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Introduced by:
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AN ACT CONCERNING RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2022*) (a) For the purposes of this
2 section:

3 (1) "Alcoholic beverage" has the same meaning as provided in section
4 30-1 of the general statutes;

5 (2) "Highway" has the same meaning as provided in section 14-1 of
6 the general statutes;

7 (3) "Open alcoholic beverage container" means a bottle, can or other
8 receptacle (A) that contains any amount of an alcoholic beverage, and
9 (B) (i) that is open or has a broken seal, or (ii) the contents of which are
10 partially removed;

11 (4) "Passenger" means any occupant of a motor vehicle other than the
12 operator;

13 (5) "Passenger area" means (A) the area designed to seat the operator

14 of and any passenger in a motor vehicle while such vehicle is being
15 operated on a highway, or (B) any area that is readily accessible to such
16 operator or passenger while such person is in such person's seated
17 position, except that, in a motor vehicle that is not equipped with a
18 trunk, "passenger area" does not include a locked glove compartment,
19 the area behind the last upright seat closest to the rear of the motor
20 vehicle or an area not normally occupied by the operator of or
21 passengers in such motor vehicle; and

22 (6) "Recreational vehicle" has the same meaning as provided in
23 section 14-1 of the general statutes.

24 (b) No person shall possess an open alcoholic beverage container
25 within the passenger area of a motor vehicle while such motor vehicle
26 is on any highway in this state.

27 (c) The provisions of subsection (b) of this section shall not apply to:
28 (1) A passenger in a motor vehicle designed, maintained and primarily
29 used for the transportation of persons for hire, and (2) a passenger in the
30 living quarters of a recreational vehicle.

31 (d) Any person who violates the provisions of subsection (b) of this
32 section shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars.

33 Sec. 2. Section 14-289g of the general statutes is repealed and the
34 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

35 (a) No person [under eighteen years of age] may (1) operate a
36 motorcycle or a motor-driven cycle, as defined in section 14-1, or (2) be
37 a passenger on a motorcycle or motor-driven cycle, unless such operator
38 or passenger is wearing protective headgear of a type which conforms
39 to the minimum specifications established in 49 CFR 571.218, as
40 amended from time to time. Any person who violates [this section] any
41 provision of this subsection shall have committed an infraction and shall
42 be fined not less than ninety dollars.

43 (b) As used in this section, the term "motorcycle" [shall] does not
44 include "autocycle".

45 Sec. 3. Section 14-251 of the general statutes is repealed and the
46 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2022*):

47 No vehicle shall be permitted to remain stationary within ten feet of
48 any fire hydrant, or upon the traveled portion of any highway except
49 upon the right-hand side of such highway in the direction in which such
50 vehicle is headed; and, if such highway is curbed, such vehicle shall be
51 so placed that its right-hand wheels, when stationary, shall, when safety
52 will permit, be within a distance of twelve inches from the curb, except
53 if a bikeway, as defined in section 13a-153f, or such bikeway's buffer
54 area, as described in the federal Manual on Uniform Traffic Control
55 Devices, is in place between the parking lane and the curb, such vehicle
56 shall be so placed that its right-hand wheels, when stationary, shall,
57 when safety will permit, be within a distance of twelve inches from the
58 edge of such bikeway or buffer area. No vehicle shall be permitted to
59 remain parked within twenty-five feet of an intersection or an approach
60 to a marked crosswalk, [at such intersection,] except within ten feet of
61 such intersection if such intersection or marked crosswalk has a curb
62 extension treatment with a width equal to or greater than the width of
63 the parking lane. [and such intersection is located in and comprised
64 entirely of highways under the jurisdiction of the city of New Haven,
65 or] No vehicle shall be permitted to remain parked within twenty-five
66 feet of a stop sign caused to be erected by the traffic authority in
67 accordance with the provisions of section 14-301, except where
68 permitted by the traffic authority of the city of New Haven at the
69 intersection of one-way streets located in and comprised entirely of
70 highways under the jurisdiction of the city of New Haven. No vehicle
71 shall be permitted to remain stationary upon the traveled portion of any
72 highway at any curve or turn or at the top of any grade where a clear
73 view of such vehicle may not be had from a distance of at least one
74 hundred fifty feet in either direction. The Commissioner of
75 Transportation may post signs upon any highway at any place where
76 the keeping of a vehicle stationary is dangerous to traffic, and the
77 keeping of any vehicle stationary contrary to the directions of such signs
78 shall be a violation of this section. No vehicle shall be permitted to
79 remain stationary upon the traveled portion of any highway within fifty

80 feet of the point where another vehicle, which had previously stopped,
81 continues to remain stationary on the opposite side of the traveled
82 portion of the same highway. No vehicle shall be permitted to remain
83 stationary within the limits of a public highway in such a manner as to
84 constitute a traffic hazard or obstruct the free movement of traffic
85 thereon, provided a vehicle which has become disabled to such an
86 extent that it is impossible or impracticable to remove it may be
87 permitted to so remain for a reasonable time for the purpose of making
88 repairs thereto or of obtaining sufficient assistance to remove it. Nothing
89 in this section shall be construed to apply to emergency vehicles and to
90 maintenance vehicles displaying flashing lights or to prohibit a vehicle
91 from stopping, or being held stationary by any officer, in an emergency
92 to avoid accident or to give a right-of-way to any vehicle or pedestrian
93 as provided in this chapter, or from stopping on any highway within
94 the limits of an incorporated city, town or borough where the parking
95 of vehicles is regulated by local ordinances. Violation of any provision
96 of this section shall be an infraction.

97 Sec. 4. Subsection (b) of section 14-218a of the 2022 supplement to the
98 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
99 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2022*):

100 (b) (1) The Office of the State Traffic Administration shall establish a
101 speed limit of sixty-five miles per hour on any multiple lane, limited
102 access highways that are suitable for a speed limit of sixty-five miles per
103 hour, taking into consideration relevant factors including design,
104 population of area and traffic flow.

105 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (1) of this
106 subsection, the Commissioner of Transportation may establish the
107 speed limit on limited access highways during a weather event or an
108 emergency, provided the commissioner erects signs indicating such
109 speed limit.

