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Offered by:
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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 455

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**"AN ACT CONCERNING THE EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
WORKFORCE."**

1 Strike lines 1 to 27, inclusive, in their entirety and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2006*) (a) The Commissioner of
4 Higher Education shall, within available appropriations, expand the
5 capacity of programs for training early childhood education teachers
6 through the development of accelerated, alternate route programs to
7 initial teacher certification with an endorsement in early childhood
8 education.

9 (b) The Commissioner of Higher Education, in consultation with the
10 Office of Workforce Competitiveness, the Department of Education,
11 the Department of Social Services, Charter Oak State College, early
12 childhood education faculty at two and four-year public and
13 independent institutions of higher education, early childhood
14 education professional associations, early childhood education
15 advocates and practitioners, and persons knowledgeable in the area of

16 career development and programs in early childhood care and
17 education, shall define the preservice and minimum training
18 requirements and competencies for persons involved in early
19 childhood education, from birth to five years of age, including
20 requirements for individual levels of early childhood credentialing and
21 licensing."