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Referred to Committee on HIGHER EDUCATION AND  
EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT

Introduced by:  
(HED)

***AN ACT CONCERNING MINOR REVISIONS TO THE HIGHER  
EDUCATION STATUTES CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF  
THE CONNECTICUT STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND THE  
BOARD OF REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION.***

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

1 Section 1. Section 3-27a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 There is hereby created a Short Term Investment Fund to be  
4 administered by the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer may sell  
5 participation certificates of the Short Term Investment Fund for  
6 investment to the General Fund, bond funds, the Special Transportation  
7 Fund, the Local Bridge Revolving Fund, the Educational Excellence  
8 Trust Fund, the Residential Property Tax Revaluation Relief Fund, the  
9 Municipal Abandoned Vehicle Trust Fund, the Special Abandoned  
10 Property Fund, trust funds administered by the Treasurer and all such  
11 other funds the moneys of which by law the Treasurer is responsible for  
12 investing. [Said] Such participation certificates shall bear and pay such  
13 interest and be issued subject to such terms and conditions as shall be

14 determined and established by the State Treasurer. The interest derived  
 15 from the investment or reinvestment of funds of The University of  
 16 Connecticut Operating Fund and The University of Connecticut Health  
 17 Center Operating Fund, The University of Connecticut Research  
 18 Foundation, The University of Connecticut Health Center Research  
 19 Foundation, the Connecticut State University System Operating Fund,  
 20 the Connecticut State University System Research Foundation, and the  
 21 [Regional Community-Technical Colleges] Connecticut State  
 22 Community College Operating Fund, as authorized by sections 10a-105,  
 23 10a-110a, 10a-130, 10a-99 and 10a-77, as amended by this act,  
 24 respectively, and the Board of Regents for Higher Education for Charter  
 25 Oak State College educational services account, as authorized by section  
 26 10a-143, shall be paid to each board or board of trustees respectively.

27 Sec. 2. Subsection (a) of section 3-31b of the general statutes is  
 28 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
 29 *passage*):

30 (a) Notwithstanding any [contrary] provision of [law] the general  
 31 statutes, the State Treasurer may establish one or more combined  
 32 investment funds for the purpose of investing funds for which the  
 33 Treasurer is custodian or trustee, or funds [which] that the [Boards]  
 34 Board of Trustees of The University of Connecticut [, the Connecticut  
 35 State University System or the Regional Community-Technical  
 36 Colleges] or the Board of Regents for Higher Education request the  
 37 Treasurer to invest pursuant to this section, provided the Treasurer shall  
 38 adopt appropriate accounting procedures from which the exact interest  
 39 of such funds so combined for investment can be determined. The State  
 40 Treasurer is authorized to sell to all agencies, instrumentalities and  
 41 political subdivisions of the state, participation units in any such  
 42 combined investment fund established by him pursuant to this section.  
 43 Such participation units issued by the Treasurer under the provisions of  
 44 this section are made legal investments for all the funds of, held by or  
 45 administered by all agencies, instrumentalities and political  
 46 subdivisions of the state. The Treasurer may adopt such rules and

47 regulations as may be necessary to administer the provisions of this  
48 section.

49 Sec. 3. Section 4-29 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
50 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

51 Any state appropriation or the proceeds of any bond issue authorized  
52 by the General Assembly for the purpose of erecting a building or  
53 buildings for the use of any state institution, any [institution under the  
54 jurisdiction of the Board of Trustees of] state university within the  
55 Connecticut State University System enumerated in section 10a-87, as  
56 amended by this act, any technical education and career school or The  
57 University of Connecticut, for the development of aviation and for other  
58 purposes, may be used in whole or in part as the state's share of the cost  
59 of the work involved in conjunction with any funds made available by  
60 any branch of the federal government if the Governor so determines and  
61 directs.

62 Sec. 4. Subsection (a) of section 4-31a of the general statutes is  
63 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
64 *passage*):

65 (a) Any gift, contribution, income from trust funds, or other aid from  
66 any private source or from the federal government, except federal aid  
67 for highway and bridge purposes or federal funds in the possession of  
68 the Board of Control of the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment  
69 Station, the Board of Trustees of The University of Connecticut, the  
70 Board of [Trustees of the Connecticut State University System, the Board  
71 of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges] Regents for Higher  
72 Education, or the Employment Security Division of the Labor  
73 Department, or any other gift, grant or trust fund in the possession of  
74 any of said boards, shall be entered upon the records of the General  
75 Fund in the manner prescribed by the Secretary of the Office of Policy  
76 and Management. When so recorded, such amounts shall be deemed to  
77 be appropriated to the purposes of such gift, contribution or other aid

78 and shall be allotted in accordance with law. No gift, contribution,  
79 income from trust funds, or other aid from any private source or from  
80 the federal government that is subject to this subsection shall require  
81 allotment, except upon a notice by the Secretary of the Office of Policy  
82 and Management that the state agency receiving such funding has failed  
83 to consistently provide the notifications required in subsection (e) of  
84 section 4-66a.

85 Sec. 5. Subdivisions (3) to (5), inclusive, of section 4-37e of the general  
86 statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof  
87 (*Effective from passage*):

88 (3) "Executive authority" means (A) a department head, as defined in  
89 section 4-5, (B) the executive secretary or president of a constituent unit,  
90 (C) the chief executive officer of a public institution of higher education  
91 and, if such public institution of higher education is [an accredited state  
92 community-technical college] the Connecticut State Community  
93 College, the chief executive officer of a campus of such college, and (D)  
94 the chief executive officer of any other state agency.

95 (4) "Constituent unit" means a constituent unit as defined in section  
96 10a-1, as amended by this act.

97 (5) "Public institution of higher education" means a public college or  
98 university in the state system of higher education, any campus of [an  
99 accredited state community-technical college] the Connecticut State  
100 Community College, or The University of Connecticut School of Law.

101 Sec. 6. Subdivisions (3) and (4) of section 4-37f of the general statutes  
102 are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
103 *from passage*):

104 (3) If the constituent unit is the [regional community-technical  
105 colleges] Connecticut State Community College or the Connecticut State  
106 University System, the purposes of the foundation shall be limited to  
107 providing funding for (A) scholarships or other direct student financial

108 aid, and (B) programs, services or activities at one or more of the  
109 institutions within its jurisdiction;

110 (4) If the state agency is a public institution of higher education, the  
111 following persons shall serve as nonvoting members of the governing  
112 board of the foundation unless the bylaws of the foundation provide  
113 that they be voting members: The executive authority of the institution,  
114 or his designee, a student enrolled at the institution, who shall be elected  
115 by the students enrolled in the institution and a member of the faculty  
116 of the institution, who shall be elected by the faculty of the institution.  
117 Elections pursuant to this subdivision shall be conducted in accordance  
118 with procedures for such elections established by the governing board  
119 [of trustees] of the constituent unit which has jurisdiction over the  
120 institution;

121 Sec. 7. Section 4-124z of the general statutes is repealed and the  
122 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

123 (a) Not later than January 1, 2022, and as necessary thereafter, the  
124 board of the Technical Education and Career System, in consultation  
125 with the Chief Workforce Officer, the Labor Commissioner, the  
126 Commissioners of Economic and Community Development, Education  
127 and Social Services, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and  
128 Management and the chancellor of the Connecticut State Colleges and  
129 Universities and one member of industry representing each of the  
130 economic clusters identified by the Commissioner of Economic and  
131 Community Development pursuant to section 32-1m shall (1) review,  
132 evaluate and, as necessary, recommend improvements for certification  
133 and degree programs offered by the Technical Education and Career  
134 System and the [community-technical college system] Connecticut State  
135 Community College to ensure that such programs meet the  
136 employment needs of business and industry, (2) develop strategies to  
137 strengthen the linkage between skill standards for education and  
138 training and the employment needs of business and industry, (3) assess  
139 the unmet demand from employers in the state to hire graduates of

140 trade programs from technical education and career schools and the  
 141 unmet demand from students in the state to enroll in a trade program at  
 142 a technical education and career school, and (4) assess opportunities to  
 143 increase utilization of technical education and career schools during  
 144 after school hours and on weekends.

145 (b) Not later than January [1, 2002, and] first annually, [thereafter,]  
 146 the superintendent of the Technical Education and Career System shall  
 147 report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, to the joint  
 148 standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
 149 matters relating to education, commerce, labor and higher education  
 150 and employment advancement on any certification or degree programs  
 151 offered by technical education and career schools or [community-  
 152 technical colleges] the Connecticut State Community College that do not  
 153 meet current industry standards.

154 Sec. 8. Section 4-124gg of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 155 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

156 The board of the Technical Education and Career System, in  
 157 consultation with the Labor Commissioner, shall create an integrated  
 158 system of state-wide industry advisory committees for each career  
 159 cluster offered as part of the Technical Education and Career System and  
 160 [regional community-technical college system. Said] Connecticut State  
 161 Community College. Such committees shall include industry  
 162 representatives of the specific career cluster. Each committee for a career  
 163 cluster shall, with support from the Office of Workforce Strategy, Labor  
 164 Department, Technical Education and Career System, [regional  
 165 community-technical college system] Connecticut State Community  
 166 College and [the] Department of Education, establish specific skills  
 167 standards, corresponding curriculum and a career ladder for the cluster  
 168 which shall be implemented as part of the schools' core curriculum.

169 Sec. 9. Subsection (b) of section 4a-11 of the general statutes is  
 170 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*

171 *passage*):

172 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the amount  
 173 stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be deposited in the Capital  
 174 Equipment Purchase Fund created by section 4a-9. Any such proceeds  
 175 shall be allocated to the Board of Regents for Higher Education as  
 176 follows: (1) For The University of Connecticut, not exceeding six million  
 177 three hundred ninety-five thousand dollars; (2) for The University of  
 178 Connecticut Health Center, not exceeding one million two hundred  
 179 thirty-five thousand dollars; (3) for the Connecticut State University  
 180 System, not exceeding two million five hundred forty thousand dollars;  
 181 (4) for the [regional community-technical colleges] Connecticut State  
 182 Community College, not exceeding two million seven hundred fifty  
 183 thousand dollars; and (5) for the Board of Regents for Higher Education,  
 184 not exceeding thirty thousand dollars.

185 Sec. 10. Subdivision (10) of section 4b-55 of the general statutes is  
 186 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
 187 *passage*):

188 (10) "Downtown Hartford higher education center project" means a  
 189 project to develop a higher education center, as defined in subparagraph  
 190 (B) of subdivision (2) of section 32-600, and as described in subsection  
 191 (a) of section 32-612, as amended by this act, for the [regional  
 192 community-technical college system] Connecticut State Community  
 193 College;

194 Sec. 11. Section 5-177 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 195 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

196 Any person in the unclassified service employed full time by the  
 197 Board of Trustees of The University of Connecticut, the State Board of  
 198 Education, the Technical Education and Career System, the Department  
 199 of Rehabilitative Services, the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment  
 200 Station, the American School for the Deaf, the Connecticut Institute for  
 201 the Blind, the Newington Children's Hospital [,] or the Board of

202 [Trustees of the Connecticut State University System or the Board of  
 203 Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges] Regents for Higher  
 204 Education, as a teacher or administrator in a position directly involved  
 205 in educational activities in any state-operated institution, [or the Board  
 206 of Regents for Higher Education,] who served prior to such person's  
 207 employment by the state in a full-time teaching, administrative or  
 208 research position in an educational institution in or under the authority  
 209 of a state department of education or a department of education for the  
 210 blind in the United States approved by the Retirement Commission, or  
 211 who was employed by such institution but served all or part of such  
 212 service time in a foreign country, for which service such person has  
 213 received or will receive no retirement benefit or pension, may gain  
 214 credit for such prior service, not to exceed ten years in the aggregate, by  
 215 making retirement contributions for each year of such prior service  
 216 equal to six per cent of such person's annual rate of compensation when  
 217 such person first became a full-time employee of this state, [;] provided  
 218 such payment shall be made [within] not later than one year after the  
 219 date of such person's first full-time employment with the state, or before  
 220 July 1, 1968, whichever is later, but for the Board of Higher Education  
 221 and Technical Colleges, July 1, 1974. When a person who has gained  
 222 credit for such prior service retires, not more than one year of such  
 223 service may be counted for each two years of state service; provided, if  
 224 such person has purchased more of such service than can be counted,  
 225 refund on the amount paid on the extra years of service shall be made.

226 Sec. 12. Section 5-199d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 227 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

228 The Department of Administrative Services or any other state agency  
 229 which seeks to contract for training for their employees shall, prior to  
 230 entering into a contract, contact the chancellor of the Connecticut State  
 231 Colleges and Universities, or the chancellor's designee, to determine if  
 232 an appropriate training program exists or can be designed at [a regional  
 233 community-technical college] the Connecticut State Community  
 234 College. Nothing in this section shall preclude an agency from



235 considering or choosing other providers to meet such training need.

236 Sec. 13. Subsection (a) of section 7-313c of the general statutes is  
237 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
238 *passage*):

239 (a) Any town, city or borough subject to the approval of its legislative  
240 body, shall indemnify any paid or volunteer member of its fire  
241 department who, after October 1, 1969, has commenced and has  
242 successfully completed a course or courses in fire technology and  
243 administration offered by the [state regional community-technical  
244 colleges] Connecticut State Community College. Such indemnification  
245 shall be limited to expenses incurred by such member for tuition and  
246 textbook charges.

247 Sec. 14. Subsection (a) of section 10-4p of the general statutes is  
248 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
249 *passage*):

250 (a) The State Board of Education shall develop a five-year  
251 implementation plan with appropriate goals and strategies to achieve  
252 resource equity and equality of opportunity, increase student  
253 achievement, reduce racial, ethnic and economic isolation, improve  
254 effective instruction and encourage greater parental and community  
255 involvement in all public schools of the state. The implementation plan  
256 shall: (1) Include methods for significantly reducing over a five-year  
257 period any disparities among school districts in terms of resources, staff,  
258 programs and curriculum, student achievement and community  
259 involvement that negatively impact student learning, (2) provide for  
260 monitoring by the Department of Education of the progress made in  
261 reducing such disparities, and (3) include proposals for minority staff  
262 recruitment, including but not limited to, alternative certification,  
263 mentoring programs, involvement of the [community-technical  
264 colleges] Connecticut State Community College and efforts by regional  
265 educational service centers.

266 Sec. 15. Subsection (b) of section 10-15h of the general statutes is  
267 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
268 *passage*):

269 (b) The pilot program shall require the local or regional board of  
270 education for a priority school district to partner with the Board of  
271 Regents for Higher Education on behalf of [a regional community-  
272 technical college] the Connecticut State Community College or a state  
273 university, the Board of Trustees for The University of Connecticut on  
274 behalf of the university or the governing board of an independent  
275 institution of higher education on behalf of such institution to (1)  
276 evaluate and align curricula, (2) evaluate students in grade ten or eleven  
277 using a college readiness assessment developed or adopted by the  
278 Department of Education, (3) use the results of such evaluations to  
279 assess college readiness, and (4) offer a plan of support to any student  
280 in grade twelve who is found to be not ready for college based on such  
281 student's results on the college readiness assessment. Such local or  
282 regional board of education shall annually report such test results and  
283 assessments to the Department of Education, the Board of Regents for  
284 Higher Education, the Office of Financial and Academic Affairs for  
285 Higher Education and The University of Connecticut.

286 Sec. 16. Subsection (a) of section 10-21j of the general statutes is  
287 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
288 *passage*):

289 (a) The Commissioner of Education, in collaboration with the Board  
290 of Regents for Higher Education, shall establish the Connecticut  
291 Apprenticeship and Education Committee to coordinate and identify (1)  
292 potential preapprenticeship and apprenticeship training program  
293 integration, and (2) leveraged funding identification of career technical  
294 education programs within high schools and programs within higher  
295 education institutions for careers in various industries. Such committee  
296 shall include, but need not be limited to, (A) representatives from the  
297 Department of Economic and Community Development, the Labor

298 Department, the Connecticut Center for Advanced Technology, the  
 299 Connecticut Manufacturers Collaborative, the Technical Education and  
 300 Career System, the advanced manufacturing centers at the [regional  
 301 community-technical colleges] Connecticut State Community College,  
 302 independent institutions of higher education in the state that offer  
 303 training in the field of manufacturing, the Office of Workforce Strategy,  
 304 companies and employee organizations that represent manufacturing  
 305 workers, and (B) teachers, guidance counselors, school counselors,  
 306 principals and superintendents.

307 Sec. 17. Section 10-98b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 308 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

309 The executive director of the Technical Education and Career System  
 310 shall consult with [each] (1) [regional community-technical college] the  
 311 Connecticut State Community College, and (2) each local or regional  
 312 board of education (A) for a town in which a technical education and  
 313 career school is located, and (B) that offers any career technical  
 314 education programs, for the purpose of establishing partnerships,  
 315 reducing redundancies and consolidating programmatic offerings and  
 316 to fulfill workforce needs in the state.

317 Sec. 18. Section 10-155 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 318 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

319 The Board of [Trustees for] Regents for Higher Education, on behalf  
 320 of the Connecticut State University System, may maintain an emergency  
 321 training program to prepare graduates of approved four-year colleges  
 322 and universities to teach in the elementary schools of the state. In  
 323 carrying out such program, the board may [(a)] (1) establish regulations  
 324 governing the admission of students to the program; [(b)] (2) fix tuition  
 325 rates to be paid by such students, and [(c)] (3) enter into such contracts  
 326 and agreements as it finds necessary to secure the necessary facilities.

327 Sec. 19. Subsection (a) of section 10-264h of the general statutes is  
 328 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*

329 *passage*):

330 (a) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, and each fiscal year  
 331 thereafter, a local or regional board of education, a regional educational  
 332 service center, a cooperative arrangement pursuant to section 10-158a,  
 333 or any of the following entities that operate an interdistrict magnet  
 334 school that assists the state in meeting its obligations pursuant to the  
 335 decision in *Sheff v. O'Neill*, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation  
 336 or order in effect, as determined by the Commissioner of Education: (1)  
 337 The Board of [Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges] Regents  
 338 for Higher Education on behalf of [a regional community-technical  
 339 college, (2) the Board of Trustees of] the Connecticut State Community  
 340 College and the Connecticut State University System, [on behalf of a  
 341 state university, (3)] (2) the Board of Trustees for The University of  
 342 Connecticut on behalf of the university, [(4)] (3) the board of governors  
 343 for an independent institution of higher education, as defined in  
 344 subsection (a) of section 10a-173, as amended by this act, or the  
 345 equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the independent institution of  
 346 higher education, and [(5)] (4) any other third-party not-for-profit  
 347 corporation approved by the Commissioner of Education, shall be  
 348 eligible to apply for and accept grants for a school building project, as  
 349 defined in section 10-282, as provided in chapter 173, and may be  
 350 eligible for reimbursement, except as otherwise provided for, up to  
 351 eighty per cent of the eligible cost of the school building project for an  
 352 interdistrict magnet school facility, including any expenditure for the  
 353 purchase of equipment, in accordance with this section. To be eligible  
 354 for reimbursement under this section a school building project for an  
 355 interdistrict magnet school facility shall meet the requirements for a  
 356 school building project established in chapter 173, except that the  
 357 Commissioner of Administrative Services, in consultation with the  
 358 Commissioner of Education, may waive any requirement in said  
 359 chapter for good cause.

360 Sec. 20. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 10-264i of the  
 361 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu

362 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

363 (a) (1) (A) A local or regional board of education, (B) a regional  
 364 educational service center, (C) the Board of [Trustees of the Community-  
 365 Technical Colleges] Regents for Higher Education, on behalf of the  
 366 Quinebaug Valley [Community College] and Three Rivers [Community  
 367 College] campuses, (D) a cooperative arrangement pursuant to section  
 368 10-158a, or (E) to assist the state in meeting its obligations pursuant to  
 369 the decision in *Sheff v. O'Neill*, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related  
 370 stipulation or order in effect, as determined by the Commissioner of  
 371 Education, (i) the Board of [Trustees of the Community-Technical  
 372 Colleges] Regents for Higher Education, on behalf of [a regional  
 373 community-technical college, (ii) the Board of Trustees of] the  
 374 Connecticut State Community College and the Connecticut State  
 375 University System, [on behalf of a state university, (iii)] (ii) the Board of  
 376 Trustees for The University of Connecticut, on behalf of the university,  
 377 [(iv)] (iii) the board of governors for an independent institution of higher  
 378 education, as defined in subsection (a) of section 10a-173, as amended  
 379 by this act, or the equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the  
 380 independent institution of higher education, and [(v)] (iv) any other  
 381 third-party not-for-profit corporation approved by the commissioner  
 382 which transports a child to an interdistrict magnet school program, as  
 383 defined in section 10-264l, as amended by this act, in a town other than  
 384 the town in which the child resides shall be eligible pursuant to section  
 385 10-264e to receive a grant for the cost of transporting such child in  
 386 accordance with this section.

387 Sec. 21. Subsections (a) to (c), inclusive, of section 10-264l of the  
 388 general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
 389 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

390 (a) The Department of Education shall, within available  
 391 appropriations, establish a grant program (1) to assist (A) local and  
 392 regional boards of education, (B) regional educational service centers,  
 393 (C) the Board of [Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges]

394 Regents for Higher Education, on behalf of the Quinebaug Valley  
 395 [Community College] and Three Rivers [Community College]  
 396 campuses, and (D) cooperative arrangements pursuant to section 10-  
 397 158a, and (2) in assisting the state in meeting its obligations pursuant to  
 398 the decision in Sheff v. O'Neill, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related  
 399 stipulation or order in effect, as determined by the commissioner, to  
 400 assist (A) the Board of [Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges]  
 401 Regents for Higher Education, on behalf of [a regional community-  
 402 technical college, (B) the Board of Trustees of] the Connecticut State  
 403 Community College and the Connecticut State University System, [on  
 404 behalf of a state university, (C)] (B) the Board of Trustees of The  
 405 University of Connecticut, on behalf of the university, [(D)] (C) the  
 406 board of governors for an independent institution of higher education,  
 407 as defined in subsection (a) of section 10a-173, as amended by this act,  
 408 or the equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the independent  
 409 institution of higher education, and [(E)] (D) any other third-party not-  
 410 for-profit corporation approved by the commissioner with the operation  
 411 of interdistrict magnet school programs. All interdistrict magnet schools  
 412 shall be operated in conformance with the same laws and regulations  
 413 applicable to public schools. For the purposes of this section "an  
 414 interdistrict magnet school program" means a program [which] that (i)  
 415 supports racial, ethnic and economic diversity, (ii) offers a special and  
 416 high quality curriculum, and (iii) requires students who are enrolled to  
 417 attend at least half-time. An interdistrict magnet school program does  
 418 not include a regional agricultural science and technology school, a  
 419 technical education and career school or a regional special education  
 420 center. For the school year commencing July 1, 2017, and each school  
 421 year thereafter, the governing authority for each interdistrict magnet  
 422 school program shall (I) restrict the number of students that may enroll  
 423 in the school from a participating district to seventy-five per cent of the  
 424 total school enrollment, and (II) maintain a total school enrollment that  
 425 is in accordance with the enrollment standards for interdistrict magnet  
 426 school programs, developed by the Commissioner of Education  
 427 pursuant to section 10-264r.

428 (b) (1) Applications for interdistrict magnet school program  
429 operating grants awarded pursuant to this section shall be submitted  
430 annually to the Commissioner of Education at such time and in such  
431 manner as the commissioner prescribes, except that on and after July 1,  
432 2009, applications for such operating grants for new interdistrict magnet  
433 schools, other than those that the commissioner determines will assist  
434 the state in meeting its obligations pursuant to the decision in *Sheff v.*  
435 *O'Neill*, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect,  
436 as determined by the commissioner, shall not be accepted until the  
437 commissioner develops a comprehensive state-wide interdistrict  
438 magnet school plan. The commissioner shall submit such  
439 comprehensive state-wide interdistrict magnet school plan on or before  
440 October 1, 2016, to the joint standing committees of the General  
441 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education and  
442 appropriations.

443 (2) In determining whether an application shall be approved and  
444 funds awarded pursuant to this section, the commissioner shall  
445 consider, but such consideration shall not be limited to: (A) Whether the  
446 program offered by the school is likely to increase student achievement;  
447 (B) whether the program is likely to reduce racial, ethnic and economic  
448 isolation; (C) the percentage of the student enrollment in the program  
449 from each participating district; and (D) the proposed operating budget  
450 and the sources of funding for the interdistrict magnet school. For a  
451 magnet school not operated by a local or regional board of education,  
452 the commissioner shall only approve a proposed operating budget that,  
453 on a per pupil basis, does not exceed the maximum allowable threshold  
454 established in accordance with this subdivision. The maximum  
455 allowable threshold shall be an amount equal to one hundred twenty  
456 per cent of the state average of the quotient obtained by dividing net  
457 current expenditures, as defined in section 10-261, by average daily  
458 membership, as defined in said section, for the fiscal year two years  
459 prior to the fiscal year for which the operating grant is requested. The  
460 Department of Education shall establish the maximum allowable

461 threshold no later than December fifteenth of the fiscal year prior to the  
462 fiscal year for which the operating grant is requested. If requested by an  
463 applicant that is not a local or regional board of education, the  
464 commissioner may approve a proposed operating budget that exceeds  
465 the maximum allowable threshold if the commissioner determines that  
466 there are extraordinary programmatic needs. For the fiscal years ending  
467 June 30, 2017, to June 30, 2025, inclusive, in the case of an interdistrict  
468 magnet school that will assist the state in meeting its obligations  
469 pursuant to the decision in *Sheff v. O'Neill*, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any  
470 related stipulation or order in effect, as determined by the  
471 commissioner, the commissioner shall also consider whether the school  
472 is meeting the enrollment standards for interdistrict magnet school  
473 programs, developed by the commissioner pursuant to section 10-264r.  
474 If such school has not met such enrollment standards, it shall not be  
475 entitled to receive a grant pursuant to this section unless the  
476 commissioner finds that it is appropriate to award a grant for an  
477 additional year or years and approves a plan to bring such school into  
478 compliance with such enrollment standards. If requested by the  
479 commissioner, the applicant shall meet with the commissioner or the  
480 commissioner's designee to discuss the budget and sources of funding.

