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Introduced by:
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***AN ACT CONCERNING FEE WAIVERS FOR EDUCATIONAL
EXTENSION PROGRAMS AND SUMMER SCHOOL SESSIONS FOR
WARTIME VETERANS AND MEMBERS OF THE CONNECTICUT
NATIONAL GUARD.***

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

1 Section 1. Section 10a-77 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2013*):

3 (a) Subject to the provisions of section 10a-26, the Board of Trustees
4 of the Community-Technical Colleges shall fix fees for tuition at the
5 regional community-technical colleges and shall fix fees for such other
6 purposes as the board deems necessary at the regional community-
7 technical colleges, and may make refunds to the same.

8 (b) The Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges
9 shall establish and administer a fund to be known as the Regional
10 Community-Technical Colleges Operating Fund. Appropriations from
11 general revenues of the state and, upon request by the board and with
12 an annual review and approval by the Secretary of the Office of Policy
13 and Management, the amount of the appropriations for fringe benefits

14 and workers' compensation applicable to the community-technical
15 colleges pursuant to subsection (a) of section 4-73, shall be transferred
16 from the Comptroller, and all tuition revenue received by the regional
17 community-technical colleges in accordance with the provisions of
18 subsection (a) of this section shall be deposited in said fund. Income
19 from student fees or related charges; the proceeds of auxiliary activities
20 and business enterprises, gifts and donations; federal funds and grants
21 for purposes other than research, and all receipts derived from the
22 conduct by the colleges of their education extension programs and
23 summer school sessions shall be credited to said fund but shall be
24 allocated to the central office and institutional operating accounts
25 which shall be established and maintained for the central office and
26 each community-technical college. If the Secretary of the Office of
27 Policy and Management disapproves such transfer, the secretary may
28 require the amount of the appropriation for operating expenses to be
29 used for personal services and fringe benefits to be excluded from said
30 fund. The State Treasurer shall review and approve the transfer prior
31 to such request by the board of trustees. The board shall establish an
32 equitable policy for allocation of appropriations from general revenues
33 of the state, fringe benefits transferred from the Comptroller and
34 tuition revenue deposited in the Regional Community-Technical
35 Colleges Operating Fund. At the beginning of each quarter of the fiscal
36 year, the board shall allocate and transfer, in accordance with said
37 policy, moneys for expenditure in such institutional operating
38 accounts, exclusive of amounts retained for central office operations
39 and reasonable reserves for future distribution. All costs of waiving or
40 remitting tuition pursuant to subsection [(f)] (h) of this section shall be
41 charged to the Regional Community-Technical Colleges Operating
42 Fund. Repairs, alterations or additions to facilities supported by
43 operating funds and costing one million dollars or more shall require
44 the approval of the General Assembly, or when the General Assembly
45 is not in session, of the Finance Advisory Committee. Any balance of
46 receipts above expenditures shall remain in said fund, except such
47 sums as may be required for deposit into a debt service fund or the
48 General Fund for further payment by the Treasurer of debt service on

49 general obligation bonds of the state issued for purposes of
50 community-technical colleges.

51 (c) Commencing December 1, 1984, and thereafter not later than
52 sixty days after the close of each quarter, the board of trustees shall
53 submit to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly
54 having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the
55 budgets of state agencies and the Office of Policy and Management a
56 report on the actual expenditures of the Regional Community-
57 Technical Colleges Operating Fund.

58 (d) Said board of trustees shall waive the payment of tuition at any
59 of the regional community-technical colleges for (1) [for] any
60 dependent child of a person whom the armed forces of the United
61 States has declared to be missing in action or to have been a prisoner of
62 war while serving in such armed forces after January 1, 1960, which
63 child has been accepted for admission to such institution and is a
64 resident of Connecticut at the time such child is accepted for admission
65 to such institution, (2) [subject to the provisions of subsection (e) of this
66 section, for any veteran who performed service in time of war, as
67 defined in subsection (a) of section 27-103, except that for purposes of
68 this subsection, "service in time of war" shall not include time spent in
69 attendance at a military service academy, who has been accepted for
70 admission to such institution and is domiciled in this state at the time
71 such veteran is accepted for admission to such institution, (3) for] any
72 resident of Connecticut sixty-two years of age or older, provided, at
73 the end of the regular registration period, there are enrolled in the
74 course a sufficient number of students other than those persons
75 eligible for waivers pursuant to this subdivision to offer the course in
76 which such person intends to enroll and there is space available in
77 such course after accommodating all such students, [(4) for] (3) any
78 student attending the Connecticut State Police Academy who is
79 enrolled in a law enforcement program at said academy offered in
80 coordination with a regional community-technical college which
81 accredits courses taken in such program, [(5) for any active member of

