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To: Subst. House Bill No. **7254** File No. 351 Cal. No. 229

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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE STUDENTS FIRST PLAN OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION."

Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following in lieu thereof:

- "Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 10a-6 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July* 1, 2019):
- 6 (a) The Board of Regents for Higher Education shall: (1) Establish policies and guidelines for the Connecticut State University System, 8 the regional community-technical college system and Charter Oak 9 State College; (2) develop a master plan for higher education and 10 postsecondary education at the Connecticut State University System, 11 the regional community-technical college system and Charter Oak 12 State College consistent with the goals identified in section 10a-11c; (3) 13 establish tuition and student fee policies for the Connecticut State 14 University System, the regional community-technical college system 15 and Charter Oak State College; (4) monitor and evaluate the 16 effectiveness and viability of the state universities, the regional 17 community-technical colleges and Charter Oak State College in 18 accordance with criteria established by the board; (5) merge or close 19 institutions within the Connecticut State University System, the 20 regional community-technical college system and Charter Oak State 21 College in accordance with criteria established by the board, provided 22 (A) such recommended merger or closing shall require a two-thirds 23 vote of the board, [and] (B) notice of such recommended merger or 24 closing shall be sent, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-25 4a, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having 26 cognizance [over] of matters relating to higher education, [and to the 27 General Assembly and (C) such recommended merger or closing shall 28 be accepted by a majority vote of both houses of the General Assembly 29 or rejected by a majority vote of either house of the General Assembly 30 not later than one year after receiving notice by the board pursuant to

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31 this subsection or the adjournment of the next regular session of the 32 General Assembly, whichever is later, provided, if the General 33 Assembly fails to act, such recommended merger or closing shall be 34 deemed accepted; (6) review and approve mission statements for the 35 Connecticut State University System, the regional community-36 technical college system and Charter Oak State College and role and 37 scope statements for the individual institutions and campuses of such 38 constituent units; (7) review and approve any recommendations for 39 the establishment of new academic programs submitted to the board 40 by the state universities within the Connecticut State University 41 System, the regional community-technical colleges and Charter Oak 42 State College, and, in consultation with the affected constituent units, 43 provide for the initiation, consolidation or termination of academic 44 programs; (8) develop criteria to ensure acceptable quality in (A) 45 programs at the Connecticut State University System, the regional 46 community-technical college system and Charter Oak State College, 47 and (B) institutions within the Connecticut State University System 48 and the regional community-technical college system and enforce 49 standards through licensing and accreditation; (9) prepare and present 50 to the Governor and General Assembly, in accordance with section 51 10a-8, consolidated operating and capital expenditure budgets for the 52 Connecticut State University System, the regional community-53 technical college system and Charter Oak State College developed in 54 accordance with the provisions of said section 10a-8; (10) review and 55 make recommendations on plans received from the Connecticut State 56 University System, the regional community-technical college system 57 and Charter Oak State College to implement the goals identified in 58 section 10a-11c; (11) appoint advisory committees with representatives 59 from public and independent institutions of higher education to study 60 methods and proposals for coordinating efforts of the public 61 institutions of higher education under its jurisdiction with The 62 University of Connecticut and the independent institutions of higher 63 education to implement the goals identified in section 10a-11c; (12) 64 evaluate (A) means of implementing the goals identified in section 10a-65 11c, and (B) any recommendations made by the Planning Commission

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for Higher Education in implementing the strategic master plan pursuant to section 10a-11b through alternative and nontraditional approaches such as external degrees and credit by examination; (13) coordinate programs and services among the Connecticut State University System, the regional community-technical college system and Charter Oak State College; (14) assess opportunities for collaboration with The University of Connecticut and the independent institutions of higher education to implement the goals identified in section 10a-11c; (15) make or enter into contracts, leases or other agreements in connection with its responsibilities under this part, provided all acquisitions of real estate by lease or otherwise shall be subject to the provisions of section 4b-23; (16) be responsible for the care and maintenance of permanent records of institutions of higher education dissolved after September 1, 1969; (17) prepare and present to the Governor and General Assembly legislative proposals affecting the Connecticut State University System, the regional communitytechnical college system and Charter Oak State College; (18) develop and maintain a central higher education information system and establish definitions and data requirements for the Connecticut State University System, the regional community-technical college system and Charter Oak State College; (19) report all new programs and program changes at the Connecticut State University System, the regional community-technical college system and Charter Oak State College to the Office of Higher Education; and (20) undertake such studies and other activities as will best serve the higher educational interests of the Connecticut State University System, the regional community-technical college system and Charter Oak State College."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2019	10a-6(a)