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**Public Act No. 12-156**

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

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

Section 1. Section 3-22e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) There is established a Connecticut Higher Education Trust Advisory Committee which shall consist of the State Treasurer, the [president of the Board of Regents for] executive director of the Office of Higher Education, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the cochairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education and finance, revenue and bonding, or their designees, and one student financial aid officer and one finance officer at a public institution of higher education in the state, each appointed by the Board of Regents for Higher Education, and one student financial aid officer and one finance officer at an independent institution of higher education in the state, each appointed by the Connecticut Conference of Independent Colleges. The advisory committee shall meet at least annually. The State Treasurer shall convene the meetings of the committee.

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(b) Within six months from the date of the trust's annual report, the State Treasurer and the [Board of Regents for] executive director of the Office of Higher Education shall jointly report, in accordance with section 11-4a, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education and finance, revenue and bonding on an evaluation of the Connecticut Higher Education Trust and recommendations, if any, for improvements in the program.

Sec. 2. Subsection (f) of section 4-89 of the 2012 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(f) The provisions of this section shall not apply to appropriations to the [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education for student financial assistance for the scholarship program established under section 10a-169, or for the high technology graduate scholarship program established under section 10a-170a, to the Board of Regents for Higher Education for Connecticut higher education centers of excellence established under section 10a-25h, to the Office of Higher Education for the minority advancement program established under subsection (b) of section 10a-11, as amended by this act, to the Board of Regents for Higher Education for the high technology doctoral fellowship program established under section 10a-25n, or to the operating funds of the constituent units of the state system of higher education established pursuant to sections 10a-105, 10a-99 and 10a-77. Such appropriations shall not lapse until the end of the fiscal year succeeding the fiscal year of the appropriation except that centers of excellence appropriations deposited by the [board of regents] Board of Regents for Higher Education in the Endowed Chair Investment Fund, established under section 10a-20a, as amended by this act, shall not lapse but shall be held permanently in the Endowed Chair Investment Fund and any moneys remaining in higher education operating funds

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of the constituent units of the state system of higher education shall not lapse but shall be held permanently in such funds. On or before September first, annually, the Office of Higher Education and Board of Regents for Higher Education shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, through the Office of Fiscal Analysis, concerning the amount of each such appropriation carried over from the preceding fiscal year.

Sec. 3. Subsection (f) of section 4b-55 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(f) "Priority higher education facility project" means any project which is part of a state program to repair, renovate, enlarge, equip, purchase or construct (1) instructional facilities, (2) academic core facilities, including library, research and laboratory facilities, (3) student residential or related student dining facilities, or (4) utility systems related to such projects, which are or will be operated under the jurisdiction of the board of trustees of any constituent unit of the state system of higher education, except The University of Connecticut provided the project is included in the comprehensive facilities master plan of the constituent unit [pursuant to section 10a-4a or] in the most recent state facility plan of the Office of Policy and Management pursuant to section 4b-23;

Sec. 4. Subsection (a) of section 7-608 of the 2012 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) There is established a Neighborhood Revitalization Zone Advisory Board. The board shall consist of the following voting members: (1) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management; (2) the President of the [Connecticut Institute of Municipal Studies]

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Institute for Municipal and Regional Policy at Central Connecticut State University; (3) the president of the Board of Regents for Higher Education; (4) the heads of those state agencies deemed appropriate by the secretary; (5) the chief executive officer of a municipality in which a neighborhood revitalization zone planning committee, pursuant to this chapter, was established on or before July 1, 1998; and (6) one member of each such neighborhood revitalization zone planning committee appointed by the chief executive officer based upon recommendations submitted to him by such committee. In a municipality having more than one neighborhood revitalization zone planning committee, each committee shall submit its recommendations to the chief executive officer and he shall choose the board member to be appointed from such recommendations. Each member of the board may designate a person to represent him on said board. The membership of the board shall be increased on September 1, 1999, and annually thereafter, to reflect the addition of a municipal chief executive officer and a member of a neighborhood revitalization zone planning committee having been established in the preceding twelve months, in a municipality not previously represented on said board. The members of the board shall serve without compensation.

Sec. 5. Subsection (a) of section 10-145b of the 2012 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) The State Board of Education, upon receipt of a proper application, shall issue an initial educator certificate to any person who has graduated (1) from a four-year baccalaureate program of teacher education as approved by said state board, or (2) from a four-year baccalaureate program approved by said state board or from a college or university accredited by the [board of regents] Board of Regents for Higher Education or State Board of Education or regionally accredited, provided such person has taken such teacher training equivalents as

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the State Board of Education shall require and, unless such equivalents are taken at institutions outside of this state, as the board of regents shall accredit. In addition, on and after July 1, 1993, each applicant shall have completed a subject area major as defined by the State Board of Education, except as provided in section 10-145l. Each such initial educator certificate shall be valid for three years, except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, and may be extended by the Commissioner of Education for an additional year for good cause upon the request of the superintendent in whose school district such person is employed or upon the request of the assessment team reviewing such person's performance.

Sec. 6. Subparagraph (B) of subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of section 10-145b of the 2012 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(B) The applicant meets the following requirements, except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (C) of this subdivision:

(i) Holds a bachelor's degree from an institution of higher education accredited by the Board of Regents for Higher Education or State Board of Education or regionally accredited with a major either in or closely related to the certification endorsement area in which the requesting board of education is placing the applicant or, in the case of secondary or special subject or field endorsement area, possesses at least the minimum total number of semester hours of credit required for the content area, except as provided in section 10-145l;

(ii) Has met the requirements pursuant to subsection (b) of section 10-145f;

(iii) Presents a written application on such forms as the Commissioner of Education shall prescribe;

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(iv) Has successfully completed an alternate route to certification program provided by the Board of Regents for Higher Education or the Office of Higher Education or public or independent institutions of higher education, regional educational service centers or private teacher or administrator training organizations and approved by the State Board of Education;

(v) Possesses an undergraduate college overall grade point average of at least "B" or, if the applicant has completed at least twenty-four hours of graduate credit, possesses a graduate grade point average of at least "B"; and

(vi) Presents supporting evidence of appropriate experience working with children; and

Sec. 7. Subsection (a) of section 10-145m of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) The State Board of Education, upon receipt of a proper application, shall issue a resident teacher certificate to any applicant in the certification endorsement areas of elementary education, middle grades education, secondary academic subjects, special subjects or fields, special education, early childhood education and administration and supervision, who (1) holds a bachelor's degree from an institution of higher education accredited by the Board of Regents for Higher Education or State Board of Education or regionally accredited, (2) possesses a minimum undergraduate college cumulative grade point average of 3.00, (3) has achieved a qualifying score, as determined by the State Board of Education, on the appropriate State Board of Education approved subject area assessment, and (4) is enrolled in an alternate route to certification program, approved by the State Board of Education, that meets the guidelines established by the No Child Left Behind Act, P.L. 107-110.

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Sec. 8. Subsection (a) of section 10-145n of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) Subject to the provisions of subsection (g) of this section, the State Board of Education, upon the request of a local or regional board of education or a regional educational service center, may issue an adjunct instructor permit to any applicant with specialized training, experience or expertise in the arts, as defined in subsection (a) of section 10-16b. Such permit shall authorize a person to hold a part-time position, of no more than fifteen classroom instructional hours per week at a part-time interdistrict arts magnet high school in existence on July 1, 2009, and approved pursuant to section 10-264l or the Cooperative Arts and Humanities Magnet High School, as a teacher of art, music, dance, theater or any other subject related to such holder's artistic specialty. Except as provided in subsection (g) of this section, such applicant shall (1) hold a bachelor's degree from an institution of higher education accredited by the Board of Regents for Higher Education or State Board of Education or regionally accredited, (2) have a minimum of three years of work experience in the arts, or one year of work experience and two years of specialized schooling related to such applicant's artistic specialty, and (3) attest to the State Board of Education that he or she has at least one hundred eighty hours of cumulative experience working with children, in a private or public setting, including, but not limited to, after school programs, group lessons, children's theater, dance studio lessons and artist-in-residence programs, or at least two years experience as a full-time faculty member at an institution of higher education.

Sec. 9. Subsection (a) of section 10-145p of the 2012 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) The Department of Education shall review and approve

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proposals for alternate route to certification programs for school administrators. In order to be approved, a proposal shall provide that the alternative route to certification program (1) be provided by a public or independent institution of higher education, a local or regional board of education, a regional educational service center or a private, nonprofit teacher or administrator training organization approved by the State Board of Education; (2) accept only those participants who (A) hold a bachelor's degree from an institution of higher education accredited by the Board of Regents for Higher Education or State Board of Education or regionally accredited, (B) have at least forty school months teaching experience, of which at least ten school months are in a position requiring certification at a public school, in this state or another state, and (C) are recommended by the immediate supervisor or district administrator of such person on the basis of such person's performance; (3) require each participant to (A) complete a one-year residency that requires such person to serve (i) in a position requiring an intermediate administrator or supervisor endorsement, and (ii) in a full-time position for ten school months at a local or regional board of education in the state under the supervision of (I) a certified administrator, and (II) a supervisor from an institution or organization described in subdivision (1) of this subsection, or (B) have ten school months experience in a full-time position as an administrator in a public or nonpublic school in another state that is approved by the appropriate state board of education in such other state; and (4) meet such other criteria as the department requires.

