

# Appropriations Committee JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT

**Bill No:** HB-5418 / [Bill Status](#) / [Public Hearing Testimony](#)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE KIRKLYN M. KERR PROGRAM AT THE  
**Title:** UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT.

**Vote Date:** 4/1/2026

**Vote Action:** Joint Favorable Substitute

**PH Date:** 3/5/2026

**File No.:**

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## **SPONSORS OF BILL:**

The Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee.

## **REASONS FOR BILL:**

[See The Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee JF Report.](#)

## **SUBSTITUTE LANGUAGE (IF APPLICABLE):**

The Appropriations Committee removed Sec. 4 and added a provision to include "within available appropriations" in Sec. 1(c), to eliminate the fiscal impact.

## **RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION/AGENCY:**

[See The Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee JF Report.](#)

## **NATURE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT:**

[See The Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee JF Report.](#)

## **NATURE AND SOURCES OF OPPOSITION:**

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**Date:** 4/6/2026