

# Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT

**Bill No.:** HB-5301

**Title:** AN ACT CONCERNING WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.

**Vote Date:** 3/17/2022

**Vote Action:** Joint Favorable Substitute

**PH Date:** 3/8/2022

**File No.:**

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## **SPONSORS OF BILL:**

Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee

## **REASONS FOR BILL:**

This bill is a Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee Contingency Reserve Bill.

## **RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION/AGENCY:**

None Expressed for House Bill 5301

## **NATURE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT:**

[Home Care Association of America Connecticut \(HCAOA\)](#): The HCAOA supports [H.B. 5301](#), as the organization "would like to serve as a resource to the Board of Regents as it undertakes the study" pertaining to "the issues relating to workforce development" in Connecticut. The HCAOA also requests that the study examine "the caregiver shortage faced by providers in the home care industry," which has been "struggling to identify qualified caregivers." This staff shortage could then put "elderly clients and persons who are disabled at risk" of not getting the help they need. Therefore, [H.B. 5301](#) should be passed so that "home care agency (HCA) owners" may "bring significant experience related to workforce development and training" that would benefit the study as outlined in [H.B. 5301](#).

## **NATURE AND SOURCES OF OPPOSITION:**

None expressed.

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**Date:** 3/18/2022