Sec. 10. Subsections (f) and (g) of section 10-221a of the 2012 supplement to the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(f) Determination of eligible credits shall be at the discretion of the local or regional board of education, provided the primary focus of the curriculum of eligible credits corresponds directly to the subject matter

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of the specified course requirements. The local or regional board of education may permit a student to graduate during a period of expulsion pursuant to section 10-233d, if the board determines the student has satisfactorily completed the necessary credits pursuant to this section. The requirements of this section shall apply to any student requiring special education pursuant to section 10-76a, except when the planning and placement team for such student determines the requirement not to be appropriate. For purposes of this section, a credit shall consist of not less than the equivalent of a forty-minute class period for each school day of a school year except for a credit or part of a credit toward high school graduation earned (1) at an institution accredited by the Board of Regents for Higher Education or State Board of Education or regionally accredited; or (2) through on-line coursework that is in accordance with a policy adopted pursuant to subsection (g) of this section.

(g) Only courses taken in grades nine through twelve, inclusive, shall satisfy this graduation requirement, except that a local or regional board of education may grant a student credit (1) toward meeting a specified course requirement upon the successful completion in grade seven or eight of any course, the primary focus of which corresponds directly to the subject matter of a specified course requirement in grades nine to twelve, inclusive; (2) toward meeting the high school graduation requirement upon the successful completion of a world language course (A) in grade six, seven or eight, (B) through on-line coursework, or (C) offered privately through a nonprofit provider, provided such student achieves a passing grade on an examination prescribed, within available appropriations, by the Commissioner of Education and such credits do not exceed four; (3) toward meeting the high school graduation requirement upon achievement of a passing grade on a subject area proficiency examination identified and approved, within available appropriations, by the Commissioner of Education, regardless of the number of hours the student spent in a

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public school classroom learning such subject matter; (4) toward meeting the high school graduation requirement upon the successful completion of coursework at an institution accredited by the Board of Regents for Higher Education or State Board of Education or regionally accredited. One three-credit semester course, or its equivalent, at such an institution shall equal one-half credit for purposes of this section; (5) toward meeting the high school graduation requirement upon the successful completion of on-line coursework, provided the local or regional board of education has adopted a policy in accordance with this subdivision for the granting of credit for on-line coursework. Such a policy shall ensure, at a minimum, that (A) the workload required by the on-line course is equivalent to that of a similar course taught in a traditional classroom setting, (B) the content is rigorous and aligned with curriculum guidelines approved by the State Board of Education, where appropriate, (C) the course engages students and has interactive components, which may include, but are not limited to, required interactions between students and their teachers, participation in on-line demonstrations, discussion boards or virtual labs, (D) the program of instruction for such on-line coursework is planned, ongoing and systematic, and (E) the courses are (i) taught by teachers who are certified in the state or another state and have received training on teaching in an on-line environment, or (ii) offered by institutions of higher education that are accredited by the Board of Regents for Higher Education or State Board of Education or regionally accredited; or (6) toward meeting the high school graduation requirement upon the successful completion of the board examination series pursuant to section 10-5c.

Sec. 11. Subsection (a) of section 10a-8 of the 2012 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

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(a) The provisions of sections 4-77 and 4-78 shall not apply to the constituent units of the state system of higher education, and for the purposes of said sections only, the Board of Regents for Higher Education shall be deemed the budgeted agency for the Connecticut State University System, the regional community-technical college system and Charter Oak State College. The Board of Regents for Higher Education shall develop a formula or program-based budgeting system to be used by each institution in preparing operating budgets. The Board of Regents for Higher Education shall prepare a single budget request itemized by the Connecticut State University System, the regional community-technical [colleges] college system and the Board for State Academic Awards using the formula or program-based budgeting system and shall submit such budget request displaying all operating funds to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management in accordance with sections 4-77 and 4-78, subject to procedures developed by the Board of Regents for Higher Education and approved by said secretary. The budget request shall set forth, in the form prescribed by the Board of Regents for Higher Education, a proposed expenditure plan which shall include: (1) The total amount requested for such appropriation account; (2) the amount to be appropriated from the General Fund; and (3) the amount to be paid from the tuition revenues of the regional community-technical [colleges] college system and the Connecticut State University System. After review and comment by the Board of Regents for Higher Education, the proposed expenditure plans shall be incorporated into the single public higher education budget request including recommendations, if any, by said board. Any tuition increase proposed by the regional community-technical [colleges] college system and the Connecticut State University System for the fiscal year to which the budget request relates shall be included in the single public higher education budget request submitted by the Board of Regents for Higher Education for such fiscal year, provided if the General Assembly does not appropriate the amount requested by any such

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[board of trustees] system, such [board of trustees] system may increase tuition and fees by an amount greater than that included in the budget request in response to which the appropriation was made. The General Assembly shall make appropriations directly to the constituent units. Allotment reductions made pursuant to the provisions of subsections (b) and (c) of section 4-85 shall be applied by the Board of Regents for Higher Education among the appropriations to the constituent units without regard to the limitations on reductions provided in said section, except that said limitations shall apply to the total of the amounts appropriated. The Board of Regents for Higher Education shall apply such reductions after consultation with the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management. Any reductions of more than five per cent of the appropriations of any constituent units shall be submitted to the appropriations committee which shall, within thirty days, approve or reject such reduction.

Sec. 12. Section 10a-8b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

There is established a Higher Education State Matching Grant Fund to be administered by the [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education. Moneys required to be appropriated by the state for purposes of the state match of endowment fund eligible gifts under subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 10a-143a, as amended by this act, subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 10a-77a, as amended by this act, subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 10a-99a, as amended by this act, and subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of section 10a-109i, as amended by this act, shall be deposited in the fund. The fund shall be held separate and apart from all other funds and accounts of the state and the board. The [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education shall transfer, in accordance with said subdivisions, from the fund amounts each fiscal year for deposit in the endowment funds established for the benefit of each constituent unit

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pursuant to subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 10a-143a, as amended by this act, subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 10a-77a, as amended by this act, subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 10a-99a, as amended by this act, and subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 10a-109i. The amount transferred shall be certified based on agreed upon procedures developed by an independent certified accountant or, upon request, the Auditors of Public Accounts to determine compliance with this section. Such procedures shall be mutually agreed upon by each constituent unit and the [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education prior to commencement of the certification. State matching funds shall be maintained in such manner that such funds and any earnings derived from such funds may be accounted for fully.

Sec. 13. Section 10a-8c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, notwithstanding the provisions of sections 10a-77a, as amended by this act, 10a-99a, as amended by this act, 10a-109c, 10a-109i, as amended by this act, and 10a-143a, as amended by this act, no funds shall be appropriated to the [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education for grants pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 10a-77a, as amended by this act, subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 10a-99a, as amended by this act, subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of section 10a-109i, as amended by this act, and subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 10a-143a, as amended by this act: (1) Until such time as the amount in the Budget Reserve Fund, established in section 4-30a, equals ten per cent of the net General Fund appropriations for the fiscal year in progress, (2) the amount of the grants appropriated shall be reduced proportionately if the amount available is less than the amount required for such grants, and (3) the amount of funds available to be appropriated during any fiscal year

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for such grants shall not exceed twenty-five million dollars.

(b) Endowment fund eligible gifts that meet the criteria set forth in subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 10a-77a, as amended by this act, subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 10a-99a, as amended by this act, subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of section 10a-109i, as amended by this act, and subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 10a-143a, as amended by this act, made by donors during the period from January 1, 2005, to June 30, 2005, shall be matched by the [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education in an amount equal to one-half of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts received. The board shall transfer the amount of the match to the endowment funds of the constituent units in accordance with section 10a-8b, as amended by this act.

Sec. 14. Section 10a-10 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

The [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education shall establish an Office of Educational Opportunity in the [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education, within the limits of funds appropriated for such purpose. The office shall assist the board in state-wide efforts to increase enrollment, retention and graduation of disadvantaged students, [and to help ensure that faculties, administrators and other staff of the state's institutions of public higher education are representative of the diversity of the total population of the state.]

Sec. 15. Section 10a-12 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

There shall be an Office of Veterans Affairs for Higher Education within the [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education. [Said office] The Office of Veterans Affairs for Higher Education shall assist

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veterans seeking a postsecondary education by providing administrative services for veteran affairs programs, including but not limited to: (1) Promoting a comprehensive state-wide outreach program which coordinates existing funds and programs, (2) collecting and disseminating information on the availability of public and private funds for educational programs for veterans, (3) advising and counseling organizations and institutions applying for funds to aid veterans in their pursuit of higher education, and (4) acting as a clearinghouse for such other information as may be helpful to veterans seeking a postsecondary education.

Sec. 16. Section 10a-12b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

The [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education shall establish a Connecticut award for excellence in science and technology. The award shall be presented annually and shall recognize scholarly accomplishment in science and technology. The Connecticut Academy of Science and Engineering shall appoint a panel to select the recipient of the award.

Sec. 17. Section 10a-13 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

The Board of Regents for Higher Education and the Office of Higher Education may receive any federal funds made available to the board and the office, respectively, for postsecondary educational purposes and may receive funds from private sources for the support of said board's and said office's activities.

Sec. 18. Section 10a-14 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

The Board of Regents for Higher Education and the Office of Higher Education shall be designated the State Postsecondary Education

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Commission to plan postsecondary education and to receive and administer federal funds.

Sec. 19. Section 10a-17d of the 2012 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

The [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education may, within the limits of available appropriations, federal funds available under the National Service Act and any other funds available, assist in providing tutors for eligible students. Such tutors may be members of the National Service Corps, as designated by the [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education, or students at a public or independent institution of higher education in Connecticut. Any student assigned as a tutor pursuant to [sections 10a-17b to 10a-17d, inclusive,] this section shall receive academic credit pursuant to section 10a-149b.

Sec. 20. Section 10a-20a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) The [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education may establish and administer a fund to be known as the Endowed Chair Investment Fund. Within the limits of funds available, the [board] office may deposit state funds for an endowed chair approved under subsection (c) of this section to an account within said fund in an amount not less than five hundred thousand dollars.

(b) State funds deposited by the [board of regents] office to the Endowed Chair Investment Fund shall be invested by the State Treasurer.

(c) The Board of Trustees of The University of Connecticut and the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System may apply for the establishment of an endowed chair to be supported by a grant of not less than five hundred thousand and not more than one

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million dollars from the Endowed Chair Investment Fund and a matching nonstate contribution. Applications for endowed chairs shall be accepted on October first and April first in each year in which funds are available. To apply for the state grant, the board of trustees shall notify the [board of regents] office that it has raised a matching nonstate contribution and that it is eligible for a grant of state funds to establish an endowed chair in a specific academic discipline. The board of trustees shall submit for the [board of regents'] office's review and approval evidence that the chair will be established in a center of excellence, as defined in subsection (b) of section 10a-25h.

(d) Following approval of state funding for an endowed chair by the [board of regents] office, the board of trustees of the institution at which the chair is established shall select candidates to fill the endowed chair and shall develop a budget for expenditures associated with the chair.

(e) Interest income earned under subsection (b) of this section shall be deposited to the Endowed Chair Investment Fund and, following establishment of an endowed chair under subsection (c) of this section shall be allocated, upon request, to The University of Connecticut or to the Connecticut State University System, as appropriate, to support the endowed chair. Nonstate matching contributions shall be held by a duly established foundation of The University of Connecticut or the Connecticut State University System and the interest on such contributions shall be used to support the endowed chair.

(f) The boards of trustees shall submit annual reports to the [board of regents] office concerning endowed chair expenditures.

Sec. 21. Section 10a-22 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) In order to secure for the citizens of Connecticut the additional

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advantages which would accrue from more efficient use of the educational resources of the state, the Board of Regents for Higher Education [is] and the Office of Higher Education are authorized to enter into contracts involving two or more of the public institutions or any combination of public institutions, independent institutions and licensed postsecondary proprietary schools, with participation involving at least two of these sectors, one of which shall be a public institution. Such contracts shall encourage and promote (1) cooperative arrangements for the joint use of facilities, programs and services, (2) development of cooperative academic programs to meet changing societal needs, and (3) improved planning and evaluation processes related to institutional or programmatic consolidations, retrenchment or phase-out. The board and the office may allocate funds appropriated for the purposes of this section to a participating independent institution, public institution, or licensed postsecondary proprietary school. Participating institutions or schools shall be required to contribute a total amount equal to at least twenty-five per cent of the amount of the contract award, provided the participating institutions shall identify the nature and amount of said contribution requirement in the proposal submitted for consideration in accordance with the provisions of this section. Contracting for activities supported by this section shall be for a period of one year. In special circumstances, activities may be eligible for a second year of support if the applicants can demonstrate the feasibility for continuation of the activity from other funding sources beyond the second year.

(b) For the purposes of this section: (1) A program is defined as a course of study leading to certification, licensure, certificate, or degree at all postsecondary levels; (2) a facility is defined as a building or an area within a building, a group of buildings, a special area, or specialized items of equipment used for educational purposes; (3) a service is defined as a formal activity designed to explore scientific, technological or humanistic problems, to find solutions to

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contemporary societal problems or to provide selected public service or student service activities; (4) an independent institution is a college or university located in this state which is not included in the Connecticut system of public higher education and whose primary function is other than the preparation of students for religious vocation; and (5) a licensed postsecondary proprietary school is an educational institution so licensed by the [State Board of Education] Office of Higher Education.

(c) The Board of Regents for Higher Education and Office of Higher Education shall provide continuing evaluation of the effectiveness of such contracts and shall submit on or before February first, annual reports and recommendations to the Governor and the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education. In administering this section, the Board of Regents for Higher Education and Office of Higher Education shall develop and use fiscal procedures designed to insure accountability of public funds.

Sec. 22. Section 10a-22a of the 2012 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

As used in sections 10a-22a to [10a-22o] 10a-22y, inclusive, as amended by this act:

(1) "Private occupational school" means a person, board, association, partnership, corporation, limited liability company or other entity offering instruction in any form or manner in any trade, industrial, commercial, service, professional or other occupation for any remuneration, consideration, reward or promise of whatever nature, except "private occupational school" shall not include (A) instruction offered under public supervision and control; (B) instruction conducted by a firm or organization solely for the training of its own

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employees or members; or (C) instruction offered by a school authorized by the General Assembly to confer degrees;

(2) "Additional classroom site" means a facility that (A) is geographically located close to the school or branch that oversees the site, such that students must utilize services provided at such school or branch, (B) conducts permanent or temporary educational activities, and (C) offers courses or full programs of study;

[(3) "Board" means the State Board of Education;]

[(4)] (3) "Branch" means a subdivision of a school (A) located at a different facility and geographical site from the school, except for a site that is an additional classroom site as determined by the executive director, or the executive director's designee, and (B) that (i) offers one or more complete programs leading to a diploma or certificate; (ii) operates under the school's certificate of operation; (iii) meets the same conditions of authorization as the school; and (iv) exercises administrative control and is responsible for its own academic affairs; and

[(5)] (4) "Executive director" means the executive director of the Office of [Financial and Academic Affairs for] Higher Education.

Sec. 23. Subsection (f) of section 10a-22b of the 2012 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(f) For purposes of an evaluation of an applicant school, the executive director, or the executive director's designee, shall appoint an evaluation team which shall include (1) at least two members representing the [institutions of public higher education] Office of Higher Education, and (2) at least one member for each of the areas of occupational instruction for which authorization is sought who shall be experienced in such occupation. The applicant school shall have the

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right to challenge any proposed member of the evaluation team for good cause shown. A written challenge shall be filed with the executive director within ten business days following the appointment of such evaluation team. In the event of a challenge, a decision shall be made thereon by the executive director within ten business days from the date such challenge is filed, and if the challenge is upheld the executive director shall appoint a replacement. Employees of the state or any political subdivision of the state may be members of evaluation teams. The executive director, or the executive director's designee, shall not appoint any person to an evaluation team unless the executive director, or such designee, has received from such person a statement that the person has no interest which is in conflict with the proper discharge of the duties of evaluation team members as described in this section. The statement shall be on a form prescribed by the executive director and shall be signed under penalty of false statement. Members of the evaluation team shall serve without compensation. Except for any member of the evaluation team who is a state employee, members shall be reimbursed for actual expenses, which expenses shall be charged to and paid by the applicant school.

Sec. 24. Section 10a-22c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) No certificate to operate a private occupational school shall be authorized by the [commissioner] executive director, or the [commissioner's] executive director's designee, if (1) any principal, officer, member or director of the applicant school has acted in a similar capacity for a private occupational school which has had its authorization revoked pursuant to section 10a-22f, as amended by this act; (2) the applicant school does not have a net worth consisting of sufficient liquid assets or other evidence of fiscal soundness to operate for the period of time for which authorization is sought; (3) the applicant school or any of its agents engages in advertising, sales,

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collection, credit or other practices which are false, deceptive, misleading or unfair; (4) the applicant school has any policy which discourages or prohibits the filing of inquiries or complaints regarding the school's operation with the [commissioner] executive director; (5) the applicant school fails to satisfactorily meet the criteria set forth in subsection (g) of section 10a-22b; (6) a private occupational school that has previously closed fails to follow the procedures for school closure under section 10a-22m, as amended by this act; or (7) the applicant school does not have a director located at the school and at each of its branches in this state.

(b) The [commissioner] executive director may deny a certificate of authorization if the person who owns or intends to operate a private occupational school has been convicted in this state, or any other state, of larceny in violation of section 53a-122 or 53a-123; identity theft in violation of section 53a-129b or 53a-129c; forgery in violation of section 53a-138 or 53a-139; or has a criminal record in this state, or any other state, that the [commissioner] executive director reasonably believes renders the person unsuitable to own and operate a private occupational school. A refusal of a certificate of authorization under this subsection shall be made in accordance with the provisions of sections 46a-79 to 46a-81, inclusive.

(c) No certificate to operate a private occupational school shall be issued by the [commissioner] executive director pursuant to section 10a-22d until such private occupational school seeking authorization files with the [commissioner] executive director certificates indicating that the buildings and premises for such school meet all applicable state and local fire and zoning requirements. Such certificates shall be attested to by the fire marshal and zoning enforcement officer within the municipality in which such school is located.

(d) No certificate to operate a new private occupational school shall be issued by the [commissioner] executive director pursuant to section

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10a-22d until such private occupational school seeking authorization files with the [commissioner] executive director an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a bank with its main office or branch located within this state in the penal amount of forty thousand dollars guaranteeing the payments required of the school to the private occupational school student protection account in accordance with the provisions of section 10a-22u. The letter of credit shall be payable to the private occupational school student protection account in the event that such school fails to make payments to the account as provided in subsection (a) of section 10a-22u or in the event the state takes action to reimburse the account for a tuition refund paid to a student pursuant to the provisions of section 10a-22v, provided the amount of the letter of credit to be paid into the private occupational school student protection account shall not exceed the amounts owed to the account. The letter of credit required by this subsection shall be released twelve years after the date of initial approval, provided evidence of fiscal soundness has been verified.

(e) The [commissioner] executive director shall notify the applicant private occupational school, by certified mail, return receipt requested of the decision to grant or deny a certificate of authorization not later than sixty days after receiving the written report of the evaluation team appointed pursuant to subsection (f) of section 10a-22b, as amended by this act.

Sec. 25. Section 10a-22e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) During any period of authorization by the [commissioner] executive director to operate as a private occupational school pursuant to sections 10a-22a to 10a-22o, inclusive, as amended by this act, and sections 10a-22u to 10a-22w, inclusive, such private occupational school may request revision of the conditions of its authorization. Such school shall make such request to the [commissioner] executive

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director, in the manner and on such forms prescribed by the [commissioner] executive director sixty days prior to the proposed implementation date of any intended revision. Such revision shall include, but not be limited to, changes in (1) courses or programs; (2) ownership of the school; (3) name of the school; (4) location of the school's main campus; or (5) location of any of the school's additional classroom sites or branch campuses. A private occupational school requesting revision of the conditions of its authorization based on a change in ownership of the school shall submit an application and letter of credit pursuant to sections 10a-22b, as amended by this act, and 10a-22c, as amended by this act, accompanied by a nonrefundable change of ownership fee made payable to the private occupational school student protection account under section 10a-22u in the amount of two thousand dollars for the private occupational school and two hundred dollars for each branch of a private occupational school in this state.

(b) The [commissioner] executive director, or the [commissioner's] executive director's designee, may, not later than thirty days after receipt of a request to revise the conditions of authorization, issue an order prohibiting any such change if it would constitute a material or substantial deviation from the conditions of authorization.

(c) If the [commissioner] executive director, or the [commissioner's] executive director's designee, fails to take action upon a request for revision by the thirtieth day following the proposed implementation date of the intended revision, such request shall be deemed approved, and the private occupational school's certificate of authorization shall be so revised for the same period as its current authorization.

Sec. 26. Section 10a-22f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) A certificate of authorization issued to a private occupational

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school pursuant to sections 10a-22a to 10a-22o, inclusive, as amended by this act, and sections 10a-22u to 10a-22w, inclusive, may be revoked by the [commissioner] executive director if such school (1) ceases to meet the conditions of its authorization; (2) commits a material or substantial violation of sections 10a-22a to 10a-22o, inclusive, as amended by this act, or sections 10a-22u to 10a-22w, inclusive, or the regulations prescribed thereunder; (3) makes a false statement about a material fact in application for authorization or renewal; or (4) fails to make a required payment to the private occupational school student protection account pursuant to section 10a-22u.

(b) The [commissioner] executive director, or the [commissioner's] executive director's designee, shall serve written notice, by certified mail, return receipt requested upon a private occupational school indicating that revocation of the school's authorization is under consideration and the [commissioner] executive director shall set forth the reasons such revocation is being considered. Not later than forty-five days after mailing such written notice, the [commissioner] executive director, or the [commissioner's] executive director's designee, shall hold a compliance conference with the private occupational school.

(c) If, after the compliance conference, the [commissioner] executive director determines that revocation of the certificate of authorization is appropriate, the [commissioner] executive director shall issue an order and serve written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested upon the private occupational school, which notice shall include, but not be limited to, the date of the revocation.

(d) A private occupational school aggrieved by the order of the [commissioner] executive director revoking its certificate of authorization pursuant to subsection (c) of this section shall, not later than fifteen days after such order is mailed, request in writing a hearing before the [commissioner] executive director. Such hearing

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shall be held in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54.

Sec. 27. Section 10a-22g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) A private occupational school which is authorized by the [commissioner] executive director pursuant to sections 10a-22a to 10a-22o, inclusive, as amended by this act, and sections 10a-22u to 10a-22w, inclusive, may request authorization to establish and operate additional classroom sites or branch schools for the purpose of offering the occupational instruction authorized by the [commissioner] executive director, provided the additional classroom site or branch school complies with the provisions of subsection (b) of this section. Such school shall make such request for authorization to operate an additional classroom site or branch school, in the manner and on such forms as prescribed by the [commissioner] executive director, at least thirty days prior to the proposed establishment of such additional classroom site or branch school.

(b) The buildings and premises for such additional classroom site or branch school shall meet all applicable state and local fire and zoning requirements, and certificates attesting the same signed by the local fire marshal and zoning enforcement officer shall be filed with the [commissioner] executive director prior to offering such occupational instruction. The additional classroom site or branch school shall be in compliance with the relevant requirements set forth in subsection (g) of section 10a-22b.

(c) The [commissioner] executive director, or the [commissioner's] executive director's designee, not later than thirty days after the proposed date for establishment of a branch school, may issue an order prohibiting any such establishment of a branch school if it would constitute a material or substantial deviation from the conditions of authorization or if the private occupational school fails to meet the

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requirements set forth in subsection (b) of this section.

(d) If the [commissioner] executive director, or the [commissioner's] executive director's designee, fails to take action upon the request for revision by the thirtieth day after the proposed date for establishment of such additional classroom site or branch school, such request shall be deemed approved.

Sec. 28. Subsection (b) of section 10a-22h of the 2012 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(b) Any person seeking to represent an out-of-state private occupational school not authorized pursuant to sections 10a-22a to 10a-22o, inclusive, as amended by this act, and sections 10a-22u to 10a-22w, inclusive, shall file an application with the Office of [Financial and Student Affairs for] Higher Education on forms prescribed by the executive director. Upon issuance of a permit, such representative shall pay a nonrefundable fee of five hundred dollars into the private occupational student protection account. The permit shall be valid for a period of one year from date of issuance.

Sec. 29. Section 10a-22i of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) The [commissioner] executive director may assess any person, board, partnership, association, corporation, limited liability company or other entity which violates any provision of sections 10a-22a to 10a-22o, inclusive, as amended by this act, sections 10a-22u to 10a-22w, inclusive, or regulations adopted pursuant to section 10a-22k, as amended by this act, an administrative penalty in an amount not to exceed five hundred dollars for each day of such violation.

(b) The [commissioner] executive director shall serve written notice upon a private occupational school when the assessment of such an

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administrative penalty is under consideration. The notice shall set forth the reasons for the assessment of the penalty. Not later than forty-five days after mailing such notice to the private occupational school, the [commissioner] executive director, or the [commissioner's] executive director's designee, shall hold a compliance conference with the private occupational school.

(c) If, after the compliance conference, the [commissioner] executive director determines that imposition of an administrative penalty is appropriate, the [commissioner] executive director shall issue an order and serve written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested upon the private occupational school.

(d) A private occupational school aggrieved by the order of the [commissioner] executive director imposing an administrative penalty pursuant to subsection (c) of this section shall, not later than fifteen days after such order is mailed, request in writing a hearing before the [commissioner] executive director. Such hearing shall be held in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54.

Sec. 30. Section 10a-22j of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

The [commissioner] executive director, through the Attorney General, may seek an order from the Superior Court to prevent any violation of sections 10a-22a to 10a-22o, inclusive, as amended by this act, or sections 10a-22u to 10a-22w, inclusive.

Sec. 31. Section 10a-22k of the 2012 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

The [board] Office of Higher Education shall adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 in order to carry out the provisions of sections 10a-22a to 10a-22o, inclusive, as amended by this

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act, and sections 10a-22u to 10a-22w, inclusive.

Sec. 32. Subsection (b) of section 10a-22l of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(b) The [commissioner] executive director, or the [commissioner's] executive director's designee, may conduct an investigation and, through the Attorney General, maintain an action in the name of the state against any person to restrain or prevent the establishment or operation of an institution that does not have a certificate of authorization.

