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restored, removed or erased from the registry list during the preceding month and (2) all electors who changed either their names or addresses during such period. Such list shall include, but not be limited to, each such person's or elector's (A) name, (B) former name, if changed during such period, (C) address, including zip code, (D) former address, including zip code, if changed during such period, (E) voting district and (F) party affiliation, if any. The registrars shall make each such list available to the public in accordance with the provisions of section 1-19 of the general statutes.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1987.

Substitute House Bill No. 6446

PUBLIC ACT NO. 87-463

AN ACT CREATING A STATE-WIDE HERITAGE PARK SYSTEM.

Section 1. (NEW) The general assembly recognizes that the cities in the state have a rich historical and cultural heritage, that many of the cities are in need of economic revitalization and that preservation and interpretation of such heritage can foster revitalization by encouraging private sector investment and tourism. Therefore, the general assembly declares that it is the policy of the state to develop new recreational opportunities in conjunction with the preservation and interpretation of such heritage through the designation of a system of heritage parks so that the quality of life for Connecticut residents may be improved.

Sec. 2. (NEW) (a) The commissioner of environmental protection, in consultation with the commissioner of economic development and the state historic commission, shall develop criteria and guidelines for the designation of heritage parks consisting of sites in a region linked by a common social, historical or economic theme. Thereafter, in accordance with such criteria and guidelines, the commissioner of environmental protection may designate the boundaries, name and theme of any such park, as well as any physical sites to be included. Any designation shall be consistent with the plan for development of outdoor recreation and other natural resources authorized under section 22a-21 of the general statutes and shall be made after consideration of the significance of the heritage of the sites to be included and the economic benefit to the state from such designation. Sites designated for inclusion in a heritage park shall not be required to be contiguous to one another and need not be owned by the state.

(b) Prior to designating a heritage park, the commissioner shall establish an advisory board to advise him on the designation of the boundaries, name, theme and sites to be included in a potential heritage park. The board shall consist of not less than ten members representing municipalities located within the boundaries of the proposed heritage park. The number of members from each municipality shall be determined based on the ratio of the population of such municipality to the population of all the

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municipalities to be included in the proposed heritage park. The commissioner shall appoint the members of the board from lists submitted by the legislative bodies of the municipalities located within the boundaries of the proposed heritage park.

(c) The commissioner shall conduct a public hearing concerning the boundaries, name, theme and sites to be included in a proposed heritage park at least thirty days prior to designation of such park. At least thirty days before such hearing, the commissioner shall cause to be published once, in a newspaper having a substantial circulation in the area affected, notice of the proposal to designate a heritage park along with notice of the time, date and location of the public hearing to be held on such designation.

(d) The designation of the name, boundaries and theme of a heritage park shall not be effective until it is approved by each municipality that is located within the boundaries of such park, by vote of its legislative body. No site shall be designated for inclusion in such park unless the owner of such site consents to its inclusion.

(e) Upon designation of a heritage park, the commissioner shall establish an advisory board to advise him on the promotion and development of such park. The members shall be appointed as provided in subsection (b) of this section.

(f) The commissioner, after consultation with the advisory board established pursuant to subsection (e) of this section, may designate additional sites to be included in a heritage park, provided the owners of any such site consent to the designation. The commissioner may, after a public hearing held pursuant to the notice provisions of subsection (c) of this section and upon approval by each municipality located within the boundaries of a heritage park, alter the boundaries, name and theme of such heritage park.

(g) The commissioner may, within available appropriations, (1) establish and operate centers for the distribution of information about heritage parks and (2) lease or purchase land or buildings and accept gifts, donations or contributions for the purposes of this section.

Sec. 3. Section 7-136c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

(a) Tax receipts retained by a municipality as provided under section 7-136b shall be appropriated to the coliseum authority of the municipality established under the authority of sections 7-130a to 7-130w, inclusive, or to the convention and visitors commission of such municipality, established under section 7-136a, and shall be used solely for the purposes of (1) promoting conventions, recreational and tourist activity in such municipality, [or] (2) for such purposes as the coliseum authority may determine OR (3) PROMOTING HERITAGE PARKS ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 2 OF THIS ACT.

(b) Any commission established under section 7-136a shall annually submit to the local governing body which established it a request for funds for the operation of the commission for the ensuing year. The local governing body shall include the commission in the annual budget and shall provide funds for the operation of the commission from the tax receipts retained as provided in section 7-136b. Money not expended by the

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commission during any fiscal year shall be used to make up a part of the commission's budget for its next fiscal year.

- (c) The commission or the coliseum authority, as the case may be, may borrow money to pay its obligations that cannot be paid at maturity out of current revenue from the tax, but shall not borrow a sum greater than can be repaid out of the revenue anticipated from the tax during the year in which the money is borrowed. The commission or the coliseum authority, as the case may be, may pledge its securities to secure the repayment of any sum so borrowed.
- (d) Any coliseum authority receiving the proceeds of the portion of the tax retained by the municipality pursuant to section 7-136b shall annually report to the governing body of such municipality on the uses to which such funds have been applied.
- (e) The provisions of section 1-19 shall apply to any convention and visitors commission, established under section 7-136a, of any municipality and to any other entity contracting with such commissions or municipalities to carry out the function of such commissions.

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 1987.

Substitute House Bill No. 6261 PUBLIC ACT NO. 87-464

AN ACT CONCERNING THE DELIVERY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES, NONRENEWABLE TEMPORARY CERTIFICATES FOR GRADUATES OF OUT-OF-STATE TEACHER PREPARATION PROGRAMS AND THE HARTLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE EDUCATION ENHANCEMENT ACT.

Section 1. The state department of education shall develop a plan for a comprehensive state-wide evaluation of special education programs and services provided pursuant to sections 10-76a to 10-76h, inclusive, of the general statutes. The plan shall: (a) Identify the program and fiscal issues to be evaluated including, but not limited to, the cost effectiveness of special education programs and services and the educational outcomes resulting from the provision of such programs and services; (b) determine how such issues are to be incorporated into the comprehensive evaluation plan design; (c) develop proposals to implement such evaluation state-wide; and (d) identify the impact of the provisions of the general statutes regarding teacher certification on the furnishing of special education programs and services. On or before February 1, 1988, the state department of education shall report to the joint standing committee of the general assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education concerning the scope, design, implementation and cost of a comprehensive state-wide evaluation of special education programs and services.

Sec. 2. The state department of education shall develop a profile analysis of students receiving special education programs and services, pupil personnel providing such programs and services and the scope of state support for such programs and services. On or before February 1, 1988, the department of education shall submit a report of such profile analysis to the joint standing committees of the general assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies.