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### Testimony

## In Support of Raised Senate Bill No. 343 An Act Concerning Student Membership On The Board of Trustees For The University Of Connecticut

### Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee March 8, 2016

Dear Chairman Bartolomeo, Chairman Willis, Senator Witkos, Representative Betts and members of the Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee.

I am writing to you in support of raised **SB No. 343 AN ACT CONCERNING STUDENT MEMBERSHIP ON THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT.**

This legislation will create the opportunity for two students to become members of the Board of Trustees at the University of Connecticut. This legislation is an important step in giving students a much needed voice in the many decisions at the University.

Current students have a pulse on what their peers needs and desires are, often over looked by professors and University staff.

Thank you for your attention to this issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric C. Berthel".

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