donations shall be deposited in said account.

Sec. 43. Subsection (c) of section 14-21v of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(c) There is established the "Nursing" commemorative account, which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. The funds in the account shall be used by the Connecticut Nurses Foundation to provide scholarships for nursing education and training. The foundation may receive private donations to the account and any such donations shall be deposited in the account.

Sec. 44. Subsection (d) of section 14-21w of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(d) There is established a Share the Road account, which shall be a

separate, nonlapsing account. [within the General Fund.] The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. The funds in the account shall be expended by the Department of Transportation to enhance public awareness of the rights and responsibilities of bicyclists and motorists while jointly using the highways of this state and to promote bicycle use and safety in this state. The Commissioner of Transportation may receive private donations to said account and any such receipts shall be deposited in said account.

Sec. 45. Subsection (d) of section 14-21x of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(d) There is established a Men's Health account, which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. [within the General Fund.] The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. The funds in the account shall be expended by the Department of Public Health to enhance public awareness of efforts to treat and cure prostate cancer and to support research into treatment for prostate cancer. The Commissioner of Public Health may receive private donations to the account and any such receipts shall be deposited in the account.

Sec. 46. Subsection (d) of section 14-21y of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(d) There is established an account to be known as the "Hartford Whalers commemorative account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. [within the General Fund.] The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management to provide funding to the Connecticut Children's Medical Center. The secretary may receive private donations to the account and any such receipts shall be deposited in the account.

Sec. 47. Subsection (a) of section 14-21aa of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*

2025):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "Connecticut Lakes, Rivers and Ponds Preservation account", **[**. The Connecticut Lakes, Rivers and Ponds Preservation account**]** which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**of the General Fund.**]** Any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account shall be deposited in and credited to the Connecticut Lakes, Rivers and Ponds Preservation account. The account shall be available to the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection for (1) restoration and rehabilitation of lakes, rivers and ponds in the state; (2) programs of the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection for the eradication of aquatic invasive species and cyanobacteria blooms; (3) education and public outreach programs to enhance the public's understanding of the need to protect and preserve the state's lakes, rivers and ponds; (4) allocation of grants to state and municipal agencies and not-for-profit organizations to conduct research and to provide public education and public awareness to enhance understanding and management of the natural resources of the state's lakes, rivers and ponds; (5) provision of funds for all services that support the protection and conservation of the state's lakes, rivers and ponds; and (6) reimbursement of the Department of Motor Vehicles for the cost of producing, issuing, renewing and replacing Save Our Lakes commemorative number plates, including administrative expenses, pursuant to section 14-21z.

Sec. 48. Subsection (a) of section 14-50b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) Any person (1) whose operator's license or privilege to operate a motor vehicle in this state has been suspended or revoked by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, (2) who has been disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle, or (3) whose identity card, issued under section 1-1h, has been revoked due to misrepresentation or deceit, shall pay a restoration fee of one hundred seventy-five dollars to said commissioner prior to the issuance to such person of a new operator's

license or identity card or the restoration of such operator's license or privilege to operate a motor vehicle or commercial motor vehicle. Such restoration fee shall be in addition to any other fees provided by law. The commissioner shall deposit fifty dollars of such fee in **[**a separate nonlapsing**]** the school bus seat belt account, which shall be **[**established within the General Fund**]** a separate, nonlapsing account.

Sec. 49. Subdivision (7) of subsection (i) of section 14-227a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(7) There is established the **[**ignition interlock administration account**]** "ignition interlock administration account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**in the General Fund.**]** The commissioner shall deposit all fees paid pursuant to subdivision (6) of this subsection in the account. Funds in the account may be used by the commissioner for the administration of this subsection.

Sec. 50. Section 14-295b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There is established a brain injury prevention and services account, which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain all moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Investment earnings from any moneys in the account shall be credited to the account and shall become part of the assets of the account. Any balance remaining in the account at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in the account for the fiscal year next succeeding. The moneys in the account shall be allocated to the Department of Social Services for the purpose of providing grants to the Brain Injury Association of Connecticut.

Sec. 51. Subsection (a) of section 16-50bb of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "municipal

participation account", **[**within the General Fund,**]** which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. There shall be deposited in the account the municipal participation fees received pursuant to subsection (a) of section 16-50*l*. The interest derived from the investment of the account shall be credited to the account. Any balance remaining in the account at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in the account for the fiscal year next succeeding.

Sec. 52. Subsection (a) of section 16-244bb of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the **[**sustainable materials management account**]** "sustainable materials management account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain moneys collected by the alternative compliance payment for Class II renewable portfolio standards pursuant to subsection (h) of section 16-244c and subsection (k) of section 16-245 and moneys deposited pursuant to subsection (f) of section 22a-232. The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall expend moneys from the account for the purposes of the program established under this section, provided the commissioner may also pledge such moneys for revenue bonds the proceeds of which shall be used to support waste infrastructure projects described in this section.

Sec. 53. Subsection (a) of section 16-331bb of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "municipal video competition trust account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by this section to be deposited in the account. In the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2008, and in each fiscal year thereafter, the amount in said account at the end of the preceding fiscal year shall be distributed as property tax relief to the towns, cities and boroughs of

this state pursuant to subsection (c) of this section.

Sec. 54. Subsection (a) of section 16-331cc of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "public, educational and governmental programming and education technology investment account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account and any interest or penalties collected by the Commissioner of Revenue Services pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection (c) of this section.

Sec. 55. Subsection (a) of section 16a-47c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "state-wide energy efficiency and outreach account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**of the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Any balance remaining in said account at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in said account for the fiscal year next succeeding.

Sec. 56. Subsection (b) of section 17a-20b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(b) There is established an account to be known as the "Department of Children and Families in-home respite care services fund", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Commissioner of Children and Families for the purposes of funding the in-home respite care services program established pursuant to subsection (c) of this section.

Sec. 57. Subsection (a) of section 17a-22ii of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established a Mental and Behavioral Health Treatment Fund, which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account, the resources of which shall be used by the Commissioner of Children and Families to assist families with the cost of obtaining (1) a drug or treatment prescribed for a child by a health care provider for the treatment of a mental or behavioral health condition if the cost of such drug or treatment is not covered by insurance or Medicaid, and (2) intensive evidence-based services or other intensive services to treat mental and behavioral health conditions in children and adolescents, including, but not limited to, intensive in-home child and adolescent psychiatric services and services provided by an intensive outpatient program, if the cost of such services is not covered by insurance or Medicaid. The Commissioner of Children and Families shall establish eligibility criteria for families to receive such assistance. Such eligibility requirements (A) shall include that a family has sought and been denied coverage or reimbursement for such drug or treatment or such intensive services by the family's health carrier, and (B) may include, but need not be limited to, a family's financial need. Not later than January 1, 2023, the Commissioner of Children and Families shall begin accepting applications for such assistance.