Sec. 33. Section 10a-22m of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) A private occupational school shall notify the [commissioner] executive director, in writing, at least sixty days prior to closure of such school. The private occupational school shall provide evidence prior to closing that: (1) All course work is or will be completed by current students at the school; (2) there are no refunds due any students; (3) all student records will be maintained as prescribed in section 10a-22n; (4) final payment has been made to the private occupational school student protection account; (5) a designation of service form has been filed with the [commissioner] executive director; and (6) the certificate of authorization has been returned to the [commissioner] executive director.

(b) Any private occupational school that fails to meet the requirements outlined in subsection (a) of this section shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars per day for each day of noncompliance and, pursuant to subdivision (6) of subsection (a) of section 10a-22c, as amended by this act, shall be ineligible to be issued a certificate of authorization upon application to operate a private

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occupational school. Funds collected pursuant to this subsection shall be placed in the private occupational student protection account established pursuant to section 10a-22u.

(c) If the [commissioner] executive director revokes a private occupational school's certificate of authorization, such school shall comply with the requirements of subsection (a) of this section. Failure to comply shall result in further penalties at the discretion of the [commissioner] executive director.

Sec. 34. Section 10a-22o of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) The [commissioner] executive director, through the Attorney General, may petition the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford for the enforcement of any order issued by the [commissioner] executive director, and for other appropriate relief. The court may issue such orders as are appropriate to aid in enforcement.

(b) The [commissioner] executive director, or the [commissioner's] executive director's designee, may conduct any necessary review, inspection or investigation regarding applications for certificates of authorization or possible violations of sections 10a-22a to 10a-22o, inclusive, as amended by this act, or of any applicable regulations of Connecticut state agencies. In connection with any investigation, the [commissioner] executive director or the [commissioner's] executive director's designee, may administer oaths, issue subpoenas, compel testimony and order the production of any record or document. If any person refuses to appear, testify or produce any record or document when so ordered, the [commissioner] executive director may seek relief pursuant to subsection (a) of this section.

Sec. 35. Section 10a-22t of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

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The Treasurer shall pay financial aid grants, approved and ordered to be paid by the [commissioner] executive director with the advice of the advisory committee, from the student benefit account.

Sec. 36. Section 10a-22x of the 2012 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

The [State Board of Education] Office of Higher Education shall adopt such regulations as are necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

Sec. 37. Section 10a-33 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

The Board of Regents for Higher Education and Office of Higher Education may enter into agreements with appropriate agencies and institutions of higher education in other states and foreign countries providing for the reciprocal exchange of students in higher educational institutions in this state and such other states or countries. Such agreements may include provisions for waiver or reduction of nonresident tuition for designated categories of students and may include contractual payments to such other state or country, subject to the availability of appropriations. Such agreements shall have as their purpose the mutual improvement of educational advantages for residents of this state and such other states or countries with whom agreements may be made.

Sec. 38. Section 10a-36 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

In order to secure opportunities in postsecondary education for the greatest number of qualified Connecticut residents and in order to realize the benefits from an educated citizenry which accrue both to the students and to the state, the state, acting through the [Board of

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Regents for] Office of Higher Education, (1) shall promote and coordinate the continuing development of the independent colleges and universities with that of the public colleges and universities; and (2) shall, without infringing upon the autonomy of the independent institutions, annually make financial aid available to Connecticut residents enrolled at independent colleges and universities in accordance with the provisions of sections 10a-37 to 10a-42a, inclusive.

Sec. 39. Section 10a-45 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

The Board of Regents for Higher Education and the Office of Higher Education may serve as the agency of the state with respect to any federal program under any Act of Congress or administrative ruling pursuant thereto pertaining to higher education, and, in such capacity, may apply for, accept and expend funds allocated or payable to the state for state, local and other expenditures, may establish and administer or supervise the administration of any state-wide plan which is now or may hereafter be required as a condition for receipt of federal funds and may take such other action as may be reasonable and necessary to fulfill the purposes of the federal requirements.

Sec. 40. Section 10a-48 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) The [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education shall, in addition to its other powers and duties and in consultation with the Connecticut Campus Compact for Student Community Service established pursuant to subsection (c) of this section, provide for a comprehensive, coordinated and state-wide system of college and university community service programs designed to assist in the identification and solution of community problems in urban, suburban and rural areas, and, as a part thereof, shall (1) identify problems, matters or areas relevant to the interests and welfare of the citizens of

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the state which it deems should be made the subject of community service programs, (2) support community service programs regarding such problems, matters or areas through any public or private institution of higher education in the state, through any combination of such institutions, and through any joint, collective, regional, representative or other organization established by such institutions or by professional staff members designated by such institutions, (3) provide an information service about community service programs in institutions of higher education in the state, (4) publish such documents as will, in its judgment, further its activities, and (5) in consultation with institutions of higher education in the state, develop a plan to improve the integration of student community service programs with academic course offerings and submit the plan to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education not later than June 30, 1991.

(b) The [board] office may expend its appropriations and receipts received for the purpose of initiating and supporting community service programs by means of contracts, grants or other arrangements which it deems effective and appropriate, provided nothing in this section or section 10a-48a shall prevent the [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education from accepting volunteer services or receiving and expending federal or private funds for purposes of this section and section 10a-48a.

(c) There is established a Connecticut Campus Compact for Student Community Service to review opportunities and initiatives for, and develop plans to encourage and support, student community service programs at institutions of higher education in the state or which involve cooperation and coordination among such institutions. The compact shall be composed of the chief executive officer or president of each public and independent institution of higher education in the state and the [president of the Board of Regents for] executive director

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of the Office of Higher Education, or their designees. On or before October 1, 1989, and at least annually thereafter, the [president of the Board of Regents for] executive director of the Office of Higher Education shall convene the members of the compact.

Sec. 41. Section 10a-48b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

The [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education may, within the limits of available appropriations, provide grants on a competitive basis to public and nonprofit service entities seeking to participate in the federal National and Community Service Trust Program pursuant to 42 USC 12501 et seq., in order to assist such service entities in meeting federal matching fund requirements for service placements, provided no grant shall exceed one-half of the federally unreimbursed cost to the service entity for providing such placements. Applications for grants pursuant to this section shall be made at such time and in such manner as the [president of the Board of Regents for] executive director of the Office of Higher Education prescribes.

Sec. 42. Section 10a-55e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

Each regional vocational-technical school and public institution of higher education shall develop, in such manner as the [Commissioners] Commissioner of Education and president of the Board of Regents for Higher Education prescribe, agreements to share equipment required for students participating in green jobs certificate or degree programs or enrolled in a course of study concerning green jobs, including, but not limited to, solar photovoltaic installation.

Sec. 43. Subsection (b) of section 10a-55i of the 2012 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

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(b) The Office of [Financial and Academic Affairs for] Higher Education shall enter into a memorandum of understanding with the Office of Legislative Management providing that up to one hundred thousand dollars appropriated to said [office] Office of Higher Education shall be used by the Higher Education Consolidation Committee to hire a consultant to assist said committee in fulfilling its duties.

Sec. 44. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 10a-77a of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) (1) The Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges shall establish a permanent Endowment Fund for the Community-Technical College System to encourage donations from the private sector, with an incentive in the form of an endowment fund state grant, the net earnings on the principal of which are dedicated and made available to a regional community-technical college or the community-technical college system as a whole, for endowed professorships, scholarships and programmatic enhancements. The fund shall be administered by the board of trustees, or by a nonprofit entity entrusted for such purpose and qualified as a Section 501(c)(3) organization under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as from time to time amended, and preferably constituted and controlled independent of the state and board of trustees so as to qualify the interest on state bonds the proceeds of which have been granted for deposit in the endowment fund as excludable from taxation under such code and shall, in any event, be held in a trust fund separate and apart from all other funds and accounts of the state and the community-technical college system. There shall be deposited into the fund: (A) Endowment fund state grants; and (B) interest or other income earned on the investment of moneys in the endowment

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fund pending transfer of the principal of the fund for the purposes identified in this subdivision. Endowment fund eligible gifts made on behalf of a regional community-technical college or the system as a whole shall be deposited in a permanent endowment fund created for each regional community-technical college and the system as a whole in the appropriate foundation established pursuant to sections 4-37e and 4-37f. A portion of the endowment fund state grant and a portion of earnings on such grant, including capital appreciation, shall be transferred, annually, within thirty days of the receipt of the endowment fund state grant by the permanent Endowment Fund for the Community-Technical College System, to such a regional community-technical college endowment fund based on the ratio of the total amount of such gifts made to such regional community-technical college to the total amount of all such gifts made to all the regional community-technical colleges and the system as a whole, provided the provisions of section 4-37f are satisfied.

(2) (A) For each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2000, to June 30, 2006, inclusive, as part of the state contract with donors of endowment fund eligible gifts, the [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education, in accordance with section 10a-8b, as amended by this act, shall deposit in the Endowment Fund for the Community-Technical College System a grant in an amount equal to half of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts received by or for the benefit of the community-technical college system as a whole and each regional community-technical college for the calendar year ending the December thirty-first preceding the commencement of such fiscal year, as certified by the chairperson of the board of trustees by February fifteenth to (i) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, (ii) the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, and (iii) the [president of the Board of Regents for] executive director of the Office of Higher Education, provided such

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sums do not exceed the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment for the fiscal year in which the grant is made.

