



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 402**

February Session, 2014



**AN ACT CONCERNING FACULTY REPRESENTATION ON THE BOARD OF REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION.**

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 10a-1a 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2 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  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 (a) There shall be a Board of Regents for Higher Education who  
5 shall serve as the governing body for the regional community-technical  
6 college system, the Connecticut State University System and Charter  
7 Oak State College. The board shall consist of [~~nineteen~~] twenty  
8 members who shall be distinguished leaders of the community in  
9 Connecticut. The board shall reflect the state's geographic, racial and  
10 ethnic diversity. The voting members shall not be employed by or be a  
11 member of a board of trustees for any independent institution of  
12 higher education in this state or the Board of Trustees for The  
13 University of Connecticut nor shall they be employed by or be elected  
14 officials of any public agency, as defined in subdivision (1) of section 1-  
15 200, during their term of membership on the Board of Regents for  
16 Higher Education. The Governor shall appoint nine members to the  
17 board as follows: Three members for a term of two years; three  
18 members for a term of four years; and three members for a term of six  
19 years. Thereafter, the Governor shall appoint members of the board to

20 succeed such appointees whose terms expire and each member so  
 21 appointed shall hold office for a period of six years from the first day  
 22 of July in the year of his or her appointment. Four members of the  
 23 board shall be appointed as follows: One appointment by the president  
 24 pro tempore of the Senate, who shall be an alumnus of the regional  
 25 community-technical college system, for a term of four years; one  
 26 appointment by the minority leader of the Senate, who shall be a  
 27 specialist in the education of children in grades kindergarten to twelve,  
 28 inclusive, for a term of three years; one appointment by the speaker of  
 29 the House of Representatives, who shall be an alumnus of the  
 30 Connecticut State University System, for a term of four years; and one  
 31 appointment by the minority leader of the House of Representatives,  
 32 who shall be an alumnus of Charter Oak State College, for a term of  
 33 three years. Thereafter, such members of the General Assembly shall  
 34 appoint members of the board to succeed such appointees whose  
 35 terms expire and each member so appointed shall hold office for a  
 36 period of four years from the first day of July in the year of his or her  
 37 appointment. The chairperson and vice-chairperson of the student  
 38 advisory committee created under section 10a-3 shall serve as  
 39 members of the board. The chairperson and vice-chairperson of the  
 40 faculty advisory committee created under section 10a-3a shall serve as  
 41 [an] ex-officio, nonvoting [member] members of the board for a term of  
 42 two years and, in [his or her role] their respective roles as chairperson  
 43 and vice-chairperson, shall be excluded from any executive session, as  
 44 defined in section 1-200, of the board. The Commissioners of  
 45 Education, Economic and Community Development and Public Health  
 46 and the Labor Commissioner shall serve as ex-officio, nonvoting  
 47 members of the board.

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

**HED**      *Joint Favorable Subst. -LCO*

**GAE**      *Joint Favorable*