Sec. 58. Subsection (a) of section 17a-22jj of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established a Social Determinants of Mental Health Fund, which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account, the resources of which shall be used by the Commissioner of Children and Families to assist families in covering the cost of mental health services and treatment for their children. The

commissioner shall establish eligibility criteria for families to receive such assistance based on social determinants of mental health, with a goal toward reducing racial, ethnic, gender and socioeconomic mental health disparities. As used in this section, "social determinants of mental health" includes, but is not limited to, discrimination and social exclusion, adverse early life experiences, low educational attainment, poor educational quality and educational inequality, poverty, income inequality and living in socioeconomically deprived neighborhoods, food insecurity, unemployment, underemployment and job insecurity, poor housing quality and housing instability, impact of climate change, adverse features of the structures and systems in which persons live or work and poor access to health care.

Sec. 59. Section 17a-451f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

Notwithstanding the provisions of section 17a-451e, the funds required by said section to be allocated to the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, for grants for mental health services, shall be deposited in **[**a separate, nonlapsing**]** the mental health services grants account**, [**established within the General Fund**]** which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. The account shall contain any other moneys required by law to be deposited in said account. The moneys in said account shall be expended by the Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services as follows: (1) The sum of four hundred twenty-five thousand dollars for an inpatient behavioral health program serving preschool children aged two to five years; (2) the sum of one hundred eighty-five thousand dollars for behavioral health preventive activities in the community; (3) the sum of five hundred thirty thousand dollars for a study of the behavioral health aftereffects of service in Operation Iraqi Freedom or in other combat theaters on Connecticut soldiers and their families; (4) the sum of eight hundred ten thousand dollars for transitional behavioral health benefits for soldiers and their families; and (5) any remainder as determined by the Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services in accordance with section 17a-451.

Sec. 60. Section 17a-451g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There is established an account to be known as the "mental health community investment account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services, in consultation with nonprofit mental health organizations, for the purposes of improving services and programs in the state, including, but not limited to, residential services, job training and placement services, educational programs and support groups, designed to support individuals diagnosed with mental health conditions.

Sec. 61. Subsection (a) of section 17a-674a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "9-8-8 Suicide Prevention and Mental Health Crisis Lifeline Fund", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required to be deposited in, or transferred to, the account pursuant to subsection (b) of this section. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services solely for the following purposes: (1) Ensuring the efficient and effective routing of calls made to the 9-8-8 National Suicide Prevention Lifeline by persons in the state to an appropriate crisis center; and (2) personnel and the provision of acute mental health, crisis outreach and stabilization services by directly responding to the 9–8–8 National Suicide Prevention Lifeline.

Sec. 62. Subsection (b) of section 17a-674h of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(b) There is established an Opioid Antagonist Bulk Purchase Fund,

which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. [within the General Fund.] The account shall contain any (1) amounts appropriated or otherwise made available by the state for the purposes of this section, (2) moneys required by law to be deposited in the account, and (3) gifts, grants, donations or bequests made for the purposes of this section. Investment earnings credited to the assets of the account shall become part of the assets of the account. Any balance remaining in the account at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in the account for the fiscal year next succeeding. The State Treasurer shall administer the account. All moneys deposited in the account shall be used by the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services for the purposes of this section. The department may deduct and retain from the moneys in the account an amount equal to the costs incurred by the department in administering the provisions of this section, except that said amount shall not exceed two per cent of the moneys deposited in the account in any fiscal year.

Sec. 63. Section 17b-55b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There is established a "two-generation poverty reduction account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. [within the General Fund.] The account may receive transfers of lapsing funds from General Fund operations or poverty reduction accounts within the Department of Social Services. The account may also receive moneys from public and philanthropic sources or from the federal government for such purposes. All moneys deposited in the account shall be used by said department or persons acting under a contract with the department to fund services in support of two-generation poverty reduction programs.

Sec. 64. Section 17b-88a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, and each fiscal year thereafter, with the approval of the Office of Policy and Management, the Department of Social Services may credit to a nonlapsing account, [in the General Fund,] and expend from such nonlapsing account, the

amounts necessary for payment of the federal share of recoveries or overpayments established under the aid to families with dependent children program.

Sec. 65. Subsection (a) of section 17b-112f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established a safety net services account, which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** Any moneys collected under the contribution system established under section 12-743 shall be deposited by the Commissioner of Revenue Services into the account. This account may also receive moneys from public and private sources or from the federal government. All moneys deposited in the account shall be used by the Department of Social Services or persons acting under a contract with the department to fund services provided pursuant to section 17b-112e. Expenditures from the account in any fiscal year for the promotion of the contribution system or the account shall not exceed ten per cent of the amount of moneys raised during the previous fiscal year, provided such limitation shall not apply to an expenditure of not more than fifteen thousand dollars from the account on or before July 1, 1997, to reimburse expenditures made on or before said date, with prior written authorization of the Commissioner of Social Services, by private organizations to promote the contribution system and safety net account.

Sec. 66. Section 17b-261f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There is established a mobile field hospital account, which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** Moneys in the account shall be used by the Department of Social Services to fund the operations of the mobile field hospital in the event of an activation. The account shall contain all moneys required by law to be deposited in the account.

Sec. 67. Subsection (a) of section 17b-288 of the general statutes is

repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an organ transplant account, which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** Any moneys collected under the contribution system established under section 12-743 shall be deposited by the Commissioner of Revenue Services into the account. This account may also receive moneys from public and private sources or from the federal government. All moneys deposited in the account shall be used by the Department of Social Services or persons acting under a contract with the department, (1) to assist residents of the state in paying all or part of any costs associated with a medically required organ transplant, (2) to assist individuals who have donated an organ to a resident of the state in paying all or part of any costs associated with the organ donation, including, but not limited to, costs of transportation, accommodation and lost wages, or (3) for the promotion of the income tax contribution system and the organ transplant account. Expenditures from the account in any fiscal year for the promotion of the contribution system or the account shall not exceed ten per cent of the amount of moneys raised during the previous fiscal year, provided such limitation shall not apply to an expenditure of not more than fifteen thousand dollars from the account on or before July 1, 1994, to reimburse expenditures made on or before said date, with prior written authorization of the Commissioner of Public Health, by private organizations to promote the contribution system and the organ transplant account.