(B) For each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2007, to June 30, 2014, inclusive, as part of the state contract with donors of endowment fund eligible gifts, the [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education, in accordance with section 10a-8b, as amended by this act, shall deposit in the Endowment Fund for the Community-Technical College System a grant in an amount equal to one-quarter of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts, except as provided in this subdivision, received by or for the benefit of the community-technical college system as a whole and each regional community-technical college for the calendar year ending the December thirty-first preceding the commencement of such fiscal year, as certified by the chairperson of the board of trustees by February fifteenth to (i) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, (ii) the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, and (iii) the [president of the Board of Regents for] executive director of the Office of Higher Education, provided such sums do not exceed the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment for the fiscal year in which the grant is made. Endowment fund eligible gifts that meet the criteria set forth in this subdivision, made by donors during the period from January 1, 2005, to June 30, 2005, shall continue to be matched by the [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education in an amount equal to one-half of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts received. Commitments by donors to make endowment fund eligible gifts for two or more years that meet the criteria set forth in this subdivision and that are made for the period prior to December 31, 2004, but ending before December 31, 2012, shall continue to be matched by the [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education in an amount equal to one-half of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts received through the commitment.

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(C) In any such fiscal year in which the total of the eligible gifts received by the community-technical colleges exceeds the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment for such fiscal year the amount in excess of such endowment fund state grant maximum commitment shall be carried forward and be eligible for a matching state grant in any succeeding fiscal year from the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, inclusive, subject to the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment. Any endowment fund eligible gifts that are not included in the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts certified by the chairperson of the board of trustees pursuant to this subdivision may be carried forward and be eligible for a matching state grant in any succeeding fiscal year from the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, inclusive, subject to the endowment fund state matching grant commitment for such fiscal year.

(3) The Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges shall adopt, by October 1, 1997, guidelines with respect to (A) the solicitation of endowment fund eligible gifts from private donors, and (B) governing the acceptance of gifts made by a foundation established pursuant to sections 4-37e and 4-37f, to a community-technical college or its employees for reimbursement of expenditures or payment of expenditures on behalf of a community-technical college or its employees. Private donations shall not be construed to include proceeds of municipal grants.

(b) For the purposes of this section: (1) "Endowment fund eligible gift" means a gift to or for the benefit of a regional community-technical college or the community-technical college system as a whole of cash or assets which may be reduced to cash or which has a value that is ascertainable by such regional community-technical college or the community-technical college system as a whole which the donor has specifically designated for deposit in the endowment fund or

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which explicitly or implicitly by the terms of the gift the regional community-technical college or community-technical college system as a whole may and does deposit or permit to be deposited in the endowment funds. (2) "Endowment fund state grant" means moneys that are transferred by the [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education from the fund established pursuant to section 10a-8b, as amended by this act, to the endowment fund established pursuant to this section in an aggregate amount not exceeding the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment. (3) "Endowment fund state grant maximum commitment" means an amount not exceeding two million dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, two and one-half million dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, three million dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, three and one-half million dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, and five million dollars for each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2004, to June 30, 2014, inclusive.

Sec. 45. Section 10a-87 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

The Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System shall maintain: Western Connecticut State University, Southern Connecticut State University, Eastern Connecticut State University and Central Connecticut State University. The board of trustees shall offer curricula which shall prepare persons who have successfully completed the same to teach in the schools of the state at any of said institutions as the board shall deem appropriate and, in addition, programs of study in academic and career fields, provided the board of trustees shall submit to the Board of [Governors of] Regents for Higher Education for review and approval recommendations for program terminations at any of said institutions in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (8) of subsection (a) of section 10a-6. The board of trustees shall establish policies which protect academic

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freedom and the content of course and degree programs, provided such policies shall be consistent with state-wide policy and guidelines established by the Board of [Governors of] Regents for Higher Education. Each of said institutions shall confer such degrees in education and in academic and career fields as are appropriate to the curricula of said institution and as are usually conferred by the institutions; honorary degrees may be conferred by said institutions upon approval of each honorary degree recipient by the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System.

Sec. 46. Section 10a-99a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) (1) The Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System shall establish a permanent Endowment Fund for the Connecticut State University System to encourage donations from the private sector, with an incentive in the form of an endowment fund state grant, the net earnings on the principal of which are dedicated and made available to a state university or the Connecticut State University System as a whole, for endowed professorships, scholarships and programmatic enhancements. The fund shall be administered by the board of trustees, or by a nonprofit entity entrusted for such purpose and qualified as a Section 501(c)(3) organization under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as from time to time amended, and preferably constituted and controlled independent of the state and university so as to qualify the interest on state bonds the proceeds of which have been granted for deposit in the endowment fund as excludable from federal taxation under such code and shall, in any event, be held in a trust fund separate and apart from all other funds and accounts of the state and university. There shall be deposited into the fund: (A) Endowment fund state grants; and (B) interest or other earnings from the

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investment of moneys in the endowment fund pending transfer of the principal of the fund for the purposes identified in this subdivision. Endowment fund eligible gifts made on behalf of a state university or the system as a whole shall be deposited in a permanent endowment fund created for each such state university and the system as a whole in the appropriate foundation established pursuant to sections 4-37e and 4-37f. A portion of the endowment fund state grant and a portion of earnings on such grant, including capital appreciation, shall be transferred, annually, within thirty days of the receipt of the endowment fund state grant by the permanent Endowment Fund for the Connecticut State University System, to such a state university endowment fund based on the ratio of the total amount of such gifts made to such state university to the total amount of all such gifts made to all the state universities and the system as a whole, provided the provisions of section 4-37f are satisfied.

(2) (A) For each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2000, to June 30, 2006, inclusive, as part of the state contract with donors of endowment fund eligible gifts, the [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education, in accordance with section 10a-8b, as amended by this act, shall deposit in the Endowment Fund for the Connecticut State University System a grant in an amount equal to half of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts received by or for the benefit of the Connecticut State University System as a whole and each state university for the calendar year ending the December thirty-first preceding the commencement of such fiscal year, as certified by the chairperson of the board of trustees by February fifteenth to (i) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, (ii) the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, and (iii) the [president of the Board of Regents for] executive director of the Office of Higher Education, provided such sums do not exceed the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment for the fiscal

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year in which the grant is made.

(B) For each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2007, to June 30, 2014, inclusive, as part of the state contract with donors of endowment fund eligible gifts, the [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education, in accordance with section 10a-8b, as amended by this act, shall deposit in the Endowment Fund for the Connecticut State University System a grant in an amount equal to one-quarter of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts, except as provided for in this subdivision, received by or for the benefit of the Connecticut State University System as a whole and each state university for the calendar year ending the December thirty-first preceding the commencement of such fiscal year, as certified by the chairperson of the board of trustees by February fifteenth to (i) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, (ii) the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, and (iii) the [president of the Board of Regents for] executive director of the Office of Higher Education, provided such sums do not exceed the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment for the fiscal year in which the grant is made. Endowment fund eligible gifts that meet the criteria set forth in this subdivision, made by donors during the period from January 1, 2005, to June 30, 2005, shall continue to be matched by the [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education in an amount equal to one-half of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts received. Commitments by donors to make endowment fund eligible gifts for two or more years that meet the criteria set forth in this subdivision and that are made for the period prior to December 31, 2004, but ending before December 31, 2012, shall continue to be matched by the [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education in an amount equal to one-half of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts received.

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(C) In any such fiscal year in which the total of the eligible gifts received by the Connecticut State University System as a whole and each state university exceed the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment for such fiscal year the amount in excess of such endowment fund state grant maximum commitment shall be carried forward and be eligible for a matching state grant in any succeeding fiscal year from the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, inclusive, subject to the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment. Any endowment fund eligible gifts that are not included in the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts certified by the chairperson of the board of trustees pursuant to this subdivision may be carried forward and be eligible for a matching state grant in any succeeding fiscal year from the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, inclusive, subject to the endowment fund state matching grant maximum commitment for such fiscal year.

(3) The Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System shall adopt, by October 1, 1997, guidelines with respect to (A) the solicitation of endowment fund eligible gifts from private donors, and (B) governing the acceptance of gifts made by a foundation established pursuant to sections 4-37e and 4-37f, to a state university or its employees for reimbursement of expenditures or payment of expenditures on behalf of a state university or its employees. Private donations shall not be construed to include proceeds of federal grants but may include proceeds of municipal grants.

(b) For the purposes of this section: (1) "Endowment fund eligible gift" means a gift to or for the benefit of any of the state universities of the Connecticut State University System or the system as a whole of cash or assets which may be reduced to cash or which has the value that is ascertainable by the state universities or the system as a whole and which the donor has specifically designated for deposit in the

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endowment fund or which explicitly or implicitly by the terms of the gift, the universities or the system as a whole may and does deposit or permit to be deposited in the endowment funds. (2) "Endowment fund state grant" means moneys transferred by the [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education from the fund established pursuant to section 10a-8b, as amended by this act, to the endowment fund established pursuant to this section in an aggregate amount not exceeding the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment. (3) "Endowment fund state grant maximum commitment" means an amount not exceeding two and one-half million dollars in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, five million dollars for each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2001, and June 30, 2002, and seven million five hundred thousand dollars for each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2003, to June 30, 2014, inclusive.

