



General Assembly

***Raised Bill No. 6565***

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LCO No. 3332



Referred to Committee on HIGHER EDUCATION AND  
EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT

Introduced by:  
(HED)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE PLAN OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS  
FOR HIGHER EDUCATION CONCERNING THE NUMBER OF CHILD  
CARE CENTERS NEAR CAMPUSES.***

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

1 Section 1. Section 8 of public act 22-101 is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 (a) As used in this section, "child care center" means a facility that is  
4 licensed by the Office of Early Childhood as a child care center or a  
5 group child care home, both as defined in section 19a-77 of the general  
6 statutes.

7 (b) The Board of Regents for Higher Education, in consultation with  
8 the Office of Early Childhood, shall develop a plan to increase the  
9 number of child care centers on or near each campus of the regional  
10 community-technical colleges and the Connecticut State University  
11 System with the goals of (1) providing quality child care services for  
12 the staff, students and surrounding community of each campus, (2)  
13 addressing the child care needs of nontraditional students, and (3)

14 fostering relationships between such colleges and universities and  
 15 their surrounding communities. Such plan shall include, but need not  
 16 be limited to, (A) the development, expansion and maintenance of  
 17 child care centers that [(A)] (i) are utilized by an early childhood  
 18 education program for instructional purposes, or [(B)] (ii) provide  
 19 evening and weekend child care services in accordance with college or  
 20 university course schedules, (B) an assessment of (i) the child care  
 21 needs of the student body, and (ii) the existing child care services and  
 22 facilities available on each campus or in the surrounding community  
 23 of each campus, (C) opportunities for collaboration with other state  
 24 agencies, federal programs, community organizations or nonprofit  
 25 organizations to carry out such plan, and (D) a budget and  
 26 implementation timeline for such plan.

27 (c) Not later than January 1, [2023] 2024, the Board of Regents for  
 28 Higher Education shall submit, in accordance with the provisions of  
 29 section 11-4a of the general statutes, the plan developed pursuant to  
 30 subsection (b) of this section to the joint standing committees of the  
 31 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to higher  
 32 education and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies. Such  
 33 plan shall include an estimated budget and implementation timeline  
 34 for the development of additional child care centers.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	PA 22-101, Sec. 8

**HED**      *Joint Favorable*