Sec. 68. Subsection (j) of section 18-81qq of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(j) The Correction Ombuds may apply for and accept grants, gifts and bequests of funds from other states, federal and interstate agencies, for the purpose of carrying out the Correction Ombuds' responsibilities. There is established **[**within the General Fund**]** a Correction Ombuds account, which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. Any funds

received under this subsection shall, upon deposit in the General Fund, be credited to said account and may be used by the Correction Ombuds in the performance of the Correction Ombuds' duties.

Sec. 69. Section 19a-12c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There is established an account to be known as the "professional assistance program account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be paid by the Commissioner of Public Health to the assistance program for health care professionals established pursuant to section 19a-12a for the provision of education, prevention, intervention, referral assistance, rehabilitation or support services to health care professionals who have a chemical dependency, emotional or behavioral disorder or physical or mental illness.

Sec. 70. Subsection (a) of section 19a-32a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an AIDS research education account, which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** Any moneys collected under the contribution system established under section 12-743 shall be deposited by the Commissioner of Revenue Services into the account. This account may also receive moneys from public and private sources or from the federal government. All moneys deposited in the account shall be used by the Department of Public Health or persons acting under a contract with the department, (1) to assist AIDS research, education and AIDS-related community service programs, or (2) for the promotion of the income tax contribution system and the AIDS research education account. Expenditures from the account in any fiscal year for the promotion of the contribution system or the account shall not exceed ten per cent of the amount of moneys raised during the previous fiscal year provided such limitation shall not apply to an expenditure of not more than fifteen thousand

dollars from the account on or before July 1, 1994, to reimburse expenditures made on or before said date, with prior written authorization of the Commissioner of Public Health, by private organizations to promote the contribution system and the AIDS research education account.

Sec. 71. Section 19a-32b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There is established a breast cancer research and education account, which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** Any moneys collected under the contribution system established under section 12-743 shall be deposited by the Commissioner of Revenue Services into the account. This account may also receive moneys from public and private sources or from the federal government. All moneys deposited in the account shall be used by the Department of Public Health or persons acting under a contract with the department, (1) to assist breast cancer research, education and breast cancer related community service programs, or (2) for the promotion of the income tax contribution system and the breast cancer research and education account. Expenditures from the account in any fiscal year for the promotion of the contribution system or the account shall not exceed ten per cent of the amount of moneys raised during the previous fiscal year provided such limitation shall not apply to an expenditure of not more than fifteen thousand dollars from the account on or before July 1, 1998, to reimburse expenditures made on or before said date, with prior written authorization of the Commissioner of Public Health, by private organizations to promote the contribution system and the breast cancer research and education account.

Sec. 72. Section 19a-112d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There is established a sexual assault victims account, which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain the moneys authorized pursuant to section 54-143c, and any other moneys required by law to be deposited in the account, and

shall be held in trust separate and apart from all other moneys, funds and accounts. Any balance remaining in the account at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in the account for the fiscal year next succeeding. Investment earnings credited to the account shall become part of the account. Amounts in the account shall be expended only pursuant to appropriations by the General Assembly, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, and each fiscal year thereafter, for the purpose of providing funds to the Department of Public Health for sexual assault crisis services furnished to victims of sexual assault in this state, provided such amounts so expended shall not supplant any state or federal funds otherwise available for such services.

Sec. 73. Subsection (a) of section 19a-308b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "neglected cemetery account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Office of Policy and Management for the purposes of municipal maintenance of neglected burial grounds and cemeteries, as described in section 19a-308.

Sec. 74. Section 20-638c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There is established an account to be known as the "pharmacy professional assistance program account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be paid by the Commissioner of Consumer Protection to the assistance program for the provision of education, prevention, intervention, referral assistance, rehabilitation and support services to pharmacists and pharmacy interns who have a chemical dependency, an emotional or behavioral disorder or a physical or mental illness.

Sec. 75. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 21a-420f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) (1) There is established an account to be known as the "cannabis regulatory and investment account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be allocated by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, in consultation with the Social Equity Council, as defined in section 21a-420, to state agencies for the purpose of paying costs incurred to implement the activities authorized under RERACA, as defined in section 21a-420.

Sec. 76. Subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 21a-420f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(b) (1) There is established an account to be known as the "social equity and innovation account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account.

(A) During the fiscal years ending June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2023, moneys in the account shall be allocated by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, in consultation with the Social Equity Council, to state agencies for the purpose of (i) paying costs incurred by the Social Equity Council, (ii) administering programs under RERACA to provide (I) access to capital for businesses, (II) technical assistance for the start-up and operation of a business, (III) funding for workforce education, and (IV) funding for community investments, and (iii) paying costs incurred to implement the activities authorized under RERACA.

(B) During the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, moneys in the account shall be allocated by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management for purposes that the Social Equity Council determines, in

the Social Equity Council's sole discretion, further the principles of equity, as defined in section 21a-420, which purposes may include, but need not be limited to, providing (i) access to capital for businesses in any industry, (ii) technical assistance for the start-up and operation of a business in any industry, (iii) funding for workforce education in any industry, (iv) funding for community investments, and (v) funding for investments in disproportionately impacted areas.

Sec. 77. Subsection (a) of section 22-26i of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established a separate, nonlapsing account, **[**within the General Fund,**]** known as the **[**maintenance, repair and improvement account**]** "maintenance, repair and improvement account". All moneys collected from any rent paid by any person occupying or otherwise using any property owned by the Department of Agriculture, including houses or other buildings, shall be deposited into the account unless the Commissioner of Agriculture enters into a written agreement, signs an instrument or issues a license **[**which**]** that specifically states otherwise. Said account may also receive moneys from private or public sources, including the federal government or a municipal government.

Sec. 78. Subsection (b) of section 22-26mm of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(b) There is established an account to be known as the "municipal purchasing of agricultural land account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account may contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Commissioner of Agriculture for the purposes of providing municipalities with loans for the purchase of agricultural lands in accordance with subsection (a) of this section.

Sec. 79. Section 22-38c of the general statutes is repealed and the

following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There shall be an expand and grow Connecticut agriculture account, which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** Funds received pursuant to sections 22-38a and 26-194 shall be deposited into said account. The Commissioner of Agriculture shall make payments from said account to fund the program established in section 22-38a.

Sec. 80. Subsection (j) of section 22-329a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(j) There is established a separate, nonlapsing account **[**within the General Fund,**]** to be known as the "animal abuse cost recovery account". All moneys collected from sales at public auction of animals seized by the Department of Agriculture pursuant to this section shall be deposited into the account. Deposits of moneys may be made into the account from public or private sources, including, but not limited to, the federal government or municipal governments.

