



# Senate

General Assembly

**File No. 227**

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Substitute Senate Bill No. 638

*Senate, March 27, 2023*

The Committee on Veterans' and Military Affairs reported through SEN. MARX of the 20th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

***AN ACT CONCERNING A FEE WAIVER AT PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR CERTAIN VETERANS AND MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL GUARD.***

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

1 Section 1. Subsections (d) to (g), inclusive, of section 10a-77 of the  
2 general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
3 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

4 (d) Said board of trustees shall waive the payment of tuition at any of  
5 the regional community-technical colleges (1) for any dependent child  
6 of a person whom the armed forces of the United States has declared to  
7 be missing in action or to have been a prisoner of war while serving in  
8 such armed forces after January 1, 1960, which child has been accepted  
9 for admission to such institution and is a resident of the state at the time  
10 such child is accepted for admission to such institution, (2) subject to the  
11 provisions of subsection (e) of this section, for any veteran, as defined in  
12 section 27-103, who performed service in time of war, as defined in

13 section 27-103, except that for purposes of this subsection, "service in  
14 time of war" shall not include time spent in attendance at a military  
15 service academy, which veteran has been accepted for admission to such  
16 institution and is domiciled in this state at the time such veteran is  
17 accepted for admission to such institution. Said board of trustees shall  
18 also waive for any such veteran the payment of any extension fees under  
19 section 10a-26 for educational extension programs and summer school  
20 sessions, (3) for any resident of the state sixty-two years of age or older,  
21 provided, at the end of the regular registration period, there are enrolled  
22 in the course a sufficient number of students other than those residents  
23 eligible for waivers pursuant to this subdivision to offer the course in  
24 which such resident intends to enroll and there is space available in such  
25 course after accommodating all such students, (4) for any student  
26 attending the Connecticut State Police Academy who is enrolled in a law  
27 enforcement program at said academy offered in coordination with a  
28 regional community-technical college which accredits courses taken in  
29 such program, (5) for any active member of the Connecticut Army or  
30 Air National Guard who (A) has been certified by the Adjutant General  
31 or such Adjutant General's designee as a member in good standing of  
32 the guard, and (B) is enrolled or accepted for admission to such  
33 institution on a full-time or part-time basis in an undergraduate degree-  
34 granting program. Said board of trustees shall also waive for any such  
35 member the payment of any extension fees under section 10a-26 for  
36 educational extension programs and summer school sessions, (6) for any  
37 dependent child of a (A) police officer, as defined in section 7-294a, or  
38 supernumerary or auxiliary police officer, (B) firefighter, as defined in  
39 section 7-323j, or member of a volunteer fire company, (C) municipal  
40 employee, or (D) state employee, as defined in section 5-154, killed in  
41 the line of duty, (7) for any resident of the state who is a dependent child  
42 or surviving spouse of a specified terrorist victim who was a resident of  
43 this state, (8) for any dependent child of a resident of the state who was  
44 killed in a multivehicle crash at or near the intersection of Routes 44 and  
45 10 and Nod Road in Avon on July 29, 2005, and (9) for any resident of  
46 the state who is a dependent child or surviving spouse of a person who  
47 was killed in action while performing active military duty with the

48 armed forces of the United States on or after September 11, 2001, and  
49 who was a resident of this state. If any person who receives a tuition  
50 waiver in accordance with the provisions of this subsection also receives  
51 educational reimbursement from an employer, such waiver shall be  
52 reduced by the amount of such educational reimbursement. Veterans  
53 and members of the National Guard described in subdivision (5) of this  
54 subsection shall be given the same status as students not receiving  
55 tuition waivers in registering for courses at regional community-  
56 technical colleges. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10a-30, as  
57 used in this subsection, "domiciled in this state" includes domicile for  
58 less than one year.

59 (e) (1) If any veteran described in subsection (d) of this section has  
60 applied for federal educational assistance under the Post-9/11 Veterans  
61 Educational Assistance Act of 2008, the board of trustees shall waive the  
62 payment of tuition and extension fees at any of the regional community-  
63 technical colleges for such veteran in accordance with subdivision (2) of  
64 this subsection. If any such veteran certifies to said board of trustees that  
65 such veteran's application for such federal educational assistance has  
66 been denied or withdrawn, said board of trustees shall waive the  
67 payment of tuition and extension fees in accordance with subsection (d)  
68 of this section.

