



# Senate

General Assembly

**File No. 330**

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Substitute Senate Bill No. 858

*Senate, April 4, 2011*

The Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement reported through SEN. BYE of the 5th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

## **AN ACT CONCERNING REVISIONS TO THE HIGHER EDUCATION STATUTES.**

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

1 Section 1. Section 10a-19h of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2011*):

3 (a) The Commissioner of Higher Education shall establish and  
4 administer the Kirklyn M. Kerr program to [support the veterinary  
5 medicine education of] provide grants to not more than five veterinary  
6 students per cohort. Each cohort may be funded for a four-year period.  
7 [In order to participate in the Kirklyn M. Kerr program, a student shall  
8 commit, in writing, to work as a veterinarian in this state for five years  
9 following graduation from an accredited veterinary medicine program  
10 or agree to repay the cost to the state of such student's veterinary  
11 medicine education. Students] Grant recipients who do not practice  
12 veterinary medicine in this state for at least five years as described in  
13 subsection (c) of this section shall repay the [amount of state support]

14 grant pursuant to said subsection (c). For the purposes of this section,  
15 "veterinary student" means an in-state resident enrolled in an  
16 accredited veterinary graduate school who plans to practice veterinary  
17 medicine in Connecticut.

18 (b) No [support] grant awarded pursuant to this section shall exceed  
19 twenty thousand dollars annually or eighty thousand dollars for the  
20 four years of the veterinary graduate school program.

21 (c) The Commissioner of Higher Education shall treat [support]  
22 grants awarded pursuant to this section as loans for any [student]  
23 grant recipient who does not practice veterinary medicine in this state  
24 for at least five years beginning not later than six months following the  
25 recipient's date of graduation from veterinary school, except that if the  
26 recipient intends to pursue additional veterinary training or education  
27 outside of this state, the commissioner may permit the recipient to  
28 begin practicing veterinary medicine in this state at a later date  
29 designated by the commissioner. The commissioner shall determine  
30 the amount of the grant, including interest, to be repaid by grant  
31 recipients who practice veterinary medicine for the following period as  
32 follows: (1) For less than one year, one hundred per cent, (2) for at least  
33 one year, but less than two years, ninety per cent, (3) for at least two  
34 years, but less than three years, seventy-five per cent, (4) for at least  
35 three years, but less than four years, fifty-five per cent, and (5) for at  
36 least four years, but less than five years, thirty per cent. [The  
37 commissioner shall determine the manner of the repayment of the state  
38 support by students who do not practice in this state for five years  
39 provided, for each year of such five-year period that the student does  
40 not practice in this state, the student shall owe to the state not less than  
41 twenty per cent of the amount of the state support.]

42 (d) Grant recipients required to pay back grants pursuant to  
43 subsection (c) of this section shall (1) make a minimum monthly  
44 payment of fifty dollars, unless the commissioner grants an exception,  
45 and (2) have a repayment period not to exceed five years, except that,  
46 if the commissioner determines that repayment would present an

47 unjust hardship, such repayment period may be extended not to  
48 exceed seven years. The commissioner may grant repayment  
49 deferments if said commissioner determines that repayment would  
50 present an unjust hardship to the recipient. Deferment periods shall  
51 not be included in the repayment period and interest shall not accrue  
52 during such deferment periods. The commissioner may forgive grant  
53 repayment if the commissioner determines that such action is required  
54 due to the death or disability of the recipient or the repayment being  
55 deemed uncollectible in accordance with generally accepted  
56 accounting principles.

57 Sec. 2. Subsection (b) of section 1-90a of the general statutes is  
58 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
59 *October 1, 2011*):

60 (b) Each public institution of higher education shall submit a written  
61 copy of its policies and procedures concerning standards of student  
62 conduct [ ] to the Citizen's Ethics Advisory Board for approval. Such  
63 policies and procedures shall be submitted triennially, except that, in  
64 the event there is a significant revision of such standards of student  
65 conduct, the public institution of higher education shall submit such  
66 revision to the board not later than thirty days after adopting such  
67 revision.