Sec. 81. Section 22a-21k of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There is established the "school bus emissions reduction account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. The moneys in said account shall be expended by the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection for the purposes of the school bus emissions reduction program established in section 22a-21j. The Department of Energy and Environmental Protection shall not use more than three per cent of the funds in said account for the administration of said program.

Sec. 82. Subsection (a) of section 22a-27*l* of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an endangered species, natural area preserves and watchable wildlife account, which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. [within the General Fund.] Any moneys collected under the contribution system established under section 12-743 shall be deposited by the Commissioner of Revenue Services into the account. [This] The account may also receive moneys from public and private sources or from the federal government. All moneys deposited in the account shall be used by the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, or persons acting under a contract with the department, for (1) the identification, protection, conservation or management of, or the development and production of materials or facilities providing information or education concerning, endangered species, natural area preserves or nonharvested wildlife; or (2) the promotion of the income tax contribution system and the endangered species, natural area preserves and watchable wildlife account. Expenditures from the account in any fiscal year for the promotion of the contribution system or the account shall not exceed ten per cent of the amount of moneys raised during the previous fiscal year provided such limitation shall not apply to an expenditure of not more than fifteen thousand dollars from the account on or before July 1, 1994, to reimburse expenditures made on or before said date, with prior written authorization of the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection, by private organizations to promote the contribution system and the endangered species, natural area preserves and watchable wildlife account.

Sec. 83. Section 22a-27t of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There is established an account to be known as the "Face of Connecticut account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. [within the General Fund.] The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account and contributions from any source, public or private. Any moneys in the account shall be expended by the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection, as directed by the Face of Connecticut Steering Committee established pursuant to section 22a-27s for the acquisition, restoration

or stewardship of properties, each of which such properties, when acquired or restored, will serve not less than two of the following objectives: (1) The conservation of open space land, as defined in section 12-107b; (2) the renovation and enhancement of urban parks; (3) the preservation of active agricultural land; or (4) the restoration or reuse of historic resources.

Sec. 84. Subsection (a) of section 22a-27u of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "air emissions permit operating fee account". Said account shall be established by the Comptroller as a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** Any moneys collected in accordance with section 22a-174 shall be deposited in the General Fund and credited to the air emissions permit operating fee account. Any balance remaining in the account at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in the account for the fiscal year next succeeding. The account shall be used by the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection for the purpose of covering the direct and indirect costs of administering the program set forth in Title V of the federal Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990.

Sec. 85. Subsection (a) of section 22a-27v of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "Long Island Sound account". The Long Island Sound account shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**of the General Fund.**]** Any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account shall be deposited in and credited to the Long Island Sound account. The account shall be available to the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection for (1) (A) restoration and rehabilitation of tidal wetlands in proximity to Long Island Sound, (B) restoration and rehabilitation of estuarine embayments in proximity to Long Island Sound, (C) acquisition of public access to Long Island Sound, (D) propagation of and habitat

protection for shellfish and finfish, including anadromous fish, and (E) education and public outreach programs to enhance the public's understanding of the need to protect and conserve the natural resources of Long Island Sound; (2) allocation of grants to agencies, institutions or persons, including, but not limited to, the Long Island Sound Foundation, to conduct research and to provide public education and public awareness to enhance understanding and management of the natural resources of Long Island Sound; (3) provision of funds for services which support the protection and conservation of the natural resources of Long Island Sound; or (4) reimbursement of the Department of Motor Vehicles for the cost of producing, issuing, renewing and replacing Long Island Sound commemorative number plates, including administrative expenses, pursuant to section 14-21e.

Sec. 86. Subsection (b) of section 22a-200c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(b) The Department of Energy and Environmental Protection shall auction all emissions allowances and invest the proceeds, which shall be deposited into a Regional Greenhouse Gas account established by the Comptroller as a separate, nonlapsing account, **[**within the General Fund,**]** on behalf of electric ratepayers in energy conservation, load management, Class I renewable energy programs and programs that reduce transportation sector greenhouse gas emissions. In making such investments, the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall consider strategies that maximize cost effective reductions in greenhouse gas emission. Allowances shall be auctioned under the oversight of the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection by a contractor or trustee on behalf of the electric ratepayers.

Sec. 87. Subsection (h) of section 22a-202 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(h) There is established an account to be known as the "Connecticut hydrogen and electric automobile purchase rebate program account",

which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. [within the General Fund.] The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection for the purposes of (1) administering the Connecticut Hydrogen and Electric Automobile Purchase Rebate program and the voucher program established pursuant to section 22a-201e, and (2) paying the staffing needs associated with administering the grant program for zero-emission buses and providing administrative and technical assistance for such grant program pursuant to section 22a-201d.

Sec. 88. Section 22a-316 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There shall continue to be maintained from the income received in administering section 22a-314, an equipment account, which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account, [within the General Fund,] for the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection. The commissioner may use said account for the purchase and maintenance of equipment, provided no single article of equipment shall be purchased from said account at a cost of more than one thousand dollars without the approval of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management. The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection may at his discretion make state equipment available to any soil and water conservation district.

Sec. 89. Section 22a-903b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There is established an account to be known as the [PFAS Testing account] "PFAS Testing account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. [within the General Fund.] Moneys in such account shall be used by the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection, in consultation with the Commissioner of Public Health, to provide municipalities, as defined in section 7-381, and school districts with grants or reimbursements to test for the presence of PFAS contamination in drinking water supplies and to remediate any such

contamination and for the implementation of section 22a-903c, including, but not limited to, any expense necessary for staffing administrative costs, enforcement, dues or other costs associated with the multistate clearinghouse established or implemented pursuant to subsection (h) of section 22a-903c. Such account shall contain all moneys required by law to be deposited in such account. Such account may receive funds from private or public sources, including, but not limited to, the federal government. For the purposes of this section, "PFAS" has the same meaning as provided in section 22a-255h.

Sec. 90. Subsection (a) of section 23-15h of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the **[**Passport to the Parks account**]** "Passport to the Parks account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** Moneys in such account shall be used to provide expenses of the Council on Environmental Quality, beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, and for the care, maintenance, operation and improvement of state parks and campgrounds, the care, maintenance and operation of Batterson Park, a public park owned by the city of Hartford and located in the city of New Britain and the town of Farmington, the operation of the Thames River Heritage Park taxi serving the city of New London and the city of Groton for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2026, to June 30, 2031, inclusive, in an amount not to exceed two hundred thousand dollars in each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2026, to June 30, 2028, inclusive, one hundred thousand dollars in the fiscal years ending June 30, 2029, and June 30, 2030, and in an amount not to exceed fifty thousand dollars in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2031, the funding of soil and water conservation districts and the funding of environmental review teams, in accordance with subsection (b) of this section. All funds collected from the Passport to the Parks Fee established pursuant to section 14-49b shall be deposited into the Passport to the Parks account. Such account shall contain all moneys required by law to be deposited in such account. Such account may receive funds from private or public

sources, including, but not limited to, any municipal government or the federal government. Such account shall contain subaccounts as required by section 23-15b.