82 the Connecticut Army or Air National Guard who (A) has been
 83 certified by the Adjutant General or such Adjutant General's designee
 84 as a member in good standing of the guard, and (B) is enrolled or
 85 accepted for admission to such institution on a full-time or part-time
 86 basis in an undergraduate degree-granting program, (6) for] (4) any
 87 dependent child of a (A) police officer, as defined in section 7-294a, or
 88 supernumerary or auxiliary police officer, (B) firefighter, as defined in
 89 section 7-323j, or member of a volunteer fire company, (C) municipal
 90 employee, or (D) state employee, as defined in section 5-154, killed in
 91 the line of duty, [(7) for] (5) any resident of the state who is a
 92 dependent child or surviving spouse of a specified terrorist victim who
 93 was a resident of this state, [(8) for] (6) any dependent child of a
 94 resident of the state who was killed in a multivehicle crash at or near
 95 the intersection of Routes 44 and 10 and Nod Road in Avon on July 29,
 96 2005, and [(9) for] (7) any resident of the state who is a dependent child
 97 or surviving spouse of a person who was killed in action while
 98 performing active military duty with the armed forces of the United
 99 States on or after September 11, 2001, and who was a resident of this
 100 state. [If any person who receives a tuition waiver in accordance with
 101 the provisions of this subsection also receives educational
 102 reimbursement from an employer, such waiver shall be reduced by the
 103 amount of such educational reimbursement. Veterans described in
 104 subdivision (2) of this subsection and members of the National Guard
 105 described in subdivision (5) of this subsection shall be given the same
 106 status as students not receiving tuition waivers in registering for
 107 courses at regional community-technical colleges. Notwithstanding the
 108 provisions of section 10a-30, as used in this subsection, "domiciled in
 109 this state" includes domicile for less than one year.]

110 (e) Said board of trustees shall waive the payment of tuition and of
 111 extension fees for educational extension programs and summer school
 112 sessions at any of the regional community-technical colleges (1) subject
 113 to the provisions of subsection (g) of this section, for any veteran who
 114 (A) performed service in time of war, (B) has been accepted for
 115 admission to such institution, and (C) was domiciled in this state at the

116 time such veteran was accepted for admission to such institution, and
117 (2) for any active member of the Connecticut Army or Air National
118 Guard who (A) has been certified by the Adjutant General or such
119 Adjutant General's designee as a member in good standing of the
120 guard, and (B) is enrolled or accepted for admission to such institution
121 on a full-time or part-time basis in an undergraduate degree-granting
122 program. Veterans and members of the National Guard described in
123 this subsection shall be given the same status as students not receiving
124 tuition waivers in registering for courses at regional community-
125 technical colleges. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10a-30, as
126 used in this subsection, "domiciled in this state" includes domiciled for
127 less than one year. For purposes of this subsection, "service in time of
128 war" has the same meaning as provided in subsection (a) of section 27-
129 103, except that it does not include time spent in attendance at a
130 military service academy.

131 (f) If any person who receives a tuition or extension fee waiver in
132 accordance with the provisions of subsection (d) or (e) of this section
133 also receives educational reimbursement from an employer, such
134 waiver shall be reduced by the amount of such educational
135 reimbursement.

136 [(e)] (g) (1) If any veteran described in subsection [(d)] (e) of this
137 section has applied for federal educational assistance under the Post-
138 9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008, the board of trustees
139 shall waive the payment of tuition and extension fees at any of the
140 regional community-technical colleges for such veteran in accordance
141 with subdivision (2) of this subsection. If any such veteran certifies to
142 said board that such veteran's application for such federal educational
143 assistance has been denied or withdrawn, said board of trustees shall
144 waive the payment of tuition and extension fees in accordance with
145 subsection [(d)] (e) of this section.

146 (2) (A) For purposes of this subdivision, "veteran tuition benefit"
147 means the portion of federal educational assistance under the Post-
148 9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008 to be paid to a

149 regional community-technical college on behalf of a veteran that
150 represents payment for tuition and extension fees, as described in
151 subsection (b) of section 10a-26. Such portion shall be calculated by
152 multiplying (i) the total amount of such federal educational assistance
153 to be paid to a regional community-technical college on behalf of such
154 veteran by (ii) an amount obtained by dividing (I) the actual tuition
155 and extension fees charged by such college to such veteran by (II) the
156 sum of the actual tuition, extension fees and other fees charged by such
157 college to such veteran.

158 (B) Said board of trustees shall waive the payment of tuition and
159 extension fees in excess of the veteran tuition benefit at any of the
160 regional community-technical colleges for such veteran.

161 [(f)] (h) Said board of trustees shall set aside from its anticipated
162 regional community-technical college tuition revenue, an amount not
163 less than that required by said board's tuition policy. Such funds shall
164 be used to provide tuition waivers, tuition remissions, grants for
165 educational expenses and student employment for residents enrolled
166 in regional community-technical colleges as full or part-time
167 matriculated students in a degree-granting program, or enrolled in a
168 precollege remedial program, who demonstrate substantial financial
169 need. Said board may also set aside from its anticipated tuition
170 revenue an additional amount equal to one per cent of said tuition
171 revenue for financial assistance for students who would not otherwise
172 be eligible for financial assistance but who do have a financial need as
173 determined by the college in accordance with this subsection. In
174 determining such financial need, the college shall exclude the value of
175 equity in the principal residence of the student's parents or legal
176 guardians, or in the student's principal residence if the student is not
177 considered to be a dependent of his parents or legal guardians and
178 shall assess the earnings of a dependent student at the rate of thirty per
179 cent.

