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EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT

Introduced by:
(HED)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE BOARD OF REGENTS.

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

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2 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu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

4 (c) Upon recommendation of the president, the Board of Regents for
5 Higher Education shall appoint [a vice-president for each constituent
6 unit with] two vice-presidents. One vice-president shall represent the
7 Connecticut State University System and the other vice-president shall
8 represent the regional community-technical college system. Each vice-
9 president shall perform such duties and responsibilities as the board
10 and president shall prescribe, so that each said constituent unit fulfills
11 its mission. Such duties shall include, but not be limited to, oversight
12 of academic programs, student support services and institutional
13 support.

14 Sec. 2. Section 10a-1 of the general statutes is repealed and the

15 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

16 There shall be a state system of public higher education to consist of
17 (1) The University of Connecticut and all campuses thereof, (2) the
18 state colleges, which shall be known collectively as the Connecticut
19 State University System, (3) the regional community-technical colleges,
20 (4) [the Board for State Academic Awards] Charter Oak State College,
21 and (5) the staff of the Board of Regents for Higher Education as
22 established pursuant to section 10a-1a. "Constituent units" as used in
23 the general statutes means those units in subdivisions (1) to (4),
24 inclusive, of this section.

25 Sec. 3. Subsection (a) of section 10a-6 of the 2014 supplement to the
26 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
27 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

28 (a) The Board of Regents for Higher Education shall: (1) Establish
29 state-wide policy and guidelines for Connecticut's system of public
30 higher education; (2) develop a master plan for higher education and
31 postsecondary education, consistent with the goals in subsection (b) of
32 this section; (3) establish state-wide tuition and student fee policies; (4)
33 monitor and evaluate institutional effectiveness and viability in
34 accordance with criteria established by the board; (5) merge or close
35 institutions within the Connecticut State University System, the
36 regional community-technical college system and [the Board for State
37 Academic Awards] Charter Oak State College in accordance with
38 criteria established by the board, provided (A) such recommended
39 merger or closing shall require a two-thirds vote of the board and (B)
40 notice of such recommended merger or closing shall be sent to the
41 committee having cognizance over matters relating to education and to
42 the General Assembly; (6) review and approve mission statements for
43 the Connecticut State University System, the regional community-
44 technical college system and [the Board for State Academic Awards]
45 Charter Oak State College and role and scope statements for the
46 individual institutions and campuses of such constituent units; (7)

47 review and approve any recommendations for the establishment of
48 new academic programs submitted to the board by the state colleges
49 within the Connecticut State University System, the regional
50 community-technical colleges and [the Board for State Academic
51 Awards] Charter Oak State College, and, in consultation with the
52 affected constituent units, provide for the initiation, consolidation or
53 termination of academic programs. The Board of Regents for Higher
54 Education shall notify the board of trustees affected by the proposed
55 termination of an academic program. Within ninety days of receipt of
56 such notice, said trustees shall accept or reject the termination proposal
57 and shall notify the Board of Regents for Higher Education of its
58 action. If the termination proposal is rejected by the trustees, the Board
59 of Regents for Higher Education may override the rejection by a two-
60 thirds vote; (8) develop criteria to ensure acceptable quality in
61 programs and institutions and enforce standards through licensing
62 and accreditation; (9) prepare and present to the Governor and General
63 Assembly, in accordance with section 10a-8, as amended by this act,
64 consolidated operating and capital expenditure budgets for public
65 higher education developed in accordance with the provisions of said
66 section 10a-8; (10) review and make recommendations on plans
67 received from the constituent unit boards of trustees for the continuing
68 development and maximum utilization of the state's public higher
69 education resources; (11) appoint advisory committees to assist in
70 defining and suggesting solutions for the problems and needs of
71 higher education; (12) establish an advisory council for higher
72 education with representatives from public and private institutions to
73 study methods and proposals for coordinating efforts of all such
74 institutions in providing a stimulating and enriched educational
75 environment for the citizens of the state, including measures to
76 improve educational opportunities through alternative and
77 nontraditional approaches such as external degrees and credit by
78 examination; (13) coordinate programs and services throughout public
79 higher education and between public and independent institutions,
80 including procedures to evaluate the impact on independent