110 Sec. 5. Section 14-219 of the 2022 supplement to the general statutes
111 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
112 *October 1, 2022*):

113 (a) No person shall operate any motor vehicle (1) upon any highway,
114 road or any parking area for ten cars or more, at such a rate of speed as
115 to endanger the life of any occupant of such motor vehicle, but not the
116 life of any other person than such an occupant; (2) at a rate of speed
117 greater than fifty-five miles per hour upon any highway other than a
118 highway specified in subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 14-218a,
119 as amended by this act, for which a speed limit has been established in
120 accordance with the provisions of said subsection; (3) at a rate of speed
121 greater than sixty-five miles per hour upon any highway specified in
122 subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 14-218a, as amended by this
123 act, for which a speed limit has been established in accordance with the
124 provisions of said subsection; [or] (4) if such person is under eighteen
125 years of age, upon any highway or road for which a speed limit of less
126 than sixty-five miles per hour has been established in accordance with
127 section 14-218a, as amended by this act, or section 14-307a, as amended
128 by this act, at a rate of speed more than twenty miles per hour above
129 such speed limit; or (5) at a rate of speed greater than the speed limit
130 upon a limited access highway for which a speed limit has been
131 established in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (2) of
132 subsection (b) of section 14-218a, as amended by this act.

133 (b) Any person who operates a motor vehicle (1) on a multiple lane,
134 limited access highway other than a highway specified in subdivision
135 (1) of subsection (b) of section 14-218a, as amended by this act, for which
136 a speed limit has been established in accordance with the provisions of
137 said subsection at a rate of speed greater than fifty-five miles per hour
138 but not greater than seventy miles per hour, (2) on a multiple lane,
139 limited access highway specified in subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of
140 section 14-218a, as amended by this act, for which a speed limit has been
141 established in accordance with the provisions of said subsection at a rate
142 of speed greater than sixty-five miles per hour but not greater than
143 seventy miles per hour, (3) on any other highway at a rate of speed
144 greater than fifty-five miles per hour but not greater than sixty miles per
145 hour, [or] (4) if such person is under eighteen years of age, upon any
146 highway or road for which a speed limit of less than sixty-five miles per
147 hour has been established in accordance with section 14-218a, as

148 amended by this act, or section 14-307a, as amended by this act, at a rate
149 of speed more than twenty miles per hour above such speed limit, or (5)
150 at a rate of speed greater than the speed limit upon a limited access
151 highway for which a speed limit has been established in accordance
152 with the provisions of subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of section 14-
153 218a, as amended by this act, shall commit an infraction, provided any
154 such person operating a truck, as defined in section 14-260n, shall have
155 committed a violation and shall be fined not less than one hundred
156 dollars nor more than one hundred fifty dollars.

157 (c) Any person who violates any provision of subdivision (1) of
158 subsection (a) of this section or who operates a motor vehicle (1) on a
159 multiple lane, limited access highway at a rate of speed greater than
160 seventy miles per hour but not greater than eighty-five miles per hour,
161 or (2) on any other highway at a rate of speed greater than sixty miles
162 per hour but not greater than eighty-five miles per hour, shall be fined
163 not less than one hundred dollars nor more than one hundred fifty
164 dollars, provided any such person operating a motor vehicle described
165 in subsection (a) of section 14-163c shall be fined not less than one
166 hundred fifty dollars nor more than two hundred dollars.

167 (d) No person shall be subject to prosecution for a violation of both
168 subsection (a) of this section and subsection (a) of section 14-222 because
169 of the same offense.

170 (e) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes to the
171 contrary, any person who violates subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of
172 this section, subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection (b) of this section while
173 operating a truck, as defined in section 14-260n, or subdivision (1) of
174 subsection (c) of this section while operating a motor vehicle or a truck,
175 as defined in section 14-260n, shall follow the procedures set forth in
176 section 51-164n.

177 Sec. 6. Section 13b-34 of the general statutes is amended by adding
178 subsection (l) as follows (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

179 (NEW) (l) If the commissioner deems it to be in the best interest of the

180 state, the commissioner may indemnify and hold harmless any railroad
181 company in connection with an interim trail use and rail banking
182 arrangement pursuant to 49 CFR Section 1152.29, as amended from time
183 to time.

184 Sec. 7. Subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of section 4a-60 of the 2022
185 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is
186 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

187 (1) Any contractor who has one or more contracts with an awarding
188 agency or who is a party to a municipal public works contract or a
189 contract for a quasi-public agency project shall include a
190 nondiscrimination affirmation provision certifying that the contractor
191 understands the obligations of this section and will maintain a policy for
192 the duration of the contract to assure that the contract will be performed
193 in compliance with the nondiscrimination requirements of subsection
194 (a) of this section. The authorized signatory of the contract shall
195 demonstrate his or her understanding of this obligation by [either] (A)
196 initialing the nondiscrimination affirmation provision in the body of the
197 contract, [or] (B) providing an affirmative response in the required
198 online bid or response to a proposal question which asks if the
199 contractor understands its obligations, or (C) signing the contract.

200 Sec. 8. Subdivisions (2) and (3) of subsection (b) of section 4a-81 of the
201 2022 supplement to the general statutes are repealed and the following
202 is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

203 (2) Such representation shall be [sworn as true] made to the best
204 knowledge and belief of the person signing the contract and shall be
205 subject to the [penalties] penalty of false statement as provided in
206 section 53a-157b.

207 (3) [Such] If such representation indicates that a consulting
208 agreement has been entered into in connection with any such contract,
209 such representation shall include or attach the following information for
210 each consulting agreement listed: The name of the consultant, the
211 consultant's firm, the basic terms of the consulting agreement, a brief

212 description of the services provided, and an indication as to whether the
213 consultant is a former state employee or public official. If the consultant
214 is a former state employee or public official, such representation shall
215 indicate his or her former agency and the date such employment
216 terminated.

217 Sec. 9. Subsection (b) of section 4-252 of the 2022 supplement to the
218 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
219 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

220 (b) The official or employee of such state agency or quasi-public
221 agency who is authorized to execute state contracts shall represent that
222 the selection of the [most qualified or highest ranked] person, firm or
223 corporation was not the result of collusion, the giving of a gift or the
224 promise of a gift, compensation, fraud or inappropriate influence from
225 any person.

226 Sec. 10. Subsection (d) of section 4-252a of the 2022 supplement to the
227 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
228 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

229 (d) Any entity that makes a good faith effort to determine whether
230 such entity has made an investment described in subsection (b) of this
231 section shall not be [subject to the penalties of false statement pursuant
232 to] deemed to be in breach of the contract or in violation of this section.
233 A "good faith effort" for purposes of this subsection includes a
234 determination that such entity is not on the list of persons who engage
235 in certain investment activities in Iran created by the Department of
236 General Services of the state of California pursuant to Division 2,
237 Chapter 2.7 of the California Public Contract Code. Nothing in this
238 subsection shall be construed to impair the ability of the state agency or
239 quasi-public agency to pursue a breach of contract action for any
240 violation of the provisions of the contract.