180 [(g)] (i) The Regional Community-Technical Colleges Operating
181 Fund shall be reimbursed for the amount by which the tuition and

182 extension fee waivers granted under [subsection] subsections (d) and
183 (e) of this section exceed five per cent of tuition revenue through an
184 annual state appropriation. The board of trustees shall request such an
185 appropriation and said appropriation shall be based upon an estimate
186 of tuition and extension fee revenue loss using tuition and extension
187 fee rates in effect for the fiscal year in which such appropriation will
188 apply.

189 [(h)] (j) Said board of trustees shall allow any student who is a
190 member of the armed forces called to active duty during any semester
191 to enroll in any course for which such student had remitted tuition but
192 which was not completed due to active duty status. Such course
193 reenrollment shall be offered to any qualifying student for a period not
194 exceeding four years after the date of release from active duty without
195 additional tuition, student fee or related charge, except if such student
196 has been fully reimbursed for the tuition, fees and charges for the
197 course that was not completed.

198 Sec. 2. Section 10a-99 of the general statutes is repealed and the
199 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2013*):

200 (a) Subject to the provisions of section 10a-26, the Board of Trustees
201 of the Connecticut State University System shall fix fees for tuition and
202 shall fix fees for such other purposes as the board deems necessary at
203 the university, and may make refunds of the same.

204 (b) The Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University
205 System shall establish and administer a fund to be known as the
206 Connecticut State University System Operating Fund. Appropriations
207 from general revenues of the state and upon request by the
208 Connecticut State University System and with the annual review and
209 approval by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, the
210 amount of the appropriations for fringe benefits pursuant to
211 subsection (a) of section 4-73, shall be transferred from the State
212 Comptroller and all tuition revenue received by the Connecticut State
213 University System in accordance with the provisions of subsection (a)

214 of this section shall be deposited in said fund. Income from student
215 fees or related charges, the proceeds of auxiliary activities and business
216 enterprises, gifts and donations, federal funds and grants, subject to
217 the provisions of sections 10a-98 to 10a-98g, inclusive, and all receipts
218 derived from the conduct by a state university of its education
219 extension program and its summer school session shall be credited to
220 said fund but shall be allocated to the central office and institutional
221 operating accounts which shall be established and maintained for the
222 central office and each state university. Any such gifts and donations,
223 federal funds and grants for purposes of research shall be allocated to
224 separate accounts within such central office and institutional operating
225 accounts. If the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management
226 disapproves such transfer, he may require the amount of the
227 appropriation for operating expenses to be used for personal services
228 and fringe benefits to be excluded from said fund. The State Treasurer
229 shall review and approve the transfer prior to such request by the
230 university. The board of trustees shall establish an equitable policy for
231 allocation of appropriations from general revenues of the state, fringe
232 benefits transferred from the State Comptroller and tuition revenue
233 deposited in the Connecticut State University System Operating Fund.
234 At the beginning of each quarter of the fiscal year, the board shall
235 allocate and transfer, in accordance with said policy, moneys for
236 expenditure in such institutional operating accounts, exclusive of
237 amounts retained for central office operations and reasonable reserves
238 for future distribution. All costs of waiving or remitting tuition
239 pursuant to subsection [(f)] (h) of this section shall be charged to the
240 Connecticut State University System Operating Fund. Repairs,
241 alterations or additions to facilities supported by the Connecticut State
242 University System Operating Fund and costing one million dollars or
243 more shall require the approval of the General Assembly, or when the
244 General Assembly is not in session, of the Finance Advisory
245 Committee. Any balance of receipts above expenditures shall remain
246 in said fund, except such sums as may be required for deposit into a
247 debt service fund or the General Fund for further payment by the
248 Treasurer of debt service on general obligation bonds of the state

249 issued for purposes of the Connecticut State University System.

250 (c) Commencing December 1, 1984, and thereafter not later than
251 sixty days after the close of each quarter, the board of trustees shall
252 submit to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly
253 having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the
254 budgets of state agencies and the Office of Policy and Management a
255 report on the actual expenditures of the Connecticut State University
256 System Operating Fund.

257 (d) Said board of trustees shall waive the payment of tuition [fees] at
258 the Connecticut State University System for (1) [for] any dependent
259 child of a person whom the armed forces of the United States has
260 declared to be missing in action or to have been a prisoner of war
261 while serving in such armed forces after January 1, 1960, which child
262 has been accepted for admission to such institution and is a resident of
263 Connecticut at the time such child is accepted for admission to such
264 institution, (2) [subject to the provisions of subsection (e) of this
265 section, for any veteran who performed service in time of war, as
266 defined in subsection (a) of section 27-103, except that for purposes of
267 this subsection, "service in time of war" shall not include time spent in
268 attendance at a military service academy, who has been accepted for
269 admission to such institution and is domiciled in this state at the time
270 such veteran is accepted for admission to such institution, (3) for] any
271 resident of Connecticut sixty-two years of age or older who has been
272 accepted for admission to such institution, provided (A) such person is
273 enrolled in a degree-granting program, or (B) at the end of the regular
274 registration period, there are enrolled in the course a sufficient number
275 of students other than those persons eligible for waivers pursuant to
276 this subdivision to offer the course in which such person intends to
277 enroll and there is space available in such course after accommodating
278 all such students, [(4) for] (3) any student attending the Connecticut
279 Police Academy who is enrolled in a law enforcement program at said
280 academy offered in coordination with the university which accredits
281 courses taken in such program, [(5) for any active member of the