81 institutions of higher education of proposals affecting public
82 institutions of higher education; (14) make or enter into contracts,
83 leases or other agreements in connection with its responsibilities under
84 this part, provided all acquisitions of real estate by lease or otherwise
85 shall be subject to the provisions of section 4b-23; (15) be responsible
86 for the care and maintenance of permanent records of institutions of
87 higher education dissolved after September 1, 1969; (16) prepare and
88 present to the Governor and General Assembly legislative proposals
89 affecting public higher education, including proposals which utilize
90 programs and facilities of independent institutions of higher
91 education; (17) develop and maintain a central higher education
92 information system and establish definitions and data requirements for
93 the state system of higher education; (18) report all new programs and
94 program changes to the Office of Higher Education; and (19)
95 undertake such studies and other activities as will best serve the higher
96 educational interests of the state.

97 Sec. 4. Subsection (a) of section 10a-8 of the general statutes is
98 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
99 *1, 2014*):

100 (a) The provisions of sections 4-77 and 4-78 shall not apply to the
101 constituent units of the state system of higher education, and for the
102 purposes of said sections only, the Board of Regents for Higher
103 Education shall be deemed the budgeted agency for the Connecticut
104 State University System, the regional community-technical college
105 system and Charter Oak State College. The Board of Regents for
106 Higher Education shall develop a formula or program-based
107 budgeting system to be used by each institution in preparing operating
108 budgets. The Board of Regents for Higher Education shall prepare a
109 single budget request itemized by the Connecticut State University
110 System, the regional community-technical college system and [the
111 Board for State Academic Awards] Charter Oak State College using the
112 formula or program-based budgeting system and shall submit such
113 budget request displaying all operating funds to the Secretary of the

114 Office of Policy and Management in accordance with sections 4-77 and
115 4-78, subject to procedures developed by the Board of Regents for
116 Higher Education and approved by said secretary. The budget request
117 shall set forth, in the form prescribed by the Board of Regents for
118 Higher Education, a proposed expenditure plan which shall include:
119 (1) The total amount requested for such appropriation account; (2) the
120 amount to be appropriated from the General Fund; and (3) the amount
121 to be paid from the tuition revenues of the regional community-
122 technical college system and the Connecticut State University System.
123 After review and comment by the Board of Regents for Higher
124 Education, the proposed expenditure plans shall be incorporated into
125 the single public higher education budget request including
126 recommendations, if any, by said board. Any tuition increase proposed
127 by the regional community-technical college system and the
128 Connecticut State University System for the fiscal year to which the
129 budget request relates shall be included in the single public higher
130 education budget request submitted by the Board of Regents for
131 Higher Education for such fiscal year, provided if the General
132 Assembly does not appropriate the amount requested by any such
133 system, such system may increase tuition and fees by an amount
134 greater than that included in the budget request in response to which
135 the appropriation was made. The General Assembly shall make
136 appropriations directly to the constituent units. Allotment reductions
137 made pursuant to the provisions of subsections (b) and (c) of section 4-
138 85 shall be applied by the Board of Regents for Higher Education
139 among the appropriations to the constituent units without regard to
140 the limitations on reductions provided in said section, except that said
141 limitations shall apply to the total of the amounts appropriated. The
142 Board of Regents for Higher Education shall apply such reductions
143 after consultation with the Secretary of the Office of Policy and
144 Management. Any reductions of more than five per cent of the
145 appropriations of any constituent units shall be submitted to the
146 appropriations committee which shall, within thirty days, approve or
147 reject such reduction.

148 Sec. 5. Subsection (b) of section 10a-25i of the general statutes is
149 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
150 *1, 2014*):

151 (b) The constituent units of the state system of higher education, not
152 including [the Board for State Academic Awards] Charter Oak State
153 College, are authorized to solicit, receive and maintain funds from
154 private sources to be used for the centers of excellence.

155 Sec. 6. Subsection (a) of section 10a-35a of the 2014 supplement to
156 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
157 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

158 (a) Notwithstanding sections 10a-34 to 10a-35, inclusive, the Board
159 of Regents for Higher Education shall have the authority, in
160 accordance with the provisions of said sections 10a-34 to 10a-35,
161 inclusive, over academic degrees awarded by the state colleges within
162 the Connecticut State University System, the regional community-
163 technical colleges and [the Board for State Academic Awards] Charter
164 Oak State College, including the (1) operation of such public
165 institutions of higher education and the programs offered by such
166 public institutions of higher education, (2) licensure and accreditation
167 of such public institutions of higher education and programs offered
168 by such public institutions of higher education, (3) evaluation and
169 approval of applications to confer academic degrees made by such
170 public institutions of higher education, and (4) assessment of any
171 violation by such public institutions of higher education of the
172 authority of said board as described in subdivisions (1) to (3),
173 inclusive, of this section and the imposition of a penalty for such
174 violation.