69 (2) (A) For purposes of this subdivision, "veteran tuition benefit"  
70 means the portion of federal educational assistance under the Post-9/11  
71 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008 to be paid to a regional  
72 community-technical college on behalf of a veteran that represents  
73 payment for tuition and extension fees. Such portion shall be calculated  
74 by multiplying (i) the total amount of such federal educational  
75 assistance to be paid to a regional community-technical college on  
76 behalf of such veteran by (ii) an amount obtained by dividing (I) the sum  
77 of the actual tuition and extension fees charged by such college to such  
78 veteran by (II) the sum of the actual tuition, extension fees and other fees  
79 charged by such college to such veteran.

80 (B) Said board of trustees shall waive the payment of tuition and

81 extension fees in excess of the veteran tuition benefit at any of the  
82 regional community-technical colleges for such veteran.

83 (f) Said board of trustees shall set aside from its anticipated regional  
84 community-technical college tuition revenue, an amount not less than  
85 that required by said board's tuition policy. Such funds shall be used to  
86 provide tuition waivers, tuition remissions, grants for educational  
87 expenses and student employment for residents enrolled in regional  
88 community-technical colleges as full or part-time matriculated students  
89 in a degree-granting program, or enrolled in a precollege remedial  
90 program, who demonstrate substantial financial need. Said board of  
91 trustees may also set aside from its anticipated tuition revenue an  
92 additional amount equal to one per cent of [said] such tuition revenue  
93 for financial assistance for students who would not otherwise be eligible  
94 for financial assistance but who do have a financial need as determined  
95 by the college in accordance with this subsection. In determining such  
96 financial need, the college shall exclude the value of equity in the  
97 principal residence of the student's parents or legal guardians, or in the  
98 student's principal residence if the student is not considered to be a  
99 dependent of his parents or legal guardians and shall assess the earnings  
100 of a dependent student at the rate of thirty per cent.

101 (g) The Regional Community-Technical Colleges Operating Fund  
102 shall be reimbursed for the amount by which the tuition and extension  
103 fee waivers granted under subsection (d) of this section exceed five per  
104 cent of tuition and extension fee revenue through an annual state  
105 appropriation. The board of trustees shall request such an appropriation  
106 and [said] such appropriation shall be based upon an estimate of tuition  
107 and extension fee revenue loss using tuition and extension fee rates in  
108 effect for the fiscal year in which such appropriation will apply.

109 Sec. 2. Subsections (d) to (g), inclusive, of section 10a-99 of the general  
110 statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof  
111 (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

112 (d) Said board of trustees shall waive the payment of tuition fees at  
113 the Connecticut State University System (1) for any dependent child of

114 a person whom the armed forces of the United States has declared to be  
115 missing in action or to have been a prisoner of war while serving in such  
116 armed forces after January 1, 1960, which child has been accepted for  
117 admission to such institution and is a resident of the state at the time  
118 such child is accepted for admission to such institution, (2) subject to the  
119 provisions of subsection (e) of this section, for any veteran, as defined in  
120 section 27-103, who performed service in time of war, as defined in  
121 section 27-103, except that for purposes of this subsection, "service in  
122 time of war" shall not include time spent in attendance at a military  
123 service academy, which veteran has been accepted for admission to such  
124 institution and is domiciled in this state at the time such veteran is  
125 accepted for admission to such institution. Said board of trustees shall  
126 also waive for any such veteran the payment of any extension fees under  
127 section 10a-26 for educational extension programs and summer school  
128 sessions, (3) for any resident of the state sixty-two years of age or older  
129 who has been accepted for admission to such institution, provided (A)  
130 such resident is enrolled in a degree-granting program, or (B) at the end  
131 of the regular registration period, there are enrolled in the course a  
132 sufficient number of students other than those residents eligible for  
133 waivers pursuant to this subdivision to offer the course in which such  
134 resident intends to enroll and there is space available in such course  
135 after accommodating all such students, (4) for any student attending the  
136 Connecticut Police Academy who is enrolled in a law enforcement  
137 program at said academy offered in coordination with the university  
138 which accredits courses taken in such program, (5) for any active  
139 member of the Connecticut Army or Air National Guard who (A) has  
140 been certified by the Adjutant General or such Adjutant General's  
141 designee as a member in good standing of the guard, and (B) is enrolled  
142 or accepted for admission to such institution on a full-time or part-time  
143 basis in an undergraduate or graduate degree-granting program. Said  
144 board of trustees shall also waive for any such member the payment of  
145 any extension fees under section 10a-26 for educational extension  
146 programs and summer school sessions, (6) for any dependent child of a  
147 (A) police officer, as defined in section 7-294a, or supernumerary or  
148 auxiliary police officer, (B) firefighter, as defined in section 7-323j, or