282 Connecticut Army or Air National Guard who (A) has been certified
 283 by the Adjutant General or such Adjutant General's designee as a
 284 member in good standing of the guard, and (B) is enrolled or accepted
 285 for admission to such institution on a full-time or part-time basis in an
 286 undergraduate or graduate degree-granting program, (6) for] (4) any
 287 dependent child of a (A) police officer, as defined in section 7-294a, or
 288 supernumerary or auxiliary police officer, (B) firefighter, as defined in
 289 section 7-323j, or member of a volunteer fire company, (C) municipal
 290 employee, or (D) state employee, as defined in section 5-154, killed in
 291 the line of duty, [(7) for] (5) any resident of this state who is a
 292 dependent child or surviving spouse of a specified terrorist victim who
 293 was a resident of the state, [(8) for] (6) any dependent child of a
 294 resident of the state who was killed in a multivehicle crash at or near
 295 the intersection of Routes 44 and 10 and Nod Road in Avon on July 29,
 296 2005, and [(9) for] (7) any resident of the state who is a dependent child
 297 or surviving spouse of a person who was killed in action while
 298 performing active military duty with the armed forces of the United
 299 States on or after September 11, 2001, and who was a resident of this
 300 state. [If any person who receives a tuition waiver in accordance with
 301 the provisions of this subsection also receives educational
 302 reimbursement from an employer, such waiver shall be reduced by the
 303 amount of such educational reimbursement. Veterans described in
 304 subdivision (2) of this subsection and members of the National Guard
 305 described in subdivision (5) of this subsection shall be given the same
 306 status as students not receiving tuition waivers in registering for
 307 courses at Connecticut state universities. Notwithstanding the
 308 provisions of section 10a-30, as used in this subsection, "domiciled in
 309 this state" includes domicile for less than one year.]

310 (e) Said board of trustees shall waive the payment of tuition and of
 311 extension fees for educational extension programs and summer school
 312 sessions at any of the regional community-technical colleges (1) subject
 313 to the provisions of subsection (g) of this section, for any veteran who
 314 (A) performed service in time of war, (B) has been accepted for
 315 admission to such institution, and (C) was domiciled in this state at the

316 time such veteran was accepted for admission to such institution, and
317 (2) for any active member of the Connecticut Army or Air National
318 Guard who (A) has been certified by the Adjutant General or such
319 Adjutant General's designee as a member in good standing of the
320 guard, and (B) is enrolled or accepted for admission to such institution
321 on a full-time or part-time basis in an undergraduate degree-granting
322 program. Veterans and members of the National Guard described in
323 this subsection shall be given the same status as students not receiving
324 tuition waivers in registering for courses at regional community-
325 technical colleges. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10a-30, as
326 used in this subsection, "domiciled in this state" includes domiciled for
327 less than one year. For purposes of this subsection, "service in time of
328 war" has the same meaning as provided in subsection (a) of section 27-
329 103, except that it does not include time spent in attendance at a
330 military service academy.

331 (f) If any person who receives a tuition or extension fee waiver in
332 accordance with the provisions of subsection (d) or (e) of this section
333 also receives educational reimbursement from an employer, such
334 waiver shall be reduced by the amount of such educational
335 reimbursement.

336 [(e)] (g) (1) If any veteran described in subsection [(d)] (e) of this
337 section has applied for federal educational assistance under the Post-
338 9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008, the board of trustees
339 shall waive the payment of tuition and extension fees, at the
340 Connecticut State University System for such veteran in accordance
341 with subdivision (2) of this subsection. If any such veteran certifies to
342 said board that such veteran's application for such federal educational
343 assistance has been denied or withdrawn, said board of trustees shall
344 waive the payment of tuition and extension fees in accordance with
345 subsection [(d)] (e) of this section.

346 (2) (A) For purposes of this subdivision, "veteran tuition benefit"
347 means the portion of federal educational assistance under the Post-
348 9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008 to be paid to the

349 Connecticut State University System on behalf of a veteran that
350 represents payment for tuition and extension fees, as described in
351 subsection (b) of section 10a-26. Such portion shall be calculated by
352 multiplying (i) the total amount of such federal educational assistance
353 to be paid to the Connecticut State University System on behalf of such
354 veteran by (ii) an amount obtained by dividing (I) the actual tuition
355 and extension fees charged by the Connecticut State University System
356 to such veteran by (II) the sum of the actual tuition, extension fees and
357 other fees charged by the Connecticut State University System to such
358 veteran.

359 (B) Said board of trustees shall waive the payment of tuition and
360 extension fees in excess of the veteran tuition benefit at the Connecticut
361 State University System for such veteran.