Sec. 47. Subdivision (6) of subsection (a) of section 10a-109d of the 2012 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(6) To plan, design, acquire, construct, build, enlarge, alter, reconstruct, renovate, improve, equip, own, operate, maintain, dispose of and demolish any project or projects, or any combination of projects, including without limitation any contract in furtherance of UConn 2000, notwithstanding the provisions of [sections 10a-9 and] subsections (b) and (c) of 10a-105 or any other provisions of the general statutes regarding the powers of the university to undertake capital projects and purchase personal property;

Sec. 48. Subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of section 10a-109i of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(2) (A) For each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 1999, to June 30, 2006, inclusive, as part of the state contract with donors of endowment

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fund eligible gifts, the [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education, in accordance with section 10a-8b, as amended by this act, shall deposit in the endowment fund for the university a grant in an amount equal to half of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts, except as provided in this subparagraph, received by the university or for the benefit of the university for the calendar year ending the December thirty-first preceding the commencement of such fiscal year, as certified by the chairperson of the board of trustees by February fifteenth to (i) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, (ii) the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, and (iii) the [president of the Board of Regents for] executive director of the Office of Higher Education, provided such sums do not exceed the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment for the fiscal year in which the grant is made. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 1999, and June 30, 2000, the [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education shall deposit in the endowment fund for the university grants in total amounts which shall not exceed the endowment fund state grant, as defined in subdivision (7) of section 10a-109c of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 1997, and which shall be equal to the amounts certified by the chairperson of the board of trustees for each such fiscal year of endowment fund eligible gifts received by the university or for the benefit of the university and for which written commitments were made prior to July 1, 1997. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999, the funds required to be deposited in the endowment fund pursuant to this subparagraph shall be appropriated to the university for such purpose and not appropriated to the fund established pursuant to section 10a-8b, as amended by this act.

(B) For each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2007, to June 30, 2014, inclusive, as part of the state contract with donors of endowment fund eligible gifts, the [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education, in

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accordance with section 10a-8b, as amended by this act, shall deposit in the endowment fund for the university a grant in an amount equal to one-quarter of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts, except as provided in this subdivision, received by the university or for the benefit of the university for the calendar year ending the December thirty-first preceding the commencement of such fiscal year, as certified by the chairperson of the board of trustees by February fifteenth to (i) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, (ii) the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, and (iii) the [president of the Board of Regents for] executive director of the Office of Higher Education, provided such sums do not exceed the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment for the fiscal year in which the grant is made. Endowment fund eligible gifts that meet the criteria set forth in this subdivision, made by donors during the period from January 1, 2005, to June 30, 2005, shall continue to be matched by the [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education in an amount equal to one-half of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts received. Commitments by donors to make endowment fund eligible gifts for two or more years that meet the criteria set forth in this subdivision and that are made for the period prior to December 31, 2004, but ending before December 31, 2012, shall continue to be matched by the [Board of Regents for] Office of Higher Education in an amount equal to one-half of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts received through the commitment.

(C) In any such fiscal year in which the eligible gifts received by the university exceed the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment for such fiscal year the amount in excess of such endowment fund state grant maximum commitment for such fiscal year, shall be carried forward and be eligible for a matching state grant in any succeeding fiscal year from the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999,

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to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, inclusive, subject to the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment for such fiscal year. Any endowment fund eligible gifts that are not included in the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts certified by the chairperson of the board of trustees pursuant to this subparagraph may be carried forward and be eligible for a matching state grant in any succeeding fiscal year from the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, inclusive, subject to the endowment fund state matching grant maximum commitment for such fiscal year.

Sec. 49. Section 10a-143a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) (1) The Board for State Academic Awards shall establish a permanent Endowment Fund for Charter Oak State College to encourage donations from the private sector, with an incentive in the form of an endowment fund state grant, the net earnings on the principal of which are dedicated and made available to Charter Oak State College for scholarships and programmatic enhancements. The fund shall be administered by the Board for State Academic Awards or by a nonprofit entity entrusted for such purpose and qualified as a Section 501(c)(3) organization under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as from time to time amended, and preferably constituted and controlled independent of the state and college so as to qualify the interest on state bonds the proceeds of which have been granted for deposit in the endowment fund as excludable from federal taxation under such code and shall, in any event, be held in a trust fund separate and apart from all other funds and accounts of the state and the Board for State Academic Awards. There shall be deposited into the fund: (A) Endowment fund eligible gifts; (B) endowment fund state grants; and (C) interest or other earnings from the investment of

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moneys in the endowment fund pending transfer or use of earnings on the principal of the fund for the purposes identified in this subdivision.

(2) (A) For each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2000, to June 30, 2006, inclusive, as part of the state contract with donors of endowment fund eligible gifts, the [Department] Office of Higher Education, in accordance with section 10a-8b, as amended by this act, shall deposit in the Endowment Fund for Charter Oak State College a grant in an amount equal to half of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts received by or for the benefit of Charter Oak State College for the calendar year ending the December thirty-first preceding the commencement of such fiscal year, as certified by the chairperson of the Board for State Academic Awards by February fifteenth to (i) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, (ii) the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, and (iii) the [Commissioner] executive director of the Office of Higher Education, provided such sums do not exceed the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment for the fiscal year in which the grant is made.

(B) For each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2007, to June 30, 2014, inclusive, as part of the state contract with donors of endowment fund eligible gifts, the [Department] Office of Higher Education, in accordance with section 10a-8b, as amended by this act, shall deposit in the Endowment Fund for Charter Oak State College a grant in an amount equal to one-quarter of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts, except as provided in this subdivision, received by or for the benefit of Charter Oak State College for the calendar year ending the December thirty-first preceding the commencement of such fiscal year, as certified by the chairperson of the Board for State Academic Awards by February fifteenth to (i) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, (ii) the joint standing committee of the General

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Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, and (iii) the [Commissioner] executive director of the Office of Higher Education, provided such sums do not exceed the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment for the fiscal year in which the grant is made. Endowment fund eligible gifts that meet the criteria set forth in this subdivision, made by donors during the period from January 1, 2005, to June 30, 2005, shall continue to be matched by the [Department] Office of Higher Education in an amount equal to one-half of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts received. Commitments by donors to make endowment fund eligible gifts for two or more years that meet the criteria set forth in this subdivision and that are made for the period prior to December 31, 2004, but ending before December 31, 2012, shall continue to be matched by the [Department] Office of Higher Education in an amount equal to one-half of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts received through the commitment.

(C) In any such fiscal year in which the total of the eligible gifts received by Charter Oak State College exceeds the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment for such fiscal year the amount in excess of such endowment fund state grant maximum commitment shall be carried forward and be eligible for a matching state grant in any succeeding fiscal year from the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, inclusive, subject to the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment. Any endowment fund eligible gifts that are not included in the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts certified by the chairperson of the Board for State Academic Awards pursuant to this subdivision may be carried forward and be eligible for a matching state grant in any succeeding fiscal year from the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, inclusive, subject to the endowment fund state matching grant maximum commitment for such fiscal year.

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(3) The Board for State Academic Awards shall adopt, by October 1, 1997, guidelines with respect to (A) the solicitation of endowment fund eligible gifts from private donors, and (B) governing the acceptance of gifts made by a foundation established pursuant to sections 4-37e and 4-37f, to Charter Oak State College or its employees for reimbursement of expenditures or payment of expenditures on behalf of Charter Oak State College or its employees. Private donations shall not be construed to include proceeds of municipal grants.

(b) For the purposes of this section: (1) "Endowment fund eligible gift" means a gift to or for the benefit of Charter Oak State College of cash or assets which may be reduced to cash or which has a value that is ascertainable by such college which the donor has specifically designated for deposit in the endowment fund or which explicitly or implicitly by the terms of the gift Charter Oak State College may and does deposit or permit to be deposited in the endowment fund. (2) "Endowment fund state grant" means moneys that are transferred by the [Department] Office of Higher Education from the fund established pursuant to section 10a-8b, as amended by this act, to the endowment fund established pursuant to this section in an aggregate amount not exceeding the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment. (3) "Endowment fund state grant maximum commitment" means an amount not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars for each fiscal year from the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, inclusive.

(c) Notwithstanding the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment level provided for each fiscal year pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, the total of the endowment fund state grant maximum commitments for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2000, to June 30, 2014, inclusive, shall not exceed nine hundred thousand dollars.

Sec. 50. Section 10a-150d of the general statutes is repealed and the

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following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

Information required to be disclosed to the [commissioner] president of the Board of Regents for Higher Education under section 10a-150c shall be a matter of public record.

Sec. 51. Section 10a-161a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

The president of the Board of Regents for Higher Education and the Office of Higher Education shall report, biennially, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education on state, northeast regional and national trends in (1) the cost of attendance at public and independent institutions of higher education and private occupational schools, and (2) the availability and utilization of all forms of student financial aid relative to economic conditions and personal income.

