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To: House Bill No. 5426

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"AN ACT CONCERNING WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT."

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2013*) (a) For purposes of this
4 section: (1) "Contextualized learning" means education in a learning
5 environment chosen or designed by educators to incorporate as many
6 different forms of experience as possible, including social, cultural,
7 physical, and psychological experiences, to achieve the desired
8 learning outcomes; (2) "early college high school" means a school in
9 which low-income youth, first-generation college students, English
10 language learners, minority students and other persons who are
11 underrepresented in higher education may simultaneously earn,
12 tuition free, a high school diploma and an associate degree or up to
13 two years of credit toward a bachelor degree; and (3) "middle college
14 program" means a collaboration between a school district's high
15 schools and a regional-community technical college pursuant to which

16 a student who desires a more independent learning environment may
17 (A) take a combination of core high school courses and courses for
18 which college or university-level credit may be given, and (B) attribute
19 any such credits earned toward a program of higher learning at an
20 institution of high education in which such student enrolls upon
21 graduation from the middle college program.

22 (b) The Connecticut Employment and Training Commission, in
23 collaboration with Capitol Workforce Partners, The Workforce
24 Alliance, The Workplace, Inc., the Northwest Regional Workforce
25 Investment Board, Inc. and the Eastern Connecticut Workforce
26 Investment Board, shall develop a state-wide plan for implementing,
27 expanding or improving upon contextualized learning programs,
28 career pathway programs established under section 10-20a of the
29 general statutes, middle college programs and early college high
30 school programs to provide education, training and placement in jobs
31 available in the manufacturing, health care, construction and green
32 industries and other emerging sectors of the state's economy. Such
33 plan shall include a proposal to fund such programs to ensure that
34 they are fully operational not later than July 1, 2014.

35 (c) Not later than January 1, 2014, the Connecticut Employment and
36 Training Commission shall report, in accordance with the provisions of
37 section 11-4a of the general statutes, on the plan developed under
38 subsection (b) of this section to the joint standing committee of the
39 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to higher
40 education and employment advancement. Not later than September 1,
41 2014, and annually thereafter, said commission shall report, in
42 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,
43 on the status of such programs to the joint standing committee of the
44 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to higher
45 education and employment advancement."

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

Section 1	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	New section
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