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LCO No. 2995



Referred to Committee on HIGHER EDUCATION AND
EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT

Introduced by:
(HED)

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONNECTICUT OPEN EDUCATIONAL
RESOURCE COORDINATING COUNCIL.**

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (g) of section 10a-44d of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*
3 *2021*):

4 (g) Not later than [January 1, 2021] February 1, 2022, and annually
5 thereafter, the council shall submit a report, in accordance with the
6 provisions of section 11-4a, to the joint standing committee of the
7 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to higher
8 education regarding (1) the number and percentage of high-impact
9 courses for which open educational resources have been developed, (2)
10 the degree to which institutions of higher education promote the use
11 and access to open educational resources, (3) the amount of grants
12 awarded by the council and the number of open educational resources
13 developed by grant recipients, and (4) its recommendations for any
14 amendments to the general statutes necessary to develop open

15 educational resources.

16 Sec. 2. Subsection (f) of section 4-89 of the general statutes is repealed
17 and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

18 (f) The provisions of this section shall not apply to appropriations to
19 (1) the Office of Higher Education for (A) student financial assistance
20 for the Roberta B. Willis Scholarship program established under section
21 10a-173, or [to] (B) the minority advancement program established
22 under subsection (b) of section 10a-11, (2) the Board of Regents for
23 Higher Education for Connecticut higher education centers of
24 excellence established under section 10a-25h, [to the Office of Higher
25 Education for the minority advancement program established under
26 subsection (b) of section 10a-11, or to] (3) the operating funds of the
27 constituent units of the state system of higher education established
28 pursuant to sections 10a-105, 10a-99 and 10a-77, or (4) the Connecticut
29 Open Educational Resource Coordinating Council established under
30 section 10a-44d, as amended by this act. Such appropriations shall not
31 lapse until the end of the fiscal year succeeding the fiscal year of the
32 appropriation except that centers of excellence appropriations
33 deposited by the Board of Regents for Higher Education in the Endowed
34 Chair Investment Fund, established under section 10a-20a, shall not
35 lapse but shall be held permanently in the Endowed Chair Investment
36 Fund and any moneys remaining in higher education operating funds
37 of the constituent units of the state system of higher education shall not
38 lapse but shall be held permanently in such funds. On or before
39 September first, annually, the Office of Higher Education and Board of
40 Regents for Higher Education shall submit a report to the joint standing
41 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
42 relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, through the
43 Office of Fiscal Analysis, concerning the amount of each such
44 appropriation carried over from the preceding fiscal year.

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

Section 1	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	10a-44d(g)
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	4-89(f)

HED *Joint Favorable*