



Senate

General Assembly

File No. 232

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Substitute Senate Bill No. 28

Senate, April 3, 2012

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

***AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION
CONCERNING AN ANNUAL REPORT ON HIGHER EDUCATION.***

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2012*) The executive director of the
2 Office of Financial and Academic Affairs for Higher Education shall
3 report annually, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of
4 the general statutes, to the joint standing committees of the General
5 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to higher education
6 and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies on state, regional
7 and national trends regarding Connecticut higher education,
8 including, but not limited to, expenditures, funding, enrollment,
9 faculty and staff positions, cost sharing and student financial aid. The
10 Office of Financial and Academic Affairs for Higher Education shall
11 collect such data and information as it deems necessary for the
12 development of such annual report.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2012</i>	New section

HED *Joint Favorable Subst.*

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

OFA Fiscal Note***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None***Explanation***

The bill, which requires the Office of Financial and Academic Affairs for Higher Education to report annually on various trends related to higher education, is not anticipated to result in a fiscal impact, as the agency currently has staff with expertise in this area.

The Out Years***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None

OLR BILL ANALYSIS**sSB 28*****AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION
CONCERNING AN ANNUAL REPORT ON HIGHER EDUCATION.*****SUMMARY:**

This bill requires the executive director of the Office of Financial and Academic Affairs for Higher Education to annually report to the Higher Education and Appropriations committees on where Connecticut fits in state, regional, and national higher education trends. The report must be based on data and information the office collects and include trends on expenditures, funding, enrollment, faculty and staff positions, cost sharing, and student financial aid.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2012

COMMITTEE ACTION

Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 19 Nay 1 (03/20/2012)