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**Amendment**

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To: Subst. House Bill No. 6793

File No. 653

Cal. No. 467

**"AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESS TO POSTSECONDARY  
EDUCATION."**

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- 1 In line 7, insert "and" after "state,"
  - 2 In line 9, strike ", and (D) if such person is a person"
  - 3 Strike lines 10 to 12, inclusive, in their entirety
  - 4 In line 13, strike "application as soon as he or she is eligible to do
  - 5 so,"
  - 6 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
  - 7 internal references accordingly:
  - 8 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2005*) In addition to other means to
  - 9 determine student status pursuant to section 10a-29 of the general

10 statutes, as amended by this act, a person may show residency in this  
11 state by holding a Connecticut motor vehicle operator's license issued  
12 in accordance with the provisions of section 14-36 of the general  
13 statutes.

14 Sec. 502. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2005*) If the Commissioner of Motor  
15 Vehicles issues a motor vehicle operator's license, in accordance with  
16 the provisions of section 14-36 of the general statutes, or an identity  
17 card, in accordance with the provisions of section 1-1h of the general  
18 statutes, to any person who is a resident of this state and not a citizen  
19 of the United States and whose presence in the United States is,  
20 pursuant to any provision of federal law, of limited duration, the  
21 commissioner shall, unless the person presents evidence satisfactory to  
22 the commissioner that the person has a pending application for change  
23 or extension of the authority of the person to be present in the United  
24 States under federal law, restrict the validity of such motor vehicle  
25 operator's license or identity card to a term limited to coincide with the  
26 period of such person's lawful presence in the United States. Any  
27 person who has been issued a motor vehicle operator's license or  
28 identity card for a term limited under this section and who has been  
29 granted an extension of stay or has obtained permanent resident  
30 status, may request to be issued another motor vehicle operator's  
31 license or identity card bearing a new expiration date. On receipt of  
32 such a request, presentation of evidence satisfactory to the  
33 commissioner of an extension of stay or permanent resident status and  
34 surrender of the license or identity card that has been issued, the  
35 commissioner shall issue to the person another motor vehicle  
36 operator's license or identity card bearing a new expiration date. The  
37 fee for a motor vehicle operator's license issued for a limited term shall  
38 be determined in accordance with subsection (b) of section 14-41 of the  
39 general statutes.

40 Sec. 503. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2005*) Before issuing a commercial  
41 driver's license to an applicant, in accordance with the provisions of  
42 section 14-44c of the general statutes, the Commissioner of Motor  
43 Vehicles shall require the applicant to submit evidence satisfactory to

44 the commissioner that the applicant is a lawful resident of this state. As  
45 used in this section, "lawful resident" means a resident of this state  
46 who is a citizen of the United States, a permanent resident alien or a  
47 temporary resident alien authorized to work in the United States for a  
48 period of not less than one year from the date of application for a  
49 commercial driver's license.

50 Sec. 504. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2005*) (a) The Commissioner of  
51 Motor Vehicles shall adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54  
52 of the general statutes, to implement the provisions of sections 502 and  
53 503 of this act. The regulations shall require the conduct of regular  
54 training sessions for the staff of the Department of Motor Vehicles with  
55 regard to the recognition and verification of documents evidencing  
56 employment authorization and lawful presence in the United States.

57 (b) Any person aggrieved by a decision of the commissioner made  
58 pursuant to the provisions of section 502 or 503 of this act shall be  
59 afforded an opportunity for an administrative hearing which shall be  
60 conducted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the  
61 general statutes."