175 Sec. 7. Section 10a-80d of the 2014 supplement to the general
176 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
177 (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

178 An adjunct faculty member of a regional community-technical

179 college or Charter Oak State College shall be permitted to irrevocably
180 waive membership in a Connecticut retirement plan not later than
181 sixty days after commencing employment with such regional
182 community-technical college or Charter Oak State College. Once the
183 adjunct faculty member waives membership in a Connecticut
184 retirement plan, such faculty member is no longer eligible to elect to
185 participate in a Connecticut retirement plan in any subsequent part-
186 time employment with the regional community-technical college
187 system, [the Board for State Academic Awards] Charter Oak State
188 College, the Board of Regents for Higher Education or any other
189 constituent unit, as defined in section 10a-1, as amended by this act.

190 Sec. 8. Section 3-27a of the general statutes is repealed and the
191 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

192 There is hereby created a Short Term Investment Fund to be
193 administered by the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer may sell
194 participation certificates of the Short Term Investment Fund for
195 investment to the General Fund, bond funds, the Special
196 Transportation Fund, the Local Bridge Revolving Fund, the
197 Educational Excellence Trust Fund, the Residential Property Tax
198 Revaluation Relief Fund, the Municipal Abandoned Vehicle Trust
199 Fund, the Special Abandoned Property Fund, trust funds administered
200 by the Treasurer and all such other funds the moneys of which by law
201 the Treasurer is responsible for investing. Said participation certificates
202 shall bear and pay such interest and be issued subject to such terms
203 and conditions as shall be determined and established by the State
204 Treasurer. The interest derived from the investment or reinvestment of
205 funds of The University of Connecticut Operating Fund and The
206 University of Connecticut Health Center Operating Fund, The
207 University of Connecticut Research Foundation, The University of
208 Connecticut Health Center Research Foundation, the Connecticut State
209 University System Operating Fund, the Connecticut State University
210 System Research Foundation, and the Regional Community-Technical
211 Colleges Operating Fund, as authorized by sections 10a-105, 10a-110a,

212 10a-130, 10a-99 and 10a-77, respectively, and the [Board for State
213 Academic Awards] Board of Regents for Higher Education for Charter
214 Oak State College educational services account, as authorized by
215 section 10a-143, as amended by this act, shall be paid to each board or
216 board of trustees respectively.

217 Sec. 9. Section 10a-25h of the general statutes is repealed and the
218 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

219 (a) In order to develop and further encourage excellence in public
220 higher education, the boards of trustees of the constituent units of the
221 state system of higher education, not including [the Board for State
222 Academic Awards] Charter Oak State College, are hereby authorized
223 to establish and administer centers to be known as Connecticut higher
224 education centers of excellence. Appropriations to these centers shall
225 be used for the development or enhancement of essential support for
226 academic, research, or public service centers of excellence which have
227 gained or may gain regional and national prominence or for libraries
228 or equipment for present enhancement to existing programs deemed
229 to have potential for excellence with such enhancement..

230 Sec. 10. Section 10a-143 of the 2014 supplement to the general
231 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
232 (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

233 (a) The Board of Regents for Higher Education in concert with the
234 state's institutions of higher education, shall study, develop and
235 coordinate the implementation of new methods of awarding
236 undergraduate degrees and college credits including but not limited
237 to: (1) External degrees awarded on the basis of acceptable
238 performance in an educational field whether or not the necessary
239 education was obtained by the candidate at an institution of higher
240 education, and (2) examinations and methods other than classroom
241 instruction for determining qualifications. On or before July 1, 1993,
242 each constituent unit of the state system of higher education shall

243 establish procedures to award college credits pursuant to this
244 subsection and subsection (e) of this section.

245 (b) The Board of Regents for Higher Education shall promulgate
246 regulations to authorize accredited institutions of higher education to
247 award degrees by such new procedures.

