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sHB-7131 AN ACT CONCERNING FINANCIAL AID FOR STUDENTS IN PARAMEDIC CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS. As Amended by House "A" (LCO 9622) House Calendar No.: 272 Senate Calendar No.: 562

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill, beginning in FY 26, requires the Connecticut Higher Education Supplemental Loan Authority (CHESLA) to establish a High Value Certificate Loan program for student loans related to certain paramedic certificate programs. This has no fiscal impact, as it is anticipated that CHESLA has the resources to provide these loans.

The bill also requires the Office of Workforce Strategy (OWS) to: (1) identify and report sources of financial aid for students in paramedic certificate programs; and (2) determine whether such programs qualify as high-value certificate programs. This has no fiscal impact as it is anticipated OWS can complete these requirements with existing resources.

House "A" strikes the underlying bill and results in the above identified fiscal impact.

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