241 Sec. 11. Section 13b-4d of the general statutes is repealed and the
242 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

243 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of the general statutes, the
244 Commissioner of Transportation may declare a state of emergency and
245 may employ, in any manner, such assistance as [he] the commissioner
246 may require to restore any railroad owned by the state or any of its
247 subdivisions or the facilities, equipment or service of such railroad, [or]
248 any transit system or its facilities, equipment or service, or any airport
249 when: (1) A railroad system owned by the state or any of its subdivisions
250 or any of the facilities or equipment of such railroad system is deemed
251 by the commissioner to be in an unsafe condition or when there is an
252 interruption of essential railroad services, whether or not such system
253 or any of its facilities or equipment is physically damaged; (2) a transit
254 facility owned by the state or any of its subdivisions or the equipment
255 of such facility is damaged as a result of a natural disaster or incurs
256 substantial casualty loss which results in what is deemed by the
257 commissioner to be an unsafe condition or when there is an interruption
258 of essential transit services; or (3) an airport owned or operated by the
259 state or any of its subdivisions or the equipment of such airport is
260 damaged as a result of a natural disaster or incurs substantial casualty
261 loss which results in what is deemed by the commissioner to be an
262 unsafe condition or when there is an interruption of essential transit
263 services.

264 (b) When a privately-owned railroad system, its facility or equipment
265 is damaged as a result of a natural disaster or incurs substantial casualty
266 loss which results in an unsafe condition or the interruption of essential
267 railroad service, the railroad company may request the commissioner to
268 declare a state of emergency, and said commissioner may comply with
269 such request and may provide assistance to such railroad company in
270 any manner [he] the commissioner deems necessary to restore said
271 railroad system, facility, equipment or service.

272 (c) When the commissioner declares a state of emergency pursuant to
273 this section, the commissioner shall have the right to enter upon and
274 utilize private property to correct the unsafe condition or restore the
275 interruption of essential railroad or transit services. The commissioner
276 shall make a reasonable effort to notify the owner of record of such

277 property prior to entering such property. The owner shall be
278 compensated for the use of such property in the manner prescribed in
279 section 13a-73, as amended by this act, for acquiring real property for
280 state highway purposes.

281 Sec. 12. Section 13b-26 of the general statutes is repealed and the
282 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

283 (a) The commissioner shall make such alterations in the state
284 highway system as [he] the commissioner may, from time to time, deem
285 necessary and desirable to fulfill the purposes of this chapter and title
286 13a. In making any such alteration, [he] the commissioner shall consider
287 the best interest of the state, taking into consideration relevant factors
288 including the following: Traffic flow, origin and destination of traffic,
289 integration and circulation of traffic, continuity of routes, alternate
290 available routes and changes in traffic patterns. The relative weight to
291 be given to any factor shall be determined by the commissioner.

292 (b) The commissioner may plan, design, lay out, construct, alter,
293 reconstruct, improve, relocate, maintain, repair, widen and grade any
294 state highway whenever, in [his] the commissioner's judgment, the
295 interest of the state so requires. Except when otherwise provided by
296 statute, [he] the commissioner shall exercise exclusive jurisdiction over
297 all such highways, and shall have the same powers relating to the state
298 highway system as are given to the selectmen of towns, the mayor and
299 common council of any city and the warden and burgesses of any
300 borough in relation to highways within their respective municipalities.
301 In laying out or building a state highway, the commissioner shall follow
302 the procedures of sections 13a-57 and 13a-58.

303 (c) The commissioner, where necessary in connection with the
304 construction, reconstruction, repair or relocation of a state highway,
305 may relocate, reconstruct or adjust the grade or alignment of any locally
306 maintained highway using standards of construction resulting in safety
307 and convenience. Any highway so changed shall continue to be
308 maintained by the town, city or borough after the completion of such
309 construction, reconstruction, repair or relocation.

310 (d) The commissioner is authorized and directed, to the full extent
311 but only to the extent permitted by moneys and appropriations
312 becoming available under sections 13a-184 to 13a-197, inclusive, or any
313 other law but subject to approval by the Governor of allotment thereof,
314 forthwith to undertake and proceed with the projects prescribed in
315 section 13a-185 and, to that end, said commissioner with respect to any
316 such project is authorized to do and perform any act or thing regarding
317 the projects which is mentioned or referred to in [said] section 13a-185.

318 (e) Subject to the limitations referred to in subsection (d) of this
319 section and in order to effectuate the purposes of said subsection, said
320 commissioner is authorized (1) to plan, design, lay out, construct,
321 reconstruct, relocate, improve, maintain and operate the projects, and
322 reconstruct and relocate existing highways, sections of highways,
323 bridges or structures and incorporate or use the same, whether or not so
324 reconstructed or relocated or otherwise changed or improved, as parts
325 of such projects; (2) to retain and employ consultants and assistants on
326 a contract or other basis for rendering professional, legal, fiscal,
327 engineering, technical or other assistance and advice; and (3) to do all
328 things necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes and duties and
329 exercise the powers expressly given in [said] sections 13a-184 to 13a-197,
330 inclusive. Except as otherwise stated in subsection (d) of this section,
331 nothing contained in [said] sections 13a-184 to 13a-197, inclusive, shall
332 be construed to limit or restrict, with respect to the projects, any power,
333 right or authority of the commissioner existing under or pursuant to any
334 other law.

335 (f) (1) Whenever a state of emergency, as a result of a disaster, exists
336 in the state or any part of the state, and is so declared to be under the
337 provisions of any federal law or state statute, and the state highway
338 system becomes damaged as a result of such disaster, or (2) whenever
339 the commissioner declares that an emergency condition exists on any
340 highway in the state which demands immediate attention to [insure]
341 ensure the safety of the traveling public, whether or not such highway
342 is damaged, the commissioner may, notwithstanding any other
343 provision of the statutes, employ, in any manner, such assistance as [he]

344 the commissioner may require to restore [said] such highway system to
345 a condition which will provide safe travel or to correct the emergency
346 condition so declared by the commissioner.