149 member of a volunteer fire company, (C) municipal employee, or (D)  
150 state employee, as defined in section 5-154, killed in the line of duty, (7)  
151 for any resident of this state who is a dependent child or surviving  
152 spouse of a specified terrorist victim who was a resident of the state, (8)  
153 for any dependent child of a resident of the state who was killed in a  
154 multivehicle crash at or near the intersection of Routes 44 and 10 and  
155 Nod Road in Avon on July 29, 2005, and (9) for any resident of the state  
156 who is a dependent child or surviving spouse of a person who was  
157 killed in action while performing active military duty with the armed  
158 forces of the United States on or after September 11, 2001, and who was  
159 a resident of this state. If any person who receives a tuition waiver in  
160 accordance with the provisions of this subsection also receives  
161 educational reimbursement from an employer, such waiver shall be  
162 reduced by the amount of such educational reimbursement. Veterans  
163 and members of the National Guard described in subdivision (5) of this  
164 subsection shall be given the same status as students not receiving  
165 tuition waivers in registering for courses at Connecticut state  
166 universities. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10a-30, as used  
167 in this subsection, "domiciled in this state" includes domicile for less  
168 than one year.

169 (e) (1) If any veteran described in subsection (d) of this section has  
170 applied for federal educational assistance under the Post-9/11 Veterans  
171 Educational Assistance Act of 2008, the board of trustees shall waive the  
172 payment of tuition and extension fees at the Connecticut State  
173 University System for such veteran in accordance with subdivision (2)  
174 of this subsection. If any such veteran certifies to said board of trustees  
175 that such veteran's application for such federal educational assistance  
176 has been denied or withdrawn, said board of trustees shall waive the  
177 payment of tuition and extension fees in accordance with subsection (d)  
178 of this section.

179 (2) (A) For purposes of this subdivision, "veteran tuition benefit"  
180 means the portion of federal educational assistance under the Post-9/11  
181 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008 to be paid to the  
182 Connecticut State University System on behalf of a veteran that

183 represents payment for tuition and extension fees. Such portion shall be  
184 calculated by multiplying (i) the total amount of such federal  
185 educational assistance to be paid to the Connecticut State University  
186 System on behalf of such veteran by (ii) an amount obtained by dividing  
187 (I) the sum of the actual tuition and extension fees charged by the  
188 Connecticut State University System to such veteran by (II) the sum of  
189 the actual tuition, extension fees and other fees charged by the  
190 Connecticut State University System to such veteran.

191 (B) Said board of trustees shall waive the payment of tuition and  
192 extension fees in excess of the veteran tuition benefit at the Connecticut  
193 State University System for such veteran.

194 (f) Said board of trustees shall set aside from its anticipated tuition  
195 revenue, an amount not less than that required by the board of  
196 governors' tuition policy established under subdivision (3) of subsection  
197 (a) of section 10a-6. Such funds shall be used to provide tuition waivers,  
198 tuition remissions, grants for educational expenses and student  
199 employment for any undergraduate or graduate student who is enrolled  
200 as a full or part-time matriculated student in a degree-granting  
201 program, or enrolled in a precollege remedial program, and who  
202 demonstrates substantial financial need. Said board of trustees may also  
203 set aside from its anticipated tuition revenue an additional amount  
204 equal to one per cent of [said] such tuition revenue for financial  
205 assistance for students who would not otherwise be eligible for financial  
206 assistance but who do have a financial need as determined by the  
207 university in accordance with this subsection. In determining such  
208 financial need, the university shall exclude the value of equity in the  
209 principal residence of the student's parents or legal guardians, or in the  
210 student's principal residence if the student is not considered to be a  
211 dependent of his parents or legal guardians and shall assess the earnings  
212 of a dependent student at the rate of thirty per cent.