481 (3) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, to June 30, 2025,  
482 inclusive, the commissioner shall not award a grant to an interdistrict  
483 magnet school program that (A) has more than seventy-five per cent of  
484 the total school enrollment from one school district, or (B) does not  
485 maintain a total school enrollment that is in accordance with the  
486 enrollment standards for interdistrict magnet school programs,  
487 developed by the Commissioner of Education pursuant to section 10-  
488 264r, except the commissioner may award a grant to such school for an  
489 additional year or years if the commissioner finds it is appropriate to do  
490 so and approves a plan to bring such school into compliance with such  
491 residency or enrollment standards.

492 (4) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, to June 30, 2025,  
493 inclusive, if an interdistrict magnet school program does not maintain a



494 total school enrollment that is in accordance with the enrollment  
495 standards for interdistrict magnet school programs, developed by the  
496 commissioner pursuant to section 10-264r, for two or more consecutive  
497 years, the commissioner may impose a financial penalty on the operator  
498 of such interdistrict magnet school program, or take any other measure,  
499 in consultation with such operator, as may be appropriate to assist such  
500 operator in complying with such enrollment standards.

501 (5) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, for the purposes of  
502 equalization aid under section 10-262h, a student enrolled in an  
503 interdistrict magnet school program shall be counted as a resident  
504 student, as defined in section 10-262f, of the town in which such student  
505 resides.

506 (c) (1) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, each interdistrict  
507 magnet school operator shall be paid a grant equal to the amount the  
508 operator is entitled to receive under the provisions of section 10-252a.

509 (2) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, and each fiscal year  
510 thereafter, the commissioner may, within available appropriations,  
511 provide supplemental grants for the purposes of enhancing educational  
512 programs in such interdistrict magnet schools, as the commissioner  
513 determines. Such grants shall be made after the commissioner has  
514 conducted a comprehensive financial review and approved the total  
515 operating budget for such schools, including all revenue and  
516 expenditure estimates.

517 (3) Within available appropriations, the commissioner may make  
518 grants to the following entities that operate an interdistrict magnet  
519 school that assists the state in meeting its obligations pursuant to the  
520 decision in *Sheff v. O'Neill*, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation  
521 or order in effect, as determined by the commissioner and that provide  
522 academic support programs and summer school educational programs  
523 approved by the commissioner to students participating in such  
524 interdistrict magnet school program: (A) Regional educational service

525 centers, (B) local and regional boards of education, (C) the Board of  
 526 [Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges] Regents for Higher  
 527 Education, on behalf of [a regional community-technical college, (D) the  
 528 Board of Trustees of] the Connecticut State Community College and the  
 529 Connecticut State University System, [on behalf of a state university, (E)]  
 530 (D) the Board of Trustees for The University of Connecticut on behalf of  
 531 the university, [(F)] (E) the board of governors for an independent  
 532 institution of higher education, as defined in subsection (a) of section  
 533 10a-173, as amended by this act, or the equivalent of such a board, on  
 534 behalf of the independent institution of higher education, [(G)] (F)  
 535 cooperative arrangements pursuant to section 10-158a, and [(H)] (G) any  
 536 other third-party not-for-profit corporation approved by the  
 537 commissioner.

538 (4) Within available appropriations, the Commissioner of Education  
 539 may make grants, in an amount not to exceed seventy-five thousand  
 540 dollars, for start-up costs associated with the development of new  
 541 interdistrict magnet school programs that assist the state in meeting its  
 542 obligations pursuant to the decision in *Sheff v. O'Neill*, 238 Conn. 1  
 543 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect, as determined by the  
 544 commissioner, to the following entities that develop such a program: (A)  
 545 Regional educational service centers, (B) local and regional boards of  
 546 education, (C) the Board of [Trustees of the Community-Technical  
 547 Colleges] Regents for Higher Education, on behalf of [a regional  
 548 community-technical college, (D) the Board of Trustees of] the  
 549 Connecticut State Community College and the Connecticut State  
 550 University System, [on behalf of a state university, (E)] (D) the Board of  
 551 Trustees for The University of Connecticut, on behalf of the university,  
 552 [(F)] (E) the board of governors for an independent institution of higher  
 553 education, as defined in subsection (a) of section 10a-173, as amended  
 554 by this act, or the equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the  
 555 independent institution of higher education, [(G)] (F) cooperative  
 556 arrangements pursuant to section 10-158a, and [(H)] (G) any other third-  
 557 party not-for-profit corporation approved by the commissioner.

558 Sec. 22. Section 10-264n of the general statutes is repealed and the  
559 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

560 The Commissioner of Education shall consult with (1) the Board of  
561 [Trustees for Community-Technical Colleges, (2) the Board of Trustees  
562 of the Connecticut State University System, (3)] Regents for Higher  
563 Education, (2) the boards of trustees [for higher education institutions  
564 licensed and accredited] of independent institutions of higher education  
565 authorized by the [Board of Regents for Higher Education or] Office of  
566 Higher Education, or [(4)] (3) the Board of Trustees for The University  
567 of Connecticut and may consult with any not-for-profit corporation  
568 approved by the Commissioner of Education to initiate collaborative  
569 planning for establishing additional interdistrict magnet schools in the  
570 Sheff region, as defined in subsection (q) of section 10-266aa.

571 Sec. 23. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 10-283 of the  
572 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
573 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

574 (a) (1) Each town or regional school district shall be eligible to apply  
575 for and accept grants for a school building project as provided in this  
576 chapter. Any town desiring a grant for a public school building project  
577 may, by vote of its legislative body, authorize the board of education of  
578 such town to apply to the Commissioner of Administrative Services and  
579 to accept or reject such grant for the town. Any regional school board  
580 may vote to authorize the supervising agent of the regional school  
581 district to apply to the Commissioner of Administrative Services for and  
582 to accept or reject such grant for the district. Applications for such grants  
583 under this chapter shall be made by the superintendent of schools of  
584 such town or regional school district on the form provided and in the  
585 manner prescribed by the Commissioner of Administrative Services.  
586 The application form shall require the superintendent of schools to  
587 affirm that the school district considered the maximization of natural  
588 light, the use and feasibility of wireless connectivity technology and, on  
589 and after July 1, 2014, the school safety infrastructure criteria, described

590 in section 10-292r, in projects for new construction and alteration or  
 591 renovation of a school building. The Commissioner of Administrative  
 592 Services shall review, in consultation with the Commissioner of  
 593 Education, each grant application for a school building project for  
 594 compliance with educational specifications. The Commissioner of  
 595 Education shall evaluate, if appropriate, whether the project will assist  
 596 the state in meeting its obligations pursuant to the decision in *Sheff v.*  
 597 *O'Neill*, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any related stipulation or order in effect,  
 598 as determined by the Commissioner of Education. The Commissioner of  
 599 Administrative Services shall consult with the Commissioner of  
 600 Education in reviewing grant applications submitted for purposes of  
 601 subsection (a) of section 10-65 or section 10-76e on the basis of the  
 602 educational needs of the applicant. The Commissioner of  
 603 Administrative Services shall review each grant application for a school  
 604 building project for compliance with standards for school building  
 605 projects pursuant to regulations, adopted in accordance with section 10-  
 606 287c, and, on and after July 1, 2014, the school safety infrastructure  
 607 criteria, described in section 10-292r. Notwithstanding the provisions of  
 608 this chapter, the Board of [Trustees of the Community-Technical  
 609 Colleges] Regents for Higher Education, on behalf of the Quinebaug  
 610 Valley [Community College] and Three Rivers [Community College]  
 611 campuses and the following entities that will operate an interdistrict  
 612 magnet school that will assist the state in meeting its obligations  
 613 pursuant to the decision in *Sheff v. O'Neill*, 238 Conn. 1 (1996), or any  
 614 related stipulation or order in effect, as determined by the  
 615 Commissioner of Education, may apply for and shall be eligible to  
 616 receive grants for school building projects pursuant to section 10-264h,  
 617 as amended by this act, for such a school: (A) The Board of [Trustees of  
 618 the Community-Technical Colleges] Regents for Higher Education, on  
 619 behalf of [a regional community-technical college, (B) the Board of  
 620 Trustees of] the Connecticut State Community College and the  
 621 Connecticut State University System, [on behalf of a state university,  
 622 (C)] (B) the Board of Trustees for The University of Connecticut, on  
 623 behalf of the university, [(D)] (C) the board of governors for an

624 independent institution of higher education, as defined in subsection (a)  
 625 of section 10a-173, as amended by this act, or the equivalent of such a  
 626 board, on behalf of the independent institution of higher education, [(E)]  
 627 (D) cooperative arrangements pursuant to section 10-158a, and [(F)] (E)  
 628 any other third-party not-for-profit corporation approved by the  
 629 Commissioner of Education.

630 Sec. 24. Section 10a-1 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 631 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

632 There shall be a state system of public higher education to consist of  
 633 (1) The University of Connecticut and all campuses thereof, and (2) the  
 634 Connecticut State Colleges and Universities [ , which] that include (A)  
 635 the state universities, which shall be known collectively as the  
 636 Connecticut State University System, (B) the [regional community-  
 637 technical colleges, which shall be known collectively as the regional  
 638 community-technical college system] Connecticut State Community  
 639 College and all campuses thereof, and (C) Charter Oak State College.  
 640 "Constituent units" as used in the general statutes means those units in  
 641 subdivisions (1) and (2) of this section.

642 Sec. 25. Subsection (a) of section 10a-1a of the general statutes is  
 643 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
 644 *passage*):

645 (a) There shall be a Board of Regents for Higher Education that shall  
 646 serve as the governing body for the [regional community-technical  
 647 college system] Connecticut State Community College, the Connecticut  
 648 State University System and Charter Oak State College. The board shall  
 649 consist of twenty-three members who shall be distinguished leaders of  
 650 the community in Connecticut. The board shall reflect the state's  
 651 geographic, racial and ethnic diversity. The voting members shall not be  
 652 employed by or be a member of a board of trustees for any independent  
 653 institution of higher education in this state or the Board of Trustees for  
 654 The University of Connecticut nor shall they be public officials or state

655 employees, as such terms are defined in section 1-79, during their term  
656 of membership on the Board of Regents for Higher Education. The  
657 Governor shall appoint nine members to the board as follows: Three  
658 members for a term of two years; three members for a term of four years;  
659 and three members for a term of six years. Thereafter, the Governor shall  
660 appoint members of the board to succeed such appointees whose terms  
661 expire and each member so appointed shall hold office for a period of  
662 six years from the first day of July in the year of [his or her] such  
663 member's appointment. Four members of the board shall be appointed  
664 as follows: One appointment by the president pro tempore of the Senate,  
665 who shall be an alumnus of the regional community-technical college  
666 system or Connecticut State Community College, for a term of four  
667 years; one appointment by the minority leader of the Senate, who shall  
668 be a specialist in the education of children in grades kindergarten to  
669 twelve, inclusive, for a term of three years; one appointment by the  
670 speaker of the House of Representatives, who shall be an alumnus of the  
671 Connecticut State University System, for a term of four years; and one  
672 appointment by the minority leader of the House of Representatives,  
673 who shall be an alumnus of Charter Oak State College, for a term of  
674 three years. Thereafter, such members of the General Assembly shall  
675 appoint members of the board to succeed such appointees whose terms  
676 expire and each member so appointed shall hold office for a period of  
677 four years from the first day of July in the year of [his or her] such  
678 member's appointment. The chairperson and vice-chairperson of the  
679 student advisory committee created under section 10a-3, as amended by  
680 this act, shall serve as members of the board. The chairperson and vice-  
681 chairperson of the faculty advisory committee created under section  
682 10a-3a, as amended by this act, shall serve as ex-officio, nonvoting  
683 members of the board for a term of two years and, in their respective  
684 roles as chairperson and vice-chairperson, may be invited to any  
685 executive session, as defined in section 1-200, of the board by the  
686 chairperson of the board. The Commissioners of Education, Economic  
687 and Community Development and Public Health, the Labor  
688 Commissioner, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management,

689 or the secretary's designee, and the Chief Workforce Officer shall serve  
690 as ex-officio, nonvoting members of the board.

691 Sec. 26. Section 10a-1b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
692 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

693 (a) The Board of Regents for Higher Education shall appoint a  
694 chancellor of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities who shall  
695 serve at the pleasure of the board. The chancellor of the Connecticut  
696 State Colleges and Universities shall (1) have the authority to implement  
697 the policies, directives and rules of the board and any additional  
698 responsibilities as the board may prescribe, (2) implement the goals  
699 identified in section 10a-11c and recommendations made pursuant to  
700 section 10a-11b, as amended by this act, (3) build interdependent  
701 support among the Connecticut State University System, the [regional  
702 community-technical college system] Connecticut State Community  
703 College and Charter Oak State College, (4) balance central authority  
704 with institutional differentiation, autonomy and creativity, and (5)  
705 facilitate cooperation and synergy among the Connecticut State  
706 University System, the [regional community-technical college system]  
707 Connecticut State Community College and Charter Oak State College.  
708 The chancellor may designate an alternate to serve as a member of any  
709 commission, foundation or committee upon which the general statutes  
710 require the chancellor to serve. Such designee may vote on behalf of the  
711 chancellor. There shall be an executive staff responsible for the  
712 operation of the Board of Regents for Higher Education. The executive  
713 staff shall be under the direction of the chancellor of the Connecticut  
714 State Colleges and Universities, who shall be the chief executive officer  
715 of the Board of Regents for Higher Education.

716 (b) The chancellor may employ staff as is deemed necessary,  
717 including, but not limited to, temporary assistants and consultants. The  
718 board shall establish terms and conditions of employment of the  
719 chancellor and the board's staff, prescribe their duties and fix the  
720 compensation of the chancellor and the board's professional and

721 technical personnel.

722 (c) Upon recommendation of the chancellor, the Board of Regents for  
 723 Higher Education shall appoint two vice-chancellors. One vice-  
 724 chancellor shall represent the Connecticut State University System and  
 725 the other vice-chancellor shall represent the [regional community-  
 726 technical college system] Connecticut State Community College. Each  
 727 vice-chancellor shall perform such duties and responsibilities as the  
 728 board and chancellor shall prescribe, so that each said constituent unit  
 729 fulfills its mission. Such duties shall include, but not be limited to,  
 730 oversight of academic programs, student support services and  
 731 institutional support.

732 (d) Not later than October 1, 2017, the chancellor of the Connecticut  
 733 State Colleges and Universities shall establish the position of outreach  
 734 coordinator within the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities  
 735 system. Such outreach coordinator shall act as a liaison between  
 736 institutions within the system and businesses in the state to develop  
 737 workforce education and job training opportunities including Early  
 738 College Opportunity programs. Such position may be full time or part  
 739 time and may be held by an individual who also holds another position  
 740 within said system as part of such individual's regular duties and  
 741 without additional compensation.

742 Sec. 27. Section 10a-1c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 743 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

744 The Board of Regents for Higher Education shall develop and  
 745 implement [, not later than December 1, 2011,] a plan for maintaining  
 746 the distinct missions of the Connecticut State University System, the  
 747 [regional community-technical college system] Connecticut State  
 748 Community College and Charter Oak State College and report on such  
 749 plan to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having  
 750 cognizance of matters relating to higher education and appropriations  
 751 in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a not later than January



752 [1, 2012, and] first annually. [thereafter.]

753 Sec. 28. Section 10a-3 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
754 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

755 (a) There shall be a student advisory committee to the Board of  
756 Regents for Higher Education to assist the board in performing its  
757 statutory functions. The committee shall consist of the following student  
758 members: One member from each of the institutions within the  
759 [jurisdiction of the] Connecticut State University System, one member  
760 from each campus of the [regional community-technical colleges]  
761 Connecticut State Community College and one member from Charter  
762 Oak State College. For the term commencing on July 1, 2015, the  
763 members from six of the [regional community-technical colleges]  
764 campuses of the Connecticut State Community College and two of the  
765 institutions within the [jurisdiction of the] Connecticut State University  
766 System, as selected by the student members whose terms expire on or  
767 before June 30, 2015, shall serve a term of one year. For the term  
768 commencing on July 1, 2016, and every term thereafter, the members  
769 from such selected [colleges] campuses and institutions shall serve a  
770 term of two years. All remaining members shall serve a term of two  
771 years. If any member ceases to be a matriculating student in good  
772 standing, either as a full-time or part-time undergraduate or graduate  
773 student at the institution within the constituent unit system that elected  
774 such student, the membership of such student shall terminate. If the  
775 membership of any such student member terminates, the student  
776 government organization of the institution of higher education or  
777 campus that elected such member shall, not later than thirty days after  
778 the membership terminates and in such a manner as the council  
779 determines, elect a student member who shall serve for the remainder  
780 of the term.

781 (b) The members of the committee and alternates for such members  
782 shall be elected by the student government organization of the  
783 institution of higher education they are to represent. The alternate

784 members of the committee may serve in the absence of the regularly  
785 elected member.

786 (c) The committee shall, on a rotating basis among its members and  
787 by a consensus vote of all its members, elect its own chairperson and  
788 vice-chairperson, one of whom shall be a member from the Connecticut  
789 State University System or Charter Oak State College and the other of  
790 whom shall be a member from the [regional community-technical  
791 colleges] Connecticut State Community College, and such other officers  
792 as it deems necessary, to serve for a term of one year. The committee  
793 shall be deemed to be a public agency within the scope of the Freedom  
794 of Information Act, as defined in section 1-200, and shall keep such  
795 records as may be appropriate.

796 (d) The committee, established pursuant to subsection (a) of this  
797 section, shall meet at least biannually with the Board of Regents for  
798 Higher Education. Agendas shall be prepared for such meetings and  
799 shall be distributed by the board prior thereto and shall consist of  
800 matters recommended for inclusion by the chairperson of the Board of  
801 Regents for Higher Education and the committee. Such meetings shall  
802 be chaired by the chairperson of the Board of Regents for Higher  
803 Education and the committee members shall have the right to  
804 participate in all discussions and deliberations, but shall not have the  
805 right to vote at such meetings.

806 Sec. 29. Section 10a-3a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
807 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

808 (a) There shall be a faculty advisory committee to the Board of  
809 Regents for Higher Education to assist the board in performing its  
810 statutory functions. The committee shall consist of the following  
811 members: Three teaching faculty members and one administrative  
812 faculty member who provides direct student services from the  
813 Connecticut State University System, three teaching faculty members  
814 and one administrative faculty member who provides direct student

815 services from the [regional community-technical college system]  
816 Connecticut State Community College and one teaching faculty  
817 member and one administrative faculty member who provides direct  
818 student services from Charter Oak State College. Such members shall  
819 serve a term of two years. If the membership of any such faculty member  
820 terminates, the constituent unit that elected such member shall, not later  
821 than thirty days after the membership terminates and in such manner  
822 as the council determines, elect a faculty member who shall serve for the  
823 remainder of the term.

824 (b) Not later than October 1, 2013, the members of the committee and  
825 alternates for such members shall be elected pursuant to a uniform, fair  
826 and open system-wide election by the faculty governance body of each  
827 of the constituent units they are to represent and, in the case of Charter  
828 Oak State College, by a majority vote of the Academic Council at Charter  
829 Oak State College. The alternate members of the committee may serve  
830 in the absence of the regularly elected member. Nothing in this section  
831 shall be construed to require a labor union representing faculty  
832 members to participate in any election held pursuant to this subsection.

833 (c) The committee shall, on a rotating basis among its members, elect  
834 its own chairperson and vice-chairperson, one of whom shall be a  
835 member from the Connecticut State University System and the other of  
836 whom shall be a member from the [regional community-technical  
837 colleges] Connecticut State Community College, and such other officers  
838 as it deems necessary, to serve for a term of two years. The committee  
839 shall be deemed to be a public agency within the scope of the Freedom  
840 of Information Act, as defined in section 1-200, and shall keep such  
841 records as may be appropriate.

842 (d) The committee, established pursuant to subsection (a) of this  
843 section, shall meet at least biannually with the Board of Regents for  
844 Higher Education. Agendas shall be prepared for such meetings and  
845 shall be distributed by the board prior thereto and shall consist of  
846 matters recommended for inclusion by the chairperson of the Board of

847 Regents for Higher Education and the committee. Such meetings shall  
848 be chaired by the chairperson of the Board of Regents for Higher  
849 Education and the committee members shall have the right to  
850 participate in all discussions and deliberations, but shall not have the  
851 right to vote at such meetings.

852 (e) [Beginning on January 1, 2012, and] Not later than January first  
853 annually, [thereafter,] the faculty advisory committee shall report to the  
854 joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance  
855 of matters relating to higher education and appropriations, in  
856 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, regarding the  
857 performance of its statutory functions and its biannual meetings with  
858 the Board of Regents for Higher Education.

859 Sec. 30. Subsection (a) of section 10a-6 of the general statutes is  
860 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
861 *passage*):

862 (a) The Board of Regents for Higher Education shall: (1) Establish  
863 policies and guidelines for the Connecticut State University System, the  
864 [regional community-technical college system] Connecticut State  
865 Community College and Charter Oak State College; (2) develop a  
866 master plan for higher education and postsecondary education at the  
867 Connecticut State University System, the [regional community-technical  
868 college system] Connecticut State Community College and Charter Oak  
869 State College consistent with the goals identified in section 10a-11c; (3)  
870 establish tuition and student fee policies for the Connecticut State  
871 University System, the [regional community-technical college system]  
872 Connecticut State Community College and Charter Oak State College;  
873 (4) monitor and evaluate the effectiveness and viability of the state  
874 universities, the [regional community-technical colleges] Connecticut  
875 State Community College and Charter Oak State College in accordance  
876 with criteria established by the board; (5) merge or close institutions  
877 within the Connecticut State University System, campuses within the  
878 [regional community-technical college system] Connecticut State

879 Community College and Charter Oak State College in accordance with  
 880 criteria established by the board, provided (A) such recommended  
 881 merger or closing shall require a two-thirds vote of the board, and (B)  
 882 notice of such recommended merger or closing shall be sent to the  
 883 committee having cognizance over matters relating to education and to  
 884 the General Assembly; (6) review and approve mission statements for  
 885 the Connecticut State University System, the [regional community-  
 886 technical college system] Connecticut State Community College and  
 887 Charter Oak State College and role and scope statements for the  
 888 individual institutions and campuses of such constituent units; (7)  
 889 review and approve any recommendations for the establishment of new  
 890 academic programs submitted to the board by the state universities  
 891 within the Connecticut State University System, the [regional  
 892 community-technical colleges] Connecticut State Community College  
 893 and Charter Oak State College, and, in consultation with the affected  
 894 constituent units, provide for the initiation, consolidation or termination  
 895 of academic programs; (8) develop criteria to ensure acceptable quality  
 896 in (A) programs at the Connecticut State University System, the  
 897 [regional community-technical college system] Connecticut State  
 898 Community College and Charter Oak State College, and (B) institutions  
 899 within the Connecticut State University System and campuses within  
 900 the [regional community-technical college system] Connecticut State  
 901 Community College and enforce standards through licensing and  
 902 accreditation; (9) prepare and present to the Governor and General  
 903 Assembly, in accordance with section 10a-8, as amended by this act,  
 904 consolidated operating and capital expenditure budgets for the  
 905 Connecticut State University System, the [regional community-technical  
 906 college system] Connecticut State Community College, Charter Oak  
 907 State College and the central office of the Connecticut State Colleges and  
 908 Universities developed in accordance with the provisions of said section  
 909 10a-8; (10) review and make recommendations on plans received from  
 910 the Connecticut State University System, the [regional community-  
 911 technical college system] Connecticut State Community College and  
 912 Charter Oak State College to implement the goals identified in section

913 10a-11c; (11) appoint advisory committees with representatives from  
 914 public and independent institutions of higher education to study  
 915 methods and proposals for coordinating efforts of the public institutions  
 916 of higher education under its jurisdiction with The University of  
 917 Connecticut and the independent institutions of higher education to  
 918 implement the goals identified in section 10a-11c; (12) evaluate (A)  
 919 means of implementing the goals identified in section 10a-11c, and (B)  
 920 any recommendations made by the Planning Commission for Higher  
 921 Education in implementing the strategic master plan pursuant to section  
 922 10a-11b, as amended by this act, through alternative and nontraditional  
 923 approaches such as external degrees and credit by examination; (13)  
 924 coordinate programs and services among the Connecticut State  
 925 University System, the [regional community-technical college system]  
 926 Connecticut State Community College and Charter Oak State College;  
 927 (14) assess opportunities for collaboration with The University of  
 928 Connecticut and the independent institutions of higher education to  
 929 implement the goals identified in section 10a-11c; (15) make or enter into  
 930 contracts, leases or other agreements in connection with its  
 931 responsibilities under this part, provided all acquisitions of real estate  
 932 by lease or otherwise shall be subject to the provisions of section 4b-23;  
 933 (16) be responsible for the care and maintenance of permanent records  
 934 of institutions of higher education dissolved after September 1, 1969;  
 935 (17) prepare and present to the Governor and General Assembly  
 936 legislative proposals affecting the Connecticut State University System,  
 937 the [regional community-technical college system] Connecticut State  
 938 Community College and Charter Oak State College; (18) develop and  
 939 maintain a central higher education information system and establish  
 940 definitions and data requirements for the Connecticut State University  
 941 System, the [regional community-technical college system] Connecticut  
 942 State Community College and Charter Oak State College; [(19) until  
 943 June 30, 2024, report all new programs and program changes at the  
 944 Connecticut State University System, the regional community-technical  
 945 college system and Charter Oak State College to the Office of Higher  
 946 Education; and (20)] and (19) undertake such studies and other activities

947 as will best serve the higher educational interests of the Connecticut  
 948 State University System, the [regional community-technical college  
 949 system] Connecticut State Community College and Charter Oak State  
 950 College.