347 (g) When the commissioner declares that an emergency condition
348 exists on any highway in the state pursuant to subsection (f) of this
349 section, the commissioner shall have the right to enter upon and utilize
350 private property to restore such highway system or correct the
351 emergency condition. The commissioner shall make a reasonable effort
352 to notify the owner of record of such property prior to entering such
353 property. The owner shall be compensated for the use of such property
354 in the manner prescribed in section 13a-73, as amended by this act, for
355 acquiring real property for state highway purposes.

356 Sec. 13. Subsection (d) of section 14-270 of the general statutes is
357 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*
358 *2022*):

359 (d) (1) The owner or lessee of any vehicle may pay either a fee of thirty
360 dollars for each permit issued for such vehicle under this section or a fee
361 as described in subdivision (3) of this subsection for such vehicle,
362 payable to the Department of Transportation. (2) An additional
363 transmittal fee of [five] twelve dollars shall be charged for each permit
364 issued under this section and transmitted via electronic means. (3) The
365 commissioner may issue an annual permit for any vehicle transporting
366 (A) a divisible load, (B) an overweight or oversized-overweight
367 indivisible load, or (C) an oversize indivisible load. The owner or lessee
368 shall pay an annual fee of nine dollars per thousand pounds or fraction
369 thereof for each such vehicle. A permit may be issued in any increment
370 up to one year, provided the owner or lessee shall pay a fee of one
371 hundred dollars for such vehicle or vehicle and trailer for each month
372 or fraction thereof. (4) The annual permit fee for any vehicle
373 transporting an oversize indivisible load shall not be less than six
374 hundred fifty dollars. (5) The commissioner may issue permits for
375 divisible loads in the aggregate not exceeding fifty-three feet in length.
376 (6) An additional engineering analysis fee of two dollars per thousand

377 pounds or fraction thereof over two hundred thousand pounds shall be
378 charged for an oversize-overweight vehicle and trailer or a commercial
379 vehicle combination and load that exceeds a permit weight of two
380 hundred thousand pounds.

381 Sec. 14. Subsection (c) of section 54-33p of the 2022 supplement to the
382 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
383 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

384 (c) A law enforcement official may conduct a test for impairment
385 based on the odor of cannabis or burnt cannabis if such official
386 reasonably suspects the operator [or a passenger of a motor vehicle] of
387 violating section [14-227,] 14-227a, 14-227m or 14-227n.

388 Sec. 15. Subsections (b) and (c) of section 54-56e of the 2022
389 supplement to the general statutes are repealed and the following is
390 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

391 (b) The court may, in its discretion, invoke such program on motion
392 of the defendant or on motion of a state's attorney or prosecuting
393 attorney with respect to a defendant (1) who, the court believes, will
394 probably not offend in the future, (2) who has no previous record of
395 conviction of a crime or of a violation of section 14-196, subsection (c) of
396 section 14-215, section 14-222a, subsection (a) or subdivision (1) of
397 subsection (b) of section 14-224, section 14-227a or 14-227m, [or]
398 subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection (a) of section 14-227n or sections 15-
399 132a, 15-133 and 15-140n, and (3) who states under oath, in open court
400 or before any person designated by the clerk and duly authorized to
401 administer oaths, under the penalties of perjury, (A) that the defendant
402 has never had such program invoked on the defendant's behalf or that
403 the defendant was charged with a misdemeanor or a motor vehicle
404 violation for which a term of imprisonment of one year or less may be
405 imposed and ten or more years have passed since the date that any
406 charge or charges for which the program was invoked on the
407 defendant's behalf were dismissed by the court, or (B) with respect to a
408 defendant who is a veteran, that the defendant has not had such
409 program invoked in the defendant's behalf more than once previously,

410 provided the defendant shall agree thereto and provided notice has
411 been given by the defendant, on a form prescribed by the Office of the
412 Chief Court Administrator, to the victim or victims of such crime or
413 motor vehicle violation, if any, by registered or certified mail and such
414 victim or victims have an opportunity to be heard thereon. Any
415 defendant who [makes application] applies for participation in such
416 program shall pay to the court an application fee of thirty-five dollars,
417 except as provided in subsection (g) of this section. No defendant shall
418 be allowed to participate in the pretrial program for accelerated
419 rehabilitation more than two times. For the purposes of this section,
420 "veteran" has the same meaning as provided in section 27-103.

421 (c) This section shall not be applicable: (1) To any person charged
422 with (A) a class A felony, (B) a class B felony, except a violation of
423 subdivision (1), (2) or (3) of subsection (a) of section 53a-122 that does
424 not involve the use, attempted use or threatened use of physical force
425 against another person, or a violation of subdivision (4) of subsection (a)
426 of section 53a-122 that does not involve the use, attempted use or
427 threatened use of physical force against another person and does not
428 involve a violation by a person who is a public official, as defined in
429 section 1-110, or a state or municipal employee, as defined in section 1-
430 110, or (C) a violation of section 53a-70b of the general statutes, revision
431 of 1958, revised to January 1, 2019, or section 14-227a or 14-227m,
432 subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection (a) of section 14-227n, subdivision (2)
433 of subsection (a) of section 53-21 or section 53a-56b, 53a-60d, 53a-70, 53a-
434 70a, 53a-71, except as provided in subdivision (5) of this subsection, 53a-
435 72a, 53a-72b, 53a-90a, 53a-196e or 53a-196f, (2) to any person charged
436 with a crime or motor vehicle violation who, as a result of the
437 commission of such crime or motor vehicle violation, causes the death
438 of another person, (3) to any person accused of a family violence crime
439 as defined in section 46b-38a who (A) is eligible for the pretrial family
440 violence education program established under section 46b-38c, or (B)
441 has previously had the pretrial family violence education program
442 invoked in such person's behalf, (4) to any person charged with a
443 violation of section 21a-267, 21a-279 or 21a-279a, who (A) is eligible for
444 the pretrial drug education and community service program established

445 under section 54-56i or the pretrial drug intervention and community
446 service program established under section 54-56q, or (B) has previously
447 had (i) the pretrial drug education program (ii) the pretrial drug
448 education and community service program established under the
449 provisions of section 54-56i, or (iii) the pretrial drug intervention and
450 community service program established under section 54-56q, invoked
451 on such person's behalf, (5) unless good cause is shown, to (A) any
452 person charged with a class C felony, or (B) any person charged with
453 committing a violation of subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 53a-
454 71 while such person was less than four years older than the other
455 person, (6) to any person charged with a violation of section 9-359 or 9-
456 359a, (7) to any person charged with a motor vehicle violation (A) while
457 operating a commercial motor vehicle, as defined in section 14-1, or (B)
458 who holds a commercial driver's license or commercial driver's
459 instruction permit at the time of the violation, (8) to any person charged
460 with a violation of subdivision (6) of subsection (a) of section 53a-60, [or]
461 (9) to a health care provider or vendor participating in the state's
462 Medicaid program charged with a violation of section 53a-122 or
463 subdivision (4) of subsection (a) of section 53a-123, or (10) to any person
464 charged with a violation of section 15-132a, 15-133 or 15-140n.