362 [(f)] (h) Said board of trustees shall set aside from its anticipated
363 tuition revenue, an amount not less than that required by the board of
364 governors' tuition policy established under subdivision (3) of
365 subsection (a) of section 10a-6. Such funds shall be used to provide
366 tuition waivers, tuition remissions, grants for educational expenses
367 and student employment for any undergraduate or graduate student
368 who is enrolled as a full or part-time matriculated student in a degree-
369 granting program, or enrolled in a precollege remedial program, and
370 who demonstrates substantial financial need. Said board may also set
371 aside from its anticipated tuition revenue an additional amount equal
372 to one per cent of said tuition revenue for financial assistance for
373 students who would not otherwise be eligible for financial assistance
374 but who do have a financial need as determined by the university in
375 accordance with this subsection. In determining such financial need,
376 the university shall exclude the value of equity in the principal
377 residence of the student's parents or legal guardians, or in the student's
378 principal residence if the student is not considered to be a dependent
379 of his parents or legal guardians and shall assess the earnings of a
380 dependent student at the rate of thirty per cent.

381 [(g)] (i) The Connecticut State University System Operating Fund

382 shall be reimbursed for the amount by which the tuition and extension
 383 fee waivers granted under [subsection] subsections (d) and (e) of this
 384 section exceed two and one-half per cent of tuition revenue through an
 385 annual state appropriation. The board of trustees shall request such an
 386 appropriation and said appropriation shall be based upon an estimate
 387 of tuition and extension fee revenue loss using tuition and extension
 388 fee rates in effect for the fiscal year in which such appropriation will
 389 apply.

390 [(h)] (j) Said board of trustees shall allow any student who is a
 391 member of the armed forces called to active duty during any semester
 392 to enroll in any course for which such student had remitted tuition but
 393 which was not completed due to active duty status. Such course
 394 reenrollment shall be offered to any qualifying student for a period not
 395 exceeding four years after the date of release from active duty without
 396 additional tuition, student fee or related charge, except if such student
 397 has been fully reimbursed for the tuition, fees and charges for the
 398 course that was not completed.

399 Sec. 3. Section 10a-105 of the general statutes is repealed and the
 400 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2013*):

401 (a) Subject to the provisions of sections 10a-8 and 10a-26, the Board
 402 of Trustees of The University of Connecticut shall fix fees for tuition
 403 and shall fix fees for such other purposes as the board deems necessary
 404 at The University of Connecticut, and may make refunds of the same.

405 (b) The Board of Trustees of The University of Connecticut shall
 406 establish and administer a fund to be known as The University of
 407 Connecticut Operating Fund, and in addition, may establish a Special
 408 External Gift Fund, and an endowment fund, as defined in section 10a-
 409 109c, and such other funds as may be established pursuant to
 410 subdivision (13) of subsection (a) of section 10a-109d. Appropriations
 411 from general revenues of the state and, upon request by the university
 412 and with an annual review and approval by the Secretary of the Office
 413 of Policy and Management, the amount of the appropriations for fringe

414 benefits and workers' compensation applicable to the university
415 pursuant to subsection (a) of section 4-73, shall be transferred from the
416 Comptroller, and all tuition revenue received by the university in
417 accordance with the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, income
418 from student fees or related charges, the proceeds of auxiliary activities
419 and business enterprises, gifts and donations, federal funds and grants
420 for purposes other than research and all receipts derived from the
421 conduct by The University of Connecticut of its education extension
422 program and its summer school session, except funds received by The
423 University of Connecticut Health Center, shall be deposited in said
424 operating fund. If the Secretary of the Office of Policy and
425 Management disapproves such transfer, he may require the amount of
426 the appropriation for operating expenses to be used for personal
427 services and fringe benefits to be excluded from said fund. The State
428 Treasurer shall review and approve the transfer prior to such request
429 by the university. All costs of waiving or remitting tuition pursuant to
430 subsection [(g)] (i) of this section, except the cost of waiving or
431 remitting tuition for students enrolled in the schools of medicine or
432 dental medicine, shall be charged to said fund. Repairs, alterations or
433 additions to facilities supported by said fund costing one million
434 dollars or more shall require the approval of the General Assembly, or
435 when the General Assembly is not in session, of the Finance Advisory
436 Committee. Any balance of receipts above expenditures shall remain
437 in said fund, except such sums as may be required for deposit into a
438 debt service fund or the General Fund for further payment by the
439 Treasurer of debt service on general obligation bonds of the state
440 issued for purposes of The University of Connecticut.

441 (c) The Board of Trustees of The University of Connecticut shall
442 establish and administer a fund to be known as The University of
443 Connecticut Health Center Operating Fund. Appropriations from
444 general revenues of the state except the amount of the appropriation
445 for operating expenses to be used for personal services and the
446 appropriations for fringe benefits pursuant to subsection (a) of section
447 4-73, all tuition revenue received by the health center in accordance

448 with the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, income from
449 student fees or related charges, proceeds from auxiliary and business
450 enterprises, gifts and donations, federal funds and grants for purposes
451 other than research and other income relative to these activities shall
452 be deposited in said fund. All costs of waiving or remitting tuition
453 pursuant to subsection [(g)] (i) of this section for students enrolled in
454 the schools of medicine or dental medicine shall be charged to said
455 fund. Repairs, alterations or additions to facilities supported by said
456 fund costing one million dollars or more shall require the approval of
457 the General Assembly, or when the General Assembly is not in session,
458 of the Finance Advisory Committee. Any balance of receipts above
459 expenditures shall remain in said fund, except such sums as may be
460 required for deposit into a debt service fund or the General Fund for
461 further payment by the Treasurer of debt service on general obligation
462 bonds of the state issued for purposes of The University of Connecticut
463 Health Center.