Sec. 52. Subparagraph (J) of subdivision (37) of subsection (a) of section 12-407 of the 2012 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(J) Business analysis, management, management consulting and public relations services, excluding (i) any environmental consulting services, (ii) any training services provided by an institution of higher education licensed or accredited by the Board of Regents for Higher Education or State Board of Education pursuant to [section] sections 10a-35a and 10a-34, respectively, and (iii) on and after January 1, 1994, any business analysis, management, management consulting and public relations services when such services are rendered in connection with an aircraft leased or owned by a certificated air carrier or in connection with an aircraft which has a maximum certificated take-off

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weight of six thousand pounds or more;

Sec. 53. Subsection (b) of section 20-37a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(b) Notwithstanding the requirements of section 20-37, no license to practice natureopathic medicine is required of:

(1) Students enrolled in a college or program of natureopathic medicine if (A) the college or program is recognized by the Council on Natureopathic Medical Education or licensed or accredited by the Board of Regents for Higher Education or State Board of Education, and (B) the practice that would otherwise require a license is pursuant to a course of instruction or assignments from an instructor and under the supervision of the instructor; or

(2) Licensed faculty members providing the didactic and clinical training necessary to meet the accreditation standards of the Council on Natureopathic Medical Education at a college or program recognized by the council or licensed or accredited by the Board of Regents for Higher Education or State Board of Education.

Sec. 54. Subsection (i) of section 20-206bb of the 2012 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(i) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, no license to engage in the practice of acupuncture is required of: (1) Students enrolled in a college or program of acupuncture if (A) the college or program is recognized by the Accreditation Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine or licensed or accredited by the Board of Regents for Higher Education or State Board of Education, and (B) the practice that would otherwise require a license is pursuant to a course of instruction or assignments from a licensed instructor and

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under the supervision of the instructor; or (2) faculty members providing the didactic and clinical training necessary to meet the accreditation standards of the Accreditation Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine at a college or program recognized by the commission or licensed or accredited by the Board of Regents for Higher Education or State Board of Education. For purposes of this subsection, "licensed instructor" means a faculty member or instructor licensed under this section or otherwise authorized to engage in the practice of acupuncture in this state.

Sec. 55. Section 30-20a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) (1) A university permit for beer shall allow the retail sale of beer on land and in a building which is subject to the care, custody and control of an institution offering a program of higher learning, as defined in section 10a-34, which has been accredited by the Board of Regents for Higher Education or State Board of Education or otherwise is authorized to award a degree pursuant to section 10a-34. Such beverages shall be available for consumption on the premises by students, faculty and staff of the institution or their guests. Such permits shall be under the supervision and control of the Department of Consumer Protection. The annual fee for a university permit for beer shall be three hundred dollars.

(2) A university permit for wine and beer shall allow the retail sale of wine and beer on land and in a building which is subject to the care, custody and control of an institution offering a program of higher learning, as defined in section 10a-34, which has been accredited by the Board of Regents for Higher Education or State Board of Education or otherwise is authorized to award a degree pursuant to section 10a-34. Such beverages shall be available for consumption on the premises by students, faculty and staff of the institution or their guests. Such permits shall be under the supervision and control of the Department

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of Consumer Protection. The annual fee for a university permit for beer and wine shall be seven hundred dollars.

(b) A university liquor permit shall allow the retail sale of alcoholic liquor: (1) In a room that is subject to the care, custody and control of The University of Connecticut Board of Trustees, or (2) on land or in a building situated on or abutting a golf course which is subject to the care, custody and control of an institution offering a program of higher learning, as defined in section 10a-34, which has been accredited by the Board of Regents for Higher Education or State Board of Education or otherwise is authorized to award a degree pursuant to section 10a-34. Such permits shall be under the supervision and control of the Department of Consumer Protection. The annual fee for a university liquor permit shall be three hundred dollars.

Sec. 56. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Wherever the term "Office of Financial and Academic Affairs for Higher Education" is used or referred to in the following sections of the general statutes, the term "Office of Higher Education" shall be substituted in lieu thereof: 10-155d, 10a-1d, 10a-10a, 10a-11, as amended by this act, 10a-11a, 10a-22d, 10a-22r, 10a-22s, 10a-22u, 10a-34, 10a-34a, 10a-34c, 10a-34d, 10a-34e, 10a-34f, 10a-35, 10a-38, 10a-39, 10a-40, 10a-42, 10a-42g, 10a-48a, 10a-104, 10a-163a, 10a-164a, 10a-168a, 10a-169 and 10a-170.

(b) Wherever the term "Office of Financial and Academic Affairs for Higher Education" is used or referred to in any public or special act of 2012, the term "Office of Higher Education" shall be substituted in lieu thereof.

Sec. 57. Subsection (a) of section 10a-1e of the 2012 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) Wherever the term "Board of Governors of Higher Education" is

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used or referred to in the following sections of the general statutes, the term "Board of Regents for Higher Education" shall be substituted in lieu thereof: 3-22e, 4-38c, 4-67x, 4-89, 4-186, 4d-80, 4d-82, 5-160, 5-177, 10-16p, 10-19, 10-145a, 10-145b, 10-145m, 10-145n, 10-145p, 10-155e, 10-155l, 10-183n, 10-220a, 10-235, 10a-6, 10a-7, 10a-10, 10a-12b, 10a-13, 10a-16, 10a-19i, 10a-20a, 10a-22, [10a-24,] 10a-25j, 10a-25o, 10a-25p, 10a-31, 10a-33, 10a-36, 10a-42b, 10a-43, 10a-44b, 10a-45, 10a-46, 10a-48, 10a-48b, 10a-49, 10a-51, 10a-54, 10a-66, 10a-74, 10a-78, 10a-132a, 10a-149, 10a-161, 10a-162a, 10a-163, 10a-163b, 10a-166, 10a-168, 10a-169, 10a-170b, 10a-170d, 10a-170l, 10a-170m, 10a-170u, 10a-170v, 10a-170w, 10a-171, 10a-203, 10a-210, 12-407, 19a-75, 20-37a, 20-206bb, 30-20a and 52-279.

Sec. 58. Subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of section 10-155l of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(1) A fellows program leading to the eligibility for an educator certificate for minority individuals who have (A) completed an intensive summer session focusing on classroom management and methodology, (B) received a bachelor's degree from an institution of higher education accredited by the Board of Regents for Higher Education or State Board of Education or regionally accredited, (C) achieved a satisfactory score on the examination required pursuant to section 10-145f or have had such requirement waived pursuant to said section, and (D) have such other qualifications for the issuance of an educator certificate as are required for individuals participating in the alternate route to certification program under section 10-155d;

Sec. 59. Section 10-264n of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

The Commissioner of Education shall consult with [any regional community-technical college,] (1) the Board of Trustees for Community-Technical Colleges, (2) the Board of Trustees of the

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Connecticut State University System, (3) the boards of trustees for higher education institutions licensed and accredited by the [Board of Higher Education] or State Board of Education, or (4) the Board of Trustees for The University of Connecticut and may consult with any not-for-profit corporation approved by the Commissioner of Education to initiate collaborative planning for establishing additional interdistrict magnet schools in the Sheff region, as defined in subsection (q) of section 10-266aa.

Sec. 60. Section 10a-46 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

Notwithstanding the power granted to said Board of Regents for Higher Education or Office of Higher Education by section 10a-45, the Governor may, if in his judgment it is more appropriate for a particular federal program or programs pertaining to higher education to be administered by an agency other than said board or office, designate any commissioner, officer or agency of the state, or any group or committee of commissioners or officers of the state, to serve as the sole agency of the state in performing the functions enumerated in the preceding section, and any such agency so designated by the Governor may perform said functions.

Sec. 61. Subsection (c) of section 10a-163 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(c) Full-time undergraduate students in their junior or senior years and full-time graduate students who have been admitted to a teacher education program approved by the State Board of Education and accredited by the Board of Regents for Higher Education or State Board of Education and which prepares an individual for teaching in a field designated by the Commissioner of Education as an area of critical teacher shortage shall, within available appropriations, be

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eligible for student loans under this program in an amount not greater than five thousand dollars per year for not more than two years.

Sec. 62. Subsection (d) of section 20-206bb of the 2012 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(d) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) of this section, the department shall, prior to September 1, 2005, issue a license to any applicant who presents to the department satisfactory evidence that the applicant has (1) earned, or successfully completed requirements for, a master's degree in acupuncture from a program that includes a minimum of one thousand three hundred fifty hours of didactic and clinical training, five hundred of which are clinical, from an institution of higher education accredited by the Board of Regents for Higher Education or State Board of Education at the time of the applicant's graduation, (2) passed all portions of the National Certification Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine acupuncture examination, including the acupuncture portion of the comprehensive written examination in acupuncture, the clean needle technique portion of the comprehensive written examination in acupuncture and the practical examination of point location skills, and (3) successfully completed a course in clean needle technique offered by the Council of Colleges of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine.

Sec. 63. Sections 10a-23, 10a-24 and 10a-53 of the general statutes are repealed. (*Effective from passage*)

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