465 Sec. 16. Subsection (c) of section 14-227b of the 2022 supplement to
466 the general statutes, as amended by section 118 of public act 21-1 of the
467 June special session, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
468 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

469 (c) If the person arrested refuses to submit to such test or
470 nontestimonial portion of a drug influence evaluation or submits to such
471 test, commenced within two hours of the time of operation, and the
472 results of such test indicate that such person has an elevated blood
473 alcohol content, the police officer, acting on behalf of the Commissioner
474 of Motor Vehicles, shall immediately revoke and take possession of the
475 motor vehicle operator's license or, if such person is not licensed or is a
476 nonresident, suspend the operating privilege of such person, for a
477 twenty-four-hour period. The police officer shall prepare a report of the
478 incident and shall mail or otherwise transmit in accordance with this

479 subsection the report and a copy of the results of any chemical test to
480 the Department of Motor Vehicles within three business days. The
481 report shall contain such information as prescribed by the
482 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles and shall be subscribed and sworn to
483 under penalty of false statement as provided in section 53a-157b by the
484 arresting officer. If the person arrested refused to submit to such test or
485 evaluation, the report shall be endorsed by a third person who
486 witnessed such refusal. The report shall set forth the grounds for the
487 officer's belief that there was probable cause to arrest such person for a
488 violation of section 14-227a or 14-227m or subdivision (1) or (2) of
489 subsection (a) of section 14-227n and shall state that such person had
490 refused to submit to such test or evaluation when requested by such
491 police officer to do so or that such person submitted to such test,
492 commenced within two hours of the time of operation, and the results
493 of such test indicated that such person had an elevated blood alcohol
494 content. A drug influence evaluation need not be commenced within
495 two hours of the time of operation. The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles
496 may accept a police report under this subsection that is prepared and
497 transmitted as an electronic record, including electronic signature or
498 signatures, subject to such security procedures as the commissioner may
499 specify and in accordance with the provisions of sections 1-266 to 1-286,
500 inclusive. In any hearing conducted pursuant to the provisions of
501 subsection (g) of this section, it shall not be a ground for objection to the
502 admissibility of a police report that it is an electronic record prepared by
503 electronic means.

504 Sec. 17. Subsections (b) and (c) of section 13a-73 of the 2022
505 supplement to the general statutes are repealed and the following is
506 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

507 (b) The commissioner may take any land the commissioner finds
508 necessary for the layout, alteration, extension, widening, change of
509 grade or other improvement of any state highway, bicycle lane, multi-
510 use-trail or for a highway maintenance storage area or garage and the
511 owner of such land shall be paid by the state for all damages, and the
512 state shall receive from such owner the amount or value of all benefits

513 resulting from such taking, layout, alteration, extension, widening,
514 change of grade or other improvement. The use of any site acquired for
515 highway maintenance storage area or garage purposes by
516 condemnation shall conform to any zoning ordinance or development
517 plan in effect for the area in which such site is located, provided the
518 commissioner may be granted any variance or special exception as may
519 be made pursuant to the zoning ordinances and regulations of the town
520 in which any such site is to be acquired. The assessment of such
521 damages and of such benefits shall be made by the commissioner and
522 filed by the commissioner with the clerk of the superior court for the
523 judicial district in which the land affected is located. The commissioner
524 shall give notice of such assessment to each person having an interest of
525 record therein, or such person's designated agent for service of process,
526 by mailing to such person a copy of the same, postage prepaid, and, at
527 any time after such assessment has been made by the commissioner, the
528 physical construction of such layout, alteration, extension, widening,
529 maintenance storage area or garage, change of grade or other
530 improvement may be made. If notice cannot be given to any person
531 entitled thereto because such person's whereabouts or existence is
532 unknown, notice may be given by publishing a notice at least twice in a
533 newspaper published in the judicial district and having a daily or
534 weekly circulation in the town in which the property affected is located.
535 Any such published notice shall state that it is a notice to the last owner
536 of record or such owner's surviving spouse, heirs, administrators,
537 assigns, representatives or creditors if he or she is deceased, and shall
538 contain a brief description of the property taken. Notice shall also be
539 given by mailing to such person at his or her last-known address, by
540 registered or certified mail, a copy of such notice. If, after a search of the
541 land and probate records, the address of any interested party cannot be
542 found, an affidavit stating such facts and reciting the steps taken to
543 establish the address of any such person shall be filed with the clerk of
544 the court and accepted in lieu of service of such notice by mailing the
545 same to the last-known address of such person. Upon filing an
546 assessment with the clerk of the court, the commissioner shall forthwith
547 sign and file for record with the town clerk of the town in which such

548 real property is located a certificate setting forth the fact of such taking,
549 a description of the real property so taken and the names and residences
550 of the owners from whom it was taken. Upon the filing of such
551 certificate, title to such real property in fee simple shall vest in the state
552 of Connecticut, except that, if it is so specified in such certificate, a lesser
553 estate, interest or right shall vest in the state. The commissioner shall
554 permit the last owner of record of such real property upon which an
555 owner-occupied residence or owner-operated business is situated to
556 remain in such residence or operate such business, rent free, for a period
557 of ninety days after the filing of such certificate.

558 (c) The commissioner may purchase any land and take a deed thereof
559 in the name of the state when such land is needed in connection with
560 the layout, construction, repair, reconstruction or maintenance of any
561 state highway, bicycle lane, multi-use-trail or bridge, and any land or
562 buildings or both, necessary, in the commissioner's opinion, for the
563 efficient accomplishment of the foregoing purpose, and may further,
564 when the commissioner determines that it is in the best interests of the
565 state, purchase, lease or otherwise arrange for the acquisition or
566 exchange of land or buildings or both for such purpose. The
567 commissioner, with the advice and consent of the Attorney General,
568 may settle and compromise any claim by any person, firm or
569 corporation claiming to be aggrieved by such layout, construction,
570 reconstruction, repair or maintenance by the payment of money, the
571 transfer of other land acquired for or in connection with highway
572 purposes, or otherwise. The commissioner shall permit the last owner
573 of record of such real property upon which an owner-occupied
574 residence or owner-operated business is situated to remain in such
575 residence or operate such business, rent free, for a period of ninety days
576 from the filing of such deed.