248 (c) [There shall continue to be a Board for State Academic Awards
249 which] Charter Oak State College shall be an independent constituent
250 unit of the state system of higher education with authority to grant
251 undergraduate and graduate credits and degrees on the basis of (1)
252 examinations, (2) courses offered by Charter Oak State College, and (3)
253 other forms of evaluation and validation of learning including transfer
254 of credit. Said [board] college is authorized to use the term "Charter
255 Oak State College" on diplomas and other documents and utterances
256 to affirm the status of the [board] college as a degree-granting
257 institution of higher education. It shall be the responsibility of the
258 [board] college to serve the interest of all Connecticut residents by
259 providing open access to academic credentials which are based on a
260 consensus of professional judgment. The purpose of such credentials
261 shall be to identify and give recognition to higher learning acquired by
262 individuals through independent study, work experience and
263 programs of noncollegiate educational activity.

264 [(d) Beginning on January 1, 2012, the Board of Regents for Higher
265 Education shall serve as the Board for State Academic Awards. The
266 members of the Board for State Academic Awards in office on June 30,
267 2011, shall remain in office to provide assistance in transitioning duties
268 and responsibilities to the Board of Regents for Higher Education
269 during the period of July 1, 2011, to December 31, 2011. For the
270 transition period of July 1, 2011, to December 31, 2011, any action of
271 the Board for State Academic Awards shall not be final until ratified by
272 the Board of Regents for Higher Education. Until December 31, 2011,
273 the Board for State Academic Awards shall consist of nine persons,
274 eight to be appointed by the Governor, who shall reflect the state's

275 geographic, racial and ethnic diversity; one of whom shall be an
276 alumnus of Charter Oak State College; and one to be elected by the
277 students enrolled in Charter Oak State College. On or before July 1,
278 1983, the Governor shall appoint two members of the board for a term
279 of two years from said date, two members for a term of four years
280 from said date and one member for a term of six years from said date.
281 On or before July 1, 1984, the Governor shall appoint one member for a
282 term of three years from said date. On or before July 1, 1996, the
283 Governor shall appoint two members, one for a term of five years from
284 said date and one for a term of one year from said date. Thereafter the
285 Governor shall appoint members of said board to succeed those
286 appointees whose terms expire, such members to serve for terms of six
287 years each from July first in the year of their appointment. On or
288 before November 1, 1984, and biennially thereafter, the students
289 enrolled with the board shall, in such manner as the board shall
290 determine, elect one member of the board, who shall serve for a term
291 of two years from November first in the year of his election. No
292 member of said board, appointed by the Governor, shall be an
293 employee of an institution of postsecondary or higher education. No
294 member who has served consecutively for two full terms or portions
295 thereof may again be appointed until two years have passed. The
296 Governor shall, pursuant to section 4-9a, appoint the chairperson of
297 the board. The board shall, annually, elect from its members such other
298 officers as it deems necessary. The Governor shall fill any vacancies in
299 the membership of said board by appointment for the balance of the
300 unexpired term. The members of said board shall receive no
301 compensation for their services as such but shall be reimbursed for
302 their necessary expenses in the course of their duties. The board shall
303 meet at least once during each calendar quarter and at such other times
304 as the chairperson deems necessary or upon the request of a majority
305 of members in office. Any member who fails to attend three
306 consecutive meetings or who fails to attend fifty per cent of all
307 meetings held during any calendar year shall be deemed to have
308 resigned from office.]

