



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 473

LCO No. 2541

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Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment
Advancement

Introduced by:
(HED)

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE TRANSITION FROM HIGH SCHOOL TO
HIGHER EDUCATION.**

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective July 1, 2006*) The Commissioners of Higher
2 Education and Education shall develop a plan to help high school
3 students effectively transition to higher education. The plan shall
4 include ways to ensure that (1) a student's final year in high school is
5 productive, challenging and advances the student toward success in
6 higher education or other pursuits chosen by the student, (2) fewer
7 students need remedial courses upon entry into the state's institutions
8 of higher education, (3) more students who score in the top ten per
9 cent of the tenth grade Connecticut mastery test continue to achieve
10 academic success in institutions of higher education, (4) there is
11 increased student awareness of opportunities (A) available to students
12 who achieve higher education, and (B) for financial aid for costs
13 associated with higher education, (5) fewer students leave Connecticut
14 in pursuit of higher education, and (6) minority students achieve
15 greater academic success at the high school and higher education
16 levels. Not later than January 1, 2007, said commissioners shall report

17 the plan and recommendations for legislation, if any, to the joint
18 standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of
19 matters relating to higher education and education, in accordance with
20 the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.

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| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: | | |
| Section 1 | <i>July 1, 2006</i> | New section |

Statement of Purpose:

To require the Commissioners of Higher Education and Education to develop a plan to help high school students successfully transition to 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.]