213 (g) The Connecticut State University System Operating Fund shall be  
214 reimbursed for the amount by which the tuition and extension fee  
215 waivers granted under subsection (d) of this section exceed two and

216 one-half per cent of tuition and extension fee revenue through an annual  
217 state appropriation. The board of trustees shall request such an  
218 appropriation and [said] such appropriation shall be based upon an  
219 estimate of tuition and extension fee revenue loss using tuition and  
220 extension fee rates in effect for the fiscal year in which such  
221 appropriation will apply.

222 Sec. 3. Subsections (e) to (h), inclusive, of section 10a-105 of the  
223 general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
224 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

225 (e) Said board of trustees shall waive the payment of tuition fees at  
226 The University of Connecticut (1) for any dependent child of a person  
227 whom the armed forces of the United States has declared to be missing  
228 in action or to have been a prisoner of war while serving in such armed  
229 forces after January 1, 1960, which child has been accepted for admission  
230 to The University of Connecticut and is a resident of the state at the time  
231 such child is accepted for admission to said institution, (2) subject to the  
232 provisions of subsection (f) of this section, for any veteran, as defined in  
233 section 27-103, who performed service in time of war, as defined in  
234 section 27-103, except that for purposes of this subsection, "service in  
235 time of war" shall not include time spent in attendance at a military  
236 service academy, which veteran has been accepted for admission to said  
237 institution and is domiciled in this state at the time such veteran is  
238 accepted for admission to said institution. Said board of trustees shall  
239 also waive for any such veteran the payment of any extension fees under  
240 section 10a-26 for educational extension programs and summer school  
241 sessions, (3) for any resident of the state sixty-two years of age or older  
242 who has been accepted for admission to said institution, provided (A)  
243 such resident is enrolled in a degree-granting program, or (B) at the end  
244 of the regular registration period, there are enrolled in the course a  
245 sufficient number of students other than those residents eligible for  
246 waivers pursuant to this subdivision to offer the course in which such  
247 resident intends to enroll and there is space available in such course  
248 after accommodating all such students, (4) for any active member of the  
249 Connecticut Army or Air National Guard who (A) has been certified by



250 the Adjutant General or such Adjutant General's designee as a member  
251 in good standing of the guard, and (B) is enrolled or accepted for  
252 admission to said institution on a full-time or part-time basis in an  
253 undergraduate or graduate degree-granting program. Said board of  
254 trustees shall also waive for any such member the payment of any  
255 extension fees under section 10a-26 for educational extension programs  
256 and summer school sessions, (5) for any dependent child of a (A) police  
257 officer, as defined in section 7-294a, or supernumerary or auxiliary  
258 police officer, (B) firefighter, as defined in section 7-323j, or member of  
259 a volunteer fire company, (C) municipal employee, or (D) state  
260 employee, as defined in section 5-154, killed in the line of duty, (6) for  
261 any resident of the state who is the dependent child or surviving spouse  
262 of a specified terrorist victim who was a resident of the state, (7) for any  
263 dependent child of a resident of the state who was killed in a  
264 multivehicle crash at or near the intersection of Routes 44 and 10 and  
265 Nod Road in Avon on July 29, 2005, and (8) for any resident of the state  
266 who is a dependent child or surviving spouse of a person who was  
267 killed in action while performing active military duty with the armed  
268 forces of the United States on or after September 11, 2001, and who was  
269 a resident of this state. If any person who receives a tuition waiver in  
270 accordance with the provisions of this subsection also receives  
271 educational reimbursement from an employer, such waiver shall be  
272 reduced by the amount of such educational reimbursement. Veterans  
273 and members of the National Guard described in subdivision (4) of this  
274 subsection shall be given the same status as students not receiving  
275 tuition waivers in registering for courses at The University of  
276 Connecticut. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10a-30, as used  
277 in this subsection, "domiciled in this state" includes domicile for less  
278 than one year.

