



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 6118**

January Session, 2015



**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 Section 10a-103 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 There shall continue to be a Board of Trustees for The University of  
4 Connecticut to consist of [twenty-one] twenty-three persons, twelve to  
5 be appointed by the Governor, who shall reflect the state's geographic,  
6 racial and ethnic diversity; two to be elected by the university alumni;  
7 [two] four to be elected by the students enrolled at the institutions  
8 under the jurisdiction of said board; and five members ex officio. On or  
9 before July 1, 1983, the Governor shall appoint members to the board  
10 as follows: Four members for a term of two years from said date; four  
11 members for a term of four years from said date; and four members for  
12 a term of six years from said date. Thereafter, the Governor shall  
13 appoint trustees of said university to succeed those appointees whose  
14 terms expire, and each trustee so appointed shall hold office for a  
15 period of six years from the first day of July in the year of his or her  
16 appointment, provided two of the trustees appointed for terms  
17 commencing July 1, 1995, and their successors shall be alumni of the  
18 university, one of the trustees appointed for a term commencing July 1,  
19 1997, and his or her successors shall be such alumni and one of the

20 members appointed for a term commencing July 1, 1999, and his or her  
21 successors shall be such alumni. The Commissioner of Agriculture, the  
22 Commissioner of Education, the Commissioner of Economic and  
23 Community Development and the chairperson of The University of  
24 Connecticut Health Center Board of Directors shall be, ex officio,  
25 members of the board of trustees. The Governor shall be, ex officio,  
26 president of said board. The graduates of all of the schools and  
27 colleges of said university shall, prior to September first in the odd-  
28 numbered years, elect one trustee, who shall be a graduate of the  
29 institution and who shall hold office for four years from the first day of  
30 September succeeding his or her election. Not less than two or more  
31 than four nominations for each such election shall be made by the  
32 alumni association of said university, provided no person who has  
33 served as an alumni trustee for the two full consecutive terms  
34 immediately prior to the term for which such election is to be held  
35 shall be nominated for any such election. Such election shall be  
36 conducted by mail prior to September first under the supervision of a  
37 canvassing board consisting of three members, one appointed by the  
38 board of trustees, one by the board of directors of the alumni  
39 association of the university and one by the president of the university.  
40 No ballot in such election shall be opened until the date by which  
41 ballots must be returned to the canvassing board. In such election, all  
42 graduates shall be entitled to vote by signed ballots which have been  
43 circulated to them by mail and which shall be returned by mail.  
44 Vacancies occurring by death or resignation of either of such alumni  
45 trustees shall be filled for the unexpired portion of the term by special  
46 election, if such unexpired term is for more than eighteen months.  
47 When the unexpired term is eighteen months or less, such vacancy  
48 shall be filled by appointment by the board of directors of said alumni  
49 association. On or before November 1, 1975, the students of The  
50 University of Connecticut shall, in such manner as the board of  
51 trustees of said university shall determine, elect two trustees, each of  
52 whom shall be enrolled as a full-time student of said university at the  
53 time of his or her election. One such [member] trustee shall be elected  
54 for a term of one year from November 1, 1975, and one for a term of

55 two years from said date. [Prior to July first, annually, such] On or  
56 before July 1, 2016, the students of The University of Connecticut shall,  
57 in such manner as the board of trustees of said university shall  
58 determine, elect two additional trustees. One such trustee shall be  
59 enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student at a school or college of  
60 the university, be elected by the undergraduate students of the schools  
61 and colleges of the university and serve a term of two years from July  
62 1, 2016. The other trustee shall be enrolled as a full-time student in the  
63 School of Law, the School of Medicine, the School of Dentistry, the  
64 School of Social Work or as a graduate student of a school or college of  
65 the university, be elected by the students of said schools and the  
66 graduate students of the schools and colleges of the university and  
67 serve a term of one year from July 1, 2016. Thereafter, on or before July  
68 first, annually, the students of the university shall, in accordance with  
69 this section and in such manner as the board shall determine, elect [one  
70 member of said board] two trustees, who shall be so enrolled at said  
71 university at the time of [his or her] their election and who shall serve  
72 for a term of two years from July first in the year of his or her election.  
73 The student [member] trustees elected to fill the [term] terms expiring  
74 on June 30, 2003, and June 30, 2018, and such [elected member's]  
75 trustees' successors, shall be enrolled as [a] full-time undergraduate  
76 [student] students at a school or college of the university and shall be  
77 elected by the undergraduate students of the schools and colleges of  
78 the university. The student [member] trustees elected to fill the [term]  
79 terms expiring on June 30, 2004, and June 30, 2017, and such [elected  
80 member's] trustees' successors, shall be enrolled as [a] full-time  
81 [student] students in the School of Law, the School of Medicine, the  
82 School of Dentistry, the School of Social Work, or as a graduate student  
83 of a school or college of the university, and shall be elected by the  
84 students of the School of Law, the School of Medicine, the School of  
85 Dentistry, the School of Social Work and the graduate students of the  
86 schools and colleges of the university. Any student [member] trustee  
87 elected after July 1, 2013, shall be enrolled as a full-time student [at the  
88 time of his or her election and] for the duration of his or her term of  
89 service. Any vacancies in the elected membership of said board shall,

90 except as otherwise provided in this section, be filled by special  
91 election for the balance of the unexpired term.

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

**HED**      *Joint Favorable Subst.*