951 Sec. 31. Section 10a-8 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 952 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

953 (a) The provisions of sections 4-77 and 4-78 shall not apply to the  
 954 constituent units of the state system of higher education, and for the  
 955 purposes of said sections only, the Board of Regents for Higher  
 956 Education shall be deemed the budgeted agency for the Connecticut  
 957 State University System, the [regional community-technical college  
 958 system] Connecticut State Community College, Charter Oak State  
 959 College and the central office of the Connecticut State Colleges and  
 960 Universities. The Board of Regents for Higher Education shall develop  
 961 a formula or program-based budgeting system to be used by each  
 962 institution and campus of the Connecticut State Community College in  
 963 preparing operating budgets. The Board of Regents for Higher  
 964 Education shall prepare a single budget request itemized by the  
 965 Connecticut State University System, the [regional community-technical  
 966 college system] Connecticut State Community College, Charter Oak  
 967 State College and the central office of the Connecticut State Colleges and  
 968 Universities using the formula or program-based budgeting system and  
 969 shall submit such budget request displaying all operating funds to the  
 970 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management in accordance with  
 971 sections 4-77 and 4-78, subject to procedures developed by the Board of  
 972 Regents for Higher Education and approved by said secretary. The  
 973 budget request shall set forth, in the form prescribed by the Board of  
 974 Regents for Higher Education, a proposed expenditure plan which shall  
 975 include: (1) The total amount requested for such appropriation account;  
 976 (2) the amount to be appropriated from the General Fund; and (3) the  
 977 amount to be paid from the tuition revenues of the [regional  
 978 community-technical college system] Connecticut State Community  
 979 College, the Connecticut State University System and Charter Oak State

980 College. After review and comment by the Board of Regents for Higher  
981 Education, the proposed expenditure plans shall be incorporated into  
982 the single public higher education budget request including  
983 recommendations, if any, by said board. Any tuition increase proposed  
984 by the [regional community-technical college system] Connecticut State  
985 Community College, the Connecticut State University System and  
986 Charter Oak State College for the fiscal year to which the budget request  
987 relates shall be included in the single public higher education budget  
988 request submitted by the Board of Regents for Higher Education for  
989 such fiscal year, provided if the General Assembly does not appropriate  
990 the amount requested by any such system or college, such system or  
991 college may increase tuition and fees by an amount greater than that  
992 included in the budget request in response to which the appropriation  
993 was made. The General Assembly shall make appropriations directly to  
994 the constituent units. Allotment reductions made pursuant to the  
995 provisions of subsections (b) and (c) of section 4-85 shall be applied by  
996 the Board of Regents for Higher Education among the appropriations to  
997 the constituent units and the central office of the Connecticut State  
998 Colleges and Universities without regard to the limitations on  
999 reductions provided in said section, except that said limitations shall  
1000 apply to the total of the amounts appropriated. The Board of Regents for  
1001 Higher Education shall apply such reductions after consultation with  
1002 the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management. Any reductions  
1003 of more than five per cent of the appropriations of any constituent units  
1004 shall be submitted to the appropriations committee which shall, within  
1005 thirty days, approve or reject such reduction.

1006 (b) The Board of Regents for Higher Education may transfer to or  
1007 from any specific appropriation of a constituent unit a sum or sums  
1008 totaling up to fifty thousand dollars or ten per cent of any such specific  
1009 appropriation, whichever is less, in any fiscal year without the consent  
1010 of the Finance Advisory Committee. Any such transfer shall be reported  
1011 to the Finance Advisory Committee within thirty days of such transfer  
1012 and such report shall be a record of said committee.



1013 Sec. 32. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 10a-11b of the  
1014 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
1015 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1016 (1) The commission shall consist of the following voting members:  
1017 (A) The chancellor of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities,  
1018 the president of The University of Connecticut, or their designees from  
1019 the Board of Regents for Higher Education and Board of Trustees of The  
1020 University of Connecticut, respectively; (B) the provost of the  
1021 Connecticut State Colleges and Universities and the provost of The  
1022 University of Connecticut; (C) the chairperson of the Board of Regents  
1023 for Higher Education, and the Board of Trustees of The University of  
1024 Connecticut, or the chairs' designees; (D) the president, provost or chair  
1025 of the board of a large independent institution of higher education in  
1026 the state, to be selected by the president pro tempore of the Senate; (E)  
1027 the president, provost or chair of the board of a small independent  
1028 institution of higher education in the state, to be selected by the speaker  
1029 of the House of Representatives; (F) a representative from a private  
1030 career school, to be selected by the Commissioner of Higher Education;  
1031 (G) a teaching faculty representative from the Connecticut State  
1032 University System, to be selected by the chancellor of the Connecticut  
1033 State Colleges and Universities; (H) a teaching faculty representative  
1034 from the [regional community-technical colleges] Connecticut State  
1035 Community College, to be selected by the chancellor of the Connecticut  
1036 State Colleges and Universities; (I) a teaching faculty representative  
1037 from The University of Connecticut, to be selected by the president of  
1038 The University of Connecticut; (J) a teaching faculty representative from  
1039 a private career school in the state, to be selected by the Commissioner  
1040 of Higher Education; (K) one member appointed by the president pro  
1041 tempore of the Senate, who shall be a representative of a large  
1042 manufacturing employer in the state; (L) one member appointed by the  
1043 speaker of the House of Representatives, who shall be a representative  
1044 of a large financial or insurance services employer in the state; (M) one  
1045 member appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who shall be a

1046 representative of an information technology or digital media employer  
 1047 in the state; (N) one member appointed by the minority leader of the  
 1048 Senate, who shall be a representative of a small business employer in  
 1049 the state; (O) one member appointed by the majority leader of the House  
 1050 of Representatives, who shall be a representative of a health care  
 1051 employer in the state; (P) one member appointed by the minority leader  
 1052 of the House of Representatives, who shall be a representative of a small  
 1053 business employer in the state; and (Q) the chairpersons and ranking  
 1054 members of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly  
 1055 having cognizance of matters relating to higher education and  
 1056 employment advancement. The commission membership shall, where  
 1057 feasible, reflect the state's geographic, racial and ethnic diversity.

1058 Sec. 33. Section 10a-19c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 1059 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1060 (a) There is established a Connecticut nursing incentive program  
 1061 administered by the Board of Regents for Higher Education.

1062 (b) The board shall provide financial assistance to up to four [regional  
 1063 community-technical colleges] campuses of the Connecticut State  
 1064 Community College that enter into partnerships with hospitals, as  
 1065 defined in section 19a-490, or other health care institutions, as defined  
 1066 in said section 19a-490, [in order] to secure nonstate funding to increase  
 1067 the number of faculty members at such [regional community-technical  
 1068 colleges] campuses that are qualified to teach or train students to  
 1069 become registered nurses.

1070 (c) A [regional community-technical college] campus of the  
 1071 Connecticut State Community College seeking such assistance shall  
 1072 submit to the Board of Regents for Higher Education its nursing faculty  
 1073 expansion plan, together with a commitment agreement signed by its  
 1074 hospital or health care institution partner or partners and information  
 1075 on the amount of nonstate funding secured by the partnership.  
 1076 Assistance provided by the board to a [regional community-technical

1077 college] campus (1) may be provided for up to two years in accordance  
 1078 with this subsection, and (2) shall not exceed (A) seventy-five thousand  
 1079 dollars per year, or (B) the annual amount of nonstate funding secured  
 1080 by the partnership, whichever is less. In determining whether to provide  
 1081 assistance pursuant to this section for a second year, the board shall  
 1082 consider the success of the nursing faculty expansion plan, as measured  
 1083 by factors including, but not limited to, the number of persons teaching  
 1084 or providing training to nursing students pursuant to the nursing  
 1085 faculty expansion program and the number of students graduating from  
 1086 nursing programs.

1087 [(d) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2005, and June 30, 2006, the  
 1088 Board of Regents for Higher Education may use up to two per cent of  
 1089 the funds appropriated for purposes of this section for program  
 1090 administration.]

1091 Sec. 34. Section 10a-20 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 1092 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1093 Notwithstanding the provisions of any general statute or special act  
 1094 to the contrary, the selection, appointment, assignment of duties,  
 1095 amount of compensation, sick leave, vacation, leaves of absence,  
 1096 termination of service, rank and status of the individual members of the  
 1097 respective professional staffs of the system of higher education shall be  
 1098 under the sole jurisdiction of the respective governing boards [of  
 1099 trustees] within available funds. Each constituent board shall annually  
 1100 submit to the Commissioner of Administrative Services a list of the  
 1101 positions which it has included within the professional staff.

1102 Sec. 35. Section 10a-20a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 1103 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1104 (a) The Office of Higher Education may establish and administer a  
 1105 fund to be known as the Endowed Chair Investment Fund. Within the  
 1106 limits of funds available, the office may approve an application,  
 1107 submitted pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, for the

1108 establishment of an endowed chair and deposit state funds for such  
1109 endowed chair to an account within said fund in an amount not less  
1110 than five hundred thousand dollars.

1111 (b) The Board of Trustees of The University of Connecticut and the  
1112 Board of [Trustees of the Connecticut State University System] Regents  
1113 for Higher Education may submit an application for the establishment  
1114 of an endowed chair to be supported by a grant of not less than five  
1115 hundred thousand and not more than one million dollars from the  
1116 Endowed Chair Investment Fund and a matching nonstate contribution.  
1117 Applications for endowed chairs shall be accepted on October first and  
1118 April first in each year in which funds are available. To apply for the  
1119 state grant, the board [of trustees] shall notify the office that it has raised  
1120 a matching nonstate contribution and that it is eligible for a grant of state  
1121 funds to establish an endowed chair in a specific academic discipline.  
1122 The board [of trustees] shall submit for the office's review and approval  
1123 evidence that the chair will be established in a center of excellence, as  
1124 defined in subsection (b) of section 10a-25h.

1125 (c) Following approval of an application for an endowed chair by the  
1126 office, the governing board [of trustees] of the institution at which such  
1127 endowed chair is established shall select candidates to fill such endowed  
1128 chair and shall develop a budget for expenditures associated with such  
1129 endowed chair.

1130 (d) Any state funds deposited by the office to the Endowed Chair  
1131 Investment Fund shall be invested by the State Treasurer, except a duly  
1132 established foundation of The University of Connecticut or the  
1133 Connecticut State University System, as appropriate, may request the  
1134 office to transfer any state funds relating to an approved application for  
1135 an endowed chair to such duly established foundation for the purpose  
1136 of investing such state funds in accordance with the provisions of  
1137 subsection (f) of this section.

1138 (e) Any interest income earned on state funds invested by the State

1139 Treasurer pursuant to subsection (d) of this section shall be deposited to  
1140 the Endowed Chair Investment Fund and, following establishment of  
1141 an endowed chair under this section shall be allocated annually, upon  
1142 request, to The University of Connecticut or to the Connecticut State  
1143 University System, as appropriate, to support the endowed chair.  
1144 Nonstate matching contributions shall be held by a duly established  
1145 foundation of The University of Connecticut or the Connecticut State  
1146 University System and the interest on such contributions shall be used  
1147 to support the endowed chair.

1148 (f) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, and each fiscal year  
1149 thereafter, The University of Connecticut or the Connecticut State  
1150 University System may request, and the office shall transfer, any state  
1151 funds deposited in the Endowed Chair Investment Fund to a duly  
1152 established foundation of The University of Connecticut or the  
1153 Connecticut State University System, as appropriate, for an endowed  
1154 chair established under this section. Such duly established foundation  
1155 shall invest such state funds, and any interest income earned on such  
1156 state funds shall be used to support the endowed chair. Such duly  
1157 established foundation shall (1) account for such state funds separately  
1158 from the nonstate matching contributions, (2) hold such state funds as a  
1159 permanently restricted asset for the endowed chair, and (3) manage  
1160 such state funds in accordance with the Connecticut Uniform Prudent  
1161 Management of Institutional Funds Act (UPMIFA), pursuant to sections  
1162 45a-535 to 45a-535i, inclusive, and in a manner consistent with such  
1163 foundation's investment and expenditure policies. No interest income  
1164 earned from the state funds in any fiscal year shall be used to support  
1165 the endowed chair when, at the close of the fiscal year, the market value  
1166 of such state funds is less than the principal value. At the close of the  
1167 fiscal year, such duly established foundation shall restore the original  
1168 amount of state funds deposited in the Endowed Chair Investment  
1169 Fund to a duly established foundation of The University of Connecticut  
1170 or the Connecticut State University System, as appropriate, at the  
1171 beginning of the next fiscal year.

1172 (g) The boards [of trustees] shall submit annual reports, in accordance  
 1173 with the provisions of section 11-4a, to the office and the joint standing  
 1174 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
 1175 relating to higher education concerning the management of the  
 1176 endowed chair. For a duly established foundation administering an  
 1177 endowed chair in a manner described in subsection (e) of this section,  
 1178 such report shall include, but not be limited to, the expenditures of the  
 1179 endowed chair. For a duly established foundation administering an  
 1180 endowed chair in a manner described in subsection (f) of this section,  
 1181 such report shall include, but not be limited to, (1) expenditures, (2) the  
 1182 balance of state funds in each of the two previous fiscal years, (3) the  
 1183 balance of nonstate matching contributions in each of the two previous  
 1184 fiscal years, and (4) the amount of interest income earned for the state  
 1185 funds and nonstate matching contributions for the previous fiscal year.

1186 Sec. 36. Subsection (a) of section 10a-25h of the general statutes is  
 1187 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
 1188 *passage*):

1189 (a) In order to develop and further encourage excellence in public  
 1190 higher education, the governing boards [of trustees] of the constituent  
 1191 units of the state system of higher education, not including Charter Oak  
 1192 State College, are hereby authorized to establish and administer centers  
 1193 to be known as Connecticut higher education centers of excellence.  
 1194 Appropriations to these centers shall be used for the development or  
 1195 enhancement of essential support for academic, research, or public  
 1196 service centers of excellence which have gained or may gain regional  
 1197 and national prominence or for libraries or equipment for present  
 1198 enhancement to existing programs deemed to have potential for  
 1199 excellence with such enhancement.

1200 Sec. 37. Section 10a-25j of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 1201 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1202 The Board of Regents for Higher Education shall, in consultation with

1203 representatives of the governing board [of trustees] of the constituent  
 1204 units, including faculty, develop guidelines for identifying centers of  
 1205 excellence. Initial proposals for funding centers of excellence shall  
 1206 originate within the constituent units, from faculty, staff or  
 1207 administration. The proposals shall be reviewed and approved by the  
 1208 governing board [of trustees] of the constituent unit to ensure that they  
 1209 conform to institutional priorities. The Board of Regents for Higher  
 1210 Education shall select a committee, including faculty and staff  
 1211 representatives from constituent units, to review proposals and make  
 1212 recommendations to the board. The Board of Regents for Higher  
 1213 Education shall: (1) Consider and select proposals; (2) request as part of  
 1214 its consolidated budget, pursuant to section 10a-6, as amended by this  
 1215 act, appropriations to support centers of excellence recommended for  
 1216 funding pursuant to this section; and (3) provide for the evaluation of  
 1217 the effectiveness of the centers of excellence in meeting the goals  
 1218 established in subsection (a) of section 10a-25h, as amended by this act.

1219 Sec. 38. Subsection (a) of section 10a-35a of the general statutes is  
 1220 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
 1221 *passage*):

1222 (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 10a-34 to 10a-35,  
 1223 inclusive, the Board of Regents for Higher Education [shall have the  
 1224 authority] may, in accordance with the provisions of said sections and  
 1225 the standards set forth in any regulations promulgated thereunder, [to  
 1226 (1)] review and approve recommendations for the establishment of new  
 1227 academic programs for the universities within the Connecticut State  
 1228 University System, the [regional community-technical colleges]  
 1229 Connecticut State Community College and Charter Oak State College. [,  
 1230 and (2) until June 30, 2024, report all new programs and program  
 1231 changes to the Office of Higher Education.]

1232 Sec. 39. Subsection (b) of section 10a-44d of the general statutes is  
 1233 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
 1234 *passage*):

(b) There is established the Connecticut Open Educational Resource Coordinating Council, which shall be part of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities. The chancellor shall appoint the members of the council, which shall consist of the following: (1) A state-wide coordinator, who shall collaborate with all institutions of higher education to promote open educational resources and administer grants; (2) one faculty member, one administrator and one staff member from The University of Connecticut; (3) one faculty member, one administrator and one staff member from the [regional community-technical college system] Connecticut State Community College; (4) one faculty member, one administrator and one staff member from Charter Oak State College; (5) one faculty member, one administrator and one staff member from the Connecticut State University System; (6) one faculty member, one administrator and one staff member from the independent institutions of higher education; and (7) one student from any public or independent institution of higher education in the state. All initial appointments to the council shall be made not later than September 1, 2019, and shall expire on August 30, 2022, regardless of when the initial appointment was made. Any member of the council may serve more than one term.

Sec. 40. Section 10a-51 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) The governing board [of trustees] of any constituent unit of the state system of higher education may allocate funds from its General Fund appropriation for any expenses incurred in connection with the operation of a child care center utilized in the instructional program of such constituent unit.

(b) The governing board [of trustees] of any such constituent unit may authorize the charging of a fee or schedule of fees to any person using any child care center operated by such constituent unit.

Sec. 41. Subsection (a) of section 10a-55i of the general statutes is



1266 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
1267 *passage*):

1268 (a) There is established a Higher Education Consolidation Committee  
1269 which shall be convened by the chairpersons of the joint standing  
1270 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
1271 relating to higher education or such chairpersons' designee, who shall  
1272 be a member of such joint standing committee. The membership of the  
1273 Higher Education Consolidation Committee shall consist of the higher  
1274 education subcommittee on appropriations and the chairpersons, vice  
1275 chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing committees of  
1276 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to higher  
1277 education and appropriations. The Higher Education Consolidation  
1278 Committee shall establish a meeting and public hearing schedule for  
1279 purposes of receiving updates from (1) the Board of Regents for Higher  
1280 Education on the progress of the consolidation of the state system of  
1281 higher education pursuant to this section, section 4-9c, subsection (g) of  
1282 section 5-160, section 5-199d, as amended by this act, subsection (a) of  
1283 section 7-323k, subsection (a) of section 7-608, subsection (a) of section  
1284 10-9, section 10-155d, subdivision (15) of section 10-183b, sections 10a-  
1285 1a to 10a-1d, inclusive, as amended by this act, 10a-3, as amended by  
1286 this act, and 10a-3a, as amended by this act, 10a-8, as amended by this  
1287 act, 10a-10a to 10a-11a, inclusive, 10a-17d and 10a-22a, subsection (f) of  
1288 section 10a-22b, subsections (c) and (d) of section 10a-22d, sections 10a-  
1289 22h and 10a-22k, subsection (a) of section 10a-22n, sections 10a-22r, 10a-  
1290 22s, 10a-22u, 10a-22v, 10a-22x and 10a-34 to 10a-35a, inclusive, as  
1291 amended by this act, subsection (a) of section 10a-48a, [sections 10a-71  
1292 and] section 10a-72, as amended by this act, subsections (c) and (f) of  
1293 section 10a-77, as amended by this act, [section 10a-88,] subsection (a) of  
1294 section 10a-89, as amended by this act, subsection (c) of section 10a-99,  
1295 as amended by this act, and sections 10a-102, 10a-104, 10a-105, 10a-109e,  
1296 10a-143 and 10a-168a, as amended by this act, and (2) the Board of  
1297 Regents for Higher Education and The University of Connecticut on the  
1298 program approval process for the constituent units. The Higher

1299 Education Consolidation Committee shall convene its first meeting on  
1300 or before September 15, 2011, and meet not less than once every two  
1301 months.

1302 Sec. 42. Subdivision (8) of subsection (b) of section 10a-55r of the  
1303 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
1304 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1305 (8) Two designated by the Board of Regents for Higher Education,  
1306 one of whom represents the Connecticut State University System and  
1307 one of whom represents the [regional community-technical college  
1308 system] Connecticut State Community College;

1309 Sec. 43. Subsection (b) of section 10a-55v of the general statutes is  
1310 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
1311 *passage*):

1312 (b) Subject to the guidelines established by the Board of Regents for  
1313 Higher Education, the Go Back to Get Ahead program shall provide,  
1314 within available resources, an incentive of up to three free three-credit  
1315 courses necessary for the completion of an associate's or bachelor's  
1316 degree to any resident of this state who previously enrolled in an  
1317 associate's or bachelor's degree program at any public or independent  
1318 institution of higher education, who either (1) left such program prior to  
1319 completing it, or (2) received an associate's degree and seeks to enroll in  
1320 a bachelor's degree program, and who has not attended any institution  
1321 of higher education for at least eighteen months as of June 30, 2014. Said  
1322 program shall be limited to individuals who enroll, not later than  
1323 September 30, 2016, in an associate's or bachelor's degree program at a  
1324 state college within the Connecticut State University System, a former  
1325 regional community-technical college or Charter Oak State College.

1326 Sec. 44. Subsection (b) of section 10a-55w of the general statutes is  
1327 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
1328 *passage*):

1329 (b) The Connecticut State Colleges and Universities shall provide any  
 1330 student who has been accepted for admission to [an institution within  
 1331 the jurisdiction of the regional community-technical college system] the  
 1332 Connecticut State Community College with information about the  
 1333 existing transfer and articulation programs between [the regional  
 1334 technical-community colleges] said college and four-year public  
 1335 institutions of higher education.

1336 Sec. 45. Subsection (a) of section 10a-57d of the general statutes is  
 1337 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
 1338 *passage*):

1339 (a) The Board of Regents for Higher Education, under the direction  
 1340 of its chief academic officer, shall establish a working group comprised  
 1341 of deans of continuing education programs, or their designees, at the  
 1342 [regional community-technical colleges] Connecticut State Community  
 1343 College to review all of the noncredit sub-baccalaureate certificate  
 1344 programs offered by [each regional community-technical college] the  
 1345 Connecticut State Community College for purposes of designing a  
 1346 uniform naming convention for such programs. Not later than January  
 1347 1, 2019, the working group shall design the uniform naming convention  
 1348 to enable students to distinguish between noncredit certificate programs  
 1349 with similar yet varied requirements within the same field of study. Any  
 1350 programs that vary shall be uniformly designated with indications of  
 1351 different, enhanced or more demanding requirements.

1352 Sec. 46. Section 10a-62 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 1353 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1354 The members of the New England Board of Higher Education shall  
 1355 be appointed as follows: (1) The Governor shall appoint two members,  
 1356 who shall be the Commissioner of Education and the Chief Workforce  
 1357 Officer, or their designees; (2) the president pro tempore of the Senate  
 1358 shall appoint three members who are residents of the state, one of whom  
 1359 shall be a member of the Senate and, upon the recommendation of the

1360 chancellor of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities, one of  
 1361 whom shall represent the Connecticut State University System and one  
 1362 of whom shall represent the [regional community-technical college  
 1363 system] Connecticut State Community College; and (3) the speaker of  
 1364 the House of Representatives shall appoint three members who are  
 1365 residents of the state, one of whom shall be a member of the House of  
 1366 Representatives, one of whom shall represent The University of  
 1367 Connecticut based on the recommendation of the president of said  
 1368 university and one of whom shall represent the independent institutions  
 1369 of higher education in the state. The two persons appointed by the  
 1370 Governor shall be appointed for a term of four years from October  
 1371 twenty-fourth in the year of their appointment, except that in 1969 the  
 1372 Governor shall appoint one member for a term of six years from October  
 1373 24, 1969. Persons first appointed by the president pro tempore and the  
 1374 speaker shall serve until February 1, 1971, and persons appointed as  
 1375 their successors shall serve for terms of two years each commencing as  
 1376 of the first day of February in the year of their appointment. Persons  
 1377 appointed as of July 1, 2021, may continue to serve the remainder of  
 1378 their terms. Vacancies shall be filled for the remainder of unexpired  
 1379 terms in the same manner as original appointments are made.

1380 Sec. 47. Section 10a-67 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 1381 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1382 Notwithstanding any provisions of the general statutes to the  
 1383 contrary, the [Boards] Board of Trustees of [the Community-Technical  
 1384 Colleges, the Connecticut State University System and] The University  
 1385 of Connecticut and the Board of Regents for Higher Education shall fix  
 1386 fees for tuition for nonresident students who are enrolled in institutions  
 1387 under the jurisdiction of said boards through the New England Regional  
 1388 Student Program of not less than the tuition rate charged of resident  
 1389 students enrolled in similar programs plus fifty per cent of that rate,  
 1390 such revenue to be deposited to the revenues of the tuition funds of the  
 1391 respective constituent units.