279 (f) (1) If any veteran described in subsection (e) of this section has  
280 applied for federal educational assistance under the Post-9/11 Veterans  
281 Educational Assistance Act of 2008, the board of trustees shall waive the  
282 payment of tuition and extension fees at The University of Connecticut  
283 for such veteran in accordance with subdivision (2) of this subsection. If  
284 any such veteran certifies to said board of trustees that such veteran's

285 application for such federal educational assistance has been denied or  
286 withdrawn, said board of trustees shall waive the payment of tuition  
287 and extension fees in accordance with subsection (d) of this section.

288 (2) (A) For purposes of this subdivision, "veteran tuition benefit"  
289 means the portion of federal educational assistance under the Post-9/11  
290 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008 to be paid to The  
291 University of Connecticut on behalf of a veteran that represents  
292 payment for tuition and extension fees. Such portion shall be calculated  
293 by multiplying (i) the total amount of such federal educational  
294 assistance to be paid to The University of Connecticut on behalf of such  
295 veteran by (ii) an amount obtained by dividing (I) the sum of the actual  
296 tuition and extension fees charged by The University of Connecticut to  
297 such veteran by (II) the sum of the actual tuition, extension fees and  
298 other fees charged by The University of Connecticut to such veteran.

299 (B) Said board of trustees shall waive the payment of tuition and  
300 extension fees in excess of the veteran tuition benefit at The University  
301 of Connecticut for such veteran.

302 (g) Said board of trustees shall set aside from its anticipated tuition  
303 revenue, an amount not less than that required by the board of  
304 governors' tuition policy established under subdivision (3) of subsection  
305 (a) of section 10a-6. Such funds shall be used to provide tuition waivers,  
306 tuition remissions, grants for educational expenses and student  
307 employment for any undergraduate, graduate or professional student  
308 who is enrolled as a full or part-time matriculated student in a degree-  
309 granting program, or enrolled in a precollege remedial program, and  
310 who demonstrates substantial financial need. Said board of trustees may  
311 also set aside from its anticipated tuition revenue an additional amount  
312 equal to one per cent of [said] such tuition revenue for financial  
313 assistance for students who would not otherwise be eligible for financial  
314 assistance but who do have a financial need as determined by the  
315 university in accordance with this subsection. In determining such  
316 financial need, the university shall exclude the value of equity in the  
317 principal residence of the student's parents or legal guardians, or in the

318 student's principal residence if the student is not considered to be a  
 319 dependent of his parents or legal guardians and shall assess the earnings  
 320 of a dependent student at the rate of thirty per cent.

321 (h) The University of Connecticut Operating Fund shall be  
 322 reimbursed for the amount by which tuition and extension fee waivers  
 323 granted under subsection (e) of this section exceed two and one-half per  
 324 cent of tuition and extension fee revenue through an annual state  
 325 appropriation. The board of trustees shall request such an appropriation  
 326 and [said] such appropriation shall be based upon an estimate of tuition  
 327 and extension fee revenue loss using tuition and extension fee rates in  
 328 effect for the fiscal year in which such appropriation will apply.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2023	10a-77(d) to (g)
Sec. 2	July 1, 2023	10a-99(d) to (g)
Sec. 3	July 1, 2023	10a-105(e) to (h)

**Statement of Legislative Commissioners:**

In Sections 1(f) and 2(f), "of trustees" was added before "may also set aside", for clarity; and in Sections 2(e)(2)(A)(ii)(I) and 3(f)(2)(A)(ii)(I), "sum of the" was added before "actual tuition", for clarity.

**VA**            *Joint Favorable Subst. -LCO*

The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. In general, fiscal impacts are based upon a variety of informational sources, including the analyst's professional knowledge. Whenever applicable, agency data is consulted as part of the analysis, however final products do not necessarily reflect an assessment from any specific department.