309 [(e) (1) The Board for State Academic Awards] (d) (1) The Board of
310 Regents for Higher Education shall develop and implement programs
311 at Charter Oak State College to improve opportunities in higher
312 education through alternative modes of service, including, but not
313 limited to, guidance and information services, registration and
314 validation services, examination and degree-granting services,
315 technological delivery systems, and projects of research and
316 development. [With respect to its own operation the board may
317 appoint and remove an executive director, who shall be the] The board
318 may appoint a chief academic and administrative officer [,] and a
319 professional academic staff of Charter Oak State College. The board
320 may appoint and remove executive staff responsible for the operation
321 of [the Board for State Academic Awards] Charter Oak State College.
322 The board may determine the size of the academic staff and the duties,
323 terms, and conditions of employment of said director and staff. The
324 board shall establish through appointments on an adjunct basis a
325 faculty of consulting examiners at Charter Oak State College to make
326 recommendations as to requirements and standards of the [board's]
327 college's programs and to make recommendations for the award of
328 academic undergraduate and graduate credits and degrees. Persons
329 serving as members of the faculty of consulting examiners shall have
330 appropriate professional qualifications as determined by the board and
331 may hold professional appointments in active status at accredited
332 institutions of postsecondary or higher learning. Within the limit of
333 appropriations, the board shall fix the compensation of persons
334 serving with adjunct appointment as members of the faculty of
335 consulting examiners. The board shall confer such undergraduate and
336 graduate certificates and degrees as are appropriate to programs of
337 postsecondary and higher learning at Charter Oak State College and in
338 accordance with the recommendations of the board's faculty of
339 consulting examiners on the basis of (A) examinations, (B) courses
340 offered by Charter Oak State College, and (C) other forms of validation
341 and evaluation of learning, including transfer of credit. The board shall
342 assist public institutions of higher education in establishing and

343 implementing procedures to award college credits pursuant to
344 subsection (a) of this section.

345 (2) The [Board for State Academic Awards] Board of Regents for
346 Higher Education shall develop a mission statement for Charter Oak
347 State College which shall include, but not be limited to, the following
348 elements: (A) The educational needs of, and constituencies served by
349 [the board] said college; (B) the degrees offered by [the board] said
350 college; and (C) the role and scope of the programs offered by [the
351 board] said college.

352 [(f)] (e) The board shall fix fees for examinations and for such other
353 purposes as the board deems necessary on behalf of Charter Oak State
354 College and may make refunds and other disposition of same as
355 provided by law or regulation. The board may make contracts, leases
356 or other agreements in connection with its responsibilities.

357 [(g) The Board for State Academic Awards] (f) The Board of Regents
358 for Higher Education shall establish and administer a fund to be
359 known as the [Board for State Academic Awards] Board of Regents for
360 Higher Education for Charter Oak State College Operating Fund,
361 which shall be a separate account within the General Fund. The
362 operating fund shall be used for the expenses of [the board] Charter
363 Oak State College, including personnel expenses and equipment, and
364 for the support of [board] college activities pursuant to this section,
365 including validation and evaluation of learning, guidance and public
366 information services, projects of research and development for the
367 improvement of learning materials and the technology of delivery
368 systems, and for the purchase of such services, materials and
369 equipment as are required for use in connection with said activities.
370 Appropriations from general revenues of the state, all fees and
371 proceeds of the board's activities on behalf of Charter Oak State
372 College, including grants and donations, not required by statute or
373 regulation to be deposited to the credit of the General Fund, shall be
374 credited to and become a part of the resources of said operating fund.

375 Any balance of receipts above expenditures shall remain in said
376 operating fund. Not later than sixty days after the close of each
377 quarter, the Board of Regents for Higher Education shall submit to the
378 joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance
379 of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies,
380 the Office of Higher Education and the Office of Policy and
381 Management a report on the actual expenditures of the [Board for State
382 Academic Awards] Board of Regents for Higher Education for Charter
383 Oak State College Operating Fund.

384 [(h) The Board for State Academic Awards] (g) The Board of
385 Regents for Higher Education shall promote fund-raising to assist [its]
386 Charter Oak State College's programs pursuant to this section and
387 shall report to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly
388 having cognizance of matters relating to higher education by January
389 1, 1994, and biennially thereafter, on such fund-raising.

390 Sec. 11. Section 10a-143a of the general statutes is repealed and the
391 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

392 [(a) (1) The Board for State Academic Awards] (a) (1) The Board of
393 Regents for Higher Education shall establish a permanent Endowment
394 Fund for Charter Oak State College to encourage donations from the
395 private sector, with an incentive in the form of an endowment fund
396 state grant, the net earnings on the principal of which are dedicated
397 and made available to Charter Oak State College for scholarships and
398 programmatic enhancements. The fund shall be administered by the
399 [Board for State Academic Awards] Board of Regents for Higher
400 Education or by a nonprofit entity entrusted for such purpose and
401 qualified as a Section 501(c)(3) organization under the Internal
402 Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal
403 revenue code of the United States, as from time to time amended, and
404 preferably constituted and controlled independent of the state and
405 college so as to qualify the interest on state bonds the proceeds of
406 which have been granted for deposit in the endowment fund as

407 excludable from federal taxation under such code and shall, in any
408 event, be held in a trust fund separate and apart from all other funds
409 and accounts of the state and the [Board for State Academic Awards]
410 Board of Regents for Higher Education. There shall be deposited into
411 the fund: (A) Endowment fund eligible gifts; (B) endowment fund state
412 grants; and (C) interest or other earnings from the investment of
413 moneys in the endowment fund pending transfer or use of earnings on
414 the principal of the fund for the purposes identified in this subdivision.