1392 Sec. 48. Section 10a-72 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1393 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1394 (a) [Subject to state-wide policy and guidelines established by the  
1395 Board of Regents for Higher Education, said board of trustees] The  
1396 Board of Regents for Higher Education shall administer the [regional  
1397 community-technical colleges] Connecticut State Community College  
1398 and plan for the expansion and development of [the institutions within  
1399 its jurisdiction] said college. The Commissioner of Administrative  
1400 Services, [on] upon request of [the] said board, [of trustees] shall, in  
1401 accordance with section 4b-30, negotiate and execute leases on such  
1402 physical facilities as [the] said board [of trustees] may deem necessary  
1403 for proper operation of [such institutions] the campuses of said college,  
1404 and said board [of trustees] may expend capital funds therefor, if such  
1405 leasing is required during the planning and construction phases of  
1406 [institutions within its jurisdiction] the campuses of said college for  
1407 which such capital funds were authorized. The [board of trustees] Board  
1408 of Regents for Higher Education may appoint and remove the chief  
1409 executive officer of each [institution within its jurisdiction] campus of  
1410 the Connecticut State Community College. [The] Said board [of trustees]  
1411 may employ the faculty and other personnel needed to operate and  
1412 maintain the [institutions within its jurisdiction] campuses of said  
1413 college. Within the limitation of appropriations, [the] said board [of  
1414 trustees] shall fix the compensation of such personnel, establish terms  
1415 and conditions of employment and prescribe their duties and  
1416 qualifications. Said board [of trustees] shall determine who constitutes  
1417 its professional staff and establish compensation and classification  
1418 schedules for its professional staff. Said board shall annually submit to  
1419 the Commissioner of Administrative Services a list of the positions  
1420 which it has included within the professional staff. [The] Said board  
1421 shall establish a division of technical and technological education. [The  
1422 board of trustees] Said board shall confer such certificates and degrees  
1423 as are appropriate to the curricula of [community-technical colleges] a  
1424 community college. [The] Said board [of trustees] shall prepare plans for

1425 the development of a [regional community-technical college] campus of  
1426 the Connecticut State Community College and submit [the same] such  
1427 plans to the Commissioner of Administrative Services and request said  
1428 commissioner to select the site for such [college] campus. Within the  
1429 limits of the bonding authority therefor, the Commissioner of  
1430 Administrative Services, subject to the provisions of section 4b-23, may  
1431 acquire such site and construct such buildings as are consistent with the  
1432 plan of development.

1433 (b) [Subject to state-wide policy and guidelines established by the]  
1434 The Board of Regents for Higher Education [, the board of trustees] shall:

1435 (1) Make rules for the governance of the [regional community-  
1436 technical colleges] Connecticut State Community College, determine the  
1437 general policies of said [colleges] college, including [those] such policies  
1438 concerning the admission of students, and direct the expenditure of said  
1439 [colleges'] college's funds within the amounts available;

1440 (2) Develop mission statements for the [regional community-  
1441 technical colleges] Connecticut State Community College: The mission  
1442 statement for the [regional community-technical colleges] Connecticut  
1443 State Community College shall include, but need not be limited to, the  
1444 following elements: (A) The educational needs of and constituencies  
1445 served by said [colleges] college; (B) the degrees offered by said  
1446 [colleges] college, and (C) the role and scope of each [institution within  
1447 the community-technical college system] campus of said college, which  
1448 shall include each [institution's] campus's particular strengths and  
1449 specialties;

1450 (3) Establish policies for the [regional community-technical colleges]  
1451 Connecticut State Community College;

1452 (4) Establish policies [which] that protect academic freedom and the  
1453 content of courses and degree programs;

1454 (5) Establish new academic programs;

- 1455 (6) Make institutional mergers or closures;
- 1456 (7) Coordinate the programs and services of the [institutions under  
1457 its jurisdiction] campuses of the Connecticut State Community College;
- 1458 (8) Promote fund-raising by the [institutions under its jurisdiction in  
1459 order] campuses of the Connecticut State Community College to assist  
1460 such [institutions] campuses, provided the board shall not directly  
1461 engage in fund-raising except for purposes of providing funding for (A)  
1462 scholarships or other direct student financial aid and (B) programs,  
1463 services or activities at one or more of [the institutions within its  
1464 jurisdiction] such campuses and report to the joint standing committee  
1465 of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to higher  
1466 education [by] not later than January 1, 1994, and biennially thereafter,  
1467 on all such fund-raising; and
- 1468 (9) Charge the direct costs for a building project under its jurisdiction  
1469 to the bond fund account for such project; provided, (A) such costs are  
1470 charged in accordance with a procedure approved by the Treasurer and  
1471 (B) nothing in this subdivision shall permit the charging of working  
1472 capital costs, as defined in the applicable provisions of the Internal  
1473 Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal  
1474 revenue code of the United States, as from time to time amended, or  
1475 costs originally paid from sources other than the bond fund account.
- 1476 (c) The [board of trustees] Board of Regents for Higher Education  
1477 may request authority from the Treasurer to issue payment for claims  
1478 against [said colleges] the Connecticut State Community College, other  
1479 than a payment for payroll, debt service payable on state bonds to  
1480 bondholders, paying agents, or trustees, or any payment the source of  
1481 which includes the proceeds of a state bond issue.
- 1482 Sec. 49. Section 10a-72a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1483 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- 1484 (a) Except when specifically prohibited by the conditions, if any,

1485 upon which a gift was created or by a conditional sales agreement, the  
 1486 Board of [Trustees for the Community-Technical Colleges is authorized  
 1487 to] Regents for Higher Education may sell, trade, or otherwise dispose  
 1488 of any unwanted, duplicate, out-of-date or irrelevant materials within  
 1489 the [regional community-technical college] Connecticut State  
 1490 Community College libraries, [under the jurisdiction of the board,]  
 1491 provided the monetary proceeds of such a transaction, if any, shall be  
 1492 deemed to be funds from private sources and, as such funds, shall be  
 1493 held in the manner prescribed by section 4-31a, as amended by this act,  
 1494 for use in furthering any purpose the board considers to be in harmony  
 1495 with the original purpose of the gift or purchase of such materials.

1496 (b) Fines collected by any [regional community-technical college]  
 1497 Connecticut State Community College library [under the jurisdiction of  
 1498 the board] shall be deposited in the [institutional] operating account of  
 1499 [such] said college.

1500 Sec. 50. Section 10a-72c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 1501 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1502 There is established a council to advise the Board of [Trustees of the  
 1503 Community-Technical Colleges] Regents for Higher Education in the  
 1504 performance of its statutory functions relating to technical and  
 1505 technological education. The council shall consist of: (1) The  
 1506 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development and the  
 1507 Labor Commissioner, (2) one technical or technological education  
 1508 faculty member from each campus of the [community-technical  
 1509 colleges] Connecticut State Community College appointed by the chief  
 1510 executive officer of each such [institution] campus, (3) one technical or  
 1511 technological education student from each campus of the [community-  
 1512 technical colleges] Connecticut State Community College elected by the  
 1513 student body of each such [institution] campus.

1514 Sec. 51. Section 10a-72d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 1515 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):



1516 The Board of [Trustees for the Community-Technical Colleges]  
1517 Regents for Higher Education shall establish procedures for (1) the  
1518 development of articulation agreements between the [regional  
1519 community-technical colleges] Connecticut State Community College  
1520 and the Technical Education and Career System in order to ensure a  
1521 successful transition to higher education for students attending a  
1522 technical education and career school, and (2) the awarding of  
1523 appropriate college credit for persons enrolled in and registered under  
1524 the terms of a qualified apprenticeship training program, certified in  
1525 accordance with regulations adopted by the Labor Commissioner and  
1526 registered with the Labor Department under section 31-22r.

1527 Sec. 52. Section 10a-72e of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1528 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1529 (a) [Not later than July 1, 2002, the Boards] The Board of Trustees [for  
1530 the Connecticut Community-Technical Colleges, the Connecticut State  
1531 University System,] of The University of Connecticut, [Charter Oak  
1532 State College,] the Board of Regents for Higher Education and the  
1533 governing boards of the Bridgeport Hospital School of Nursing and  
1534 Connecticut's [Independent Colleges] independent institutions of  
1535 higher education shall develop a plan to ensure that there are  
1536 articulation agreements for their nursing programs to assist nurses in  
1537 advancing their education and nursing credentials.

1538 (b) Not later than July 1, 2004, such boards [of trustees] shall  
1539 implement the plan developed pursuant to subsection (a) of this section.

1540 Sec. 53. Section 10a-72f of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1541 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1542 Within available appropriations, the Board of [Trustees for  
1543 Community-Technical Colleges] Regents for Higher Education may  
1544 establish up to three pilot programs to provide for student household  
1545 and family expenses of students with dependents while such students  
1546 are attending [a community-technical college] the Connecticut State

1547 Community College. Participation in the pilot program shall be limited  
1548 to students who are eligible for a federal Pell grant.

1549 Sec. 54. Section 10a-72g of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1550 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1551 The Board of [Trustees for Community-Technical Colleges] Regents  
1552 for Higher Education shall take all feasible steps to maximize available  
1553 federal funds in order to establish a nursing program at the  
1554 Northwestern campus of the Connecticut State Community College.

1555 Sec. 55. Section 10a-72h of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1556 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1557 (a) On or before September 1, 2009, the Board of [Trustees of the  
1558 Community-Technical Colleges] Regents for Higher Education shall  
1559 appoint and convene an oversight board for the purposes of carrying  
1560 out the provisions of subsection (b) of this section. Such oversight board  
1561 shall include: (1) A representative of the faculty of the Norwalk campus  
1562 of the Connecticut State Community College; (2) a representative of the  
1563 faculty of the J. M. Wright Technical High School; (3) four  
1564 representatives from trade vocations; (4) two representatives of the  
1565 business community; and (5) a representative of a chamber of  
1566 commerce. The [president] chief executive officer of the Norwalk  
1567 campus of the Connecticut State Community College shall serve as the  
1568 oversight board's chairperson.

1569 (b) On or before January 1, 2010, the oversight board established  
1570 pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, in consultation with the Board  
1571 of [Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges] Regents for Higher  
1572 Education and the Commissioner of Education, shall establish, within  
1573 existing budgetary resources and staffing levels, a pilot program to  
1574 operate during the school year commencing July 1, 2010, and each  
1575 school year thereafter, to allow students to complete courses at the J. M.  
1576 Wright Technical High School for college credit at the Norwalk campus  
1577 of the Connecticut State Community College. Such program shall

1578 coordinate courses between the J. M. Wright Technical High School and  
1579 the Norwalk campus of the Connecticut State Community College and  
1580 provide students with access to vocational employment or  
1581 postsecondary education.

1582 (c) On or before June 30, 2011, and annually thereafter, the Board of  
1583 [Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges] Regents for Higher  
1584 Education and the Commissioner of Education shall report, in  
1585 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, to the joint standing  
1586 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
1587 relating to education and higher education and employment  
1588 advancement on the curriculum offered as part of the pilot program and  
1589 the number of students who have earned course credit under the  
1590 program established in subsection (b) of this section.

1591 Sec. 56. Section 10a-72i of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1592 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1593 (a) The Board of [Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges]  
1594 Regents for Higher Education shall develop a program to meet the  
1595 educational and training needs of unemployed state residents by  
1596 providing access to short-term, noncredit programs of study that lead  
1597 to the acquisition of job-related skills and workforce credentials.

1598 (b) The [board of trustees] Board of Regents for Higher Education  
1599 shall establish an advisory committee to identify workforce needs,  
1600 education and training requirements, support services and partnerships  
1601 in fields with available or growing employment opportunities and in  
1602 priority regions enduring high levels of unemployment. The advisory  
1603 committee shall include representatives from the Labor Department, the  
1604 Workforce Investment Boards, the Department of Economic and  
1605 Community Development, the Connecticut Center for Advanced  
1606 Technology, the Connecticut Business and Industry Association and  
1607 labor organizations. The advisory committee shall examine the use of  
1608 individual educational training accounts to assist [these individuals]

1609 participants, recommend eligibility requirements for participants,  
1610 including, but not limited to, verification of unemployment and  
1611 demonstration of financial need, and consider establishing pilot  
1612 programs, the number and participants of which shall be determined by  
1613 available funding resources. The advisory committee shall submit its  
1614 recommendations to the [board of trustees] Board of Regents for Higher  
1615 Education on or before November 1, 2010.

1616 (c) The [board of trustees] Board of Regents for Higher Education  
1617 shall examine the costs associated with program delivery and  
1618 modification for existing programs or the development of new  
1619 noncredit programs focused on high-need, high-growth fields along  
1620 with support for student tuition, fees, books, materials and academics.

1621 (d) The [community-technical colleges] Connecticut State  
1622 Community College shall leverage state funding dedicated to this  
1623 initiative in applications for federal funding included in the Student Aid  
1624 and Fiscal Responsibility Act, the United States Department of  
1625 Education's college access challenge grant program and other available  
1626 grants for educational and career training programs to sustain and  
1627 expand the individual educational training grants program throughout  
1628 the [system of community colleges] Connecticut State Community  
1629 College.

1630 Sec. 57. Section 10a-72j of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1631 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1632 [Each regional community-technical college] The chief executive  
1633 officer of each campus of the Connecticut State Community College  
1634 shall consult with the school counselors and school administrators at  
1635 public high schools located within the region of the state in which such  
1636 [college] campus is located for the purpose of establishing collaborative  
1637 partnerships between such schools and such [college] campus. Such  
1638 partnerships may include, but not be limited to, collaborative  
1639 counseling programs for students interested in specific careers,

1640 evaluation and alignment of curricula and offering support or  
1641 educational programs to improve student outcomes.

1642 Sec. 58. Section 10a-73 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1643 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1644 The Board of [Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges]  
1645 Regents for Higher Education, upon the recommendation of the chief  
1646 executive officers of [the regional community-technical colleges] a  
1647 campus of the Connecticut State Community College, shall appoint for  
1648 [each regional community-technical college] such campus a regional  
1649 council, representative of the geographical area served. Each such  
1650 council shall advise the board and the chief executive officer [of each  
1651 regional community-technical college] with respect to appropriate  
1652 educational programs to meet the needs of the communities in the  
1653 region which it represents.

1654 Sec. 59. Section 10a-77 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1655 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1656 (a) Subject to the provisions of section 10a-26, the Board of [Trustees  
1657 of the Community-Technical Colleges] Regents for Higher Education  
1658 shall fix fees for tuition at the [regional community-technical colleges]  
1659 Connecticut State Community College and shall fix fees for such other  
1660 purposes as the board deems necessary at the [regional community-  
1661 technical colleges] college, and may make refunds to the same.

1662 (b) The Board of Regents for Higher Education shall establish and  
1663 administer a fund to be known as the [Regional Community-Technical  
1664 Colleges] Connecticut State Community College Operating Fund.  
1665 Appropriations from general revenues of the state and, upon request by  
1666 the board and with an annual review and approval by the Secretary of  
1667 the Office of Policy and Management, the amount of the appropriations  
1668 for fringe benefits and workers' compensation applicable to the  
1669 [regional community-technical colleges] Connecticut State Community  
1670 College pursuant to subsection (a) of section 4-73, shall be transferred

1671 from the Comptroller, and all tuition revenue received by the [regional  
 1672 community-technical colleges] Connecticut State Community College in  
 1673 accordance with the provisions of subsection (a) of this section shall be  
 1674 deposited in said fund. Income from student fees or related charges; the  
 1675 proceeds of auxiliary activities and business enterprises, gifts and  
 1676 donations; federal funds and grants for purposes other than research,  
 1677 and all receipts derived from the conduct by the [colleges] college of  
 1678 their education extension programs and summer school sessions shall  
 1679 be credited to said fund but shall be allocated to the central office and  
 1680 [institutional] campus operating accounts which shall be established  
 1681 and maintained for the central office and each [community-technical  
 1682 college] campus of the Connecticut State Community College. If the  
 1683 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management disapproves such  
 1684 transfer, the secretary may require the amount of the appropriation for  
 1685 operating expenses to be used for personal services and fringe benefits  
 1686 to be excluded from said fund. The State Treasurer shall review and  
 1687 approve the transfer prior to such request by the board. The board shall  
 1688 establish an equitable policy, in accordance with section 10a-8, as  
 1689 amended by this act, for allocation of appropriations from general  
 1690 revenues of the state, fringe benefits transferred from the Comptroller  
 1691 and tuition revenue deposited in the [Regional Community-Technical  
 1692 Colleges] Connecticut State Community College Operating Fund. At the  
 1693 beginning of each quarter of the fiscal year, the board shall allocate and  
 1694 transfer, in accordance with said policy, moneys for expenditure in such  
 1695 [institutional] campus operating accounts, exclusive of amounts  
 1696 retained for central office operations and reasonable reserves for future  
 1697 distribution. All costs of waiving or remitting tuition pursuant to  
 1698 subsection (f) of this section shall be charged to the [Regional  
 1699 Community-Technical Colleges] Connecticut State Community College  
 1700 Operating Fund. Repairs, alterations or additions to facilities supported  
 1701 by operating funds and costing one million dollars or more shall require  
 1702 the approval of the General Assembly, or when the General Assembly  
 1703 is not in session, of the Finance Advisory Committee. Any balance of  
 1704 receipts above expenditures shall remain in said fund, except such sums

1705 as may be required for deposit into a debt service fund or the General  
1706 Fund for further payment by the Treasurer of debt service on general  
1707 obligation bonds of the state issued for purposes of the regional  
1708 community-technical colleges, or after July 1, 2023, for the purposes of  
1709 the Connecticut State Community College.

1710 (c) Commencing December 1, 1984, and thereafter not later than sixty  
1711 days after the close of each quarter, the [board of trustees] Board of  
1712 Regents for Higher Education shall submit to the joint standing  
1713 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
1714 relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, the Office  
1715 of Higher Education and the Office of Policy and Management a report  
1716 on the actual expenditures of the [Regional Community-Technical  
1717 Colleges] Connecticut State Community College Operating Fund.

1718 (d) [Said board of trustees] The Board of Regents for Higher  
1719 Education shall waive the payment of tuition at [any of the regional  
1720 community-technical colleges] the Connecticut State Community  
1721 College (1) for any dependent child of a person whom the armed forces  
1722 of the United States has declared to be missing in action or to have been  
1723 a prisoner of war while serving in such armed forces after January 1,  
1724 1960, which child has been accepted for admission to [such institution]  
1725 said college and is a resident of the state at the time such child is  
1726 accepted for admission to [such institution] said college, (2) subject to  
1727 the provisions of subsection (e) of this section, for any veteran, as  
1728 defined in section 27-103, who performed service in time of war, as  
1729 defined in section 27-103, except that for purposes of this subsection,  
1730 "service in time of war" shall not include time spent in attendance at a  
1731 military service academy, which veteran has been accepted for  
1732 admission to [such institution] said college and is domiciled in this state  
1733 at the time such veteran is accepted for admission to [such institution]  
1734 said college, (3) for any resident of the state sixty-two years of age or  
1735 older, provided, at the end of the regular registration period, there are  
1736 enrolled in the course a sufficient number of students other than those  
1737 residents eligible for waivers pursuant to this subdivision to offer the

1738 course in which such resident intends to enroll and there is space  
 1739 available in such course after accommodating all such students, (4) for  
 1740 any student attending the Connecticut State Police Academy who is  
 1741 enrolled in a law enforcement program at said academy offered in  
 1742 coordination with [a regional community-technical college] the  
 1743 Connecticut State Community College which accredits courses taken in  
 1744 such program, (5) for any active member of the Connecticut Army or  
 1745 Air National Guard who (A) has been certified by the Adjutant General  
 1746 or such Adjutant General's designee as a member in good standing of  
 1747 the guard, and (B) is enrolled or accepted for admission to [such  
 1748 institution] said college on a full-time or part-time basis in an  
 1749 undergraduate degree-granting program, (6) for any dependent child of  
 1750 a (A) police officer, as defined in section 7-294a, or supernumerary or  
 1751 auxiliary police officer, (B) firefighter, as defined in section 7-323j, or  
 1752 member of a volunteer fire company, (C) municipal employee, or (D)  
 1753 state employee, as defined in section 5-154, killed in the line of duty, (7)  
 1754 for any resident of the state who is a dependent child or surviving  
 1755 spouse of a specified terrorist victim who was a resident of this state, (8)  
 1756 for any dependent child of a resident of the state who was killed in a  
 1757 multivehicle crash at or near the intersection of Routes 44 and 10 and  
 1758 Nod Road in Avon on July 29, 2005, and (9) for any resident of the state  
 1759 who is a dependent child or surviving spouse of a person who was  
 1760 killed in action while performing active military duty with the armed  
 1761 forces of the United States on or after September 11, 2001, and who was  
 1762 a resident of this state. If any person who receives a tuition waiver in  
 1763 accordance with the provisions of this subsection also receives  
 1764 educational reimbursement from an employer, such waiver shall be  
 1765 reduced by the amount of such educational reimbursement. Veterans  
 1766 and members of the National Guard described in subdivision (5) of this  
 1767 subsection shall be given the same status as students not receiving  
 1768 tuition waivers in registering for courses at [regional community-  
 1769 technical colleges] the Connecticut State Community College.  
 1770 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10a-30, as used in this  
 1771 subsection, "domiciled in this state" includes domicile for less than one



1772 year.

1773 (e) (1) If any veteran described in subsection (d) of this section has  
 1774 applied for federal educational assistance under the Post-9/11 Veterans  
 1775 Educational Assistance Act of 2008, the [board of trustees] Board of  
 1776 Regents for Higher Education shall waive the payment of tuition at [any  
 1777 of] the [regional community-technical colleges] Connecticut State  
 1778 Community College for such veteran in accordance with subdivision (2)  
 1779 of this subsection. If any such veteran certifies to said board that such  
 1780 veteran's application for such federal educational assistance has been  
 1781 denied or withdrawn, said board [of trustees] shall waive the payment  
 1782 of tuition in accordance with subsection (d) of this section.

1783 (2) (A) For purposes of this subdivision, "veteran tuition benefit"  
 1784 means the portion of federal educational assistance under the Post-9/11  
 1785 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008 to be paid to [a regional  
 1786 community-technical college] the Connecticut State Community  
 1787 College on behalf of a veteran that represents payment for tuition. Such  
 1788 portion shall be calculated by multiplying (i) the total amount of such  
 1789 federal educational assistance to be paid to [a regional community-  
 1790 technical college] said college on behalf of such veteran by (ii) an  
 1791 amount obtained by dividing (I) the actual tuition charged by [such]  
 1792 said college to such veteran by (II) the sum of the actual tuition and fees  
 1793 charged by [such] said college to such veteran.

1794 (B) Said board [of trustees] shall waive the payment of tuition in  
 1795 excess of the veteran tuition benefit at any of the regional community-  
 1796 technical colleges for such veteran.

1797 (f) Said board shall set aside from its anticipated [regional  
 1798 community-technical college] Connecticut State Community College  
 1799 tuition revenue, an amount not less than that required by said board's  
 1800 tuition policy. Such funds shall be used to provide tuition waivers,  
 1801 tuition remissions, grants for educational expenses and student  
 1802 employment for residents enrolled in [regional community-technical

1803 colleges] the Connecticut State Community College as full or part-time  
1804 matriculated students in a degree-granting program, or enrolled in a  
1805 precollege remedial program, who demonstrate substantial financial  
1806 need. Said board may also set aside from its anticipated tuition revenue  
1807 an additional amount equal to one per cent of said tuition revenue for  
1808 financial assistance for students who would not otherwise be eligible for  
1809 financial assistance but who do have a financial need as determined by  
1810 the college in accordance with this subsection. In determining such  
1811 financial need, the college shall exclude the value of equity in the  
1812 principal residence of the student's parents or legal guardians, or in the  
1813 student's principal residence if the student is not considered to be a  
1814 dependent of his parents or legal guardians and shall assess the earnings  
1815 of a dependent student at the rate of thirty per cent.

1816 (g) The [Regional Community-Technical Colleges] Connecticut State  
1817 Community College Operating Fund shall be reimbursed for the  
1818 amount by which the tuition waivers granted under subsection (d) of  
1819 this section exceed five per cent of tuition revenue through an annual  
1820 state appropriation. The [board of trustees] Board of Regents for Higher  
1821 Education shall request such an appropriation and said appropriation  
1822 shall be based upon an estimate of tuition revenue loss using tuition  
1823 rates in effect for the fiscal year in which such appropriation will apply.

1824 (h) [Said board of trustees] The Board of Regents for Higher  
1825 Education shall allow any student who is a member of the armed forces  
1826 called to active duty during any semester to enroll in any course for  
1827 which such student had remitted tuition but which was not completed  
1828 due to active duty status. Such course reenrollment shall be offered to  
1829 any qualifying student for a period not exceeding four years after the  
1830 date of release from active duty without additional tuition, student fee  
1831 or related charge, except if such student has been fully reimbursed for  
1832 the tuition, fees and charges for the course that was not completed.

1833 (i) The Board of Regents for Higher Education shall not assess or  
1834 charge a graduation fee to any student enrolled in [a regional

community-technical college] the Connecticut State Community College for the purpose of graduating from [such regional community-technical] said college.