464 (d) Commencing December 1, 1981, and thereafter not later than
465 sixty days after the close of each quarter, the board of trustees shall
466 submit to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly
467 having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the
468 budgets of state agencies and the Office of Policy and Management a
469 report on the actual expenditures of The University of Connecticut
470 Operating Fund and The University of Connecticut Health Center
471 Operating Fund containing such relevant information as the Office of
472 Policy and Management may require in the form prescribed by the
473 board of regents in accordance with subsection (a) of section 10a-8.

474 (e) Said board of trustees shall waive the payment of tuition fees at
475 The University of Connecticut for (1) [for] any dependent child of a
476 person whom the armed forces of the United States has declared to be
477 missing in action or to have been a prisoner of war while serving in
478 such armed forces after January 1, 1960, which child has been accepted
479 for admission to The University of Connecticut and is a resident of
480 Connecticut at the time such child is accepted for admission to said

481 institution, (2) [subject to the provisions of subsection (f) of this section,
482 for any veteran who performed service in time of war, as defined in
483 subsection (a) of section 27-103, except that for purposes of this
484 subsection, "service in time of war" shall not include time spent in
485 attendance at a military service academy, who has been accepted for
486 admission to said institution and is domiciled in this state at the time
487 such veteran is accepted for admission to said institution, (3) for] any
488 resident of Connecticut sixty-two years of age or older who has been
489 accepted for admission to said institution, provided (A) such person is
490 enrolled in a degree-granting program, or (B) at the end of the regular
491 registration period, there are enrolled in the course a sufficient number
492 of students other than those persons eligible for waivers pursuant to
493 this subdivision to offer the course in which such person intends to
494 enroll and there is space available in such course after accommodating
495 all such students, [(4) for any active member of the Connecticut Army
496 or Air National Guard who (A) has been certified by the Adjutant
497 General or such Adjutant General's designee as a member in good
498 standing of the guard, and (B) is enrolled or accepted for admission to
499 said institution on a full-time or part-time basis in an undergraduate or
500 graduate degree-granting program, (5) for] (3) any dependent child of
501 a (A) police officer, as defined in section 7-294a, or supernumerary or
502 auxiliary police officer, (B) firefighter, as defined in section 7-323j, or
503 member of a volunteer fire company, (C) municipal employee, or (D)
504 state employee, as defined in section 5-154, killed in the line of duty,
505 [(6) for] (4) any resident of the state who is the dependent child or
506 surviving spouse of a specified terrorist victim who was a resident of
507 the state, [(7) for] (5) any dependent child of a resident of the state who
508 was killed in a multivehicle crash at or near the intersection of Routes
509 44 and 10 and Nod Road in Avon on July 29, 2005, and [(8) for] (6) any
510 resident of the state who is a dependent child or surviving spouse of a
511 person who was killed in action while performing active military duty
512 with the armed forces of the United States on or after September 11,
513 2001, and who was a resident of this state. [If any person who receives
514 a tuition waiver in accordance with the provisions of this subsection
515 also receives educational reimbursement from an employer, such

516 waiver shall be reduced by the amount of such educational
517 reimbursement. Veterans described in subdivision (2) of this
518 subsection and members of the National Guard described in
519 subdivision (4) of this subsection shall be given the same status as
520 students not receiving tuition waivers in registering for courses at The
521 University of Connecticut. Notwithstanding the provisions of section
522 10a-30, as used in this subsection, "domiciled in this state" includes
523 domicile for less than one year.]

524 (f) Said board of trustees shall waive the payment of tuition and of
525 extension fees for educational extension programs and summer school
526 sessions at any of the regional community-technical colleges (1) subject
527 to the provisions of subsection (h) of this section, for any veteran who
528 (A) performed service in time of war, (B) has been accepted for
529 admission to such institution, and (C) was domiciled in this state at the
530 time such veteran was accepted for admission to such institution, and
531 (2) for any active member of the Connecticut Army or Air National
532 Guard who (A) has been certified by the Adjutant General or such
533 Adjutant General's designee as a member in good standing of the
534 guard, and (B) is enrolled or accepted for admission to such institution
535 on a full-time or part-time basis in an undergraduate degree-granting
536 program. Veterans and members of the National Guard described in
537 this subsection shall be given the same status as students not receiving
538 tuition waivers in registering for courses at regional community-
539 technical colleges. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10a-30, as
540 used in this subsection, "domiciled in this state" includes domiciled for
541 less than one year. For purposes of this subsection, "service in time of
542 war" has the same meaning as provided in subsection (a) of section 27-
543 103, except that it does not include time spent in attendance at a
544 military service academy.

545 (g) If any person who receives a tuition or extension fee waiver in
546 accordance with the provisions of subsection (e) or (f) of this section
547 also receives educational reimbursement from an employer, such
548 waiver shall be reduced by the amount of such educational

549 reimbursement.