**OFA Fiscal Note**

**State Impact:**

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 24 \$	FY 25 \$
Higher Education Constituent Units	Tuition Fund - Revenue Loss	See Below	See Below

**Municipal Impact:** None

**Explanation**

The bill results in a revenue loss to the constituent units of higher education beginning in FY 24 as a result of expanding the higher education tuition waiver program to cover certain extension fees and summer school, for eligible veterans. The revenue loss would be dependent upon the number of veterans who took advantage of the additional fee waivers and the amount of the additional fees waived. It is anticipated that there are approximately 1,500 eligible students within the Connecticut State University System and the Community Colleges, who could take advantage of the additional waivers. The number of eligible students at the University of Connecticut is unknown.

Both extension and summer school fees vary by institution and number of credit hours. For example, the average community college twelve credit hour extension fee is \$2,268 annually. The cost of summer school courses at Central Connecticut State University average \$600 per credit. The overall scope of the revenue loss to the tuition funds of the higher education constituent units is unknown and would vary by the number of eligible veterans taking advantage of the additional waivers, and the total amount of fees waived.

***The Out Years***

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to additional extension and summer school fee waivers.

**OLR Bill Analysis****SB 638*****AN ACT CONCERNING A FEE WAIVER AT PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR CERTAIN VETERANS AND MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL GUARD.*****SUMMARY**

This bill expands the higher education tuition waiver program to cover certain extension fees for eligible National Guard members and veterans with wartime service (see BACKGROUND). It requires the regional community-technical colleges, Connecticut State University System (CSUS), and UConn to waive these fees for educational extension programs and summer school sessions. Current law requires these institutions to waive eligible veterans' and National Guard members' tuition, which does not include fees charged for extension programs and summer school sessions (CGS § 10a-26(c)).

The bill makes various conforming changes, including incorporating these extension fee waivers into the calculation of waiver amounts that the state must annually reimburse to these institutions' operating funds through an appropriation. Under current law, the reimbursement amount is based only on tuition waivers.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2023

**BACKGROUND*****Veterans' Service in Time of War***

By law, to be eligible for state benefits (including tuition waivers) that require service in a time of war, a veteran must generally have served at least 90 cumulative days during a statutorily defined period of war, which are described in the table below. A veteran who served fewer days may qualify if he or she (1) was separated from service earlier

because of either a service-connected U.S. Veterans’ Administration-rated disability or an injury incurred or aggravated in the line of duty or (2) served for the duration of a period of war that lasted fewer than 90 days (CGS § 27-103(a)(3)).

The table below shows post-1940 periods of war and service conditions for purposes of veterans’ benefits (CGS § 27-103(a)(4)).

**Table: Post-1940 “Periods of War”**

<b>Operation</b>	<b>Covered Period</b>	<b>Service Condition</b>
World War II	12/7/41—12/31/46*	Active service during the covered period
Korean conflict	6/27/50—1/31/55	Active service during the covered period
Lebanon conflict	7/1/58—11/1/58 or 9/29/82—3/30/84	Combat or combat-support role in Lebanon during the covered periods
Vietnam era	2/28/61—7/1/75	Active service during the covered period
Grenada invasion	10/25/83—12/15/83	Combat or combat-support role in Grenada during the covered period
Operation Earnest Will (escort of Kuwaiti tankers flying U.S. flag in the Persian Gulf)	7/24/87—8/1/90	Combat or combat-support role in the operation during the covered period
Panama invasion	12/20/89—1/31/90	Combat or combat-support role in the invasion during the covered period
Persian Gulf War	8/2/90 until a date prescribed by the President or law	Active service during the covered period
Afghanistan	10/24/01—8/30/21	Active service during the covered period
Iraq	3/19/03—12/31/11 or 6/1/14—12/9/21	Active service during the covered period

\*except, for certain property tax exemptions, the end date is considered 12/31/47 (CGS § 12-86)

**Related Bill**

HB 6004, reported favorably by the Veterans’ and Military Affairs Committee, eliminates service in time of war as an eligibility requirement for, among other things, veterans’ tuition waivers.

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Veterans' and Military Affairs Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 20 Nay 0 (03/07/2023)