Sec. 60. Section 10a-77a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) (1) The Board of [Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges] Regents for Higher Education shall establish a permanent Endowment Fund for the [Community-Technical College System] Connecticut State Community College to encourage donations from the private sector, with an incentive in the form of an endowment fund state grant, the net earnings on the principal of which are dedicated and made available to [a regional community-technical college or the community-technical college system as a whole] the Connecticut State Community College, for endowed professorships, scholarships and programmatic enhancements. The fund shall be administered by the board, [of trustees,] or by a nonprofit entity entrusted for such purpose and qualified as a Section 501(c)(3) organization under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as from time to time amended, and preferably constituted and controlled independent of the state and board [of trustees] so as to qualify the interest on state bonds the proceeds of which have been granted for deposit in the endowment fund as excludable from taxation under such code and shall, in any event, be held in a trust fund separate and apart from all other funds and accounts of the state and the [community-technical college system] Connecticut State Community College. There shall be deposited into the fund: (A) Endowment fund state grants; and (B) interest or other income earned on the investment of moneys in the endowment fund pending transfer of the principal of the fund for the purposes identified in this subdivision. Endowment fund eligible gifts made on behalf of a [regional community-technical college or the system] campus of the Connecticut State Community College or said college as a whole shall be deposited in a permanent endowment fund created for each [regional

1868 community-technical college and the system] campus of said college  
 1869 and said college as a whole in the appropriate foundation established  
 1870 pursuant to sections 4-37e, as amended by this act, and 4-37f, as  
 1871 amended by this act. A portion of the endowment fund state grant and  
 1872 a portion of earnings on such grant, including capital appreciation, shall  
 1873 be transferred, annually, within thirty days of the receipt of the  
 1874 endowment fund state grant by the permanent Endowment Fund for  
 1875 the [Community-Technical College System] Connecticut State  
 1876 Community College, to such [a regional community-technical college]  
 1877 endowment fund for a campus of said college based on the ratio of the  
 1878 total amount of such gifts made to such [regional community-technical  
 1879 college] campus to the total amount of all such gifts made to [all the  
 1880 regional community-technical colleges and the system as a whole] the  
 1881 Connecticut State Community College, provided the provisions of  
 1882 section 4-37f, as amended by this act, are satisfied.

1883 [(2) (A) For each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2000, to June 30,  
 1884 2006, inclusive, as part of the state contract with donors of endowment  
 1885 fund eligible gifts, the Office of Higher Education, in accordance with  
 1886 section 10a-8b, shall deposit in the Endowment Fund for the  
 1887 Community-Technical College System a grant in an amount equal to  
 1888 half of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts received by or  
 1889 for the benefit of the community-technical college system as a whole and  
 1890 each regional community-technical college for the calendar year ending  
 1891 the December thirty-first preceding the commencement of such fiscal  
 1892 year, as certified by the chairperson of the board of trustees by February  
 1893 fifteenth to (i) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, (ii)  
 1894 the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having  
 1895 cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state  
 1896 agencies, and (iii) the Commissioner of Higher Education, provided  
 1897 such sums do not exceed the endowment fund state grant maximum  
 1898 commitment for the fiscal year in which the grant is made.

1899 (B) For each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2007, to June 30, 2014,  
 1900 inclusive, as part of the state contract with donors of endowment fund

1901 eligible gifts, the Office of Higher Education, in accordance with section  
1902 10a-8b, shall deposit in the Endowment Fund for the Community-  
1903 Technical College System a grant in an amount equal to one-quarter of  
1904 the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts, except as provided  
1905 in this subdivision, received by or for the benefit of the community-  
1906 technical college system as a whole and each regional community-  
1907 technical college for the calendar year ending the December thirty-first  
1908 preceding the commencement of such fiscal year, as certified by the  
1909 chairperson of the board of trustees by February fifteenth to (i) the  
1910 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, (ii) the joint standing  
1911 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
1912 relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, and (iii) the  
1913 Commissioner of Higher Education, provided such sums do not exceed  
1914 the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment for the fiscal  
1915 year in which the grant is made. Endowment fund eligible gifts that  
1916 meet the criteria set forth in this subdivision, made by donors during  
1917 the period from January 1, 2005, to June 30, 2005, shall continue to be  
1918 matched by the Office of Higher Education in an amount equal to one-  
1919 half of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts received.  
1920 Commitments by donors to make endowment fund eligible gifts for two  
1921 or more years that meet the criteria set forth in this subdivision and that  
1922 are made for the period prior to December 31, 2004, but ending before  
1923 December 31, 2012, shall continue to be matched by the Office of Higher  
1924 Education in an amount equal to one-half of the total amount of  
1925 endowment fund eligible gifts received through the commitment.

1926 (C) In any such fiscal year in which the total of the eligible gifts  
1927 received by the community-technical colleges exceeds the endowment  
1928 fund state grant maximum commitment for such fiscal year the amount  
1929 in excess of such endowment fund state grant maximum commitment  
1930 shall be carried forward and be eligible for a matching state grant in any  
1931 succeeding fiscal year from the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, to the  
1932 fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, inclusive, subject to the endowment  
1933 fund state grant maximum commitment. Any endowment fund eligible

1934 gifts that are not included in the total amount of endowment fund  
 1935 eligible gifts certified by the chairperson of the board of trustees  
 1936 pursuant to this subdivision may be carried forward and be eligible for  
 1937 a matching state grant in any succeeding fiscal year from the fiscal year  
 1938 ending June 30, 2000, to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, inclusive,  
 1939 subject to the endowment fund state matching grant commitment for  
 1940 such fiscal year.]

1941 [(3)] (2) The Board of [Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges]  
 1942 Regents for Higher Education shall adopt [, by October 1, 1997,]  
 1943 guidelines with respect to (A) the solicitation of endowment fund  
 1944 eligible gifts from private donors, and (B) governing the acceptance of  
 1945 gifts made by a foundation established pursuant to sections 4-37e, as  
 1946 amended by this act, and 4-37f, as amended by this act, to a [community-  
 1947 technical college] campus of the Connecticut State Community College  
 1948 or its employees for reimbursement of expenditures or payment of  
 1949 expenditures on behalf of [a community-technical college] such campus  
 1950 or its employees. Private donations shall not be construed to include  
 1951 proceeds of municipal grants.

1952 (b) For the purposes of this section: (1) "Endowment fund eligible  
 1953 gift" means a gift to or for the benefit of a [regional community-technical  
 1954 college or the community-technical college system] campus of the  
 1955 Connecticut State Community College or said college as a whole of cash  
 1956 or assets [which] that may be reduced to cash or [which] that has a value  
 1957 that is ascertainable by such [regional community-technical college or  
 1958 the community-technical college system as a whole which] campus or  
 1959 said college that the donor has specifically designated for deposit in the  
 1960 endowment fund or [which] that explicitly or implicitly by the terms of  
 1961 the gift [the regional community-technical college or community-  
 1962 technical college system as a whole] such campus or said college may  
 1963 and does deposit or permit to be deposited in the endowment funds; [. (2) "Endowment fund state grant"] and (2) "endowment fund state  
 1964 grant" means moneys that are transferred by the Office of Higher  
 1965 Education from the fund established pursuant to section 10a-8b to the

1967 endowment fund established pursuant to this section in an aggregate  
 1968 amount not exceeding the endowment fund state grant maximum  
 1969 commitment. [(3) "Endowment fund state grant maximum  
 1970 commitment" means an amount not exceeding two million dollars for  
 1971 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, two and one-half million dollars for  
 1972 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, three million dollars for the fiscal  
 1973 year ending June 30, 2002, three and one-half million dollars for the  
 1974 fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, and five million dollars for each of the  
 1975 fiscal years ending June 30, 2004, to June 30, 2014, inclusive.

1976 (c) Notwithstanding the endowment fund state grant maximum  
 1977 commitment levels for each fiscal year pursuant to subsection (b) of this  
 1978 section, the total of the endowment fund state grant maximum  
 1979 commitments for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2000, to June 30, 2014,  
 1980 inclusive, shall not exceed thirty-nine million five hundred thousand  
 1981 dollars.]

1982 Sec. 61. Section 10a-78 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 1983 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1984 (a) The Board of [Trustees for Regional Community-Technical  
 1985 Colleges] Regents for Higher Education shall establish a [regional  
 1986 community-technical college] campus to serve the southeastern area of  
 1987 Connecticut [as approved by the Board of Regents for Higher  
 1988 Education] to be part of the [state system of community-technical  
 1989 colleges] Connecticut State Community College.

1990 (b) The Board of [Trustees for Regional Community-Technical  
 1991 Colleges] Regents for Higher Education shall establish a [regional  
 1992 community-technical college] campus to serve the New Britain-Bristol  
 1993 area [as approved by the Board of Regents for Higher Education] to be  
 1994 part of the [state system of community-technical colleges] Connecticut  
 1995 State Community College.

1996 (c) The Board of [Trustees for Regional Community-Technical  
 1997 Colleges] Regents for Higher Education shall establish a [regional

1998 community-technical college] campus to serve the northeastern  
1999 Connecticut area [as approved by the Board of Regents for Higher  
2000 Education] to be part of the [state system of community-technical  
2001 colleges] Connecticut State Community College.

2002 (d) The Board of [Trustees for Regional Community-Technical  
2003 Colleges] Regents for Higher Education shall establish a [regional  
2004 community-technical college] campus to serve the northern Connecticut  
2005 area comprising the towns of East Granby, East Windsor, Ellington,  
2006 Enfield, Somers, Stafford, Suffield and Windsor Locks [as approved by  
2007 the Board of Regents for Higher Education] to be part of the [state  
2008 system of community-technical colleges] Connecticut State Community  
2009 College.

2010 (e) The Board of [Trustees for Regional Community-Technical  
2011 Colleges] Regents for Higher Education shall establish a [regional  
2012 community-technical college] campus to serve the lower Naugatuck  
2013 Valley area comprising the towns of Ansonia, Derby, Shelton, Seymour,  
2014 Oxford, Beacon Falls and Naugatuck [as approved by the Board of  
2015 Regents for Higher Education] to be part of the [state system of  
2016 community-technical colleges] Connecticut State Community College.

2017 (f) Repealed by P.A. 78-331, S. 3, 58.

2018 (g) The Board of [Trustees for Regional Community-Technical  
2019 Colleges] Regents for Higher Education shall establish a [regional  
2020 community-technical college] campus to serve the greater Waterbury  
2021 area [as approved by the Board of Regents for Higher Education] to be  
2022 part of the [state system of community-technical colleges] Connecticut  
2023 State Community College.

2024 Sec. 62. Section 10a-78a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2025 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

2026 Not later than July 1, 2024, and annually thereafter until and  
2027 including July 1, 2030, the Board of Regents for Higher Education shall



2028 submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, to  
 2029 the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having  
 2030 cognizance of matters relating to higher education and employment  
 2031 advancement concerning the results achieved from the consolidation of  
 2032 the regional community-technical colleges into [a state community-  
 2033 technical college] the Connecticut State Community College. Such  
 2034 report shall include, but need not be limited to, a comparison of the  
 2035 following performance metrics from July 1, 2023, to the date of such  
 2036 report: (1) Percentage of students enrolled for the first time in credit-  
 2037 bearing courses who (A) complete introductory math and English  
 2038 course requirements not later than one year after enrollment, (B) enroll  
 2039 for a full semester and subsequently (i) reenroll for the following  
 2040 semester, (ii) reenroll for the next fall or spring semester after attending  
 2041 a fall or spring semester during the preceding academic year, or (iii)  
 2042 graduate, and (C) within the first three years of enrollment, (i) graduate,  
 2043 (ii) transfer to a four-year institution of higher education, or (iii) are still  
 2044 enrolled in a course of study; (2) ratios of students to (A) student  
 2045 counselors or advisors, (B) full-time faculty, and (C) part-time or adjunct  
 2046 faculty; (3) the number of executive positions at [each regional  
 2047 community-technical college or, upon the accreditation of a state  
 2048 community-technical college,] each campus of [a state community-  
 2049 technical college] the Connecticut State Community College; and (4) the  
 2050 number of personnel by location or functional area at [the college or]  
 2051 each campus and type of position including, but not limited to, faculty,  
 2052 direct student support staff, building operations, clerical or  
 2053 administrative staff and executive positions. As used in this section,  
 2054 "executive position" includes any (A) person with a title such as  
 2055 president, director or chief executive officer, (B) administrative head of  
 2056 an office or department, (C) deputy to an administrative head, (D)  
 2057 executive or personal secretary of such person, administrative head or  
 2058 deputy, and (E) other person in an equivalent position.

2059 Sec. 63. Section 10a-79 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 2060 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

2061 The Board of [Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges]  
 2062 Regents for Higher Education shall appoint a committee at each  
 2063 [regional community-technical college] campus of the Connecticut State  
 2064 Community College to establish traffic and parking regulations for  
 2065 passenger vehicles at such [college] campus. Such traffic committee,  
 2066 subject to the approval of said board and of the Office of the State Traffic  
 2067 Administration, may: (1) Prohibit, limit or restrict the parking of  
 2068 passenger vehicles; (2) determine speed limits; (3) install stop signs; (4)  
 2069 restrict roads or portions thereof to one-way traffic; (5) designate the  
 2070 location of crosswalks on any portion of any road or highway subject to  
 2071 the care, custody and control of said board; [of trustees;] (6) order signs  
 2072 to be erected and maintained designating such prohibitions or  
 2073 restrictions; and (7) impose a fine upon any person who fails to comply  
 2074 with any such prohibition or restriction. All fines so imposed at each  
 2075 [regional community-technical college] campus of the Connecticut State  
 2076 Community College, less an amount not to exceed the cost of enforcing  
 2077 traffic and parking regulations, shall be deposited in the [institutional]  
 2078 campus operating account of [such] said college for scholarships and  
 2079 library services or acquisitions. The Board of [Trustees of the  
 2080 Community-Technical Colleges] Regents for Higher Education shall  
 2081 establish at each [regional community-technical college] campus of the  
 2082 Connecticut State Community College a committee [which] that shall  
 2083 hear appeals of penalties assessed for parking or traffic violations. The  
 2084 membership of both the committee to establish traffic and parking  
 2085 regulations and the committee to hear traffic violation appeals shall  
 2086 include student and faculty representation.

2087 Sec. 64. Section 10a-80 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 2088 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

2089 (a) The primary responsibilities of the [regional community-technical  
 2090 colleges] Connecticut State Community College shall be to (1) [to]  
 2091 provide programs of occupational, vocational, technical and  
 2092 technological and career education designed to provide training for  
 2093 immediate employment, job retraining or upgrading of skills to meet

2094 individual, community and state manpower needs; (2) [to] provide  
 2095 programs of general study including, but not limited to, remediation,  
 2096 general and adult education and continuing education designed to meet  
 2097 individual student goals; (3) [to] provide programs of study for college  
 2098 transfer representing the first two years of baccalaureate education; (4)  
 2099 [to] provide community service programs as defined in subsection (b)  
 2100 of this section; and (5) [to] provide student support services including,  
 2101 but not limited to, admissions, counseling, testing, placement,  
 2102 individualized instruction and efforts to serve students with special  
 2103 needs.

2104 (b) As used in this section, "community service programs" means  
 2105 educational, cultural, recreational and community directed services  
 2106 [which a community-technical college] that the Connecticut State  
 2107 Community College may provide in addition to its regular academic  
 2108 program. Such community service programs may include, but shall not  
 2109 be limited to, (1) activities designed to enrich the intellectual, cultural  
 2110 and social life of the community, (2) educational services designed to  
 2111 promote the development of skills for the effective use of leisure time,  
 2112 (3) activities and programs designed to assist in the identification and  
 2113 solution of community problems and (4) utilization of college facilities  
 2114 and services by community groups to the extent such usage does not  
 2115 conflict with the regular schedule of the college.

2116 Sec. 65. Section 10a-80a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 2117 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

2118 The Board of [Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges]  
 2119 Regents for Higher Education may, within available appropriations,  
 2120 develop manufacturing technology centers on three [community-  
 2121 technical college] Connecticut State Community College campuses in  
 2122 geographically diverse locations.

2123 Sec. 66. Section 10a-80b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 2124 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

2125 The Board of [Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges]  
 2126 Regents for Higher Education shall develop a policy for Connecticut  
 2127 State Community College that (1) provides for the disbursement of  
 2128 financial aid to students who have met all federal, state and institutional  
 2129 requirements for financial aid by the first day of the academic term, or  
 2130 (2) permits students to use financial aid that has not yet been disbursed  
 2131 at stores on the campuses of the [colleges under the board's jurisdiction]  
 2132 college to purchase during the first week of the academic term required  
 2133 textbooks for courses taught at the [colleges] college.

2134 Sec. 67. Section 10a-80c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 2135 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

2136 The Board of [Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges]  
 2137 Regents for Higher Education shall require that green jobs certificate  
 2138 and degree programs offered [by] at each of the [community-technical  
 2139 colleges] campuses of the Connecticut State Community College be  
 2140 uniformly named.

2141 Sec. 68. Section 10a-80d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 2142 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

2143 An adjunct faculty member of [a regional community-technical  
 2144 college] Connecticut State Community College or Charter Oak State  
 2145 College shall be permitted to irrevocably waive membership in a  
 2146 Connecticut retirement plan not later than sixty days after commencing  
 2147 employment with [such regional community-technical college or  
 2148 Charter Oak State College] said colleges. Once the adjunct faculty  
 2149 member waives membership in a Connecticut retirement plan, such  
 2150 faculty member is no longer eligible to elect to participate in a  
 2151 Connecticut retirement plan in any subsequent part-time employment  
 2152 with the [regional community-technical college system] Connecticut  
 2153 State Community College, Charter Oak State College, the Board of  
 2154 Regents for Higher Education or any other constituent unit, as defined  
 2155 in section 10a-1, as amended by this act.

2156 Sec. 69. Section 10a-80e of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2157 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

2158 Any person, as defined in section 1-79, who donates tangible  
2159 property to [a regional community-technical college] the Connecticut  
2160 State Community College, or any campus thereof, shall be immune from  
2161 civil liability for damage or injury occurring on or after October 1, 2013,  
2162 resulting from any act, error or omission by such person with respect to  
2163 such donated tangible property, unless such damage or injury was  
2164 caused by the reckless, wilful or wanton misconduct of such person.

2165 Sec. 70. Subsection (d) of section 10a-80f of the general statutes is  
2166 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
2167 *passage*):

2168 (d) Beginning in the fall semester of 2020, and for each academic  
2169 semester thereafter, each advanced manufacturing certificate program  
2170 established at a public high school shall enroll (1) public high school  
2171 students in grade eleven or twelve from the school districts of the local  
2172 or regional board or boards of education that have entered into the  
2173 memorandum of understanding pursuant to subsection (b) or (c) of this  
2174 section, to simultaneously earn high school credits from the public high  
2175 school in which the student is enrolled and college credits and an  
2176 advanced manufacturing certificate from the [regional community-  
2177 technical college] Connecticut State Community College or the  
2178 independent institution of higher education that operates the advanced  
2179 manufacturing certificate program, and (2) upon the approval of the  
2180 local or regional board of education, adults for classes during the  
2181 evening and weekend hours to earn an advanced manufacturing  
2182 certificate from the [regional community-technical college] Connecticut  
2183 State Community College or the independent institution of higher  
2184 education that operates the advanced manufacturing certificate  
2185 program.

2186 Sec. 71. Section 10a-87 of the general statutes is repealed and the

2187 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

2188 The Board of [Trustees of the Connecticut State University System]  
 2189 Regents for Higher Education shall maintain: Western Connecticut State  
 2190 University, Southern Connecticut State University, Eastern Connecticut  
 2191 State University and Central Connecticut State University. The board [of  
 2192 trustees] shall offer curricula [which shall prepare] that prepares  
 2193 persons who have successfully completed [the same] such curricula to  
 2194 teach in the schools of the state at any of said institutions as the board  
 2195 shall deem appropriate and, in addition, programs of study in academic  
 2196 and career fields. [, provided the board of trustees shall submit to the  
 2197 Board of Regents for Higher Education for review and approval  
 2198 recommendations for program terminations at any of said institutions  
 2199 in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (7) of subsection (a) of  
 2200 section 10a-6.] The board [of trustees] shall establish policies [which]  
 2201 that protect academic freedom and the content of course and degree  
 2202 programs. [, provided such policies shall be consistent with state-wide  
 2203 policy and guidelines established by the Board of Regents for Higher  
 2204 Education.] Each of said institutions shall confer such degrees in  
 2205 education and in academic and career fields as are appropriate to the  
 2206 curricula of said institution and as are usually conferred by the  
 2207 institutions. [.] Said institutions may confer honorary degrees [may be  
 2208 conferred by said institutions] upon approval of each honorary degree  
 2209 recipient by the Board of [Trustees of the Connecticut State University  
 2210 System] Regents for Higher Education.

2211 Sec. 72. Section 10a-89 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 2212 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

2213 (a) [Subject to state-wide policy and guidelines established by the  
 2214 Board of Regents for Higher Education, the board of trustees] The Board  
 2215 of Regents for Higher Education shall provide for the administration of  
 2216 the Connecticut State University System, plan for the expansion and  
 2217 development of the institutions within its jurisdiction, and submit such  
 2218 plans to the Commissioner of Administrative Services for review and

2219 recommendations. The Commissioner of Administrative Services upon  
2220 request of the board [of trustees] shall, in accordance with section 4b-30,  
2221 negotiate and execute leases on such physical facilities as the board [of  
2222 trustees] may deem necessary for proper operation of such institutions,  
2223 and the board [of trustees] may, with the permission of the  
2224 Commissioner of Administrative Services and the State Properties  
2225 Review Board, expend capital funds therefor if such leasing is required  
2226 during the planning and construction phases of institutions [within its  
2227 jurisdiction] within the Connecticut State University System for which  
2228 such capital funds were authorized. Subject to such policies as may be  
2229 established by the board, [of trustees,] the chief executive officer of each  
2230 institution within the [jurisdiction of the board] Connecticut State  
2231 University System may make buildings and other facilities under its  
2232 control available to nonprofit and other organizations or to individuals  
2233 for temporary uses not inconsistent with the educational purpose of the  
2234 institution. The [board of trustees] Board of Regents for Higher  
2235 Education may appoint or remove the chief executive officer of each  
2236 institution within [its jurisdiction] the Connecticut State University  
2237 System, and with respect to its own operation the board [of trustees]  
2238 may appoint and remove executive staff. The board [of trustees] may  
2239 employ faculty and other personnel needed to maintain and operate the  
2240 institutions within [its jurisdiction] the Connecticut State University  
2241 System. Within the limitation of appropriations, the board [of trustees]  
2242 shall fix the compensation of such personnel, establish terms and  
2243 conditions of employment and prescribe their duties and qualifications.  
2244 The board [of trustees] shall determine who constitutes its professional  
2245 staff and establish compensation and classification schedules for its  
2246 professional staff. The board [of trustees] shall annually submit to the  
2247 Commissioner of Administrative Services a list of the positions which it  
2248 has included within the professional staff. The board [of trustees] may  
2249 appoint one or more physicians for the Connecticut State University  
2250 System and shall provide such physicians with suitable facilities for the  
2251 performance of such duties as it prescribes. [Subject to state-wide policy  
2252 and guidelines established by the Board of Regents for Higher

2253 Education, the board of trustees] The board shall: (1) Make rules for the  
 2254 government of the Connecticut State University System and shall  
 2255 determine the general policies of the university system, including those  
 2256 concerning the admission of students and the expenditure of the funds  
 2257 of institutions [under its jurisdiction] within the Connecticut State  
 2258 University System within the amounts available; (2) develop the  
 2259 mission statement for the university system which shall include, but not  
 2260 be limited to the following elements: (A) The educational needs of and  
 2261 constituencies served by the institutions within [its jurisdiction] the  
 2262 university system; (B) the degrees offered by such institutions; and (C)  
 2263 the role and scope of each institution within the university system,  
 2264 which shall include each institution's particular strengths and  
 2265 specialties; (3) establish policies for the university system and for the  
 2266 individual institutions [under its jurisdiction] within such system; (4)  
 2267 make institutional mergers or closures; (5) coordinate the programs and  
 2268 services of the institutions [under its jurisdiction] within the university  
 2269 system; (6) be authorized to enter into agreements, consistent with the  
 2270 provisions of section 5-141d, to save harmless and indemnify sponsors  
 2271 of research grants to institutions [under its jurisdiction] within the  
 2272 university system, provided such an agreement is required to receive  
 2273 the grant and limits liability to damages or injury resulting from acts or  
 2274 omissions related to such research by employees of such institutions; (7)  
 2275 promote fund-raising by the institutions [under its jurisdiction] within  
 2276 the university system in order to assist such institutions and report to  
 2277 the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having  
 2278 cognizance of matters relating to higher education by January 1, 1994,  
 2279 and biennially thereafter, on all such fund-raising; and (8) charge the  
 2280 direct costs for a building project [under its jurisdiction] within the  
 2281 university system to the bond fund account for such project, provided  
 2282 (A) such costs are charged in accordance with a procedure approved by  
 2283 the Treasurer; and (B) nothing in this subdivision shall permit the  
 2284 charging of working capital, as defined in the applicable provisions of  
 2285 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding  
 2286 internal revenue code of the United States, as from time to time



2287 amended, or costs originally paid from sources other than the bond fund  
2288 account.

2289 (b) The [board of trustees] Board of Regents for Higher Education  
2290 shall: (1) Review and approve institutional budget requests and prepare,  
2291 [and submit to the Board of Governors of Higher Education,] in  
2292 accordance with the provisions of section 10a-8, as amended by this act,  
2293 the budget request for the Connecticut State University System; and (2)  
2294 propose facility planning and capital expenditure budget priorities for  
2295 the institutions [under its jurisdiction] within the university system. The  
2296 board may request authority from the Treasurer to issue payment for  
2297 claims against the state university system, other than a payment for  
2298 payroll, debt service payable on state bonds to bondholders, paying  
2299 agents, or trustees, or any payment the source of which includes the  
2300 proceeds of a state bond issue.

