



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 1108

January Session, 2023



AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESS TO REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH CARE BY STUDENTS AT PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

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

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2023*) (a) As used in this section:
- 2 (1) "Residential campus" means any campus of a public institution
3 of higher education with housing, as defined in section 10a-55 of the
4 general statutes; and
- 5 (2) "Reproductive health care services" has the same meaning as
6 provided in section 52-571m of the general statutes.
- 7 (b) Not later than January 1, 2024, the Board of Regents for Higher
8 Education and the Board of Trustees of The University of Connecticut
9 shall establish, and update as necessary, a plan for each residential
10 campus under said boards' jurisdiction to provide access for students
11 who live on such residential campus to reproductive health care
12 services from a health care provider licensed to provide such services.
13 Such plan shall include, but need not be limited to, (1) the availability
14 of equipment and licensed health care providers for the provision of
15 reproductive health care services on the residential campus or in the
16 surrounding community, (2) the provision of referrals for and
17 transportation services to access reproductive health care services at
18 any off-campus location, (3) opportunities for providing reproductive

19 health care services or other associated services, including, but not
20 limited to, counseling services, through telehealth, (4) means for
21 ensuring continuity of care during holiday and vacation periods
22 during and between semesters, (5) an estimate of the costs associated
23 with implementing such plan and the availability of funds, through
24 public and private sources, to cover such costs, and (6) the provision of
25 information and materials about pregnancy being a qualifying event
26 for health insurance coverage in the state.

27 (c) Not later than thirty days after establishing or updating a plan
28 for each residential campus pursuant to subsection (b) of this section,
29 the Board of Regents for Higher Education and the Board of Trustees
30 of The University of Connecticut shall (1) each submit, in accordance
31 with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, such plan to
32 the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having
33 cognizance of matters relating to higher education and employment
34 advancement, and (2) post such plan on its Internet web site and the
35 Internet web site of the public institution of higher education
36 associated with each residential campus.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2023	New section

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