68 Sec. 3. Section 10a-1 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
69 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2011*):

70 There shall be a state system of public higher education to consist of  
71 (1) The University of Connecticut and all [branches] campuses thereof,  
72 (2) the state colleges, which shall be known collectively as the  
73 Connecticut State University System, (3) the regional community-  
74 technical colleges, (4) the Board for State Academic Awards, and (5)  
75 the staff of the Department of Higher Education as established  
76 pursuant to section 10a-5. "Constituent units" as used in the general  
77 statutes means those units in subdivisions (1) to (4), inclusive, of this  
78 section.

79 Sec. 4. Subsection (a) of section 10a-6 of the general statutes is  
80 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
81 *October 1, 2011*):

82 (a) The Board of Governors of Higher Education shall: (1) Establish  
83 state-wide policy and guidelines for Connecticut's system of public  
84 higher education; (2) develop a master plan for higher education and  
85 postsecondary education, consistent with the goals in subsection (b) of  
86 this section; (3) establish state-wide tuition and student fee policies; (4)  
87 establish state-wide student financial aid policies; (5) monitor and  
88 evaluate institutional effectiveness and viability in accordance with  
89 criteria established by the board; (6) merge or close institutions in  
90 accordance with criteria established by the board provided (A) such  
91 recommended merger or closing shall require a two-thirds vote of the  
92 board and (B) notice of such recommended merger or closing shall be  
93 sent to the committee having cognizance over matters relating to  
94 education and to the General Assembly; (7) review and approve  
95 mission statements for the constituent units and role and scope  
96 statements for the individual institutions and [branches] campuses  
97 thereof; (8) review and approve any recommendations for the  
98 establishment of new academic programs submitted to the board by  
99 the constituent unit boards of trustees, and, in consultation with the  
100 affected constituent units, provide for the initiation, consolidation or  
101 termination of academic programs. The Board of Governors of Higher  
102 Education shall notify the board of trustees affected by the proposed  
103 termination of an academic program. Within ninety days of receipt of  
104 such notice, said trustees shall accept or reject the termination proposal  
105 and shall notify the Board of Governors of Higher Education of its  
106 action. If the termination proposal is rejected by the trustees, the Board  
107 of Governors of Higher Education may override the rejection by a two-  
108 thirds vote; (9) develop criteria to ensure acceptable quality in  
109 programs and institutions and enforce standards through licensing  
110 and accreditation; (10) prepare and present to the Governor and  
111 General Assembly, in accordance with section 10a-8, as amended by  
112 this act, consolidated operating and capital expenditure budgets for  
113 public higher education developed in accordance with the provisions

114 of said section 10a-8, as amended by this act, and section 10a-9; (11)  
115 review and make recommendations on plans received from the  
116 constituent unit boards of trustees for the continuing development and  
117 maximum utilization of the state's public higher education resources;  
118 (12) appoint advisory committees to assist in defining and suggesting  
119 solutions for the problems and needs of higher education; (13)  
120 establish an advisory council for higher education with representatives  
121 from public and private institutions to study methods and proposals  
122 for coordinating efforts of all such institutions in providing a  
123 stimulating and enriched educational environment for the citizens of  
124 the state, including measures to improve educational opportunities  
125 through alternative and nontraditional approaches such as external  
126 degrees and credit by examination; (14) coordinate programs and  
127 services throughout public higher education and between public and  
128 independent institutions, including procedures to evaluate the impact  
129 on independent institutions of higher education of proposals affecting  
130 public institutions of higher education; (15) make or enter into  
131 contracts, leases or other agreements in connection with its  
132 responsibilities under this part, provided all acquisitions of real estate  
133 by lease or otherwise shall be subject to the provisions of section 4b-23;  
134 (16) be responsible for the care and maintenance of permanent records  
135 of institutions of higher education dissolved after September 1, 1969;  
136 (17) prepare and present to the Governor and General Assembly  
137 legislative proposals affecting public higher education, including  
138 proposals which utilize programs and facilities of independent  
139 institutions of higher education; (18) develop and maintain a central  
140 higher education information system and establish definitions and  
141 data requirements for the state system of higher education; and (19)  
142 undertake such studies and other activities as will best serve the higher  
143 educational interests of the state.