Sec. 91. Subdivision (2) of subsection (c) of section 23-20 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(2) There is established an account to be known as the "timber harvesting revolving account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** Proceeds from the harvest of timber from state forests and state wildlife management areas shall be deposited in such account. The commissioner shall use moneys in such account for the purpose of developing forest management plans to guide the harvest of timber from state forests and state wildlife management areas and for all reasonable direct expenses relating to the administration and operation of such plans in such state forests and wildlife management areas. The commissioner may accept, on behalf of the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, any gifts, donations, loans or bequests for the purposes of depositing such funds into the timber harvesting revolving account. Any such loan from a nonprofit organization qualified under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to time, shall be repaid from such account not later than two years after entering such loan agreement or at a time and upon terms agreed upon by the commissioner and such nonprofit organization. The account shall not exceed one hundred thousand dollars. Any remaining proceeds shall be deposited in the General Fund.

Sec. 92. Section 23-79 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

To ensure the proper management of land acquired pursuant to sections 23-73 to 23-79, inclusive, as amended by this act, concurrent with each land acquisition, an amount not to exceed twenty per cent of the appraised value of the land may be allocated from the proceeds of

bonds authorized for the purposes of this program to be used for the management of acquisitions or to be deposited in a stewardship account **[**which**]** that shall be established by the Comptroller as a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** Income derived from the investment of such account shall be credited to such account and such account shall be used for the management of acquisitions. The commissioner may name a cooperator as primary manager of the land and on such nomination may authorize, at reasonable times and in reasonable amounts, payments to the primary manager for expenses incurred in the management of program acquisitions. A cooperator shall not be required to provide matching funds for any expenditure from a stewardship account. **[**Said**]** Such account shall also receive any other funds, as required by law or any contributions from others.

Sec. 93. Section 26-27c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection may provide for the Connecticut Migratory Bird Conservation Stamp and the Connecticut Resident Game Bird Conservation Stamp to be reproduced and marketed in the form of prints and other related artwork. Funds generated from such marketing and the sale of such stamps pursuant to section 26-27b shall be deposited in a separate account maintained by the Treasurer and known as the **[**migratory bird and resident game bird conservation account**]** "migratory bird and resident game bird conservation account". Within said account, there shall be a subaccount for the voluntary migratory bird and resident game bird conservation donation collected pursuant to section 26-27b. The migratory bird and resident game bird conservation account shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**of the General Fund.**]** All funds credited to the migratory bird and resident game bird conservation account and subaccount shall only be used for: (1) The development, management, preservation, conservation, acquisition, purchase and maintenance of migratory and resident game birds, migratory and resident game bird habitat and wetlands and purchase or acquisition of recreational rights or interests relating to migratory and resident game birds; and (2) the design,

production, promotion and procurement and sale of the prints and related artwork.

Sec. 94. Section 27-19b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There is established an account to be known as the "Military Department state morale, welfare and recreation account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account, which shall include, but not be limited to, proceeds of state military morale, welfare and recreation programs and gifts, grants and donations from public or private sources. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Adjutant General for the purposes of operating state military morale, welfare and recreation programs. Not later than August 1, 2022, and annually thereafter, the Adjutant General shall submit a report to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management concerning deposits into and expenditures from the account for the previous fiscal year.

Sec. 95. Section 27-19c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There is established an account to be known as the "chargeable transient quarters and billeting account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account, which shall include, but not be limited to, proceeds of room service charges at Camp Nett at Niantic. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Adjutant General for the purposes of billeting members of the armed forces at Camp Nett at Niantic.

Sec. 96. Section 27-19e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There is established an account to be known as the "Governor's Guards horse account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account.

[within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account, which shall include, but not be limited to, donations for the specific purpose of offsetting the costs of maintaining Governor's Guards' horses. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Adjutant General for the purposes of facilitating the operations of the Governor's Guards.

Sec. 97. Section 27-38f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There is established an account to be known as the "New England Disaster Training Center activity account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account and any moneys obtained from the proceeds of operational activities of the New England Disaster Training Center. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Adjutant General for the purpose of operating the New England Disaster Training Center. The Adjutant General may apply for and accept gifts, grants and donations from public or private sources for the purposes of said account and any such gifts, grants or donations shall be deposited in said account.

Sec. 98. Subsection (f) of section 27-39 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(f) There is established an account to be known as the "military facilities account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain (1) any amounts appropriated or otherwise made available by the state for the purposes of the account, (2) any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account, and (3) gifts, grants, donations or bequests made for the purposes of the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Military Department for the maintenance and renovation of military facilities.

Sec. 99. Subsection (b) of section 27-100a of the general statutes is

repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(b) There is established **[**, within the General Fund,**]** a separate, nonlapsing account to be known as the "Military Relief Fund". The account shall contain (1) any amounts appropriated or otherwise made available by the state for the purposes of this section, (2) any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account, and (3) gifts, grants, donations or bequests made for the purposes of this section. Investment earnings credited to the assets of the fund shall become part of the assets of the fund. Any balance remaining in the account at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in the account for the fiscal year next succeeding. The State Treasurer shall administer the fund. All moneys deposited in the account shall be used by the Military Department for the purposes of this section. The Military Department may deduct and retain from the moneys in the account an amount equal to the costs incurred by the department in administering the provisions of this section, except that said amount shall not exceed two per cent of the moneys deposited in the account in any fiscal year.

Sec. 100. Subsection (a) of section 28-31 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) The Public Utilities Regulatory Authority shall establish a nuclear safety emergency preparedness account, which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account **[**within the General Fund,**]** and which shall be financed through assessments of all Nuclear Regulatory Commission licensees that own or operate nuclear power generating facilities in the state. The authority shall initially assess the licensees for a total of two million dollars. The authority may assess licensees for such amounts as necessary for the purposes of the account, provided the balance in the account at the end of the fiscal year may not exceed three hundred thousand dollars. The authority shall annually assess the licensees, upon the request of the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection, for funding to support annual expenses of five staff positions

in the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection and three staff positions in the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection. Personnel shall be assigned to said staff positions solely for the purposes of the program established pursuant to subsection (b) of this section. Federal reimbursements and grants obtained in support of the nuclear safety emergency preparedness program shall be paid into the General Fund and credited to the account. The authority shall develop an equitable method of assessing the licensees for their reasonable pro rata share of such assessments. All such assessments shall be included as operating expenses of the licensees for purposes of rate-making. All moneys within the account shall be invested by the State Treasurer in accordance with established investment practices and all interest earned by such investments shall be returned to the account.