415 (2) (A) For each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2000, to June 30,
416 2006, inclusive, as part of the state contract with donors of endowment
417 fund eligible gifts, the Office of Higher Education, in accordance with
418 section 10a-8b, shall deposit in the Endowment Fund for Charter Oak
419 State College a grant in an amount equal to half of the total amount of
420 endowment fund eligible gifts received by or for the benefit of Charter
421 Oak State College for the calendar year ending the December thirty-
422 first preceding the commencement of such fiscal year, as certified by
423 the chairperson of the [Board for State Academic Awards] Board of
424 Regents for Higher Education by February fifteenth to (i) the Secretary
425 of the Office of Policy and Management, (ii) the joint standing
426 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
427 relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, and (iii)
428 the executive director of the Office of Higher Education, provided such
429 sums do not exceed the endowment fund state grant maximum
430 commitment for the fiscal year in which the grant is made.

431 (B) For each of the fiscal years ending June 30, 2007, to June 30, 2014,
432 inclusive, as part of the state contract with donors of endowment fund
433 eligible gifts, the Office of Higher Education, in accordance with
434 section 10a-8b, shall deposit in the Endowment Fund for Charter Oak
435 State College a grant in an amount equal to one-quarter of the total
436 amount of endowment fund eligible gifts, except as provided in this
437 subdivision, received by or for the benefit of Charter Oak State College
438 for the calendar year ending the December thirty-first preceding the
439 commencement of such fiscal year, as certified by the chairperson of

440 the [Board for State Academic Awards] Board of Regents for Higher
441 Education by February fifteenth to (i) the Secretary of the Office of
442 Policy and Management, (ii) the joint standing committee of the
443 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
444 appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, and (iii) the executive
445 director of the Office of Higher Education, provided such sums do not
446 exceed the endowment fund state grant maximum commitment for the
447 fiscal year in which the grant is made. Endowment fund eligible gifts
448 that meet the criteria set forth in this subdivision, made by donors
449 during the period from January 1, 2005, to June 30, 2005, shall continue
450 to be matched by the Office of Higher Education in an amount equal to
451 one-half of the total amount of endowment fund eligible gifts received.
452 Commitments by donors to make endowment fund eligible gifts for
453 two or more years that meet the criteria set forth in this subdivision
454 and that are made for the period prior to December 31, 2004, but
455 ending before December 31, 2012, shall continue to be matched by the
456 Office of Higher Education in an amount equal to one-half of the total
457 amount of endowment fund eligible gifts received through the
458 commitment.

459 (C) In any such fiscal year in which the total of the eligible gifts
460 received by Charter Oak State College exceeds the endowment fund
461 state grant maximum commitment for such fiscal year the amount in
462 excess of such endowment fund state grant maximum commitment
463 shall be carried forward and be eligible for a matching state grant in
464 any succeeding fiscal year from the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, to
465 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, inclusive, subject to the
466 endowment fund state grant maximum commitment. Any endowment
467 fund eligible gifts that are not included in the total amount of
468 endowment fund eligible gifts certified by the chairperson of the
469 [Board for State Academic Awards] Board of Regents for Higher
470 Education pursuant to this subdivision may be carried forward and be
471 eligible for a matching state grant in any succeeding fiscal year from
472 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, to the fiscal year ending June 30,

473 2014, inclusive, subject to the endowment fund state matching grant
474 maximum commitment for such fiscal year.

475 (3) The [Board for State Academic Awards] Board of Regents for
476 Higher Education shall adopt, by October 1, 1997, guidelines with
477 respect to (A) the solicitation of endowment fund eligible gifts from
478 private donors, and (B) governing the acceptance of gifts made by a
479 foundation established pursuant to sections 4-37e and 4-37f, to Charter
480 Oak State College or its employees for reimbursement of expenditures
481 or payment of expenditures on behalf of Charter Oak State College or
482 its employees. Private donations shall not be construed to include
483 proceeds of municipal grants.

