AN ACT CONCERNING PROFESSIONAL DOCTORAL DEGREE PROGRAMS.

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

Section 1. Section 10a-149 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 1, 2015):

In addition to other powers granted in the general statutes, authority and responsibility for the operation of the state's public institutions of higher education shall be vested in (1) the Board of Trustees of The University of Connecticut which shall have exclusive responsibility for programs leading to research doctoral, doctor of medicine, doctor of dental medicine and juris doctor degrees, [and postbaccalaureate professional degrees, with the exception of education doctoral degree programs,] (2) the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System which shall have special responsibility for the preparation of personnel for the public schools of the state including master's degree programs, education doctoral degree programs, including an education doctoral degree program in
nursing education, and other graduate study in education, and
authority for providing (A) liberal arts and career programs at the
bachelors, masters and sixth year level, and (B) professional doctoral
degree programs, except programs leading to research doctoral, doctor
of medicine, doctor of dental medicine and juris doctor degrees, (3) the
Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges which shall
have responsibility for providing programs, as enumerated in section
10a-80, leading, where appropriate, to an associate degree or
occupational certificate and programs leading to the degree of
associate in applied science and such other appropriate degrees or
certificates as are approved by the Board of Regents for Higher
Education and for such terminal vocational retraining and continuing
education programs leading to occupational certificates as are
appropriate, and (4) the Board of Regents for Higher Education which
shall have responsibility for the award of external degrees and credits
earned at Charter Oak State College by examination and by other
forms of validation and by evaluation of learning, including transfer of
credit.[J] provided the authority of the Boards of Trustees of The
University of Connecticut, the Connecticut State University System
and the Community-Technical Colleges to award degrees of the
respective institutions shall not be affected.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following
sections:

| Section 1 | July 1, 2015 | 10a-149 |

**Statement of Purpose:**
To authorize the Board of Regents for Higher Education to approve
certain professional doctoral degree programs offered by the
Connecticut State University System.

[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.]