577 Sec. 18. Section 14-240 of the general statutes is repealed and the
578 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

579 (a) [No] Except as provided in subsection (d) of this section, no person
580 operating a motor vehicle shall follow another vehicle more closely than

581 is reasonable and prudent, having regard for the speed of such vehicles,
582 the traffic upon and the condition of the highway and weather
583 conditions.

584 (b) No person operating a motor vehicle shall drive such vehicle in
585 such proximity to another vehicle as to obstruct or impede traffic.

586 (c) Motor vehicles being driven upon any highway in a caravan shall
587 be so operated as to allow sufficient space between such vehicles or
588 combination of vehicles to enable any other vehicle to enter and occupy
589 such space without danger. The provisions of this subsection shall not
590 apply to funeral processions or to motor vehicles under official escort,
591 [or] traveling under a special permit or operating in a platoon. For the
592 purposes of this subsection and subsection (d) of this section, "platoon"
593 means two or three commercial motor vehicles or buses, excluding a
594 school bus, traveling in a unified manner at electronically coordinated
595 speeds at following distances that are closer than would be reasonable
596 and prudent without such coordination.

597 (d) (1) A person may operate a platoon on the highways of this state,
598 provided such person files a plan for the general platoon operations
599 with the Commissioner of Transportation and such plan is approved by
600 the commissioner. The commissioner shall approve or reject a plan for
601 general platoon operations not later than fifteen days after the receipt of
602 such plan. If the commissioner rejects any such plan, the commissioner
603 shall provide a written explanation of the reason for such rejection and
604 guidance to amend such plan for resubmission.

605 (2) Each commercial motor vehicle or bus in a platoon shall display a
606 mark identifying such vehicle or bus as part of a platoon at all times
607 when such vehicle or bus is engaged in platooning. Such mark shall be
608 issued by the commissioner and displayed in a manner prescribed by
609 the commissioner.

610 (3) Each person operating a commercial motor vehicle or bus in a
611 platoon shall be seated in the driver's seat of such vehicle or bus and
612 hold a commercial driver's license of the appropriate class and bearing

613 endorsements for the type of vehicle or bus being driven.

614 (4) No person operating a commercial motor vehicle or bus in a
615 platoon shall pull or drag another motor vehicle in the platoon.

616 [(d)] (e) Any person who violates any provision of this section shall
617 have committed an infraction, except that (1) any person operating a
618 commercial vehicle combination in violation of any such provision shall
619 have committed a violation and shall be fined not less than one hundred
620 dollars nor more than one hundred fifty dollars, or (2) if the violation
621 results in a motor vehicle accident, such person shall have committed a
622 violation and shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars nor more
623 than two hundred dollars.

624 Sec. 19. Section 13a-247 of the general statutes is repealed and the
625 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

626 (a) No person, firm, [or] corporation or utility company shall excavate
627 within or under, or place any obstruction or substruction within, under,
628 upon or over, or interfere with construction, reconstruction or
629 maintenance of or drainage from, any state highway without the written
630 permission of the commissioner. [Said commissioner may fill in or close
631 any such excavation or remove or alter any such obstruction or
632 substruction, and the expense incurred by the commissioner in such
633 filling or removing or altering shall be paid by the person, firm or
634 corporation making such excavation or placing such obstruction or
635 substruction, provided any excavation, obstruction or substruction
636 existing within, under, upon or over any such highway on July 1, 1925,
637 or, at the discretion of said commissioner, any] Any excavation [,] made
638 or obstruction or substruction [made after said date] placed without a
639 permit or in violation of the provisions of a permit shall be removed or
640 altered by the person, firm, [or] corporation or utility company making
641 or [maintaining] placing the same within thirty days from the date when
642 said commissioner sends by registered or certified mail, postage
643 prepaid, a notice to such person, firm, [or] corporation or utility
644 company, ordering such removal or alteration. If such person, firm,
645 corporation or utility company fails to remove or alter any excavation,

646 obstruction or substruction not later than thirty days after receipt of
647 such notice from the commissioner, the commissioner may fill in or close
648 any such excavation or remove or alter any such obstruction or
649 substruction, and the expense incurred by the commissioner in such
650 filling or removing or altering shall be paid by such person, firm,
651 corporation or utility company.

652 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, if
653 the commissioner determines that a person, firm, corporation or utility
654 company has created an unsafe condition within, under, upon or over
655 the state right-of-way that requires immediate corrective action, the
656 commissioner may authorize immediate corrective action to remedy the
657 unsafe condition. Any costs and expenses incurred by the commission
658 to remedy the unsafe condition shall be paid by such person, firm,
659 corporation or utility company.

660 (c) The state shall not be liable for any damage to private property
661 placed in the state right-of-way without a permit.

662 ~~[(b)]~~ (d) Any person, firm, [or] corporation or utility company
663 violating any provision of [subsection (a) of] this section shall be fined
664 [not more than one hundred dollars for a first offense and] not less than
665 [one hundred] two thousand dollars or more than five [hundred]
666 thousand dollars for each [subsequent] offense. Each violation shall be
667 a separate and distinct offense and, in the case of a continuing violation,
668 each day's continuance thereof shall be deemed to be a separate and
669 distinct offense.

670 Sec. 20. Subsection (b) of section 51-164n of the 2022 supplement to
671 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
672 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

673 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, any person
674 who is alleged to have committed (1) a violation under the provisions of
675 section 1-9, 1-10, 1-11, 4b-13, 7-13, 7-14, 7-35, 7-41, 7-83, 7-283, 7-325, 7-
676 393, 8-12, 8-25, 8-27, 9-63, 9-322, 9-350, 10-193, 10-197, 10-198, 10-230, 10-
677 251, 10-254, 12-52, 12-170aa, 12-292, 12-314b or 12-326g, subdivision (4)