144 Sec. 5. Subsection (a) of section 10a-8 of the general statutes is  
145 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
146 *October 1, 2011*):

147 (a) The provisions of sections 4-77 and 4-78 shall not apply to the

148 constituent units of the state system of higher education, and for the  
149 purposes of said sections only, the Board of Governors of Higher  
150 Education shall be deemed the budgeted agency for such constituent  
151 units. The Board of Governors of Higher Education shall develop a  
152 formula or program-based budgeting system to be used by each  
153 institution and constituent board in preparing operating budgets. The  
154 Board of Governors of Higher Education shall prepare a single public  
155 higher education budget request itemized by the individual institution  
156 and [branch] campus using the formula or program-based budgeting  
157 system and shall submit such budget request displaying all operating  
158 funds to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management in  
159 accordance with sections 4-77 and 4-78, subject to procedures  
160 developed by the Board of Governors of Higher Education and  
161 approved by said secretary. The budget request of the Boards of  
162 Trustees of The University of Connecticut, the Community-Technical  
163 Colleges and the Connecticut State University System shall set forth, in  
164 the form prescribed by the Board of Governors of Higher Education, a  
165 proposed expenditure plan which shall include: (1) The total amount  
166 requested for such appropriation account; (2) the amount to be  
167 appropriated from the General Fund; and (3) the amount to be paid  
168 from the tuition revenues of The University of Connecticut, the  
169 regional community-technical colleges and the Connecticut State  
170 University System. After review and comment by the Board of  
171 Governors of Higher Education, the proposed expenditure plans shall  
172 be incorporated into the single public higher education budget request  
173 including recommendations, if any, by said board. Any tuition increase  
174 proposed by the Boards of Trustees of The University of Connecticut,  
175 the Community-Technical Colleges and the Connecticut State  
176 University System for the fiscal year to which the budget request  
177 relates shall be included in the single public higher education budget  
178 request submitted by the Board of Governors of Higher Education for  
179 such fiscal year, provided if the General Assembly does not  
180 appropriate the amount requested by any such board of trustees, such  
181 board of trustees may increase tuition and fees by an amount greater  
182 than that included in the budget request in response to which the

183 appropriation was made. The General Assembly shall make  
184 appropriations directly to the constituent unit boards. Said constituent  
185 unit boards shall allocate appropriations to the individual institutions  
186 and [branches] campuses with due consideration to the program or  
187 formula-based budget used to develop the appropriation as approved  
188 by the General Assembly or as otherwise specified in the approved  
189 appropriation. Allotment reductions made pursuant to the provisions  
190 of subsections (b) and (c) of section 4-85 shall be applied by the Board  
191 of Governors of Higher Education among the appropriations to the  
192 constituent unit boards without regard to the limitations on reductions  
193 provided in said section, except that said limitations shall apply to the  
194 total of the amounts appropriated to the higher education budgeted  
195 agencies. The Board of Governors of Higher Education shall apply  
196 such reductions after consultation with the Secretary of the Office of  
197 Policy and Management and the constituent unit boards. Any  
198 reductions of more than five per cent of the appropriations of any  
199 constituent units shall be submitted to the appropriations committee  
200 which shall, within ten days, approve or reject such reduction.

201 Sec. 6. Section 10a-104 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
202 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2011*):

203 (a) Subject to state-wide policy and guidelines established by the  
204 Board of Governors of Higher Education, the Board of Trustees of The  
205 University of Connecticut shall: (1) Make rules for the government of  
206 the university and shall determine the general policies of the  
207 university, including those concerning the admission of students and  
208 the establishment of schools, colleges, divisions and departments, and  
209 shall direct the expenditure of the university's funds within the  
210 amounts available; (2) develop the mission statement for The  
211 University of Connecticut, and all [branches] campuses thereof, which  
212 shall include, but not be limited to, the following elements: (A) The  
213 educational needs of and constituencies served by said university and  
214 [branches] campuses; (B) the degrees offered by said university; and  
215 (C) the role and scope of each institution and [branch] campus within  
216 the university system, which shall include each institution's and