2301 Sec. 73. Subsection (a) of section 10a-89a of the general statutes is  
2302 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
2303 *passage*):

2304 (a) Except when specifically prohibited by the conditions, if any,  
2305 upon which a gift was created or by a conditional sales agreement, the  
2306 Board of [Trustees of the Connecticut State University System] Regents  
2307 for Higher Education is authorized to sell, trade, or otherwise dispose  
2308 of any unwanted, duplicate, out-of-date or irrelevant materials within  
2309 the libraries [under the jurisdiction of the board] within the Connecticut  
2310 State University System, provided the monetary proceeds of such a  
2311 transaction, if any, shall be deemed to be funds from private sources  
2312 and, as such funds, shall be held in the manner prescribed by section 4-  
2313 31a, as amended by this act, for use in furthering any purpose the board  
2314 considers to be in harmony with the original purpose of the gift or  
2315 purchase of such materials.

2316 Sec. 74. Subsections (a) to (c), inclusive, of section 10a-89b of the  
2317 general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu

2318 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

2319 (a) The Board of [Trustees for the Connecticut State University  
2320 System is authorized to] Regents for Higher Education may borrow  
2321 money from the Connecticut Health and Educational Facilities  
2322 Authority for any project for which the authority is authorized to make  
2323 loans pursuant to chapter 187 and to refinance any such borrowing, and  
2324 in connection therewith the Board of [Trustees for the Connecticut State  
2325 University System is authorized to] Regents for Higher Education may  
2326 enter into any loan or other agreement and to make such covenants,  
2327 representations and indemnities as the board [of trustees] deems  
2328 necessary or desirable to obtain such loans from the authority or to  
2329 facilitate the issue of bonds by the authority to finance such loans,  
2330 including agreements with providers of letters of credit, insurance or  
2331 other credit facilities for such financings. Any such agreement,  
2332 covenant, representation and indemnification shall be a full faith and  
2333 credit obligation of the Connecticut State University System. The Board  
2334 of [Trustees of the Connecticut State University System] Regents for  
2335 Higher Education may secure such obligations by a pledge of the  
2336 revenues to be derived from the operation or use of a project or projects,  
2337 from tuition payments, from student fees, from dormitory or dining hall  
2338 income or from other general revenues. Any pledge made by the  
2339 Connecticut State University System pursuant to this section and  
2340 sections 10a-186a and 10a-187 shall be valid and binding from the time  
2341 when the pledge is made. The lien of any such pledge shall be valid and  
2342 binding as against all parties having claims of any kind in tort, contract  
2343 or otherwise against the Connecticut State University System,  
2344 irrespective of whether the parties have notice of the claims.  
2345 Notwithstanding any provision of the Uniform Commercial Code, [to  
2346 the contrary,] no instrument by which such a pledge is created need be  
2347 recorded or filed. Any revenues or other receipts, funds, moneys or  
2348 income so pledged and thereafter received by the Connecticut State  
2349 University System shall be subject immediately to the lien of the pledge  
2350 without any physical delivery thereof or further act and such lien shall

2351 have priority over all other liens, including without limitation the lien  
2352 of any person who, in the ordinary course of business, furnishes services  
2353 or materials to the Connecticut State University System.

2354 (b) The obligations of the Connecticut State University System and  
2355 any pledge entered into by the Connecticut State University System  
2356 pursuant to this section and sections 10a-186a and 10a-187 shall be  
2357 binding upon any successor body or entity and no dissolution or  
2358 termination of the Connecticut State University System shall take effect  
2359 unless adequate provision is made for the payment and fulfillment of  
2360 any obligations entered into by the Connecticut State University System  
2361 pursuant to this section and said sections 10a-186a and 10a-187.

2362 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special act  
2363 [which] that may require that any revenue from the operation of  
2364 facilities of the Connecticut State University System or any revenue of  
2365 all state universities from student fees and dormitory and dining hall  
2366 income or any other revenue of the Connecticut State University System  
2367 be paid to the State Treasurer for the payment of debt service on any  
2368 bonds issued by the state, any revenues pledged by the [board of  
2369 trustees] Board of Regents for Higher Education pursuant to this section  
2370 and said sections 10a-186a and 10a-187 shall be applied first to the extent  
2371 necessary to fulfill the obligations for which such revenues are pledged,  
2372 and only thereafter to the State Treasurer.

2373 Sec. 75. Section 10a-89c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2374 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

2375 (a) If the General Assembly for each fiscal year following the fiscal  
2376 year ending June 30, 1998, to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008,  
2377 inclusive, does not appropriate from the General Fund for the specific  
2378 purpose of debt service on self-liquidating general obligation bonds of  
2379 the state or obligations of the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State  
2380 University System or Board of Regents for Higher Education financed  
2381 through the Connecticut Health and Educational Facilities Authority for

2382 residential and other auxiliary service facilities, excluding any  
2383 appropriation for such debt service to be paid from revenues from  
2384 student fees and dormitory and dining hall income to be paid by the  
2385 Board of [Trustees for the Connecticut State University System] Regents  
2386 for Higher Education to the State Treasurer for the payment of such self-  
2387 liquidating general obligation bonds of the state, (1) the amount of five  
2388 million dollars, or (2) an amount equal to half the sum of revenue from  
2389 student fees received by all the state universities within the Connecticut  
2390 State University System from the uniform assessment of all full-time  
2391 students enrolled at any time at any of the state universities within the  
2392 Connecticut State University System, except for charges for tuition or  
2393 dormitory or dining charges or student activity fee or other fee charged  
2394 by an individual state university, commonly called the university fee,  
2395 for the calendar year ending the preceding December thirty-first, as  
2396 certified by the chairperson of the board [of trustees] by February  
2397 fifteenth to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management,  
2398 whichever amount is less, the State Bond Commission may, in  
2399 accordance with the provisions of this section, from time to time  
2400 authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds of the state in one or  
2401 more series in principal amounts not exceeding five million dollars in  
2402 any such fiscal year, to finance the design, construction or renovation of  
2403 residential and other auxiliary service facilities at state universities  
2404 within the Connecticut State University System, and in any event not  
2405 exceeding the amount which the General Assembly failed to  
2406 appropriate for debt service for that fiscal year in the manner provided  
2407 in this section. For purposes of this section the term "residential and  
2408 other auxiliary facilities" (A) means any residential facilities, student  
2409 centers, dining facilities and other auxiliary service facilities at state  
2410 universities within the Connecticut State University System, and (B)  
2411 includes, but is not limited to, low rise dormitory code compliance  
2412 renovations at Central Connecticut State University; code compliance at  
2413 Central Connecticut State University, Eastern Connecticut State  
2414 University, Southern Connecticut State University and Western  
2415 Connecticut State University; student center addition and renovations

2416 at Central Connecticut State University; student center addition and  
2417 renovations at Eastern Connecticut State University; construction of a  
2418 new student center at Southern Connecticut State University; Burr Hall  
2419 residence hall renovations at Eastern Connecticut State University;  
2420 improvements to Connecticut Hall at Southern Connecticut State  
2421 University; and Shafer Hall residence conversion at Eastern Connecticut  
2422 State University.

2423 (b) All provisions of section 3-20 or the exercise of any right or power  
2424 granted thereby which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this  
2425 section are hereby adopted and shall apply to all state bonds authorized  
2426 by the State Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary  
2427 notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any  
2428 such state bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said  
2429 section 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such state bonds shall  
2430 mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their  
2431 respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or  
2432 resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such state bonds.  
2433 Such state bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be general  
2434 obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of  
2435 Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest  
2436 on such bonds as the same becomes due, and accordingly and as part of  
2437 the contract of the state with the holders of such state bonds,  
2438 appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such  
2439 principal and interest is hereby made, and the Treasurer shall pay such  
2440 principal and interest as the same become due.

2441 (c) None of said state bonds shall be authorized except upon a finding  
2442 by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request  
2443 for such authorization, which is signed by the Secretary of the Office of  
2444 Policy and Management and stating such terms and conditions as said  
2445 commission, in its discretion, may require. Each such request for an  
2446 authorization of state bonds shall state an amount equal to half the sum  
2447 of revenue from student fees received by all of the state universities  
2448 within the Connecticut State University System for the calendar year

2449 ending prior to the last fiscal year, as certified by the chairperson of the  
2450 [board of trustees] Board of Regents for Higher Education, and the  
2451 amount of all state appropriations for debt service on self-liquidating  
2452 general obligation bonds of the state or obligations of the Connecticut  
2453 State University System financed through the Connecticut Health and  
2454 Educational Facilities Authority for the prior fiscal year, as described in  
2455 subsection (a) of this section.

2456 Sec. 76. Section 10a-89e of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2457 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

2458 The Board of [Trustees for the Connecticut State University System]  
2459 Regents for Higher Education shall: (1) Consolidate the purchasing  
2460 process for the [system] Connecticut State University System at the  
2461 central office; (2) expedite the purchasing process by adjusting policies  
2462 and utilizing enabling technologies; and (3) redesign and train central  
2463 purchasing personnel to focus on customer service, vendor  
2464 management activities and the establishment of system contracts.

2465 Sec. 77. Section 10a-89f of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2466 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

2467 The Board of [Trustees of the Connecticut State University System]  
2468 Regents for Higher Education shall develop a policy for the Connecticut  
2469 State University System that (1) provides for the disbursement of  
2470 financial aid to students who have met all federal, state and institutional  
2471 requirements for financial aid by the first day of the academic term, or  
2472 (2) permits students to use financial aid that has not yet been disbursed  
2473 at stores on the campuses of the universities [under the board's  
2474 jurisdiction] within said university system to purchase during the first  
2475 week of the academic term required textbooks for courses taught at the  
2476 universities.

2477 Sec. 78. Section 10a-90 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2478 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

2479       The Board of [Trustees for the Connecticut State University System]  
 2480       Regents for Higher Education, with the approval of the Governor and  
 2481       the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, may lease state-  
 2482       owned land under its care, custody or control to private developers for  
 2483       construction of dormitory buildings, provided such developers agree to  
 2484       lease such buildings to [such] said board [of trustees] with an option to  
 2485       purchase and provided further that any such agreement to lease is  
 2486       subject to the provisions of section 4b-23, prior to the making of the  
 2487       original lease by [the] said board. [of trustees.] The plans for such  
 2488       buildings shall be subject to approval of such board, the Commissioner  
 2489       of Administrative Services and the State Properties Review Board and  
 2490       such leases shall be for the periods and upon such terms and conditions  
 2491       as the Commissioner of Administrative Services determines, and such  
 2492       buildings, while privately owned, shall be subject to taxation by the  
 2493       town in which they are located. The Board of [Trustees for the  
 2494       Connecticut State University System] Regents for Higher Education  
 2495       may also deed, transfer or lease state-owned land under its care, custody  
 2496       or control to the State of Connecticut Health and Educational Facilities  
 2497       Authority for financing or refinancing the planning, development,  
 2498       acquisition and construction and equipping of dormitory buildings and  
 2499       student housing facilities and to lease or sublease such dormitory  
 2500       buildings or student housing facilities and authorize the execution of  
 2501       financing leases of land, interests therein, buildings and fixtures in order  
 2502       to secure obligations to repay any loan from the State of Connecticut  
 2503       Health and Educational Facilities Authority from the proceeds of bonds  
 2504       issued thereby pursuant to the provisions of chapter 187 made by the  
 2505       authority to finance or refinance the planning, development, acquisition  
 2506       and construction of dormitory buildings. Any such financing lease shall  
 2507       not be subject to the provisions of section 4b-23 and the plans for such  
 2508       dormitories shall be subject only to the approval of the board. Such  
 2509       financing leases shall be for such periods and upon such terms and  
 2510       conditions that the board shall determine. Any state property so leased  
 2511       shall not be subject to local assessment and taxation and such state  
 2512       property shall be included as property of the Connecticut State

2513 University System for the purpose of computing a grant in lieu of taxes  
2514 pursuant to section 12-18b.

2515 Sec. 79. Subsection (a) of section 10a-91 of the general statutes is  
2516 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
2517 *passage*):

2518 (a) The Board of [Trustees of the Connecticut State University System]  
2519 Regents for Higher Education, with the approval of the Governor, the  
2520 Commissioner of Administrative Services and the State Properties  
2521 Review Board, may lease land or buildings under its care, custody or  
2522 control to private developers for rental housing and commercial  
2523 establishments. Such leases shall be for periods and upon such terms  
2524 and conditions, including, but not limited to, provision for adequate  
2525 liability insurance to be maintained by the lessee for the benefit of the  
2526 state and rental terms, as may be determined by the Commissioner of  
2527 Administrative Services and, in the case of a lease of land, may provide  
2528 for the construction of buildings thereon to be used for rental housing  
2529 and commercial establishments, the plans of which shall be subject to  
2530 the approval of the board, [of trustees,] the Commissioner of  
2531 Administrative Services and the State Properties Review Board. Said  
2532 board [of trustees] may provide for water, heat and waste disposal  
2533 services on a cost-reimbursement basis to such leased premises. Said  
2534 board may designate the kinds of concessions for supplying goods,  
2535 commodities, services and facilities to be permitted on such land and  
2536 may select the permittees, or said board may delegate such functions to  
2537 the private developers with which it contracts pursuant to this section.

2538 Sec. 80. Section 10a-91b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2539 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

2540 The purpose of The Board of Regents for Higher Education  
2541 Infrastructure Act is to enhance the intellectual capacity of the state by  
2542 providing the infrastructure needed to prepare this state's present and  
2543 future workforce, to contribute to the increased competitiveness of this



2544 state's businesses and to have a positive impact on economic  
 2545 development within this state, through a special capital improvement  
 2546 program established for the [regional community-technical colleges]  
 2547 Connecticut State Community College, the Connecticut State University  
 2548 System and Charter Oak State College that assures a state commitment  
 2549 to support the financing of the acquisition, construction, reconstruction,  
 2550 improvement and equipping of facilities, structures and related systems  
 2551 for the benefit of this state and the [regional community-technical  
 2552 colleges] Connecticut State Community College, the Connecticut State  
 2553 University System and Charter Oak State College, all to the public  
 2554 benefit and good, and the exercise of the powers, to the extent and  
 2555 manner provided in The Board of Regents for Higher Education  
 2556 Infrastructure Act, is declared to be for a public purpose and to be the  
 2557 exercise of an essential government function. Sections 10a-91c to 10a-  
 2558 91h, inclusive, as amended by this act, being necessary for the welfare  
 2559 of this state and its inhabitants, shall be liberally construed to effect the  
 2560 purposes thereof.

2561 Sec. 81. Subdivision (7) of section 10a-91c of the general statutes is  
 2562 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
 2563 *passage*):

2564 (7) "System" means the [regional community-technical colleges]  
 2565 Connecticut State Community College, the Connecticut State University  
 2566 System, Charter Oak State College and constituent units of the state  
 2567 system of higher education, established pursuant to sections [10a-71]  
 2568 10a-72 to 10a-101, inclusive, as amended by this act, and sections 10a-  
 2569 143 to 10a-143b, inclusive.

2570 Sec. 82. Subsection (f) of section 10a-91d of the general statutes is  
 2571 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
 2572 *passage*):

2573 (f) Not later than July 1, 2015, and biannually thereafter, the Board of  
 2574 Regents for Higher Education shall, in accordance with section 11-4a,

2575 report to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having  
 2576 cognizance of matters relating to higher education and finance on how  
 2577 the Board of Regents for Higher Education disbursed to and divided  
 2578 among each state university and each [regional community-technical  
 2579 college] campus of the Connecticut State Community College the  
 2580 proceeds of the general obligation bonds issued pursuant to subsection  
 2581 (a) of section 10a-91e for each of the projects listed under the Board of  
 2582 Regents for Higher Education in subsection (a) of this section.

2583 Sec. 83. Section 10a-92 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 2584 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

2585 The Board of [Trustees of the Connecticut State University System]  
 2586 Regents for Higher Education shall appoint a committee at each state  
 2587 university campus within the Connecticut State University System to  
 2588 establish traffic and parking regulations for passenger vehicles on such  
 2589 campus. Such traffic committee, subject to the approval of said board  
 2590 and of the Office of the State Traffic Administration, may: (1) Prohibit,  
 2591 limit or restrict the parking of passenger vehicles; (2) determine speed  
 2592 limits; (3) install stop signs; (4) restrict roads or portions thereof to one-  
 2593 way traffic; (5) designate the location of crosswalks on any portion of  
 2594 any road or highway subject to the care, custody and control of said  
 2595 board; [of trustees;] (6) order signs to be erected and maintained  
 2596 designating such prohibitions or restrictions; and (7) impose a fine upon  
 2597 any person who fails to comply with any such prohibition or restriction.  
 2598 Violation of any provision of this section shall be an infraction. All fines  
 2599 so imposed at each state university, less an amount not to exceed the  
 2600 cost of enforcing traffic and parking regulations, shall be deposited in  
 2601 the institutional operating account of such state university for  
 2602 scholarships and library services or acquisitions. The Board of [Trustees  
 2603 of the Connecticut State University System] Regents for Higher  
 2604 Education shall establish at each state university campus within the  
 2605 Connecticut State University System a committee which shall hear  
 2606 appeals of penalties assessed for parking or traffic violations. The  
 2607 membership of both the committee to establish traffic and parking

2608 regulations and the committee to hear traffic violation appeals shall  
2609 include student and faculty representation.

2610 Sec. 84. Section 10a-94 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2611 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

2612 The Board of [Trustees of the Connecticut State University System]  
2613 Regents for Higher Education on behalf of the Connecticut State  
2614 University System shall maintain, as a part of its extension programs,  
2615 summer sessions at such place or places as may be practicable and may  
2616 fix the tuition fees to be charged.

2617 Sec. 85. Section 10a-98 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2618 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

2619 As used in this section and sections 10a-98a to 10a-98g, inclusive, (1)  
2620 "board" means the Board of [Trustees of the Connecticut State  
2621 University System;] Regents for Higher Education; (2) "foundation"  
2622 means the research foundation established in accordance with section  
2623 10a-98a; (3) "employee" means any member of the faculty or staff of the  
2624 Connecticut State University System or the foundation, or any other  
2625 employee thereof; and (4) "invention" means any invention or discovery  
2626 and shall be divided into the following categories: [A.] (A) Any  
2627 invention conceived by one employee solely, or by employees jointly;  
2628 [B.] (B) any invention conceived by one or more employees jointly with  
2629 one or more other persons; [C.] or (C) any invention conceived by one  
2630 or more persons who are not employees.

2631 Sec. 86. Section 10a-99 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2632 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

2633 (a) Subject to the provisions of section 10a-26, the Board of [Trustees  
2634 of the Connecticut State University System] Regents for Higher  
2635 Education shall fix fees for tuition and [shall fix fees] for such other  
2636 purposes as the board deems necessary [at the] for each state university  
2637 within the Connecticut State University System, and may make refunds

2638 of the same.

2639 (b) The Board of Regents for Higher Education shall establish and  
2640 administer a fund to be known as the Connecticut State University  
2641 System Operating Fund. Appropriations from general revenues of the  
2642 state and upon request by the Connecticut State University System and  
2643 with the annual review and approval by the Secretary of the Office of  
2644 Policy and Management, the amount of the appropriations for fringe  
2645 benefits pursuant to subsection (a) of section 4-73, shall be transferred  
2646 from the State Comptroller and all tuition revenue received by the  
2647 Connecticut State University System in accordance with the provisions  
2648 of subsection (a) of this section shall be deposited in said fund. Income  
2649 from student fees or related charges, the proceeds of auxiliary activities  
2650 and business enterprises, gifts and donations, federal funds and grants,  
2651 subject to the provisions of sections 10a-98 to 10a-98g, inclusive, as  
2652 amended by this act, and all receipts derived from the conduct by a state  
2653 university of its education extension program and its summer school  
2654 session shall be credited to said fund but shall be allocated to the central  
2655 office and institutional operating accounts which shall be established  
2656 and maintained for the central office and each state university. Any such  
2657 gifts and donations, federal funds and grants for purposes of research  
2658 shall be allocated to separate accounts within such central office and  
2659 institutional operating accounts. If the Secretary of the Office of Policy  
2660 and Management disapproves such transfer, the secretary may require  
2661 the amount of the appropriation for operating expenses to be used for  
2662 personal services and fringe benefits to be excluded from said fund. The  
2663 State Treasurer shall review and approve the transfer prior to such  
2664 request by the university. The board shall establish an equitable policy,  
2665 in accordance with section 10a-8, as amended by this act, for allocation  
2666 of appropriations from general revenues of the state, fringe benefits  
2667 transferred from the State Comptroller and tuition revenue deposited in  
2668 the Connecticut State University System Operating Fund. At the  
2669 beginning of each quarter of the fiscal year, the board shall allocate and  
2670 transfer, in accordance with said policy, moneys for expenditure in such

2671 institutional operating accounts, exclusive of amounts retained for  
2672 central office operations and reasonable reserves for future distribution.  
2673 All costs of waiving or remitting tuition pursuant to subsection (f) of this  
2674 section shall be charged to the Connecticut State University System  
2675 Operating Fund. Repairs, alterations or additions to facilities supported  
2676 by the Connecticut State University System Operating Fund and costing  
2677 one million dollars or more shall require the approval of the General  
2678 Assembly, or when the General Assembly is not in session, of the  
2679 Finance Advisory Committee. Any balance of receipts above  
2680 expenditures shall remain in said fund, except such sums as may be  
2681 required for deposit into a debt service fund or the General Fund for  
2682 further payment by the Treasurer of debt service on general obligation  
2683 bonds of the state issued for purposes of the Connecticut State  
2684 University System.

2685 (c) Commencing December 1, 1984, and thereafter not later than sixty  
2686 days after the close of each quarter, the [board of trustees] Board of  
2687 Regents for Higher Education shall submit, in accordance with the  
2688 provisions of section 11-4a, to the joint standing committee of the  
2689 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to  
2690 appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, the Office of Higher  
2691 Education and the Office of Policy and Management a report on the  
2692 actual expenditures of the Connecticut State University System  
2693 Operating Fund.

2694 (d) [Said board] The Board of Regents for Higher Education shall  
2695 waive the payment of tuition fees for undergraduate and graduate  
2696 degree programs at the Connecticut State University System (1) for any  
2697 dependent child of a person whom the armed forces of the United States  
2698 has declared to be missing in action or to have been a prisoner of war  
2699 while serving in such armed forces after January 1, 1960, which child  
2700 has been accepted for admission to such institution and is a resident of  
2701 the state at the time such child is accepted for admission to such  
2702 institution, (2) subject to the provisions of subsection (e) of this section,  
2703 for any veteran, as defined in section 27-103, who performed service in

2704 time of war, as defined in section 27-103, except that for purposes of this  
2705 subsection, "service in time of war" shall not include time spent in  
2706 attendance at a military service academy, which veteran has been  
2707 accepted for admission to such institution and is domiciled in this state  
2708 at the time such veteran is accepted for admission to such institution, (3)  
2709 for any resident of the state sixty-two years of age or older who has been  
2710 accepted for admission to such institution, provided (A) such resident  
2711 is enrolled in a degree-granting program, or (B) at the end of the regular  
2712 registration period, there are enrolled in the course a sufficient number  
2713 of students other than those residents eligible for waivers pursuant to  
2714 this subdivision to offer the course in which such resident intends to  
2715 enroll and there is space available in such course after accommodating  
2716 all such students, (4) for any student attending the Connecticut Police  
2717 Academy who is enrolled in a law enforcement program at said  
2718 academy offered in coordination with the university which accredits  
2719 courses taken in such program, (5) for any active member of the  
2720 Connecticut Army or Air National Guard who (A) has been certified by  
2721 the Adjutant General or such Adjutant General's designee as a member  
2722 in good standing of the guard, and (B) is enrolled or accepted for  
2723 admission to such institution on a full-time or part-time basis in an  
2724 undergraduate or graduate degree-granting program, (6) for any  
2725 dependent child of a (A) police officer, as defined in section 7-294a, or  
2726 supernumerary or auxiliary police officer, (B) firefighter, as defined in  
2727 section 7-323j, or member of a volunteer fire company, (C) municipal  
2728 employee, or (D) state employee, as defined in section 5-154, killed in  
2729 the line of duty, (7) for any resident of this state who is a dependent  
2730 child or surviving spouse of a specified terrorist victim who was a  
2731 resident of the state, (8) for any dependent child of a resident of the state  
2732 who was killed in a multivehicle crash at or near the intersection of  
2733 Routes 44 and 10 and Nod Road in Avon on July 29, 2005, and (9) for  
2734 any resident of the state who is a dependent child or surviving spouse  
2735 of a person who was killed in action while performing active military  
2736 duty with the armed forces of the United States on or after September  
2737 11, 2001, and who was a resident of this state. If any person who receives

2738 a tuition waiver in accordance with the provisions of this subsection also  
2739 receives educational reimbursement from an employer, such waiver  
2740 shall be reduced by the amount of such educational reimbursement.  
2741 Veterans and members of the National Guard described in subdivision  
2742 (5) of this subsection shall be given the same status as students not  
2743 receiving tuition waivers in registering for courses at Connecticut state  
2744 universities. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10a-30, as used  
2745 in this subsection, "domiciled in this state" includes domicile for less  
2746 than one year.