Sec. 101. Section 29-423 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There is established **[**, within the General Fund,**]** a separate, nonlapsing account to be known as the **[**fire safety standard and firefighter protection act enforcement account**]** "fire safety standard and firefighter protection act enforcement account". The account shall contain all certification fees submitted by holders in accordance with section 29-419, any civil penalties imposed in accordance with subsection (d) of section 29-418 or subsection (d) of section 29-420, and any other moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. The proceeds of the account shall be used by the State Fire Marshal solely to fund the processing, testing and administrative activities specified in sections 29-418, 29-419 and 29-420.

Sec. 102. Subsection (c) of section 31-900 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(c) There is established an account to be known as the "Connecticut Essential Workers COVID-19 Assistance Fund", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account.

Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Comptroller at the discretion of the administrator for the purposes of (1) assistance offered under the Connecticut Essential Workers COVID-19 Assistance Program, and (2) costs and expenses of operating the program, including the hiring of necessary employees and the expense of public outreach and education regarding the program and fund, provided not more than five per cent of the total moneys received by the fund shall be used for any administrative costs, including hiring temporary or durational staff or contracting with a third-party administrator, or other costs and expenses incurred by the administrator or Comptroller in connection with carrying out the provisions of this section and subsection (a) of section 31-306. The administrator shall make all reasonable efforts to limit the costs and expenses of operating the program without compromising affected persons' access to the program.

Sec. 103. Subsection (c) of section 31-901 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(c) There is established an account to be known as the "Connecticut premium pay account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Comptroller at the direction of the administrator for purposes of: (1) Compensation provided under the Connecticut Premium Pay program; and (2) costs and expenses of operating the program, including hiring of necessary employees and the expense of public outreach and education regarding the program and account. Not more than five per cent of the total moneys received by the account shall be used for any administrative costs, including hiring of temporary or durational staff or contracting with a third-party administrator, or other costs and expenses incurred by the administrator or Comptroller in connection with carrying out the provisions of this section. The administrator shall make all reasonable efforts to limit the costs and expenses of operating the program without compromising

eligible applicants' access to the program.

Sec. 104. Section 32-4j of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There is established a Connecticut first-time homebuyers account, which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** Funds segregated by the Commissioner of Revenue Services, pursuant to section 32-4k, shall be deposited in the account. An amount equal to the amount deposited in the account shall be available to the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development for payments to participants in the program established pursuant to section 32-4i. The State Treasurer shall invest the proceeds of the account, and investment earnings, after paying any costs incurred by the State Treasurer in administering the account, shall be credited to the General Fund. On or before September 1, 2014, and annually thereafter, the State Treasurer shall notify the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development of the total amount deposited in the account. Any funds segregated on behalf of a participant that are not used for the purchase of a first home shall be transferred to the General Fund.

Sec. 105. Subsection (f) of section 32-4r of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(f) There is established an account to be known as the "youth service corps grant program account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development for the purposes of providing grants to municipalities of priority school districts, as described in section 10-266p, to establish local Youth Service Corps programs that provide paid community-based service learning and academic and workforce development programs to youth and young adults in the state in accordance with the provisions of section 32-4s.

Sec. 106. Subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 32-6 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(b) (1) There is established an account to be known as the **[**Connecticut Eastern States Exposition account**]** "Connecticut Eastern States Exposition account". The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account and shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**of the General Fund.**]** Investment earnings credited to the account shall become part of the assets of the account. Any balance remaining in said account at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in the account for the next fiscal year.

Sec. 107. Subsection (a) of section 32-7h of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "small business express assistance account", which **[**will**]** shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Repayment of principal and interest on loans shall be credited to such fund and shall become part of the assets of the fund. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Department of Economic and Community Development for the purposes of the Small Business Express program established pursuant to section 32-7g. Except as provided in subsection (d) of section 32-7g, all moneys received for the purposes of the Small Business Express program and payments of principal and interest on any loans given under said program shall be credited to the account.

Sec. 108. Subdivision (4) of subsection (g) of section 32-9t of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(4) There is established an account to be known as the "Connecticut economic impact and analysis account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall

contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account and shall be held separate and apart from other moneys, funds and accounts. There shall be deposited in the account any proceeds realized by the state from activities pursuant to this section. Investment earnings credited to the account shall become part of the assets of the account. Any balance remaining in the account at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in the account for the next fiscal year. Amounts in the account may be used by the Department of Economic and Community Development to fund the cost of any activities of the department pursuant to this section, including administrative costs related to such activities.

Sec. 109. Subsection (d) of section 32-9yy of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(d) There is established an account to be known as the "small business assistance account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. All moneys received in consideration of financial assistance, including payments of principal and interest on any loans, shall be credited to the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the Department of Economic and Community Development for the purposes of the small business assistance program established pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.

Sec. 110. Subsection (b) of section 32-41q of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(b) There is established an account to be known as the **[**critical industries development account**]** "critical industries development account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys invested pursuant to the provisions of this section. Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated may use funds from the account to provide loans, loan guarantees,

interest rate subsidies and other forms of loan assistance to customers of businesses in critical industries which businesses are based in the state. Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated may solicit and receive funds from any public and private sources for the program. Such funds may include, without limitation, federal funds, state bond proceeds, private venture capital and investments by persons, firms or corporations. Private capital investments may be made either in the account as a whole or in one or more individual technologies or projects.

Sec. 111. Subsection (a) of section 32-41x of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "preseed financing account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, for the purposes of providing preseed financing pursuant to the program established in subsection (b) of this section.

Sec. 112. Subsection (a) of section 32-41kk of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established the "Regenerative Medicine Research Fund", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The fund may contain any moneys required or permitted by law to be deposited in the fund and any funds received from any public or private contributions, gifts, grants, donations, bequests or devises to the fund. The chief executive officer of Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, (1) shall award financial assistance from the fund in accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) of this section, and (2) may enter into agreements with other entities, including, but not limited to, the government of any state or foreign country for the purpose of advancing research collaboration opportunities for recipients of financial assistance under this section.