550 [(f)] (h) (1) If any veteran described in subsection [(e)] (f) of this
551 section has applied for federal educational assistance under the Post-
552 9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008, the board of trustees
553 shall waive the payment of tuition and extension fees at The University
554 of Connecticut for such veteran in accordance with subdivision (2) of
555 this subsection. If any such veteran certifies to said board that such
556 veteran's application for such federal educational assistance has been
557 denied or withdrawn, said board of trustees shall waive the payment
558 of tuition and extension fees in accordance with subsection [(d)] (f) of
559 this section.

560 (2) (A) For purposes of this subdivision, "veteran tuition benefit"
561 means the portion of federal educational assistance under the Post-
562 9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008 to be paid to The
563 University of Connecticut on behalf of a veteran that represents
564 payment for tuition and extension fees, as described in subsection (b)
565 of section 10a-26. Such portion shall be calculated by multiplying (i)
566 the total amount of such federal educational assistance to be paid to
567 The University of Connecticut on behalf of such veteran by (ii) an
568 amount obtained by dividing (I) the actual tuition and extension fees
569 charged by The University of Connecticut to such veteran by (II) the
570 sum of the actual tuition, extension fees and other fees charged by The
571 University of Connecticut to such veteran.

572 (B) Said board of trustees shall waive the payment of tuition and
573 extension fees in excess of the veteran tuition benefit at The University
574 of Connecticut for such veteran.

575 [(g)] (i) Said board of trustees shall set aside from its anticipated
576 tuition revenue, an amount not less than that required by the board of
577 governors' tuition policy established under subdivision (3) of
578 subsection (a) of section 10a-6. Such funds shall be used to provide
579 tuition waivers, tuition remissions, grants for educational expenses
580 and student employment for any undergraduate, graduate or

581 professional student who is enrolled as a full or part-time matriculated
582 student in a degree-granting program, or enrolled in a precollege
583 remedial program, and who demonstrates substantial financial need.
584 Said board may also set aside from its anticipated tuition revenue an
585 additional amount equal to one per cent of said tuition revenue for
586 financial assistance for students who would not otherwise be eligible
587 for financial assistance but who do have a financial need as determined
588 by the university in accordance with this subsection. In determining
589 such financial need, the university shall exclude the value of equity in
590 the principal residence of the student's parents or legal guardians, or in
591 the student's principal residence if the student is not considered to be a
592 dependent of his parents or legal guardians and shall assess the
593 earnings of a dependent student at the rate of thirty per cent.

594 [(h)] (j) The University of Connecticut Operating Fund shall be
595 reimbursed for the amount by which tuition and extension fee waivers
596 granted under [subsection] subsections (e) and (f) of this section exceed
597 two and one-half per cent of tuition revenue through an annual state
598 appropriation. The board of trustees shall request such an
599 appropriation and said appropriation shall be based upon an estimate
600 of tuition and extension fee revenue loss using tuition and extension
601 fee rates in effect for the fiscal year in which such appropriation will
602 apply.

603 [(i)] (k) Said board of trustees shall grant remission or waiver of
604 tuition for graduate assistants at the university. Assistantship
605 payments to graduate assistants shall not be considered salaries and
606 wages under the provisions of section 3-119, and shall be paid
607 according to a schedule prescribed by the university and approved by
608 the State Comptroller.

609 [(j)] (l) Said board of trustees shall allow any student who is a
610 member of the armed forces called to active duty during any semester
611 to enroll in any course for which such student had remitted tuition but
612 which was not completed due to active duty status. Such course
613 reenrollment shall be offered to any qualifying student for a period not

614 exceeding four years after the date of release from active duty without
615 additional tuition, student fee or related charge, except if such student
616 has been fully reimbursed for the tuition, fees and charges for the
617 course that was not completed.

618 Sec. 4. Section 10a-16 of the general statutes is repealed and the
619 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2013*):

620 The Board of Regents for Higher Education shall adopt regulations
621 in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 for determining
622 financial need for tuition waivers granted pursuant to subsection [(f)]
623 (h) of section 10a-77, as amended by this act, subsection [(f)] (h) of
624 section 10a-99, as amended by this act, and subsection [(g)] (i) of
625 section 10a-105, as amended by this act. Such regulations shall prohibit
626 the designation of graduate students as graduate assistants solely to
627 provide tuition and fee waivers.