2747 (e) (1) If any veteran described in subsection (d) of this section has  
2748 applied for federal educational assistance under the Post-9/11 Veterans  
2749 Educational Assistance Act of 2008, the [board of trustees] Board of  
2750 Regents for Higher Education shall waive the payment of tuition at the  
2751 Connecticut State University System for such veteran in accordance  
2752 with subdivision (2) of this subsection. If any such veteran certifies to  
2753 said board that such veteran's application for such federal educational  
2754 assistance has been denied or withdrawn, said board [of trustees] shall  
2755 waive the payment of tuition in accordance with subsection (d) of this  
2756 section.

2757 (2) (A) For purposes of this subdivision, "veteran tuition benefit"  
2758 means the portion of federal educational assistance under the Post-9/11  
2759 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008 to be paid to the  
2760 Connecticut State University System on behalf of a veteran that  
2761 represents payment for tuition. Such portion shall be calculated by  
2762 multiplying (i) the total amount of such federal educational assistance  
2763 to be paid to the Connecticut State University System on behalf of such  
2764 veteran by (ii) an amount obtained by dividing (I) the actual tuition  
2765 charged by the Connecticut State University System to such veteran by  
2766 (II) the sum of the actual tuition and fees charged by the Connecticut  
2767 State University System to such veteran.

2768 (B) Said board [of trustees] shall waive the payment of tuition in  
2769 excess of the veteran tuition benefit at the Connecticut State University

2770 System for such veteran.

2771 (f) [Said board] The Board of Regents for Higher Education shall set  
2772 aside from its anticipated tuition revenue, an amount not less than that  
2773 required by the [board of governors'] tuition policy established under  
2774 subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of section 10a-6, as amended by this act.  
2775 Such funds shall be used to provide tuition waivers, tuition remissions,  
2776 grants for educational expenses and student employment for any  
2777 undergraduate or graduate student who is enrolled as a full or part-time  
2778 matriculated student in a degree-granting program, or enrolled in a  
2779 precollege remedial program, and who demonstrates substantial  
2780 financial need. Said board may also set aside from its anticipated tuition  
2781 revenue an additional amount equal to one per cent of said tuition  
2782 revenue for financial assistance for students who would not otherwise  
2783 be eligible for financial assistance but who do have a financial need as  
2784 determined by the university in accordance with this subsection. In  
2785 determining such financial need, the university shall exclude the value  
2786 of equity in the principal residence of the student's parents or legal  
2787 guardians, or in the student's principal residence if the student is not  
2788 considered to be a dependent of his parents or legal guardians and shall  
2789 assess the earnings of a dependent student at the rate of thirty per cent.

2790 (g) The Connecticut State University System Operating Fund shall be  
2791 reimbursed for the amount by which the tuition waivers granted under  
2792 subsection (d) of this section exceed two and one-half per cent of tuition  
2793 revenue through an annual state appropriation. The [board of trustees]  
2794 Board of Regents for Higher Education shall request such an  
2795 appropriation and said appropriation shall be based upon an estimate  
2796 of tuition revenue loss using tuition rates in effect for the fiscal year in  
2797 which such appropriation will apply.

2798 (h) [Said board of trustees] The Board of Regents for Higher  
2799 Education shall allow any student who is a member of the armed forces  
2800 called to active duty during any semester to enroll in any course for  
2801 which such student had remitted tuition but which was not completed



2802 due to active duty status. Such course reenrollment shall be offered to  
2803 any qualifying student for a period not exceeding four years after the  
2804 date of release from active duty without additional tuition, student fee  
2805 or related charge, except if such student has been fully reimbursed for  
2806 the tuition, fees and charges for the course that was not completed.

2807 (i) The Board of Regents for Higher Education shall not assess or  
2808 charge a graduation fee to any student enrolled in the Connecticut State  
2809 University System for the purpose of graduating from a state university  
2810 within such system.

2811 Sec. 87. Section 10a-99a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2812 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

2813 (a) (1) The Board of [Trustees of the Connecticut State University  
2814 System] Regents for Higher Education shall establish a permanent  
2815 Endowment Fund for the Connecticut State University System to  
2816 encourage donations from the private sector, with an incentive in the  
2817 form of an endowment fund state grant, the net earnings on the  
2818 principal of which are dedicated and made available to a state university  
2819 or the Connecticut State University System as a whole, for endowed  
2820 professorships, scholarships and programmatic enhancements. The  
2821 fund shall be administered by the [board of trustees] Board of Regents  
2822 for Higher Education, or by a nonprofit entity entrusted for such  
2823 purpose and qualified as a Section 501(c)(3) organization under the  
2824 Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding  
2825 internal revenue code of the United States, as from time to time  
2826 amended, and preferably constituted and controlled independent of the  
2827 state and university so as to qualify the interest on state bonds the  
2828 proceeds of which have been granted for deposit in the endowment  
2829 fund as excludable from federal taxation under such code and shall, in  
2830 any event, be held in a trust fund separate and apart from all other funds  
2831 and accounts of the state and university. There shall be deposited into  
2832 the fund: (A) Endowment fund state grants; and (B) interest or other  
2833 earnings from the investment of moneys in the endowment fund

2834 pending transfer of the principal of the fund for the purposes identified  
2835 in this subdivision. Endowment fund eligible gifts made on behalf of a  
2836 state university or the system as a whole shall be deposited in a  
2837 permanent endowment fund created for each such state university and  
2838 the system as a whole in the appropriate foundation established  
2839 pursuant to sections 4-37e, as amended by this act, and 4-37f, as  
2840 amended by this act. A portion of the endowment fund state grant and  
2841 a portion of earnings on such grant, including capital appreciation, shall  
2842 be transferred, annually, within thirty days of the receipt of the  
2843 endowment fund state grant by the permanent Endowment Fund for  
2844 the Connecticut State University System, to such a state university  
2845 endowment fund based on the ratio of the total amount of such gifts  
2846 made to such state university to the total amount of all such gifts made  
2847 to all the state universities and the system as a whole, provided the  
2848 provisions of section 4-37f, as amended by this act, are satisfied.

2849 [(2) (A) For each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2000, to June 30,  
2850 2006, inclusive, as part of the state contract with donors of endowment  
2851 fund eligible gifts, the Office of Higher Education, in accordance with  
2852 section 10a-8b, shall deposit in the Endowment Fund for the  
2853 Connecticut State University System a grant in an amount equal to half  
2854 of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts received by or for  
2855 the benefit of the Connecticut State University System as a whole and  
2856 each state university for the calendar year ending the December thirty-  
2857 first preceding the commencement of such fiscal year, as certified by the  
2858 chairperson of the board of trustees by February fifteenth to (i) the  
2859 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, (ii) the joint standing  
2860 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
2861 relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, and (iii) the  
2862 Commissioner of Higher Education, provided such sums do not exceed  
2863 the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment for the fiscal  
2864 year in which the grant is made.

2865 (B) For each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2007, to June 30, 2014,  
2866 inclusive, as part of the state contract with donors of endowment fund

2867 eligible gifts, the Office of Higher Education, in accordance with section  
2868 10a-8b, shall deposit in the Endowment Fund for the Connecticut State  
2869 University System a grant in an amount equal to one-quarter of the total  
2870 amount of endowment fund eligible gifts, except as provided for in this  
2871 subdivision, received by or for the benefit of the Connecticut State  
2872 University System as a whole and each state university for the calendar  
2873 year ending the December thirty-first preceding the commencement of  
2874 such fiscal year, as certified by the chairperson of the board of trustees  
2875 by February fifteenth to (i) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and  
2876 Management, (ii) the joint standing committee of the General Assembly  
2877 having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets  
2878 of state agencies, and (iii) the Commissioner of Higher Education,  
2879 provided such sums do not exceed the endowment fund state grant  
2880 maximum commitment for the fiscal year in which the grant is made.  
2881 Endowment fund eligible gifts that meet the criteria set forth in this  
2882 subdivision, made by donors during the period from January 1, 2005, to  
2883 June 30, 2005, shall continue to be matched by the Office of Higher  
2884 Education in an amount equal to one-half of the total amount of  
2885 endowment fund eligible gifts received. Commitments by donors to  
2886 make endowment fund eligible gifts for two or more years that meet the  
2887 criteria set forth in this subdivision and that are made for the period  
2888 prior to December 31, 2004, but ending before December 31, 2012, shall  
2889 continue to be matched by the Office of Higher Education in an amount  
2890 equal to one-half of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts  
2891 received.

2892 (C) In any such fiscal year in which the total of the eligible gifts  
2893 received by the Connecticut State University System as a whole and  
2894 each state university exceed the endowment fund state grant maximum  
2895 commitment for such fiscal year the amount in excess of such  
2896 endowment fund state grant maximum commitment shall be carried  
2897 forward and be eligible for a matching state grant in any succeeding  
2898 fiscal year from the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, to the fiscal year  
2899 ending June 30, 2014, inclusive, subject to the endowment fund state

2900 grant maximum commitment. Any endowment fund eligible gifts that  
2901 are not included in the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts  
2902 certified by the chairperson of the board of trustees pursuant to this  
2903 subdivision may be carried forward and be eligible for a matching state  
2904 grant in any succeeding fiscal year from the fiscal year ending June 30,  
2905 2000, to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, inclusive, subject to the  
2906 endowment fund state matching grant maximum commitment for such  
2907 fiscal year.]

2908 [(3)] (2) The Board of [Trustees of the Connecticut State University  
2909 System] Regents for Higher Education shall adopt, by October 1, 1997,  
2910 guidelines with respect to (A) the solicitation of endowment fund  
2911 eligible gifts from private donors, and (B) governing the acceptance of  
2912 gifts made by a foundation established pursuant to sections 4-37e, as  
2913 amended by this act, and 4-37f, as amended by this act, to a state  
2914 university or its employees for reimbursement of expenditures or  
2915 payment of expenditures on behalf of a state university or its employees.  
2916 Private donations shall not be construed to include proceeds of federal  
2917 grants but may include proceeds of municipal grants.

2918 (b) For the purposes of this section: (1) "Endowment fund eligible  
2919 gift" means a gift to or for the benefit of any of the state universities of  
2920 the Connecticut State University System or the system as a whole of cash  
2921 or assets which may be reduced to cash or which has the value that is  
2922 ascertainable by the state universities or the system as a whole and  
2923 which the donor has specifically designated for deposit in the  
2924 endowment fund or which explicitly or implicitly by the terms of the  
2925 gift, the universities or the system as a whole may and does deposit or  
2926 permit to be deposited in the endowment funds; [.] and (2) "Endowment  
2927 fund state grant" means moneys transferred by the Office of Higher  
2928 Education from the fund established pursuant to section 10a-8b to the  
2929 endowment fund established pursuant to this section in an aggregate  
2930 amount not exceeding the endowment fund state grant maximum  
2931 commitment. [(3)] "Endowment fund state grant maximum  
2932 commitment" means an amount not exceeding two and one-half million

dollars in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, five million dollars for each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2001, and June 30, 2002, and seven million five hundred thousand dollars for each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2003, to June 30, 2014, inclusive.]

Sec. 88. Section 10a-144 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

There is established a higher education center for the central Naugatuck Valley region. The [regional community-technical college] Connecticut State Community College campus established for the greater Waterbury area pursuant to subsection (g) of section 10a-78, as amended by this act, shall be located at such center. The University of Connecticut shall have access to classrooms, faculty office space and concurrent and cooperative use of common student facilities including, but not limited to, library and athletic fields, at such center. The Board of Regents for Higher Education, in conjunction with the chancellor of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities, or the chancellor's designee, shall develop an annual joint use plan for such center. On or before September 1, 1993, and annually thereafter, the chancellor of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities shall call and convene an initial meeting for the development of such plan.

Sec. 89. Section 10a-149 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) In addition to other powers granted in the general statutes, authority and responsibility for the operation of the state's public institutions of higher education shall be vested in (1) the Board of Trustees of The University of Connecticut which shall have exclusive responsibility for programs leading to research doctoral, doctor of medicine, doctor of dental medicine and juris doctor degrees, (2) the Board of [Trustees of the Connecticut State University System] Regents for Higher Education on behalf of the Connecticut State University System which shall have special responsibility for the preparation of

2964 personnel for the public schools of the state including master's degree  
 2965 programs, education doctoral degree programs, including an education  
 2966 doctoral degree program in nursing education, and other graduate  
 2967 study in education, and authority for providing (A) liberal arts and  
 2968 career programs at the bachelors, masters and sixth year level, and (B)  
 2969 professional doctoral degree programs, except programs leading to  
 2970 research doctoral, doctor of medicine, doctor of dental medicine and  
 2971 juris doctor degrees, (3) the Board of [Trustees of the Community-  
 2972 Technical Colleges] Regents for Higher Education on behalf of the  
 2973 Connecticut State Community College which shall have responsibility  
 2974 for providing programs, as enumerated in section 10a-80, as amended  
 2975 by this act, leading, where appropriate, to an associate degree or  
 2976 occupational certificate and programs leading to the degree of associate  
 2977 in applied science and such other appropriate degrees or certificates [as  
 2978 are approved by the Board of Regents for Higher Education] and for  
 2979 such terminal vocational retraining and continuing education programs  
 2980 leading to occupational certificates as are appropriate, and (4) the Board  
 2981 of Regents for Higher Education which shall have responsibility for the  
 2982 award of external degrees and credits earned at Charter Oak State  
 2983 College by examination and by other forms of validation and by  
 2984 evaluation of learning, including transfer of credit, provided the  
 2985 authority of the [Boards] Board of Trustees of The University of  
 2986 Connecticut [, the Connecticut State University System and the  
 2987 Community-Technical Colleges] and the Board of Regents for Higher  
 2988 Education on behalf of the Connecticut State University System and the  
 2989 Connecticut State Community College to award degrees of the  
 2990 respective institutions shall not be affected.

2991 (b) In approving programs provided under subparagraph (B) of  
 2992 subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section, the Board of [Trustees  
 2993 for the Connecticut State University System] Regents for Higher  
 2994 Education shall consider (1) the effect a proposed professional doctoral  
 2995 degree program would have on the budget of the state university within  
 2996 the Connecticut State University System seeking to offer such program,

2997 (2) whether expertise in the subject matter of such program currently  
 2998 exists at [the] such state university, (3) the current and projected  
 2999 accreditation standards governing such program, and (4) the current  
 3000 and projected professional standards in the occupational field for which  
 3001 students would qualify for employment upon graduation from such  
 3002 program.

3003 Sec. 90. Section 10a-151a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 3004 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3005 (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of [any general statute or  
 3006 regulation to the contrary] the general statutes or regulations of  
 3007 Connecticut state agencies, the [Boards] Board of Trustees [for the  
 3008 Community-Technical Colleges, the Connecticut State University  
 3009 System and] of The University of Connecticut and the Board of Regents  
 3010 for Higher Education shall annually designate from the funds available  
 3011 to each board for equipment an amount to be spent by each institution  
 3012 under its jurisdiction for the purchase of equipment used for research  
 3013 purposes, library media and library books for each such fiscal year.

3014 (b) Within the limitations of funds designated pursuant to subsection  
 3015 (a) of this section by each board [of trustees] for the purchase of  
 3016 equipment used for research purposes, library media and library books,  
 3017 the expenditure of such funds and the purposes therefor shall be in the  
 3018 sole jurisdiction of the chief executive officer of each institution, subject  
 3019 to the policies of [the] each board [of trustees] and shall not be subject to  
 3020 the approval of any other state agency, but shall be subject to auditing  
 3021 procedures required pursuant to section 2-90, provided the purchase of  
 3022 equipment used for research purposes and library media shall be made  
 3023 from the most competitive source. Such officer shall report annually to  
 3024 the board [of trustees] of [his] such officer's respective institution on the  
 3025 expenditure of funds.

3026 Sec. 91. Subsection (a) of section 10a-151b of the general statutes is  
 3027 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*

3028 *passage*):

3029 (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 58, and sections 4-98,  
 3030 4a-4, 4a-5, 4a-6, 4d-2, and 4d-5 to the contrary, a chief executive officer  
 3031 may purchase equipment, supplies and contractual services, execute  
 3032 personal service agreements, as defined in section 4-212, or lease  
 3033 personal property compatible, where relevant, with standards for  
 3034 computer architecture established by the Department of Administrative  
 3035 Services, without the approval of the Comptroller, the Secretary of the  
 3036 Office of Policy and Management or the Commissioner of  
 3037 Administrative Services, provided the chief executive officer consults  
 3038 with the commissioner and such purchases are made in accordance with  
 3039 this section and in accordance with policies [which] that are (1) adopted  
 3040 by the governing board [of trustees] of the constituent unit after  
 3041 reasonable opportunity for interested persons to present their views,  
 3042 and (2) subject to section 4-175. For purposes of this section, "chief  
 3043 executive officer" means the chief executive officer of a constituent unit  
 3044 of the state system of higher education or the chief executive officer of  
 3045 an institution or campus within the jurisdiction of such a constituent  
 3046 unit. The provisions of sections 4-212 to 4-219, inclusive, and section 9  
 3047 of public act 93-336 shall not apply to personal service agreements  
 3048 executed pursuant to this section.

3049 Sec. 92. Section 10a-151c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 3050 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3051 Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, [to the  
 3052 contrary,] the chief executive officer of each institution within the  
 3053 jurisdiction of a constituent unit of the state system of higher education  
 3054 shall have the authority to approve travel requests and the payment of  
 3055 travel expenses incurred by employees of their institutions, in  
 3056 accordance with rates and policies approved by the governing board [of  
 3057 trustees] of the constituent unit, provided such rates and policies are (1)  
 3058 [are] approved after reasonable opportunity has been provided for  
 3059 interested persons to present their views, and (2) [are] subject to section



3060 4-175. Travel expenses paid pursuant to this subsection shall be paid  
3061 upon the order of the Comptroller.

3062 Sec. 93. Section 10a-151d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
3063 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3064 On or before January 1, 2015, and annually thereafter, the governing  
3065 board [of trustees] of each constituent unit of the state system of higher  
3066 education shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of  
3067 section 11-4a, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly  
3068 having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets  
3069 of state agencies concerning expenditures pursuant to [section] sections  
3070 4a-52a, 10a-151b, as amended by this act, and 10a-151c, as amended by  
3071 this act, during the preceding fiscal year.

3072 Sec. 94. Section 10a-152 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
3073 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3074 The governing boards [of trustees] of each constituent unit, subject to  
3075 the provisions of the general statutes, may receive any federal funds  
3076 made available to this state for postsecondary educational purposes and  
3077 expend such funds for the purpose or purposes for which they are made  
3078 available. The State Treasurer shall be the custodian of such funds.  
3079 [Said] Such boards may allocate and use any appropriate or special fund  
3080 to meet the matching requirements of any federal act making funds  
3081 available to the state for postsecondary educational purposes.

3082 Sec. 95. Section 10a-154a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
3083 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3084 Any record maintained or kept on file by a governing board [of  
3085 trustees] of a constituent unit of the state system of higher education  
3086 [which] that is a record of the performance and evaluation of a faculty  
3087 or professional staff member of such constituent unit shall not be  
3088 deemed to be a public record and shall not be subject to disclosure under  
3089 the provisions of section 1-210, unless such faculty or professional staff

3090 member consents in writing to the release of his records by the  
3091 governing board [of trustees] of the constituent unit. Such consent shall  
3092 be required for each request for a release of such records.

3093 Sec. 96. Section 10a-154b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
3094 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3095 Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 5-214 and 5-215 or any  
3096 other provision of the general statutes or special act, [to the contrary,]  
3097 the chief executive officer of a constituent unit of the state system of  
3098 higher education and the chief executive officer of an institution or  
3099 campus within the jurisdiction of a constituent unit of the state system  
3100 of higher education may establish positions and approve the filling of  
3101 all position vacancies of such constituent unit or institution within the  
3102 limits of available funds and in accordance with policies approved by  
3103 the governing board [of trustees] of the constituent unit.

3104 Sec. 97. Section 10a-156a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
3105 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3106 (a) [Not later than October 1, 2013, each] Each constituent unit of the  
3107 state system of higher education and each independent institution of  
3108 higher education [, as defined in subsection (a) of section 10a-173,] shall  
3109 submit an up-to-date security protocol plan to the Department of  
3110 Emergency Services and Public Protection. Such plan shall identify  
3111 procedures specifically designed to heighten awareness by all faculty  
3112 and staff regarding potentially at-risk students and other individuals on  
3113 campus through effective educational strategies. Such procedures shall  
3114 be designed to educate faculty and staff on how to recognize and  
3115 respond to students and such other individuals who may be at risk of  
3116 harm to themselves or others. Not later than July 1, 2015, and biennially  
3117 thereafter, each constituent unit and independent institution of higher  
3118 education shall review the security protocol plan with each of its chiefs  
3119 of police or heads of campus security to determine whether such plan  
3120 adequately addresses campus security concerns or requires revisions. In

the event that revisions are required, the constituent unit or independent institution of higher education making revisions shall submit a revised security protocol plan to the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection not later than August first of the year in which revisions are deemed necessary.

(b) [Not later than January 1, 2014, each] Each constituent unit and independent institution of higher education shall establish a trained threat assessment team for each of its campuses. The threat assessment team shall consist of individuals selected by the president of each state college [, regional community-technical college] or university or independent institution of higher education in consultation with its chief of police or head of campus security and may include not less than one member of its special police force or campus security personnel, administration, faculty and senior and mid-level staff. The chief of police or head of campus security at each state college [, regional community-technical college] and university and independent institution of higher education shall be responsible for ensuring that every member of the threat assessment team (1) is capable of executing the security protocol plan developed in accordance with subsection (a) of this section, and (2) receives comprehensive training in identifying potentially at-risk students, other potentially at-risk individuals on campus and any other potential threats to campus safety.

Sec. 98. Section 10a-157 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) [Not later than July 1, 2013, the regional community-technical college system] Connecticut State Community College and the Connecticut State University System shall develop and implement a general education core of courses for which not fewer than thirty academic credits shall be offered by each such constituent unit as part of its liberal arts and sciences programs and any other degree program designated as a transfer program. A student who graduates from any such liberal arts and sciences program or transfer program or transfers

3153 from such program to another of such constituent units or to another  
3154 institution within the same constituent unit shall transfer any credits  
3155 earned while enrolled in such program toward the general education  
3156 core curriculum requirements of the constituent unit to which such  
3157 student transfers.

3158 (b) Teaching faculty from the [regional community-technical college  
3159 system] Connecticut State Community College and the Connecticut  
3160 State University System, elected pursuant to a uniform, system-wide  
3161 election by the faculty senates representing each of such constituent  
3162 units, shall be included in the development and implementation of the  
3163 general education core of courses.

3164 Sec. 99. Subsections (b) to (e), inclusive, of section 10a-157a of the  
3165 general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
3166 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3167 (b) Not later than the start of the fall semester of 2014 for the  
3168 Connecticut State University System and not later than the start of the  
3169 fall semester of 2015 for the [regional community-technical colleges]  
3170 Connecticut State Community College, and for each semester thereafter,  
3171 if a public institution of higher education determines, by use of multiple  
3172 commonly accepted measures of skill level, that a student is likely to  
3173 succeed in college level work with supplemental support, the public  
3174 institution of higher education shall offer such student remedial support  
3175 that is embedded with the corresponding entry level course in a college  
3176 level program. Such embedded support shall be offered during the same  
3177 semester as and in conjunction with the entry level course for purposes  
3178 of providing the student with supplemental support in the entry level  
3179 course.

3180 (c) Not later than the start of the fall semester of 2015 and for each  
3181 semester thereafter, if a public institution of higher education  
3182 determines, by use of multiple commonly accepted measures of skill  
3183 level, that a student is below the skill level required for success in college

level work with supplemental support, the public institution of higher education shall offer such student one intensive semester of remedial support that (1) is designed to provide such student with the knowledge and skills necessary to be placed in an entry level course in a college level program, and (2) such student may repeat subject to the public institution of higher education's course repeat policy provided [that] such policy shall not prohibit a minimum of one repeat attempt.

(d) Not later than the start of the fall semester of 2015 and for each semester thereafter, if a public institution of higher education determines, by use of multiple commonly accepted measures of skill level, that a student is below the skill level required for success in an intensive semester of remedial support, the public institution of higher education shall offer such student the opportunity to participate in a transitional college readiness program before the start of the next semester. Such student shall complete such transitional college readiness program prior to receiving embedded remedial support, as provided in subsection (b) of this section or intensive remedial support, as provided in subsection (c) of this section. The Board of Regents for Higher Education, in consultation with Connecticut's P-20 Council and the faculty advisory committee to the Board of Regents for Higher Education, shall develop options for a transitional college readiness program.

(e) Not later than the start of the fall semester of 2014 for the Connecticut State University System and not later than the start of the fall semester of 2015 for the [regional community-technical colleges] Connecticut State Community College, and for each semester thereafter, each public institution of higher education shall offer only remedial support, including remedial courses, that is authorized pursuant to subsections (b), (c) and (d) of this section.

Sec. 100. Subsection (b) of section 10a-158 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(b) Not later than January 1, 2014, and biennially thereafter, the Board of Regents for Higher Education shall compare (1) the salaries of the administrators at each public institution of higher education within the Connecticut State University System and the [regional-community technical college system] Connecticut State Community College with the salaries of administrators with similar responsibilities at peer public institutions of higher education in the United States, (2) the ratio of administrators to students and of administrators to faculty at each public institution of higher education within the Connecticut State University System and the [regional-community technical college system] Connecticut State Community College with the ratio of administrators to students and of administrators to faculty at peer public institutions of higher education in the United States, and (3) the salaries of the administrators in the central office of the Board of Regents for Higher Education with the salaries of administrators with similar responsibilities in the central office of similar state university systems in the United States.