217 [branch's] campus' particular strengths and specialties. The board of  
218 trustees shall submit the mission statement to the Board of Governors  
219 of Higher Education for review and approval in accordance with the  
220 provisions of section 10a-6, as amended by this act; (3) establish  
221 policies for the university system and for the individual institutions  
222 and [branches] campuses under its jurisdiction; (4) submit to the Board  
223 of Governors of Higher Education, for approval, recommendations for  
224 the establishment of new academic programs; (5) make  
225 recommendations to the Board of Governors of Higher Education,  
226 when appropriate, regarding institutional or [branch] campus mergers  
227 or closures; (6) coordinate the programs and services of the institutions  
228 and [branches] campuses under its jurisdiction; (7) be authorized to  
229 enter into agreements, consistent with the provisions of section 5-141d,  
230 to save harmless and indemnify sponsors of research grants to The  
231 University of Connecticut, provided such an agreement is required to  
232 receive the grant and limits liability to damages or injury resulting  
233 from acts or omissions related to such research by employees of the  
234 university; (8) promote fund-raising to assist the university and report  
235 to the Commissioner of Higher Education and the joint standing  
236 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
237 relating to education by January 1, 1994, and biennially thereafter, on  
238 such fund-raising; (9) charge the direct costs for a building project  
239 under its jurisdiction to the bond fund account for such project,  
240 provided (A) such costs are charged in accordance with a procedure  
241 approved by the Treasurer and (B) nothing in this subdivision shall  
242 permit the charging of working capital costs, as defined in the  
243 applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any  
244 subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States,  
245 as from time to time amended, or costs originally paid from sources  
246 other than the bond fund account; (10) exercise the powers delegated  
247 to it pursuant to section 10a-109d; and (11) establish by October 1,  
248 1997, policies governing the acceptance of gifts made by a foundation  
249 established pursuant to sections 4-37e and 4-37f to the university or its  
250 employees for reimbursement of expenditures or payment of  
251 expenditures on behalf of the university or its employees.

252 (b) The board of trustees shall: (1) Review and approve institutional  
253 budget requests and prepare and submit to the Board of Governors of  
254 Higher Education, in accordance with the provisions of section 10a-8,  
255 as amended by this act, the budget request for the university and all  
256 [branches] campuses thereof; (2) propose facility planning and capital  
257 expenditure budget priorities for the institutions under its jurisdiction;  
258 (3) fulfill requirements concerning the auditing and review of projects  
259 of UCONN 2000 in accordance with sections 10a-109z to 10a-109bb,  
260 inclusive; (4) establish the construction assurance office in accordance  
261 with section 10a-109cc; and (5) exercise the powers delegated to it in  
262 section 10a-109d. The board may request authority from the Treasurer  
263 to issue payment for claims against the university, other than a  
264 payment for payroll, debt service payable on state bonds to  
265 bondholders, paying agents, or trustees, or any payment the source of  
266 which includes the proceeds of a state bond issue.

267 (c) The board of trustees may create a board of directors for the  
268 governance of The University of Connecticut Health Center and may  
269 delegate such duties and authority as it deems necessary and  
270 appropriate to said board of directors. The board of directors shall  
271 include members of the board of trustees designated by the  
272 chairperson of the board of trustees and such other persons as the  
273 board of trustees deems appropriate.

