



General Assembly

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**Raised Bill No. 1319**

LCO No. 4511

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Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment  
Advancement

Introduced by:  
(HED)

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE HIGHER EDUCATION ACCOUNTABILITY  
REPORT.**

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 10a-6b of the general statutes is  
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
3 *1, 2007*):

4 (a) The accountability measures developed by the Higher Education  
5 Coordinating Council pursuant to subsection (b) of section 10a-6a shall  
6 be used by the Department of Higher Education [and each constituent  
7 unit of the state system of higher education in assessing the] to assess  
8 each constituent unit's progress toward meeting the following goals to:  
9 (1) Enhance student learning and promote academic excellence; (2) join  
10 with elementary and secondary schools to improve teaching and  
11 learning at all levels; (3) ensure access to and affordability of higher  
12 education; (4) promote the economic development of the state to help  
13 business and industry sustain strong economic growth; (5) respond to  
14 the needs and problems of society; and (6) ensure the efficient use of  
15 resources. The council shall develop an implementation plan for use of

16 the accountability measures.

17 Sec. 2. Subsection (g) of section 10a-6b of the general statutes is  
 18 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
 19 *1, 2007*):

20 (g) Each constituent unit of the state system of higher education  
 21 shall submit [an accountability report] data on each accountability  
 22 measure developed in accordance with subsection (b) of this section to  
 23 the Commissioner of Higher Education annually, by January first. The  
 24 commissioner shall [compile the reports] utilize such accountability  
 25 measures in accordance with subsection (a) of this section, as amended  
 26 by this act, and shall submit, in accordance with section 11-4a, a  
 27 consolidated accountability report for the state system of higher  
 28 education to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly  
 29 having cognizance of matters relating to education annually, by  
 30 February first. The report shall contain accountability measures for  
 31 each constituent unit and public institution of higher education  
 32 pursuant to [subsections (a) and] subsection (b) of this section. The  
 33 report shall include updated baseline and peer comparison data,  
 34 performance improvement targets for each measure, information on  
 35 progress toward meeting the goals specified in subsection (a) of this  
 36 section, as amended by this act, and other information as determined  
 37 by the commissioner.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	10a-6b(a)
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	10a-6b(g)

**Statement of Purpose:**

To require the constituent units to report to the Department of Higher Education data on accountability measures for analysis and inclusion in the consolidated accountability report for the state system of 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.]*