



House of Representatives

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House Bill No. 6028

House of Representatives, April 2, 2007

The Committee on Transportation reported through REP. GUERRERA of the 29th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONNECTICUT TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE.

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

1 Section 1. Section 10a-121 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2007*):

3 (a) The University of Connecticut with the cooperation of the
4 Department of Transportation shall plan and develop a program for
5 the establishment of a Connecticut Transportation Institute for
6 education and training in transportation technology. Consideration
7 shall be given to locating the institute in the southeastern branch of
8 The University of Connecticut at Avery Point, Groton. The program
9 shall include, but not be limited to, the following areas: (1) A
10 description of undergraduate and graduate courses for transportation
11 technology; (2) a budget projection for the first five years of operation,
12 including personnel services, other expenses and equipment; (3) a
13 description of a program for continuing education in transportation
14 technology with emphasis on community involvement; and (4)

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 08 \$	FY 09 \$
UConn	GF - None	None	None
Department of Transportation	TF - None	None	None

Note: GF=General Fund; TF=Transportation Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

It is anticipated that the requirements of the bill can be accomplished by both the University of Connecticut and the State Department of Transportation with existing resources.

OLR Bill Analysis**HB 6028*****AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONNECTICUT TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE.*****SUMMARY:**

This bill requires the Connecticut Transportation Institute to establish a partnership between the Department of Transportation (DOT) and UConn to increase the number of civil engineers in the state.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2007

BACKGROUND***Connecticut Transportation Institute***

This institute, established at UConn by PA 74-323, is a transportation research center operated in the school of engineering. The institute has collaborated with DOT to research highway safety, transportation planning, environmental issues, and highway construction materials.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee

Joint Favorable Change of Reference
Yea 18 Nay 0 (03/01/2007)

Transportation Committee

Joint Favorable
Yea 34 Nay 0 (03/14/2007)