274 Sec. 7. Section 10a-109w of the general statutes is repealed and the  
275 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2011*):

276 (a) Prior to any authorization pursuant to section 10a-109f to  
277 implement the relocation of The University of Connecticut, West  
278 Hartford [branch] campus to a location in the city of Hartford or to any  
279 other location, the board of trustees of the university shall authorize  
280 such relocation by a resolution approved by a majority vote of the  
281 board. Such resolution shall be in addition to any decision of the board  
282 pursuant to said section 10a-109f. No funds shall be authorized for  
283 such relocation until the board has approved the resolution, except  
284 that the board may expend funds for the Hartford relocation feasibility

285 study prior to the approval of the resolution. The feasibility study  
286 required pursuant to this section shall include consideration, in  
287 consultation with officials of the town of West Hartford, of alternative  
288 uses for facilities and land of the West Hartford campus, provided  
289 such uses do not include correctional facilities, juvenile detention  
290 facilities, state agency residential facilities or community residential  
291 facilities of any kind. If the board authorizes the relocation of the West  
292 Hartford [branch] campus, the university, in concurrence with officials  
293 of the state and the town of West Hartford, shall make  
294 recommendations to the Office of Policy and Management for  
295 alternative uses for the facilities and land of the existing West Hartford  
296 campus.

297 (b) With regard to any authorization by the board of trustees of the  
298 university, pursuant to said section 10a-109f, to issue securities for a  
299 [branch] campus project or to initiate or expand academic programs at  
300 any [branch] campus of the university under the UConn 2000  
301 infrastructure improvement program, the board shall find and  
302 determine that the university has considered (1) whether there are  
303 opportunities to coordinate programs and services between the  
304 university and other state public and independent institutions of  
305 higher education and (2) whether there are opportunities to share  
306 programs and facilities with other public and independent institutions  
307 of higher education in conjunction with the projects being considered  
308 by the university. The findings and determinations of the board shall  
309 be included in the reports required pursuant to sections 10a-109x and  
310 10a-109y.

311 Sec. 8. Section 10a-121 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
312 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2011*):

313 The University of Connecticut with the cooperation of the  
314 Department of Transportation shall plan and develop a program for  
315 the establishment of a Connecticut Transportation Institute for  
316 education and training in transportation technology. Consideration  
317 shall be given to locating the institute in the southeastern [branch]

318 campus of The University of Connecticut at Avery Point, Groton. The  
319 program shall include, but not be limited to, the following areas: (1) A  
320 description of undergraduate and graduate courses for transportation  
321 technology; (2) a budget projection for the first five years of operation,  
322 including personnel services, other expenses and equipment; (3) a  
323 description of a program for continuing education in transportation  
324 technology with emphasis on community involvement; and (4)  
325 recommendations for the encouragement of participation by other  
326 New England states with a view to establishing the institute as a New  
327 England Regional Transportation Institute. The Institute shall be  
328 operational for the fall semester of 1975.

329 Sec. 9. Section 10a-137 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
330 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2011*):

331 The Board of Trustees of The University of Connecticut may  
332 contract with public agencies for the use of the swimming pool at the  
333 university [branch] campus at Avery Point, provided such contract  
334 shall include provision for compensation to the university for all  
335 expenses incurred in connection with such use.

336 Sec. 10. Subsection (a) of section 10a-142 of the general statutes is  
337 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
338 *October 1, 2011*):

339 (a) There are established special police forces for The University of  
340 Connecticut at Storrs and its several [branches] campuses, The  
341 University of Connecticut Health Center in Farmington, Central  
342 Connecticut State University in New Britain, Southern Connecticut  
343 State University in New Haven, Eastern Connecticut State University  
344 in Willimantic and Western Connecticut State University in Danbury.  
345 The members of each special police force shall have the same duties,  
346 responsibilities and authority under sections 7-281, 14-8, 54-1f and 54-  
347 33a and title 53a as members of a duly organized local police  
348 department. The jurisdiction of said special police forces shall extend  
349 to the geographical limits of the property owned or under the control  
350 of the above institutions, and to property occupied by The University

351 of Connecticut in the town of Mansfield, except as provided in  
352 subsection (b) of section 7-277a.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	July 1, 2011	10a-19h
Sec. 2	October 1, 2011	1-90a(b)
Sec. 3	October 1, 2011	10a-1
Sec. 4	October 1, 2011	10a-6(a)
Sec. 5	October 1, 2011	10a-8(a)
Sec. 6	October 1, 2011	10a-104
Sec. 7	October 1, 2011	10a-109w
Sec. 8	October 1, 2011	10a-121
Sec. 9	October 1, 2011	10a-137
Sec. 10	October 1, 2011	10a-142(a)

**Statement of Legislative Commissioners:**

In section 1(a), "as described in subsection (c) of this section" was added after "for at least five years" and "said" was added after "grant pursuant to" for clarity.

