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Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment
Advancement

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AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESS TO POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION.

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

1 Section 1. Section 10a-29 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2011*):

3 The following shall determine the status of a student:

4 (1) Every person having his domicile in this state shall be entitled to
5 classification as an in-state student for tuition purposes. Except as
6 otherwise provided in this part, no person having his domicile outside
7 of this state shall be eligible for classification as an in-state student for
8 tuition purposes;

9 (2) The domicile of an unemancipated person is that of his parent;

10 (3) Upon moving to this state, an emancipated person employed

11 full-time who provides evidence of domicile may apply for in-state
12 classification for such person's spouse and unemancipated children
13 after six consecutive months of residency and, provided such person is
14 not himself or herself in this state primarily as a full-time student, such
15 person's spouse and unemancipated children may at once be so
16 classified, and may continue to be so classified as long as such person
17 continues such person's domicile in this state;

18 (4) Any unemancipated person who remains in this state when such
19 person's parent, having theretofore been domiciled in this state,
20 removes from this state, shall be entitled to classification as an in-state
21 student until attainment of the degree for which such person is
22 currently enrolled, as long as such person's attendance at a school or
23 schools in this state shall be continuous;

24 (5) The spouse of any person who is classified or is eligible for
25 classification as an in-state student shall likewise be entitled to
26 classification as an in-state student;

27 (6) A member of the armed forces who is stationed in this state
28 pursuant to military orders shall be entitled to classification as an in-
29 state student;

30 (7) An unemancipated person whose parent is a member of the
31 armed forces and stationed in this state pursuant to military orders
32 shall be entitled to classification as an in-state student. The student,
33 while in continuous attendance toward the degree for which he is
34 currently enrolled, shall not lose his residence when his parent is
35 thereafter transferred on military orders; [and]

36 (8) A student that is from another state, territory or possession of the
37 United States, the District of Columbia or the Commonwealth of
38 Puerto Rico shall be classified as an in-state student, if such student (A)
39 attended for three years and graduated from a high school in this state,
40 and (B) was sponsored, housed and supported during attendance at
41 such school by a program, such as the "A Better Chance" program,

42 established as a nonprofit organization that raises charitable funds on
 43 the local level for the purpose of giving students who are minority
 44 students, from single parent homes or live in poverty, an opportunity
 45 to attend school in a different environment. For purposes of this
 46 subdivision, "minority student" means a student whose racial ancestry
 47 is defined as other than white by the Bureau of Census of the United
 48 States Department of Commerce; and

49 (9) A person, other than a nonimmigrant alien as described in 8 USC
 50 1101(a)(15), shall be entitled to classification as an in-state student for
 51 tuition purposes, (A) if such person (i) resides in this state, (ii) attended
 52 any educational institution in this state and completed at least four
 53 years of high school level education in this state, (iii) graduated from a
 54 high school in this state, or the equivalent thereof, and (iv) is registered
 55 as an entering student, or is enrolled at a public institution of higher
 56 education in this state, and (B) if such person is without legal
 57 immigration status, such person files an affidavit with such institution
 58 of higher education stating that he or she has filed an application to
 59 legalize his or her immigration status, or will file such an application
 60 as soon as he or she is eligible to do so.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2011</i>	10a-29

Statement of Purpose:

To implement the Governor's budget recommendations.

[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.]