628 Sec. 5. Subsection (a) of section 10a-55i of the general statutes is
629 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
630 *October 1, 2013*):

631 (a) There is established a Higher Education Consolidation
632 Committee which shall be convened by the chairpersons of the joint
633 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
634 matters relating to higher education or such chairpersons' designee,
635 who shall be a member of such joint standing committee. The
636 membership of the Higher Education Consolidation Committee shall
637 consist of the higher education subcommittee on appropriations and
638 the chairpersons, vice chairpersons and ranking members of the joint
639 standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of
640 matters relating to higher education and appropriations. The Higher
641 Education Consolidation Committee shall establish a meeting and
642 public hearing schedule for purposes of receiving updates from the
643 Board of Regents for Higher Education on the progress of the
644 consolidation of the state system of higher education pursuant to
645 section 4-9c, subsection (a) of section 4d-90, subsection (g) of section 5-

646 160, section 5-199d, subsection (a) of section 7-323k, subsection (a) of
 647 section 7-608, subsection (a) of section 10-9, section 10-155d,
 648 subdivision (14) of section 10-183b, sections 10a-1a to 10a-1d, inclusive,
 649 10a-3 and 10a-3a, subsection (a) of section 10a-6a, sections 10a-6b, 10a-
 650 8, 10a-10a to 10a-11a, inclusive, 10a-17d and 10a-22a, subsections (f)
 651 and (h) of section 10a-22b, subsections (c) and (d) of section 10a-22d,
 652 sections 10a-22h and 10a-22k, subsection (a) of section 10a-22n,
 653 sections 10a-22r, 10a-22s, 10a-22u, 10a-22v, 10a-22x and 10a-34 to 10a-
 654 35a, inclusive, subsection (e) of section 10a-37, sections 10a-38 to 10a-
 655 40, inclusive, 10a-42 and 10a-42g, subsection (a) of section 10a-48a,
 656 sections 10a-55i, as amended by this act, 10a-71 and 10a-72, subsections
 657 (c) and [(f)] (h) of section 10a-77, as amended by this act, section 10a-
 658 88, subsection (a) of section 10a-89, subsection (c) of section 10a-99, as
 659 amended by this act, and sections 10a-102, 10a-104, 10a-105, as
 660 amended by this act, 10a-109e, 10a-143, 10a-163a, 10a-164a, as
 661 amended by this act, 10a-168a and 10a-170. The Higher Education
 662 Consolidation Committee shall convene its first meeting on or before
 663 September 15, 2011, and meet not less than once every two months
 664 until September 15, 2012.

665 Sec. 6. Subsection (a) of section 10a-164a of the general statutes is
 666 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
 667 *October 1, 2013*):

668 (a) The Board of Regents for Higher Education shall annually
 669 request an appropriation to the Office of Higher Education equal to the
 670 amount required, for the fiscal year two years prior, for tuition
 671 waivers, tuition remissions, grants for educational expenses and
 672 student employment under subsection [(f)] (h) of section 10a-77, as
 673 amended by this act, subsection [(f)] (h) of section 10a-99, as amended
 674 by this act, and subsection [(g)] (i) of section 10a-105, as amended by
 675 this act. The office shall allocate any such appropriation to The
 676 University of Connecticut, each of the Connecticut state universities
 677 and each of the regional community-technical colleges in accordance
 678 with a formula approved by the Board of Regents for Higher

679 Education. The formula shall take into account the amount of federal
 680 student aid received by students at each institution. The amounts
 681 allocated shall be used to provide grants for educational expenses and
 682 student employment for residents of the state who demonstrate
 683 substantial financial need and are enrolled as full-time or part-time
 684 matriculated students in a degree-granting program or a precollege
 685 remedial program. For each fiscal year a minimum of ten per cent of
 686 the total amount of state student financial aid appropriated to each
 687 institution which exceeds the amount received by each institution for
 688 the fiscal year ending June 30, 1987, shall be used for student financial
 689 aid for needy minority students in accordance with the board's
 690 strategic plan for racial and ethnic diversity under section 10a-11. For
 691 each fiscal year a minimum of five per cent of the total amount of state
 692 student financial aid appropriated to each institution which exceeds
 693 the amount received by each institution for the fiscal year ending June
 694 30, 1988, shall be used for on-campus or off-campus community
 695 service work-study placements. Individual awards shall not exceed a
 696 student's calculated financial need as determined on the basis of a
 697 needs analysis system approved by the United States Department of
 698 Education. Financial aid provided to Connecticut residents under this
 699 program shall be designated as a grant from the Connecticut aid to
 700 public college students grant program.

701 Sec. 7. Section 14-21p of the general statutes is repealed and the
 702 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2013*):

703 (a) There is established an account to be known as the "United We
 704 Stand commemorative account" which shall be a separate, nonlapsing
 705 account within the General Fund. The account shall contain any
 706 moneys required by law to be deposited in the account.

707 (b) The moneys in said account shall be transferred to the Secretary
 708 of the Office of Policy and Management for the purposes of (1)
 709 reimbursing boards of trustees or regents for the waiver of tuition and
 710 extension fees pursuant to [subsection] subsections (e) and (f) of
 711 section 10a-105, as amended by this act, [subsection] subsections (d)

712 and (e) of section 10a-99, as amended by this act, and [subsection]
713 subsections (d) and (e) of section 10a-77, as amended by this act, and
714 (2) establishing a nonlapsing account within the General Fund to
715 provide financial support for civil preparedness and related training
716 activities, and for the purchase of supplies and equipment in support
717 of emergency personnel.

718 (c) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may
719 receive private donations to said account and any such receipts shall
720 be deposited in said account.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	10a-77
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	10a-99
Sec. 3	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	10a-105
Sec. 4	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	10a-16
Sec. 5	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	10a-55i(a)
Sec. 6	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	10a-164a(a)
Sec. 7	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	14-21p

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