**HED**      *Joint Favorable Subst.*

The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. In general, fiscal impacts are based upon a variety of informational sources, including the analyst's professional knowledge. Whenever applicable, agency data is consulted as part of the analysis, however final products do not necessarily reflect an assessment from any specific department.

**OFA Fiscal Note**

**State Impact:**

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 12 \$	FY 13 \$
Higher Ed., Dept.	GF - Cost	37,000	17,000
Comptroller Misc. Accounts (Fringe Benefits) <sup>1</sup>	GF - Cost	1,300	1,300

Note: GF=General Fund

**Municipal Impact:** None

**Explanation**

**Section 1** of the bill, which modifies the repayment terms and schedule of the Department of Higher Education’s (DHE) Kirklyn M. Kerr grant program, is anticipated to result in a cost of approximately \$37,000, plus fringe benefits in FY 12 and \$17,000 in FY 13. Currently, DHE does not have the staff or the software to operate a loan repayment program.

It is anticipated that DHE would require one forth of a full time Associate Analyst at a cost of approximately \$17,000, plus fringe benefits. Additionally, DHE would require the services of a software engineer, which are estimated to cost less than \$20,000, to design and write the program for the reimbursement portion of the loan process. The costs for the software engineer are one-time in nature.

**Sections 2-10** are technical in nature and do not result in a fiscal impact.

**The Out Years**

<sup>1</sup> The state’s fringe benefit cost associated with the one forth full time position results from 7.65% for FICA (Federal Insurance Compensation Act) for such employees.

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation.

**OLR Bill Analysis****sSB 858*****AN ACT CONCERNING REVISIONS TO THE HIGHER EDUCATION STATUTES.*****SUMMARY:**

This bill modifies the repayment terms of the Department of Higher Education's (DHE) Kirklyn M. Kerr grant program for veterinary medicine students. It retains an existing requirement for a student in the program to either work as a veterinarian in Connecticut for a five-year period beginning no later than six months after graduation or repay some or all of his or her award but eliminates the requirement for a student to make a written commitment to do so. It also permits DHE to allow a recipient to begin practicing in Connecticut at a later date designated by DHE, if the recipient intends to pursue additional veterinary training or education outside of Connecticut.

The bill modifies the repayment schedule for students who do not practice in Connecticut. Under current law, (1) recipients must repay at least 20% of their award for every year in the five-year period that they do not practice in Connecticut and (2) the DHE commissioner must determine the manner of repayment. Under the bill, the percentage of the grant that must be repaid is determined by the number of years the student practices veterinary medicine in Connecticut. He or she must repay:

1. 100% for less than one year,
2. 90% for between one and two years,
3. 75% for between two and three years,
4. 55% for between three and four years, and

5. 30% for between four and five years.

The bill generally requires students repaying a grant to (1) repay at least \$50 per month and (2) complete repayment within five years. If repayment presents an unjust hardship for the recipient, the DHE commissioner may (1) extend the repayment period to a maximum of seven years or (2) grant a deferment. A deferment period is not included in the repayment period, and interest does not accrue during a deferment. The bill allows the commissioner to forgive the debt if (1) the recipient dies, (2) the recipient becomes disabled, or (3) the debt is deemed uncollectible in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Lastly, the bill specifies that the program provides grants rather than “support” to students and makes technical changes.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011, except for the technical changes, which are effective October 1, 2011

## **BACKGROUND**

### ***Kirklyn M. Kerr Program***

The Kirklyn M. Kerr program allows Connecticut residents to attend Iowa State University’s College of Veterinary Medicine and pay in-state Iowa tuition. DHE determines each year the number of program participants (up to five per cohort are allowed by law), and Iowa State reserves these seats specifically for Connecticut residents.

## **COMMITTEE ACTION**

Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 19 Nay 0 (03/17/2011)