Sec. 113. Subsection (a) of section 32-324a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "Connecticut qualified biodiesel producer incentive account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. The account may contain any moneys available from any agency or department of the federal government or any state agency for the purpose described in subsection (b) of this section. Said account shall not terminate upon the lack of any funds in said account.

Sec. 114. Section 32-356 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There is established an account to be known as the **[**small business incubator account**]** "small business incubator account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The commissioner may use funds from the account to provide administrative expenses and grants for the purposes of subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 32-7f.

Sec. 115. Section 32-504 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

There is established an international trade account, which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account may contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account, including success fees pursuant to section 32-500 and participation fees pursuant to section 32-506, and any other moneys received by the commissioner from other public or private sources for the purposes of sections 32-500 to 32-512, inclusive. The commissioner shall use the moneys in the account for the purposes of sections 32-500 to 32-512, inclusive.

Sec. 116. Subsection (a) of section 32-762 of the general statutes is

repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the "brownfield remediation and development account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** There shall be deposited in the account: (1) The proceeds of bonds issued by the state for deposit into said account and used in accordance with this section; (2) repayments of assistance provided pursuant to subsection (c) of section 22a-133u; (3) interest or other income earned on the investment of moneys in the account; (4) funds recovered pursuant to sections 32-766 and 32-767; (5) any proceeds realized by the state from activities pursuant to section 32-763 or section 32-765; and (6) all funds required by law to be deposited in the account. Any balance remaining in the account at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in the account for the fiscal year next succeeding.

Sec. 117. Subsection (c) of section 38a-556 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(c) The association shall have the general powers and authority granted under the laws of this state to carriers to transact the kinds of insurance defined under section 38a-551, and in addition thereto, the specific authority to: (1) Enter into contracts necessary or proper to carry out the provisions and purposes of this section and sections 38a-551 and 38a-557 to 38a-559, inclusive; (2) sue or be sued, including taking any legal actions necessary or proper for recovery of any assessments for, on behalf of, or against participating members; (3) take such legal action as necessary to avoid the payment of improper claims against the association or the coverage provided by or through the association; (4) establish, with respect to health insurance provided by or on behalf of the association, appropriate rates, scales of rates, rate classifications and rating adjustments, such rates not to be unreasonable in relation to the coverage provided and the operational expenses of the association; (5) administer any type of reinsurance program, for or on behalf of

participating members; (6) pool risks among participating members; (7) issue policies of insurance required or permitted by this section and sections 38a-551 and 38a-557 to 38a-559, inclusive, in its own name or on behalf of participating members; (8) administer separate pools, separate accounts or other plans as deemed appropriate for separate members or groups of members; (9) operate and administer any combination of plans, pools, reinsurance arrangements or other mechanisms as deemed appropriate to best accomplish the fair and equitable operation of the association; (10) set limits on the amounts of reinsurance that may be ceded to the association by its members; (11) appoint from among participating members appropriate legal, actuarial and other committees as necessary to provide technical assistance in the operation of the association, policy and other contract design, and any other function within the authority of the association; (12) apply for and accept grants, gifts and bequests of funds from other states, federal and interstate agencies and independent authorities, private firms, individuals and foundations for the purpose of carrying out its responsibilities. Any such funds received shall be deposited in the General Fund and shall be credited to a separate, nonlapsing account **[**within the General Fund**]** for the Health Reinsurance Association and may be used by the Health Reinsurance Association in the performance of its duties; and (13) perform such other duties and responsibilities as may be required by state or federal law or permitted by state or federal law and approved by the commissioner.

Sec. 118. Subsection (d) of section 42-190 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(d) There is established a separate, nonlapsing account **[**, within the General Fund,**]** to be known as the "new automobile warranties account". The account may contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. The moneys in said account shall be allocated to the Department of Consumer Protection to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

Sec. 119. Subsection (a) of section 42-472a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established a "privacy protection guaranty and enforcement account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**within the General Fund.**]** The account may contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account. The account shall be used by the Commissioner of Consumer Protection: (1) For the reimbursement of losses sustained by individuals injured by a violation of the provisions of section 42-470, 42-471, 42-471a or 42-472b or any regulation adopted pursuant to section 42-472d, and (2) for the enforcement of provisions of section 42-470, 42-471, 42-471a or 42-472b or any regulation adopted pursuant to section 42-472d.

Sec. 120. Subsection (d) of section 46a-13m of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(d) The Child Advocate may apply for and accept grants, gifts and bequests of funds from other states, federal and interstate agencies and independent authorities and private firms, individuals and foundations, for the purpose of carrying out his responsibilities. There is established **[**within the General Fund**]** a child advocate account, which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. Any funds received under this subsection shall, upon deposit in the General Fund, be credited to said account and may be used by the Child Advocate in the performance of his duties.

Sec. 121. Subsection (a) of section 54-56k of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

(a) There is established an account to be known as the **[**pretrial account**]** "pretrial account". The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account and shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. **[**of the General Fund.**]** Investment earnings credited to the account shall become part of the assets of the account.

Any balance remaining in said account at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in the account for the next fiscal year.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	*July 1, 2025*	3-22u(a)
Sec. 2	*July 1, 2025*	3-123f
Sec. 3	*July 1, 2025*	3-123eee(a)
Sec. 4	*July 1, 2025*	4-66h(a)
Sec. 5	*July 1, 2025*	4-66k(a)
Sec. 6	*July 1, 2025*	4-66l(b)
Sec. 7	*July 1, 2025*	4-66n(a)
Sec. 8	*July 1, 2025*	4-66aa(a)
Sec. 9	*July 1, 2025*	4-66cc
Sec. 10	*July 1, 2025*	4-68aa(d)
Sec. 11	*July 1, 2025*	4-68aaa(d)
Sec. 12	*July 1, 2025*	4-124jj(a)
Sec. 13	*July 1, 2025*	4b-21a
Sec. 14	*July 1, 2025*	4b-53(c)
Sec. 15	*July 1, 2025*	4d-82a(a)
Sec. 16	*July 1, 2025*	7-131s
Sec. 17	*July 1, 2025*	7-131t(a)(1)
Sec. 18	*July 1, 2025*	7-131u(a)
Sec. 19	*July 1, 2025*	7-294p(b)
Sec. 20	*July 1, 2025*	7-313h(a)
Sec. 21	*July 1, 2025*	7-406n(a)
Sec. 22	*July 1, 2025*	8-441(a)
Sec. 23	*July 1, 2025*	8-446(a)
Sec. 24	*July 1, 2025*	9-701
Sec. 25	*July 1, 2025*	10-21*l*
Sec. 26	*July 1, 2025*	10-265ff(a)
Sec. 27	*July 1, 2025*	10-373bb
Sec. 28	*July 1, 2025*	10-507
Sec. 29	*July 1, 2025*	10a-11e
Sec. 30	*July 1, 2025*	10a-22q
Sec. 31	*July 1, 2025*	10a-170w(a)
Sec. 32	*July 1, 2025*	11-8i
Sec. 33	*July 1, 2025*	12-806b(d)
Sec. 34	*July 1, 2025*	13b-55b(a)
Sec. 35	*July 1, 2025*	14-19b(d)

