



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 162

LCO No. 1726



Referred to Committee on HIGHER EDUCATION AND
EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT

Introduced by:

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**AN ACT REQUIRING CONNECTICUT TO JOIN THE STATE
AUTHORIZATION RECIPROCITY AGREEMENT REGARDING
DISTANCE LEARNING PROGRAMS.**

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

- 1 That title 10a of the general statutes be amended to require the
- 2 Office of Higher Education to enter into a multistate or regional
- 3 reciprocity agreement for the purpose of participation in a nation-wide
- 4 state authorization reciprocity agreement that establishes uniform
- 5 standards for distance learning programs across states and eliminates
- 6 the need for a state participating in such nation-wide state reciprocity
- 7 agreement to assess the quality of a distance learning program offered
- 8 by an out-of-state institution of higher education through such state's
- 9 traditional authorization, licensing and accreditation process.

Statement of Purpose:

To require Connecticut to participate in the state authorization
reciprocity agreement for postsecondary distance learning programs.