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# HB-7006

# AN ACT CONCERNING TUITION WAIVERS FOR NURSING HOME RESIDENTS WHO TAKE ONLINE COURSES AT REGIONAL COMMUNITY-TECHNICAL COLLEGES.

### **OFA Fiscal Note**

#### State Impact:

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Note: OF=Other Fund

### Municipal Impact: None

### Explanation

The bill results in a potential revenue loss of less than \$100,000 annually beginning in FY 26 to the Board of Regents for Higher Education. It waives tuition to CT State for nursing home residents who take online courses.

As of September 30, 2023, there were approximately 19,600 nursing home residents in Connecticut.<sup>1</sup> Of this population, approximately 15% was under the age of 65. Current law waives tuition at CT State for state residents over the age of 62 under certain circumstances.<sup>2</sup> For this reason, the number of people who receive the bill's waiver is expected to be minimal.

If 10 people received a waiver at the FY 26 full-time, in-state tuition rate of \$4,608 for CT State, the revenue loss would be \$46,080. If those ten people instead each took one, three-credit course at the rate of \$576

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Data.ct.gov: Connecticut Annual Nursing Facility Census, September 30, 2023 <sup>2</sup> CGS 10a-77(d)(3)

for three credit hours, the revenue loss to CT State would be \$5,760.

## The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation in CT State tuition.