Sec. 101. Subsection (b) of section 10a-168a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(b) Within available appropriations, the program shall provide grants to minority students (1) in teacher education programs for their junior or senior year, or both such years, at any four-year institution of higher education, (2) completing the requirements of such a teacher education program as a graduate student, provided such student received a grant pursuant to this section for one year at the undergraduate level, or (3) enrolled in the alternate route to certification program administered through the Office of Higher Education or the Department of Education. No student shall receive a grant under the program for more than two years. Maximum grants shall not exceed five thousand dollars per year. The office shall ensure that at least ten per cent of the grant recipients are minority students who transfer from [a] Connecticut [regional community-technical college] State Community College.

3249 Sec. 102. Subdivision (5) of subsection (a) of section 10a-173 of the  
3250 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
3251 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3252 (5) "Public institution of higher education" means the constituent  
3253 units of the state system of higher education identified in subdivisions  
3254 (1) and (2) of section 10a-1, as amended by this act, except the [regional  
3255 community-technical colleges] Connecticut State Community College;

3256 Sec. 103. Section 10a-174 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
3257 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3258 (a) As used in this section:

3259 (1) "Award" means the greater of: (A) The unpaid portion, if any, of a  
3260 qualifying student's eligible institutional costs after subtracting his or  
3261 her financial aid, or (B) a minimum award of five hundred dollars for a  
3262 full-time student or three hundred dollars for a part-time student;

3263 (2) "Eligible institutional costs" means the tuition and required fees  
3264 incurred each semester by an individual student that are established by  
3265 the Board of Regents for Higher Education for the [regional community-  
3266 technical colleges] Connecticut State Community College;

3267 (3) "Financial aid" means the sum of all scholarships, grants and  
3268 federal, state and institutional aid received by a qualifying student.  
3269 "Financial aid" does not include any federal, state or private student  
3270 loans received by a qualifying student;

3271 (4) "Qualifying student" means any person who (A) graduated from  
3272 a public or nonpublic high school, (B) enrolls as a full-time or part-time  
3273 student for the fall semester of 2020, or any semester thereafter, at [a  
3274 regional community-technical college] the Connecticut State  
3275 Community College in a program leading to a degree or certificate, (C)  
3276 is classified as an in-state student pursuant to section 10a-29, (D) is  
3277 making satisfactory academic progress while enrolled at [a regional

3278 community-technical college] the Connecticut State Community  
3279 College, (E) has completed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid,  
3280 and (F) has accepted all available financial aid or is a transition program  
3281 student;

3282 (5) "Full-time student" means a student who is enrolled at [a regional  
3283 community-technical college] the Connecticut State Community  
3284 College and (A) is carrying twelve or more credit hours in a semester,  
3285 or (B) has a learning disability documented with the [regional  
3286 community-technical college] Connecticut State Community College in  
3287 which he or she is enrolled and is enrolled in the maximum number of  
3288 credit hours that is feasible for such student to attempt in a semester, as  
3289 determined by such student's academic advisor;

3290 (6) "Semester" means the fall or spring semester of an academic year.  
3291 "Semester" does not include a summer semester or session;

3292 (7) "Part-time student" means a student who is enrolled at [a regional  
3293 community-technical college] the Connecticut State Community  
3294 College and is carrying not less than six but fewer than twelve credit  
3295 hours in a semester; and

3296 (8) "Transition program student" means any person who (A) is a  
3297 resident of this state, (B) has not graduated from high school, (C) is  
3298 enrolled in a transition program pursuant to such person's  
3299 individualized education program, and (D) enrolls in one or more  
3300 courses at [a regional community-technical college] the Connecticut  
3301 State Community College.

3302 (b) The Board of Regents for Higher Education shall (1) establish a  
3303 debt-free community college program to make awards to qualifying  
3304 students each semester, (2) adopt rules, procedures and forms necessary  
3305 to implement the debt-free community college program, and (3) submit  
3306 a report outlining such rules, procedures and forms, in accordance with  
3307 the provisions of section 11-4a, to the joint standing committee of the  
3308 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to higher



3309 education. Awards made to qualifying students pursuant to the debt-  
3310 free community college program shall be designated as the "Mary Ann  
3311 Handley Award".

3312 (c) For the fall semester of 2020, and each semester thereafter, the  
3313 Board of Regents for Higher Education shall make awards to qualifying  
3314 students within available appropriations. An award shall be available  
3315 to a qualifying student for the first seventy-two credit hours earned by  
3316 the qualifying student at [a regional community-technical college] the  
3317 Connecticut State Community College, provided the qualifying student  
3318 meets and continues to meet the requirements of this section. The board  
3319 shall not use an award to supplant any financial aid, including, but not  
3320 limited to, state or institutional aid, otherwise available to a qualifying  
3321 student.

3322 (d) Not later than November 1, 2024, and March 1, 2025, and each  
3323 semester thereafter, the Board of Regents for Higher Education shall  
3324 report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, to the joint  
3325 standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
3326 matters relating to higher education and employment advancement and  
3327 appropriations and the budgets of the state agencies regarding the debt-  
3328 free community college program, including, but not limited to, (1) the  
3329 number of qualifying students enrolled at the [regional community-  
3330 technical colleges] Connecticut State Community College during each  
3331 semester, (2) the number of qualifying students receiving minimum  
3332 awards and the number of qualifying students receiving awards for the  
3333 unpaid portion of eligible institutional costs, (3) the average number of  
3334 credit hours the qualifying students enrolled in each semester and the  
3335 average number of credit hours the qualifying students completed each  
3336 semester, (4) the average amount of the award made to qualifying  
3337 students under this section for the unpaid portion of eligible  
3338 institutional costs, and (5) the completion rates of qualifying students  
3339 receiving awards under this section by degree or certificate program.

3340 Sec. 104. Subsection (b) of section 14-73 of the general statutes is

3341 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
3342 *passage*):

3343 (b) Application for an instructor's license or a master instructor's  
3344 license shall be in writing and shall contain such information as the  
3345 commissioner requires. Each applicant for an instructor's license or a  
3346 master instructor's license, or for any renewal thereof, shall be  
3347 fingerprinted and shall furnish evidence satisfactory to the  
3348 commissioner that such applicant: (1) Is of good moral character  
3349 considering such person's state and national criminal history records  
3350 checks conducted in accordance with section 29-17a, and record, if any,  
3351 on the state child abuse and neglect registry established pursuant to  
3352 section 17a-101k. If any applicant for a license or the renewal of a license  
3353 has a criminal record or is listed on the state child abuse and neglect  
3354 registry, the commissioner shall make a determination of whether to  
3355 issue or renew an instructor's license or master instructor's license in  
3356 accordance with the standards and procedures set forth in section 14-44  
3357 and the regulations adopted pursuant to said section; (2) has held a  
3358 license to drive a motor vehicle for the past five consecutive years and  
3359 has a driving record satisfactory to the commissioner, including no  
3360 record of a conviction or administrative license suspension for a drug or  
3361 alcohol-related offense during such five-year period; (3) has passed a  
3362 physical examination, administered not more than ninety days prior to  
3363 the date of application, by a physician, physician assistant or an  
3364 advanced practice registered nurse licensed to practice within the state  
3365 and the physician, physician assistant or advanced practice registered  
3366 nurse certifies that the applicant is physically fit to operate a motor  
3367 vehicle and provide instruction in driving; (4) has received a high school  
3368 diploma or has an equivalent academic education; and (5) has  
3369 completed an instructor training course of forty-five clock hours given  
3370 by a school or agency approved by the commissioner, except that any  
3371 such course given by an institution [under the jurisdiction of the board  
3372 of trustees of] within the Connecticut State University System shall be  
3373 approved by the commissioner and the State Board of Education.

3374 During the period of licensure, an instructor shall notify the  
3375 commissioner, within forty-eight hours, of an arrest or conviction for a  
3376 misdemeanor or felony, or an arrest, conviction or administrative  
3377 license suspension for a drug or alcohol-related offense. Upon such  
3378 notification, the commissioner may suspend, revoke or withdraw the  
3379 instructor's license or master instructor's license pursuant to the  
3380 provisions of section 14-79.

3381 Sec. 105. Subsection (c) of section 20-195ttt of the general statutes is  
3382 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
3383 *passage*):

3384 (c) The Commissioner of Health Strategy, or the commissioner's  
3385 designee, shall act as the chair of the Community Health Worker  
3386 Advisory Body and shall appoint the following members to said body:

3387 (1) Six members who are actively practicing as community health  
3388 workers in the state;

3389 (2) A member of the Community Health Workers Association of  
3390 Connecticut;

3391 (3) A representative of a community-based community health worker  
3392 training organization;

3393 (4) A representative of [a regional community-technical college] the  
3394 Connecticut State Community College;

3395 (5) An employer of community health workers;

3396 (6) A representative of a health care organization that employs  
3397 community health workers;

3398 (7) A health care provider who works directly with community health  
3399 workers; and

3400 (8) The Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's

3401 designee.

3402 Sec. 106. Section 29-251b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
3403 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3404 There is established, within the Department of Administrative  
3405 Services, a Building Code Training Council which shall advise the State  
3406 Building Inspector and the Codes and Standards Committee on all  
3407 matters pertaining to certification training programs, continuing  
3408 educational programs for building officials pursuant to section 29-262  
3409 and programs for all other persons eligible to receive training pursuant  
3410 to subsections (a) and (c) of section 29-251c. The council shall be  
3411 composed of sixteen members, who shall be residents of this state,  
3412 appointed as follows: (1) The State Building Inspector, or his designee;  
3413 (2) one by the Codes and Standards Committee, who shall be a member  
3414 of said committee; (3) three by the Connecticut Building Officials  
3415 Association, each of whom shall be a member of said association; (4)  
3416 [one] two by the Board of Regents for Higher Education; [(5) one by the  
3417 Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges; (6)] (5) one by  
3418 the Governor, who shall be a chief elected official of a municipality; [(7)]  
3419 (6) seven by the Commissioner of Administrative Services: (A) One of  
3420 whom shall be an architect licensed pursuant to chapter 390, selected  
3421 from a list of individuals submitted by the Connecticut Chapter of the  
3422 American Institute of Architects; (B) one of whom shall be a professional  
3423 engineer, licensed pursuant to chapter 391, selected from a list of  
3424 individuals submitted by the Connecticut Engineers in Private Practice;  
3425 (C) one of whom shall be a landscape architect, licensed pursuant to  
3426 chapter 396, selected from a list of individuals submitted by the  
3427 Connecticut Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects;  
3428 (D) one of whom shall be an interior designer, registered pursuant to  
3429 chapter 396a, selected from a list of individuals submitted by the  
3430 Connecticut Coalition of Interior Designers; (E) one of whom shall be a  
3431 member of the Connecticut State Building Trades Council, selected from  
3432 a list of individuals submitted by said organization; and (F) two of  
3433 whom shall be builders, general contractors or superintendents of

3434 construction, one having expertise in residential building construction,  
 3435 selected from a list of individuals submitted by the Home Builders  
 3436 Association of Connecticut, Inc., and one having expertise in  
 3437 nonresidential building construction, selected from a list of individuals  
 3438 submitted by the Associated General Contractors of Connecticut,  
 3439 Incorporated; and [(8)] (7) one by the president pro tempore of the  
 3440 Senate, who shall be a member of the public. The council shall elect a  
 3441 chairperson and vice-chairperson from among its members. Any  
 3442 member who fails to attend at least fifty per cent of all meetings held  
 3443 during any calendar year or fails to attend three consecutive meetings  
 3444 shall be deemed to have resigned from the council. Vacancies on the  
 3445 council shall be filled by the appointing authority. Members of the  
 3446 council shall serve without compensation but shall, within the limits of  
 3447 available funds as approved by the Commissioner of Administrative  
 3448 Services, be reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred in the  
 3449 performance of their duties.

3450 Sec. 107. Section 29-298a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 3451 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3452 There shall be established within the Department of Administrative  
 3453 Services a Fire Marshal Training Council which shall advise the State  
 3454 Fire Marshal and the Codes and Standards Committee on all matters  
 3455 pertaining to (1) certification training programs, (2) decertification  
 3456 hearings, (3) in-service training for fire marshals in the state, and (4)  
 3457 programs for all other persons eligible to receive training pursuant to  
 3458 subsections (a) to (c), inclusive, of section 29-251c. The council shall be  
 3459 composed of twelve members as follows: The State Fire Marshal or his  
 3460 designee; a member of the Codes and Standards Committee to be  
 3461 elected by such committee; three members appointed by the  
 3462 Connecticut Fire Marshals Association, one of whom shall be a  
 3463 volunteer, one of whom shall be a part-time paid, and one of whom shall  
 3464 be a full-time, local fire marshal, deputy fire marshal or fire inspector;  
 3465 [one member] three members appointed by the Board of Regents for  
 3466 Higher Education; [two members appointed by the Board of Trustees

3467 for the Community-Technical Colleges;] the chief elected official of a  
3468 municipality having a population in excess of seventy thousand  
3469 persons, appointed by the Governor; the chief elected official of a  
3470 municipality having a population of less than seventy thousand  
3471 persons, appointed by the Governor; and two public members,  
3472 appointed by the Governor. Members shall be residents of this state and  
3473 shall not be compensated for their services but shall be reimbursed for  
3474 necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. The  
3475 council may elect such officers as it deems necessary.

3476 Sec. 108. Section 32-6j of the general statutes is repealed and the  
3477 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3478 In the assessment and provision of job training for employers, the  
3479 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development and the chief  
3480 executive officer of Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated shall request  
3481 the assistance of the Labor Commissioner. Upon receipt of a request for  
3482 job training pursuant to this section, the Labor Commissioner shall  
3483 notify the chancellor of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities,  
3484 or the chancellor's designee, of such request. The chancellor, or the  
3485 chancellor's designee, shall determine if a training program exists or can  
3486 be designed at [a regional community-technical college] the Connecticut  
3487 State Community College to meet such training need and shall notify  
3488 the Labor Commissioner of such determination. The Labor  
3489 Commissioner shall to the extent possible make arrangements for the  
3490 participation of the [regional community-technical colleges]  
3491 Connecticut State Community College, the Connecticut State University  
3492 System, other institutions of higher education, other postsecondary  
3493 institutions, adult education programs and the Technical Education and  
3494 Career System in implementing the program. Nothing in this section  
3495 shall preclude the Labor Commissioner from considering or choosing  
3496 other providers to meet such training need.

3497 Sec. 109. Section 32-70d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
3498 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3499 Within thirty days after the Commissioner of Economic and  
 3500 Community Development approves the designation of an area as an  
 3501 enterprise zone in a municipality under subdivision (2) of subsection (c)  
 3502 of section 32-70, the municipality shall establish a community enterprise  
 3503 zone board. The board shall establish policy for the promotion and  
 3504 development of the zone, coordinate economic development programs  
 3505 in the zone with related job training and social services programs and  
 3506 adopt an enterprise zone revitalization plan. The plan shall specify goals  
 3507 and objectives for the enterprise zone, describe strategies to attain such  
 3508 goals and establish an implementation schedule. The municipality shall  
 3509 submit its plan to the Commissioner of Economic and Community  
 3510 Development for review and comment. The board shall consist of (1) the  
 3511 following officials of such municipality, or designees of such officials:  
 3512 The official responsible for economic development programs; the chief  
 3513 executive official, or his designee; a representative of the legislative  
 3514 body, who shall be appointed by such body; the chief of police, or his  
 3515 designee; the housing administrator, or his designee; and a  
 3516 representative of the school board, who shall be appointed by such  
 3517 board; (2) a representative of the [regional community-technical college]  
 3518 Connecticut State Community College campus serving the region in  
 3519 which the municipality is located, if applicable, who shall be appointed  
 3520 by the chief executive officer of such college; (3) two representatives of  
 3521 the business community of the municipality, one of whom shall be a  
 3522 member of the chamber of commerce from the municipality; (4) two  
 3523 persons who own businesses located in the enterprise zone; and (5) two  
 3524 representatives of neighborhood community organizations serving the  
 3525 area in which the zone is located or, if no such organization exists, two  
 3526 residents of said area. The board members described in subdivisions (3),  
 3527 (4) and (5) of this section shall be appointed by the chief executive  
 3528 official of the municipality.

3529 Sec. 110. Subsection (a) of section 32-612 of the general statutes is  
 3530 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
 3531 *passage*):

3532 (a) A downtown higher education center project, as described in  
3533 section 32-600, shall be developed by the Department of Administrative  
3534 Services in consultation with the Board of [Trustees of the Community-  
3535 Technical Colleges] Regents for Higher Education. Said project shall not  
3536 require approval by the State Properties Review Board.

3537 Sec. 111. Subsection (b) of section 32-615 of the general statutes is  
3538 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
3539 *passage*):

3540 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the amount  
3541 stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the [regional  
3542 community-technical college system] Connecticut State Community  
3543 College for the purpose of development of the downtown higher  
3544 education center project, as defined in section 32-600.

3545 Sec. 112. Section 48-9 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
3546 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3547 Subject to the provisions of section 4b-23, the state may take land, or  
3548 any interest or estate therein, for the site, or for any addition to the site,  
3549 of any state institution or courthouse, or for any addition to the site of  
3550 any institution [under the jurisdiction of the Board of Trustees of] within  
3551 the Connecticut State University System, Technical Education and  
3552 Career System or technical college or for the purposes of subsection (e)  
3553 of section 22a-133m, and also may take water from any river, brook,  
3554 spring or springs, pond or lake for the purpose of providing such supply  
3555 of water as the convenience and necessity of such institution may  
3556 require. The amount of damages for any such taking shall be determined  
3557 in the manner provided by section 48-10.

3558 Sec. 113. (*Effective July 1, 2025*) (a) Wherever the words "board of  
3559 trustees", "Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System"  
3560 or "Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges" are used to  
3561 denote the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System  
3562 or the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges in any



3563 public act of the 2025 session, the words "Board of Regents for Higher  
3564 Education" shall be substituted in lieu thereof.

3565 (b) Wherever the words "regional community-technical colleges" or  
3566 "regional community-technical college system" are used to denote a  
3567 constituent unit of the state system of higher education in any public act  
3568 of the 2025 session, the words "Connecticut State Community College"  
3569 shall be substituted in lieu thereof.

3570 (c) The Legislative Commissioners' Office shall, in codifying such  
3571 public acts of the 2025 session, make such technical, grammatical and  
3572 punctuation changes as are necessary to carry out the purposes of this  
3573 section.

3574 Sec. 114. Sections 10a-71 and 10a-88 of the general statutes are  
3575 repealed. (*Effective July 1 2025*)

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	3-27a
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	3-31b(a)
Sec. 3	<i>from passage</i>	4-29
Sec. 4	<i>from passage</i>	4-31a(a)
Sec. 5	<i>from passage</i>	4-37e(3) to (5)
Sec. 6	<i>from passage</i>	4-37f(3) and (4)
Sec. 7	<i>from passage</i>	4-124z
Sec. 8	<i>from passage</i>	4-124gg
Sec. 9	<i>from passage</i>	4a-11(b)
Sec. 10	<i>from passage</i>	4b-55(10)
Sec. 11	<i>from passage</i>	5-177
Sec. 12	<i>from passage</i>	5-199d
Sec. 13	<i>from passage</i>	7-313c(a)
Sec. 14	<i>from passage</i>	10-4p(a)
Sec. 15	<i>from passage</i>	10-15h(b)
Sec. 16	<i>from passage</i>	10-21j(a)
Sec. 17	<i>from passage</i>	10-98b
Sec. 18	<i>from passage</i>	10-155

Sec. 19	<i>from passage</i>	10-264h(a)
Sec. 20	<i>from passage</i>	10-264i(a)(1)
Sec. 21	<i>from passage</i>	10-264l(a) to (c)
Sec. 22	<i>from passage</i>	10-264n
Sec. 23	<i>from passage</i>	10-283(a)(1)
Sec. 24	<i>from passage</i>	10a-1
Sec. 25	<i>from passage</i>	10a-1a(a)
Sec. 26	<i>from passage</i>	10a-1b
Sec. 27	<i>from passage</i>	10a-1c
Sec. 28	<i>from passage</i>	10a-3
Sec. 29	<i>from passage</i>	10a-3a
Sec. 30	<i>from passage</i>	10a-6(a)
Sec. 31	<i>from passage</i>	10a-8
Sec. 32	<i>from passage</i>	10a-11b(a)(1)
Sec. 33	<i>from passage</i>	10a-19c
Sec. 34	<i>from passage</i>	10a-20
Sec. 35	<i>from passage</i>	10a-20a
Sec. 36	<i>from passage</i>	10a-25h(a)
Sec. 37	<i>from passage</i>	10a-25j
Sec. 38	<i>from passage</i>	10a-35a(a)
Sec. 39	<i>from passage</i>	10a-44d(b)
Sec. 40	<i>from passage</i>	10a-51
Sec. 41	<i>from passage</i>	10a-55i(a)
Sec. 42	<i>from passage</i>	10a-55r(b)(8)
Sec. 43	<i>from passage</i>	10a-55v(b)
Sec. 44	<i>from passage</i>	10a-55w(b)
Sec. 45	<i>from passage</i>	10a-57d(a)
Sec. 46	<i>from passage</i>	10a-62
Sec. 47	<i>from passage</i>	10a-67
Sec. 48	<i>from passage</i>	10a-72
Sec. 49	<i>from passage</i>	10a-72a
Sec. 50	<i>from passage</i>	10a-72c
Sec. 51	<i>from passage</i>	10a-72d
Sec. 52	<i>from passage</i>	10a-72e
Sec. 53	<i>from passage</i>	10a-72f
Sec. 54	<i>from passage</i>	10a-72g
Sec. 55	<i>from passage</i>	10a-72h
Sec. 56	<i>from passage</i>	10a-72i
Sec. 57	<i>from passage</i>	10a-72j

Sec. 58	<i>from passage</i>	10a-73
Sec. 59	<i>from passage</i>	10a-77
Sec. 60	<i>from passage</i>	10a-77a
Sec. 61	<i>from passage</i>	10a-78
Sec. 62	<i>from passage</i>	10a-78a
Sec. 63	<i>from passage</i>	10a-79
Sec. 64	<i>from passage</i>	10a-80
Sec. 65	<i>from passage</i>	10a-80a
Sec. 66	<i>from passage</i>	10a-80b
Sec. 67	<i>from passage</i>	10a-80c
Sec. 68	<i>from passage</i>	10a-80d
Sec. 69	<i>from passage</i>	10a-80e
Sec. 70	<i>from passage</i>	10a-80f(d)
Sec. 71	<i>from passage</i>	10a-87
Sec. 72	<i>from passage</i>	10a-89
Sec. 73	<i>from passage</i>	10a-89a(a)
Sec. 74	<i>from passage</i>	10a-89b(a) to (c)
Sec. 75	<i>from passage</i>	10a-89c
Sec. 76	<i>from passage</i>	10a-89e
Sec. 77	<i>from passage</i>	10a-89f
Sec. 78	<i>from passage</i>	10a-90
Sec. 79	<i>from passage</i>	10a-91(a)
Sec. 80	<i>from passage</i>	10a-91b
Sec. 81	<i>from passage</i>	10a-91c(7)
Sec. 82	<i>from passage</i>	10a-91d(f)
Sec. 83	<i>from passage</i>	10a-92
Sec. 84	<i>from passage</i>	10a-94
Sec. 85	<i>from passage</i>	10a-98
Sec. 86	<i>from passage</i>	10a-99
Sec. 87	<i>from passage</i>	10a-99a
Sec. 88	<i>from passage</i>	10a-144
Sec. 89	<i>from passage</i>	10a-149
Sec. 90	<i>from passage</i>	10a-151a
Sec. 91	<i>from passage</i>	10a-151b(a)
Sec. 92	<i>from passage</i>	10a-151c
Sec. 93	<i>from passage</i>	10a-151d
Sec. 94	<i>from passage</i>	10a-152
Sec. 95	<i>from passage</i>	10a-154a
Sec. 96	<i>from passage</i>	10a-154b

Sec. 97	<i>from passage</i>	10a-156a
Sec. 98	<i>from passage</i>	10a-157
Sec. 99	<i>from passage</i>	10a-157a(b) to (e)
Sec. 100	<i>from passage</i>	10a-158(b)
Sec. 101	<i>from passage</i>	10a-168a(b)
Sec. 102	<i>from passage</i>	10a-173(a)(5)
Sec. 103	<i>from passage</i>	10a-174
Sec. 104	<i>from passage</i>	14-73(b)
Sec. 105	<i>from passage</i>	20-195ttt(c)
Sec. 106	<i>from passage</i>	29-251b
Sec. 107	<i>from passage</i>	29-298a
Sec. 108	<i>from passage</i>	32-6j
Sec. 109	<i>from passage</i>	32-70d
Sec. 110	<i>from passage</i>	32-612(a)
Sec. 111	<i>from passage</i>	32-615(b)
Sec. 112	<i>from passage</i>	48-9
Sec. 113	<i>July 1, 2025</i>	New section
Sec. 114	<i>July 1 2025</i>	Repealer section

**Statement of Purpose:**

To update references in the general statutes to the regional community-technical colleges to Connecticut State Community College and to the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System and the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges to the Board of Regents for Higher Education.

*[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.]*