678 of section 12-408, subdivision (3), (5) or (6) of section 12-411, section 12-
679 435c, 12-476a, 12-476b, 12-487, 13a-71, 13a-107, 13a-113, 13a-114, 13a-115,
680 13a-117b, 13a-123, 13a-124, 13a-139, 13a-140, 13a-143b, [13a-247,] 13a-253
681 or 13a-263, subsection (f) of section 13b-42, section 13b-90, 13b-221, 13b-
682 292, 13b-336, 13b-337, 13b-338, 13b-410a, 13b-410b or 13b-410c,
683 subsection (a), (b) or (c) of section 13b-412, section 13b-414, subsection
684 (d) of section 14-12, section 14-20a or 14-27a, subsection (f) of section 14-
685 34a, subsection (d) of section 14-35, section 14-43, 14-49, 14-50a or 14-58,
686 subsection (b) of section 14-66, section 14-66a or 14-67a, subsection (g)
687 of section 14-80, subsection (f) of section 14-80h, section 14-97a, 14-100b,
688 14-103a, 14-106a, 14-106c, 14-146, 14-152, 14-153 or 14-163b, a first
689 violation as specified in subsection (f) of section 14-164i, section 14-219,
690 as amended by this act, as specified in subsection (e) of said section,
691 subdivision (1) of section 14-223a, section 14-240, 14-250 or 14-253a,
692 subsection (a) of section 14-261a, section 14-262, 14-264, 14-267a, 14-269,
693 14-270, 14-275a, 14-278 or 14-279, subsection (e) or (h) of section 14-283,
694 section 14-291, 14-293b, 14-296aa, 14-300, 14-300d, 14-319, 14-320, 14-321,
695 14-325a, 14-326, 14-330 or 14-332a, subdivision (1), (2) or (3) of section
696 14-386a, section 15-25 or 15-33, subdivision (1) of section 15-97,
697 subsection (a) of section 15-115, section 16-44, 16-256e, 16a-15 or 16a-22,
698 subsection (a) or (b) of section 16a-22h, section 17a-24, 17a-145, 17a-149,
699 17a-152, 17a-465, 17b-124, 17b-131, 17b-137, 19a-30, 19a-33, 19a-39 or
700 19a-87, subsection (b) of section 19a-87a, section 19a-91, 19a-105, 19a-
701 107, 19a-113, 19a-215, 19a-219, 19a-222, 19a-224, 19a-286, 19a-287, 19a-
702 297, 19a-301, 19a-309, 19a-335, 19a-336, 19a-338, 19a-339, 19a-340, 19a-
703 425, 19a-502, 20-7a, 20-14, 20-158, 20-231, 20-249, 20-257, 20-265, 20-324e,
704 subsection (b) of section 20-334, section 20-341l, 20-366, 20-597, 20-608,
705 20-610, 21-1, 21-38, 21-39, 21-43, 21-47, 21-48, 21-63, subsection (d) of
706 section 21-71 or section 21-76a, subsection (c) of section 21a-2,
707 subdivision (1) of section 21a-19, section 21a-21, subdivision (1) of
708 subsection (b) of section 21a-25, section 21a-26 or 21a-30, subsection (a)
709 of section 21a-37, section 21a-46, 21a-61, 21a-63 or 21a-77, subsection (b)
710 of section 21a-79, section 21a-85 or 21a-154, subdivision (1) of subsection
711 (a) of section 21a-159, section 21a-278b, subsection (c), (d) or (e) of
712 section 21a-279a, section 21a-421eee, 21a-421fff, 22-12b, 22-13, 22-14, 22-

713 15, 22-16, 22-26g, 22-29, 22-30, 22-34, 22-35, 22-36, 22-38, 22-39, 22-39f, 22-
714 49, 22-54, 22-61j or 22-61l, subdivision (1) of subsection (n) of section 22-
715 61l, subsection (f) of section 22-61m, subdivision (1) of subsection (f) of
716 section 22-61m, subsection (d) of section 22-84, section 22-89, 22-90, 22-
717 96, 22-98, 22-99, 22-100, 22-111o, 22-167, subsection (c) of section 22-277,
718 section 22-278, 22-279, 22-280a, 22-318a, 22-320h, 22-324a, 22-326,
719 subsection (b), subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection (e) or subsection (g)
720 of section 22-344, subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of section 22-344b,
721 subsection (d) of section 22-344c, subsection (d) of section 22-344d,
722 section 22-344f, 22-350a, 22-354, 22-359, 22-366, 22-391, 22-413, 22-414,
723 22-415, 22a-66a or 22a-246, subsection (a) of section 22a-250, subsection
724 (e) of section 22a-256h, section 22a-363 or 22a-381d, subsections (c) and
725 (d) of section 22a-381e, section 22a-449, 22a-461, 23-4b, 23-38, 23-46 or
726 23-61b, subsection (a) or subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of section 23-
727 65, section 25-37 or 25-40, subsection (a) of section 25-43, section 25-43d,
728 25-135, 26-18, 26-19, 26-21, 26-31, 26-40, 26-40a, 26-42, 26-49, 26-54, 26-55,
729 26-56, 26-58 or 26-59, subdivision (1) of subsection (d) of section 26-61,
730 section 26-64, subdivision (1) of section 26-76, section 26-79, 26-87, 26-89,
731 26-91, 26-94, 26-97, 26-98, 26-104, 26-105, 26-107, 26-117, 26-128, 26-131,
732 26-132, 26-138 or 26-141, subdivision (1) of section 26-186, section 26-207,
733 26-215, 26-217 or 26-224a, subdivision (1) of section 26-226, section 26-
734 227, 26-230, 26-232, 26-244, 26-257a, 26-260, 26-276, 26-284, 26-285, 26-
735 286, 26-288, 26-294, 28-13, 29-6a, 29-25, 29-143o, 29-143z or 29-156a,
736 subsection (b), (d), (e) or (g) of section 29-161q, section 29-161y or 29-
737 161z, subdivision (1) of section 29-198, section 29-210, 29-243 or 29-277,
738 subsection (c) of section 29-291c, section 29-316, 29-318, 29-381, 30-48a,
739 30-86a, 31-3, 31-10, 31-11, 31-12, 31-13, 31-14, 31-15, 31-16, 31-18, 31-23,
740 31-24, 31-25, 31-32, 31-36, 31-38, 31-40, 31-44, 31-47, 31-48, 31-51, 31-52,
741 31-52a or 31-54, subsection (a) or (c) of section 31-69, section 31-70, 31-
742 74, 31-75, 31-76, 31-76a, 31-89b or 31-134, subsection (i) of section 31-273,
743 section 31-288, subdivision (1) of section 35-20, section 36a-787, 42-230,
744 45a-283, 45a-450, 45a-634 or 45a-658, subdivision (13) or (14) of section
745 46a-54, section 46a-59, 46b-22, 46b-24, 46b-34, 47-34a, 47-47, 49-8a, 49-16,
746 53-133, 53-199, 53-212a, 53-249a, 53-252, 53-264, 53-280, 53-302a, 53-303e,
747 53-311a, 53-321, 53-322, 53-323, 53-331 or 53-344, subsection (c) of section

748 53-344b, or section 53-450, or (2) a violation under the provisions of
749 chapter 268, or (3) a violation of any regulation adopted in accordance
750 with the provisions of section 12-484, 12-487 or 13b-410, or (4) a violation
751 of any ordinance, regulation or bylaw of any town, city or borough,
752 except violations of building codes and the health code, for which the
753 penalty exceeds ninety dollars but does not exceed two hundred fifty
754 dollars, unless such town, city or borough has established a payment
755 and hearing procedure for such violation pursuant to section 7-152c,
756 shall follow the procedures set forth in this section.