Sec. 36	*July 1, 2025*	14-21g(a)
Sec. 37	*July 1, 2025*	14-21i(d)
Sec. 38	*July 1, 2025*	14-21k(a)
Sec. 39	*July 1, 2025*	14-21m(a)
Sec. 40	*July 1, 2025*	14-21p(a)
Sec. 41	*July 1, 2025*	14-21r(a)
Sec. 42	*July 1, 2025*	14-21u(c)
Sec. 43	*July 1, 2025*	14-21v(c)
Sec. 44	*July 1, 2025*	14-21w(d)
Sec. 45	*July 1, 2025*	14-21x(d)
Sec. 46	*July 1, 2025*	14-21y(d)
Sec. 47	*July 1, 2025*	14-21aa(a)
Sec. 48	*July 1, 2025*	14-50b(a)
Sec. 49	*July 1, 2025*	14-227a(i)(7)
Sec. 50	*July 1, 2025*	14-295b
Sec. 51	*July 1, 2025*	16-50bb(a)
Sec. 52	*July 1, 2025*	16-244bb(a)
Sec. 53	*July 1, 2025*	16-331bb(a)
Sec. 54	*July 1, 2025*	16-331cc(a)
Sec. 55	*July 1, 2025*	16a-47c(a)
Sec. 56	*July 1, 2025*	17a-20b(b)
Sec. 57	*July 1, 2025*	17a-22ii(a)
Sec. 58	*July 1, 2025*	17a-22jj(a)
Sec. 59	*July 1, 2025*	17a-451f
Sec. 60	*July 1, 2025*	17a-451g
Sec. 61	*July 1, 2025*	17a-674a(a)
Sec. 62	*July 1, 2025*	17a-674h(b)
Sec. 63	*July 1, 2025*	17b-55b
Sec. 64	*July 1, 2025*	17b-88a
Sec. 65	*July 1, 2025*	17b-112f(a)
Sec. 66	*July 1, 2025*	17b-261f
Sec. 67	*July 1, 2025*	17b-288(a)
Sec. 68	*July 1, 2025*	18-81qq(j)
Sec. 69	*July 1, 2025*	19a-12c
Sec. 70	*July 1, 2025*	19a-32a(a)
Sec. 71	*July 1, 2025*	19a-32b
Sec. 72	*July 1, 2025*	19a-112d
Sec. 73	*July 1, 2025*	19a-308b(a)
Sec. 74	*July 1, 2025*	20-638c
Sec. 75	*July 1, 2025*	21a-420f(a)(1)
Sec. 76	*July 1, 2025*	21a-420f(b)(1)

Sec. 77	*July 1, 2025*	22-26i(a)
Sec. 78	*July 1, 2025*	22-26mm(b)
Sec. 79	*July 1, 2025*	22-38c
Sec. 80	*July 1, 2025*	22-329a(j)
Sec. 81	*July 1, 2025*	22a-21k
Sec. 82	*July 1, 2025*	22a-27l(a)
Sec. 83	*July 1, 2025*	22a-27t
Sec. 84	*July 1, 2025*	22a-27u(a)
Sec. 85	*July 1, 2025*	22a-27v(a)
Sec. 86	*July 1, 2025*	22a-200c(b)
Sec. 87	*July 1, 2025*	22a-202(h)
Sec. 88	*July 1, 2025*	22a-316
Sec. 89	*July 1, 2025*	22a-903b
Sec. 90	*July 1, 2025*	23-15h(a)
Sec. 91	*July 1, 2025*	23-20(c)(2)
Sec. 92	*July 1, 2025*	23-79
Sec. 93	*July 1, 2025*	26-27c
Sec. 94	*July 1, 2025*	27-19b
Sec. 95	*July 1, 2025*	27-19c
Sec. 96	*July 1, 2025*	27-19e
Sec. 97	*July 1, 2025*	27-38f
Sec. 98	*July 1, 2025*	27-39(f)
Sec. 99	*July 1, 2025*	27-100a(b)
Sec. 100	*July 1, 2025*	28-31(a)
Sec. 101	*July 1, 2025*	29-423
Sec. 102	*July 1, 2025*	31-900(c)
Sec. 103	*July 1, 2025*	31-901(c)
Sec. 104	*July 1, 2025*	32-4j
Sec. 105	*July 1, 2025*	32-4r(f)
Sec. 106	*July 1, 2025*	32-6(b)(1)
Sec. 107	*July 1, 2025*	32-7h(a)
Sec. 108	*July 1, 2025*	32-9t(g)(4)
Sec. 109	*July 1, 2025*	32-9yy(d)
Sec. 110	*July 1, 2025*	32-41q(b)
Sec. 111	*July 1, 2025*	32-41x(a)
Sec. 112	*July 1, 2025*	32-41kk(a)
Sec. 113	*July 1, 2025*	32-324a(a)
Sec. 114	*July 1, 2025*	32-356
Sec. 115	*July 1, 2025*	32-504
Sec. 116	*July 1, 2025*	32-762(a)
Sec. 117	*July 1, 2025*	38a-556(c)

Sec. 118	*July 1, 2025*	42-190(d)
Sec. 119	*July 1, 2025*	42-472a(a)
Sec. 120	*July 1, 2025*	46a-13m(d)
Sec. 121	*July 1, 2025*	54-56k(a)

APP *Joint Favorable*

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill makes a technical change to various separate, nonlapsing accounts resulting in no fiscal impact to the state.

The Out Years

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

OFA Bill Analysis

SB 1527

AN ACT IMPLEMENTING A RECOMMENDATION OF THE AUDITORS OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS REGARDING NONLAPSING ACCOUNTS.

SUMMARY:

The bill makes a technical change to separate, nonlapsing accounts by removing "within the General Fund" from their description.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2025

BACKGROUND

Nonlapsing accounts allow funds to be carried forward from one fiscal year to another as opposed to lapsing back into the General Fund.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Appropriations Committee

Joint Favorable
Yea 54 Nay 0 (4/24/2025)