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Public Act No. 14-91

AN ACT ESTABLISHING UNIFORM STATE ACADEMIC DEGREE STANDARDS.

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

Section 1. Section 10a-35a of the 2014 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

(a) Notwithstanding sections 10a-34 to 10a-35, inclusive, the Board of Regents for Higher Education shall have the authority, in accordance with the provisions of said sections [10a-34 to 10a-35, inclusive, over academic degrees awarded by the state colleges within the Connecticut State University System, the regional community-technical colleges and the Board for State Academic Awards, including the (1) operation of such public institutions of higher education and the programs offered by such public institutions of higher education, (2) licensure and accreditation of such public institutions of higher education and programs offered by such public institutions of higher education, (3) evaluation and approval of applications to confer academic degrees made by such public institutions of higher education, and (4) assessment of any violation by such public institutions of higher education of the authority of said board as described in subdivisions (1) to (3), inclusive, of this section and the

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imposition of a penalty for such violation] and the standards set forth in any regulations promulgated thereunder, to (1) review and approve recommendations for the establishment of new academic programs for the universities within the Connecticut State University System, the regional community-technical colleges and the Board for State Academic Awards, and (2) report all new programs and program changes to the Office of Higher Education.

(b) Notwithstanding sections 10a-34 to 10a-35, inclusive, the Board of Trustees for The University of Connecticut shall (1) have the authority, in accordance with the provisions of said sections and the standards set forth in any regulations promulgated thereunder, to review and approve recommendations for the establishment of new academic programs at the university, and (2) report all new programs and program changes to the Office of Higher Education.

Approved June 6, 2014