484 (b) For the purposes of this section: (1) "Endowment fund eligible
485 gift" means a gift to or for the benefit of Charter Oak State College of
486 cash or assets which may be reduced to cash or which has a value that
487 is ascertainable by such college which the donor has specifically
488 designated for deposit in the endowment fund or which explicitly or
489 implicitly by the terms of the gift Charter Oak State College may and
490 does deposit or permit to be deposited in the endowment fund. (2)
491 "Endowment fund state grant" means moneys that are transferred by
492 the Office of Higher Education from the fund established pursuant to
493 section 10a-8b to the endowment fund established pursuant to this
494 section in an aggregate amount not exceeding the endowment fund
495 state grant maximum commitment. (3) "Endowment fund state grant
496 maximum commitment" means an amount not exceeding one hundred
497 thousand dollars for each fiscal year from the fiscal year ending June
498 30, 2000, to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, inclusive.

499 (c) Notwithstanding the endowment fund state grant maximum
500 commitment level provided for each fiscal year pursuant to subsection
501 (b) of this section, the total of the endowment fund state grant
502 maximum commitments for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2000, to
503 June 30, 2014, inclusive, shall not exceed nine hundred thousand
504 dollars.

505 Sec. 12. Section 10a-143b of the general statutes is repealed and the
506 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

507 The [Board for State Academic Awards] Board of Regents for
508 Higher Education shall establish, on behalf of Charter Oak State
509 College and within available appropriations, innovative on-line
510 teacher and higher education faculty training programs on the
511 integration of technology into the public school curriculum and
512 courses at public institutions of higher education in order to improve
513 student learning. On and after July 1, 2001, the training program
514 established for public school teachers shall be consistent with the
515 standards developed pursuant to section 4d-85.

516 Sec. 13. Section 10a-149 of the general statutes is repealed and the
517 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

518 In addition to other powers granted in the general statutes,
519 authority and responsibility for the operation of the state's public
520 institutions of higher education shall be vested in (1) the Board of
521 Trustees of The University of Connecticut which shall have exclusive
522 responsibility for programs leading to doctoral degrees and
523 postbaccalaureate professional degrees, with the exception of
524 education doctoral degree programs, (2) the Board of Trustees of the
525 Connecticut State University System which shall have special
526 responsibility for the preparation of personnel for the public schools of
527 the state including master's degree programs, education doctoral
528 degree programs, including an education doctoral degree program in
529 nursing education, and other graduate study in education, and
530 authority for providing liberal arts and career programs at the
531 bachelors, masters and sixth year level, (3) the Board of Trustees of the
532 Community-Technical Colleges which shall have responsibility for
533 providing programs, as enumerated in section 10a-80, leading, where
534 appropriate, to an associate degree or occupational certificate and
535 programs leading to the degree of associate in applied science and
536 such other appropriate degrees or certificates as are approved by the

537 Board of Regents for Higher Education and for such terminal
 538 vocational retraining and continuing education programs leading to
 539 occupational certificates as are appropriate, and (4) the [Board for State
 540 Academic Awards] Board of Regents for Higher Education which shall
 541 have responsibility for the award of external degrees and credits
 542 earned at Charter Oak State College by examination and by other
 543 forms of validation and by evaluation of learning, including transfer of
 544 credit; provided the authority of the Boards of Trustees of The
 545 University of Connecticut, the Connecticut State University System
 546 and the Community-Technical Colleges to award degrees of the
 547 respective institutions shall not be affected.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	10a-1b(c)
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	10a-1
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	10a-6(a)
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	10a-8(a)
Sec. 5	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	10a-25i(b)
Sec. 6	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	10a-35a(a)
Sec. 7	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	10a-80d
Sec. 8	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	3-27a
Sec. 9	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	10a-25h
Sec. 10	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	10a-143
Sec. 11	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	10a-143a
Sec. 12	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	10a-143b
Sec. 13	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	10a-149

Statement of Purpose:

To clarify the appointments of vice-presidents of the Board of Regents for Higher Education and eliminate references to the Board for State Academic Awards from the general statutes.

[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.]