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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE REALLOCATION OF CERTAIN STATE FUNDS AND VARIOUS PROVISIONS RELATING TO EDUCATION, PUBLIC SAFETY, GENERAL GOVERNMENT, ELECTIONS, INTERMEDIATE CARE FACILITIES AND WAREHOUSE DISTRIBUTION CENTERS."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2026*) (a) As used in this section:

4 (1) "Grant-in-aid" means any grant of state funds by a state agency
5 directly to a specific organization or on behalf of a state agency by
6 another organization in the form of nonrepayable assistance;

7 (2) "Grant recipient" means any organization that is specifically listed
8 by name in the biennial budget act and provides services contracted for
9 by (A) the state, or (B) a nonstate entity on behalf of the state, but does
10 not include any municipality, as defined in section 7-101a of the general

11 statutes, any quasi-public agency, as defined in section 1-120 of the
12 general statutes, or any state agency;

13 (3) "State agency" means each state board, authority, commission,
14 department, office, institution, council or other agency of the state,
15 including, but not limited to, each constituent unit and each public
16 institution of higher education;

17 (4) "State funds" means financial assistance funded by an
18 appropriation of the state; and

19 (5) "Committee" means the joint standing committee of the General
20 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and
21 the budgets of state agencies.

22 (b) No organization may be named as a grant recipient of state funds
23 in the biennial budget unless (1) such entity has applied to the
24 committee for such state funds in accordance with the requirements of
25 this section, (2) the committee has held a public hearing concerning the
26 grant of state funds for such grant recipient.

27 (c) Any such application shall be in a form and manner designated
28 by the committee chairpersons and shall include the following
29 information:

30 (1) The amount of state funds requested;

31 (2) The intended purpose for such state funds and an explanation of
32 why such a grant-in-aid is necessary;

33 (3) A detailed description of the public purpose that such state funds
34 will be used for;

35 (4) If applicable, the name of the member of the General Assembly or
36 other public official who is sponsoring such request, and a certification
37 that such member or public official, such member's or public official's
38 family members or any business with which the member or public
39 official is associated have no financial interest in and will receive no

40 financial benefit from the granting of such state funds;

41 (5) A certification that no employee of the applicant is a member of
42 the General Assembly;

43 (6) Any convictions of the applicant's officers or board members of
44 any crime related to fraud, embezzlement, misappropriation of funds,
45 robbery or other theft of financial property;

46 (7) An agreement to submit to random audits by the Auditors of
47 Public Accounts and financial reconciliations to verify that the state
48 funds are being used for their intended purpose; and

49 (8) Any other information required by the committee chairpersons.

50 The committee shall post such information on its Internet web site upon
51 receipt.

52 (d) Prior to receiving a grant-in-aid pursuant to this section, the grant
53 recipient shall participate in the public hearing held by the committee
54 concerning such grant-in-aid.

55 (e) Prior to being awarded an initial grant-in-aid pursuant to this
56 section, the grant recipient shall submit to the applicable joint standing
57 committee a detailed accounting of the grant recipient's budget for the
58 previous fiscal year that includes the following information: (1) The
59 amount spent on administrative costs; (2) the amount spent on lobbying,
60 political and other advocacy activities, including, but not limited to, any
61 funds paid to an organization that is tax exempt under Section 501(c)(4)
62 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding
63 internal revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to
64 time; (3) a detailed reporting of all sources of income other than the
65 grant-in-aid; (4) a detailed accounting of all disbursements, including
66 any disbursements to other nonprofit entities; (5) if applicable, a
67 detailed accounting of how any other entity funded by the grant
68 recipient expended the funds it received; and (6) a list of all board
69 members.

70 (f) After receiving a grant-in-aid pursuant to this section, not later
71 than sixty days before the end of the fiscal year in which the grant-in-
72 aid is received, the grant recipient shall submit a detailed accounting
73 containing the information listed in subdivisions (1) to (6), inclusive, of
74 subsection (e) of this section to the committee.

75 (g) No grant-in-aid shall be awarded to an organization that employs
76 a member of the General Assembly."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	July 1, 2026	New section