757 Sec. 21. (*Effective July 1, 2022*) The Department of Transportation shall
758 study and make recommendations for the highest and best use of the
759 properties that were acquired by the department for potential use as a
760 limited access highway from the town of Danbury to the town of
761 Norwalk. On or before January 1, 2023, the department shall submit the
762 results of such study and its recommendations, in accordance with the
763 provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing
764 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
765 relating to transportation.

766 Sec. 22. Subdivision (3) of section 13a-261 of the 2022 supplement to
767 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
768 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

769 (3) "Owner" means a person in whose name a motor vehicle is
770 registered under the [provision] provisions of chapter 246 or law of
771 another jurisdiction.

772 Sec. 23. Subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of section 13a-264 of the 2022
773 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is
774 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

775 (3) A work zone speed control system operator shall complete and
776 sign a daily log for a work zone control system. Such daily log shall (A)
777 state the date, time and location of such system's set-up, (B) state that
778 the work zone speed control system operator successfully performed,
779 and the work zone speed control system passed, the testing specified by

780 the manufacturer of the work zone speed control system, (C) be kept on
781 file at the principle office of the operator, and (D) be admitted in any
782 court proceeding for an alleged violation of section 13a-263.

783 Sec. 24. Section 14-307a of the 2022 supplement to the general statutes
784 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
785 *1, 2022*):

786 (a) The traffic authority of any town, city or borough may establish a
787 pedestrian safety zone on any street, highway and bridge or in any
788 parking area for ten cars or more or on any private road wholly within
789 the municipality under its jurisdiction without approval from the Office
790 of the State Traffic Administration, provided: (1) The municipality, by
791 vote of its legislative body, or in the case of a municipality in which the
792 legislative body is a town meeting, its board of selectmen, grants general
793 authority to the traffic authority to establish pedestrian safety zones
794 within the municipality. Such general authority is not required if such
795 legislative body or board of selectmen is also the traffic authority; (2) the
796 traffic authority conducts an engineering study described in subsection
797 (b) of this section; (3) the posted speed limit for such zone is not less than
798 twenty miles per hour; (4) such zone encompasses a clearly defined
799 downtown district or community center frequented by pedestrians or is
800 adjacent to hospital property or, in the opinion of the traffic authority,
801 is sufficiently close to hospital property as to constitute a risk to the
802 public safety; and (5) the traffic authority satisfies the requirements of
803 subparagraphs (C) to (E), inclusive, of subdivision (2) of subsection (c)
804 of section 14-218a, as amended by this act, if applicable.

805 (b) Prior to establishing a pedestrian safety zone, the traffic authority
806 shall conduct an engineering study in accordance with the Federal
807 Highway Administration's Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices
808 for Streets and Highways, as amended from time to time, and other
809 generally accepted engineering principles and guidance. The study shall
810 be completed by a professional engineer licensed to practice in this state
811 and shall consider factors, including, but not limited to, pedestrian
812 activity, type of land use and development, parking and the record of

813 traffic crashes in the area under consideration to be a pedestrian safety
814 zone. If the study recommends the establishment of a pedestrian safety
815 zone, the study shall also include a speed management plan and
816 recommend actions to achieve lower motor vehicle speeds.

817 (c) In a municipality where the Office of the State Traffic
818 Administration approves speed limits on the streets, highways and
819 bridges or in any parking area for ten cars or more or on any private
820 road wholly within the municipality in accordance with section 14-218a,
821 as amended by this act, the traffic authority shall notify the office in
822 writing of the establishment of any pedestrian safety zone and confirm
823 that the requirements of this section have been satisfied.

824 (d) If the Commissioner of Transportation or a traffic authority of any
825 town, city or borough seeks to establish a pedestrian safety zone on a
826 state highway that passes through a downtown or community center,
827 the commissioner or traffic authority shall submit a written request to
828 the Office of the State Traffic Administration and include with such
829 request the engineering study and speed management plan conducted
830 pursuant to subsection (b) of this section. The office shall be the sole
831 authority for establishing a pedestrian safety zone on a state highway
832 and shall provide a written explanation of the reasons for denying any
833 such request.

834 (e) The Office of the State Traffic Administration may adopt
835 regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to
836 implement the provisions of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2022</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2022</i>	14-289g
Sec. 3	<i>October 1, 2022</i>	14-251
Sec. 4	<i>October 1, 2022</i>	14-218a(b)
Sec. 5	<i>October 1, 2022</i>	14-219
Sec. 6	<i>July 1, 2022</i>	13b-34
Sec. 7	<i>July 1, 2022</i>	4a-60(c)(1)

Sec. 8	July 1, 2022	4a-81(b)(2) and (3)
Sec. 9	July 1, 2022	4-252(b)
Sec. 10	July 1, 2022	4-252a(d)
Sec. 11	July 1, 2022	13b-4d
Sec. 12	July 1, 2022	13b-26
Sec. 13	July 1, 2022	14-270(d)
Sec. 14	July 1, 2022	54-33p(c)
Sec. 15	July 1, 2022	54-56e(b) and (c)
Sec. 16	July 1, 2022	14-227b(c)
Sec. 17	July 1, 2022	13a-73(b) and (c)
Sec. 18	July 1, 2022	14-240
Sec. 19	July 1, 2022	13a-247
Sec. 20	July 1, 2022	51-164n(b)
Sec. 21	July 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 22	July 1, 2022	13a-261(3)
Sec. 23	July 1, 2022	13a-264(a)(3)
Sec. 24	July 1, 2022	14-307a

Statement of Purpose:

To implement the recommendations of the Department of Transportation.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]