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Referred to Committee on HIGHER EDUCATION AND
EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT

Introduced by:
(HED)

**AN ACT CONCERNING STUDENT MEMBERSHIP ON THE BOARD OF
TRUSTEES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT.**

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

1 Section 1. Section 10a-103 of the 2014 supplement to the general
2 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
3 (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

4 There shall continue to be a Board of Trustees for The University of
5 Connecticut to consist of twenty-one persons, twelve to be appointed
6 by the Governor, who shall reflect the state's geographic, racial and
7 ethnic diversity; two to be elected by the university alumni; two to be
8 elected by the students enrolled at the institutions under the
9 jurisdiction of said board; and five members ex officio. On or before
10 July 1, 1983, the Governor shall appoint members to the board as
11 follows: Four members for a term of two years from said date; four
12 members for a term of four years from said date; and four members for
13 a term of six years from said date. Thereafter, the Governor shall
14 appoint trustees of said university to succeed those appointees whose

15 terms expire, and each trustee so appointed shall hold office for a
16 period of six years from the first day of July in the year of his or her
17 appointment, provided two of the trustees appointed for terms
18 commencing July 1, 1995, and their successors shall be alumni of the
19 university, one of the trustees appointed for a term commencing July 1,
20 1997, and his or her successors shall be such alumni and one of the
21 members appointed for a term commencing July 1, 1999, and his or her
22 successors shall be such alumni. The Commissioner of Agriculture, the
23 Commissioner of Education, the Commissioner of Economic and
24 Community Development and the chairperson of The University of
25 Connecticut Health Center Board of Directors shall be, ex officio,
26 members of the board of trustees. The Governor shall be, ex officio,
27 president of said board. The graduates of all of the schools and
28 colleges of said university shall, prior to September first in the odd-
29 numbered years, elect one trustee, who shall be a graduate of the
30 institution and who shall hold office for four years from the first day of
31 September succeeding his or her election. Not less than two or more
32 than four nominations for each such election shall be made by the
33 alumni association of said university, provided no person who has
34 served as an alumni trustee for the two full consecutive terms
35 immediately prior to the term for which such election is to be held
36 shall be nominated for any such election. Such election shall be
37 conducted by mail prior to September first under the supervision of a
38 canvassing board consisting of three members, one appointed by the
39 board of trustees, one by the board of directors of the alumni
40 association of the university and one by the president of the university.
41 No ballot in such election shall be opened until the date by which
42 ballots must be returned to the canvassing board. In such election, all
43 graduates shall be entitled to vote by signed ballots which have been
44 circulated to them by mail and which shall be returned by mail.
45 Vacancies occurring by death or resignation of either of such alumni
46 trustees shall be filled for the unexpired portion of the term by special
47 election, if such unexpired term is for more than eighteen months.
48 When the unexpired term is eighteen months or less, such vacancy

49 shall be filled by appointment by the board of directors of said alumni
50 association. On or before November 1, 1975, the students of The
51 University of Connecticut shall, in such manner as the board of
52 trustees of said university shall determine, elect two trustees, each of
53 whom shall be enrolled as a full-time student of said university at the
54 time of his or her election. One such member shall be elected for a term
55 of one year from November 1, 1975, and one for a term of two years
56 from said date. Prior to July first, annually, such students shall, in
57 accordance with this section and in such manner as the board shall
58 determine, elect one member of said board, who shall be so enrolled at
59 said university at the time of his or her election and who shall serve for
60 a term of two years from July first in the year of his or her election. The
61 student member elected to fill the term expiring on June 30, 2003, and
62 such elected member's successors, shall be enrolled as a full-time
63 undergraduate student at a school or college of the university and shall
64 be elected by the undergraduate students of the schools and colleges of
65 the university. The student member elected to fill the term expiring on
66 June 30, 2004, and such elected member's successors, shall be enrolled
67 as a full-time student in the School of Law, the School of Medicine, the
68 School of Dentistry, the School of Social Work, or as a graduate student
69 of a school or college of the university, and shall be elected by the
70 students of the School of Law, the School of Medicine, the School of
71 Dentistry, the School of Social Work and the graduate students of the
72 schools and colleges of the university. On or before July 1, 2016, the
73 students of The University of Connecticut shall, in such manner as the
74 board of trustees of said university shall determine, elect an alternate
75 student member who shall be enrolled as a full-time undergraduate
76 student at a school or college of the university and shall be elected by
77 the undergraduate students of the schools and colleges of the
78 university for a term of two years. Any student member elected after
79 July 1, 2013, and any alternate student member elected after July 1,
80 2016, shall be enrolled as a full-time student at the time of his or her
81 election and for the duration of his or her term of service. Any
82 vacancies in the elected membership of said board shall, except as

83 otherwise provided in this section, be filled by special election for the
84 balance of the unexpired term.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	10a-103

Statement of Purpose:

To add an additional full-time undergraduate student as an alternate trustee on the Board of Trustees for The University of Connecticut.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]