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"AN ACT CONCERNING TEXTBOOK AFFORDABILITY."

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2006*) Each publisher of college
4 textbooks shall make available to a prospective purchaser of their
5 products who is a member of the faculty of an institution of higher
6 education (1) the price at which the publisher would make the
7 products available to the store on the campus of such institution that
8 would offer such products to students, and (2) the history of revisions
9 for such products, if any. For purposes of this section, "products"
10 means all versions of a textbook or set of textbooks, except custom
11 textbooks or special editions of textbooks, available in the subject area
12 for which a prospective purchaser is teaching a course, including
13 supplemental items, both when sold together or separately from a
14 textbook.

15 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2006*) The Board of Trustees of the

16 Community-Technical Colleges shall develop a policy that (1) provides
 17 for the disbursement of financial aid to students who have met all
 18 federal, state and institutional requirements for financial aid by the
 19 first day of the academic term, or (2) permits students to use financial
 20 aid that has not yet been disbursed at stores on the campuses of the
 21 colleges under the board's jurisdiction to purchase during the first
 22 week of the academic term required textbooks for courses taught at the
 23 colleges.

24 Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2006*) The Board of Trustees of the
 25 Connecticut State University System shall develop a policy that (1)
 26 provides for the disbursement of financial aid to students who have
 27 met all federal, state and institutional requirements for financial aid by
 28 the first day of the academic term, or (2) permits students to use
 29 financial aid that has not yet been disbursed at stores on the campuses
 30 of the universities under the board's jurisdiction to purchase during
 31 the first week of the academic term required textbooks for courses
 32 taught at the universities.

33 Sec. 4. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2006*) The Board of Trustees for the
 34 University of Connecticut shall develop a policy that (1) provides for
 35 the disbursement of financial aid to students who have met all federal,
 36 state and institutional requirements for financial aid by the first day of
 37 the academic term, or (2) permits students to use financial aid that has
 38 not yet been disbursed at stores on the campuses of the university
 39 under the board's jurisdiction to purchase during the first week of the
 40 academic term required textbooks for courses taught at the university."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	New section
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	New section
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	New section