



## Important Law Changes Pursuant to Public Act 17-4 (June Special Session)

On November 21, 2017, the Governor signed Public Act 2017-4 (June Special Session) into law which modifies the reduced grant schedule provisions set forth in Public Act 2017-2 (June Special Session) as they relate to General Assembly special elections.

Public Act 2017-2 (June special session), which passed several weeks prior to Public Act 2017-4 (June special session), created a grant reduction schedule under the Citizens' Election Program based on a grant application submission's proximity to the election, including special elections, so that the later in the election cycle a grant application is submitted, the more reduced the grant amount will be. Public Act 2017-4 modifies these provisions so that the grant reduction schedule does **not** apply to special elections. This means that a qualified candidate will get the full amount of the special election grant for which they otherwise qualify for, which is 75% of the general election grant, regardless of the proximity to the election as long as they apply by the final application deadline.

*Please note that this summary is not a substitute for the law and readers are encouraged to read the relevant portions of [Public Act 17-4 \(June Special Session\)](#). The Office of Legislative Research's [Bill Analysis](#), which is available on the Connecticut General Assembly website, also provides a summary of the Act. Please also see the Commission's [Summary of Public Act 17-2 \(June Special Session\)](#).*