



CONNECTICUT STATE COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES

BOARD OF REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

2014 Legislative Proposals

Minor Revisions

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Board of Regents for Higher Education

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Title of Proposal

AAC Minor Revisions to the Higher Education Statutes

Statutory Reference: 10a-1b, 10a-6, 10a-35a, 10a-77(e), 10a-99(e), 10a-105(f), PA 13-118, Various others – for the purpose of a name change

Proposal Summary

The proposal changes several provisions of Title 10a of the General Statutes to accomplish the following:

- Clarify that the BOR has the authorities of a constituent unit of higher education
- Clarify the appointments of vice-presidents of the BOR
- Remove references to the Board of State Academic Awards and replace with Charter Oak State College or Board of Regents as appropriate

Please attach a copy of fully drafted bill (required for review)

PROPOSAL BACKGROUND

- Reason for Proposal

Please consider the following, if applicable:

- (1) Have there been changes in federal/state/local laws and regulations that make this legislation necessary?
- (2) Has this proposal or something similar been implemented in other states? If yes, what is the outcome(s)?
- (3) Have certain constituencies called for this action?
- (4) What would happen if this was not enacted in law this session?

The primary rationale for the proposal is continued refinement of the statutes overhauled in 2011 as part of the consolidation and restructuring of the public system of higher education.

- **Origin of Proposal** **XXX New Proposal** **___ Resubmission**

If this is a resubmission, please share:

- (1) What was the reason this proposal did not pass, or if applicable, was not included in the Administration's package?
- (2) Have there been negotiations/discussions during or after the previous legislative session to improve this proposal?
- (3) Who were the major stakeholders/advocates/legislators involved in the previous work on this legislation?
- (4) What was the last action taken during the past legislative session?

PROPOSAL IMPACT

- **Agencies Affected** (please list for each affected agency)

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| Agency Name: Agency Contact (name, title, phone): Date Contacted: Approve of Proposal ___ YES ___ NO ___ Talks Ongoing |
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- **Fiscal Impact** (please include the proposal section that causes the fiscal impact and the anticipated impact)

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| Municipal (please include any municipal mandate that can be found within legislation) |
| State |
| Federal |
| Additional notes on fiscal impact |

- **Policy and Programmatic Impacts** (Please specify the proposal section associated with the impact)

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Sec. x Section 10a-1a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective upon passage*).

(a) There shall be a state system of public higher education to consist of (1) The University of Connecticut and all campuses thereof, (2) the state colleges, which shall be known collectively as the Connecticut State University System, (3) the regional community-technical colleges, (4) the Board for State Academic Awards and, (5) the staff of the Board of Regents for Higher Education as established pursuant to section 10a-1a. "Constituent units" as used in the general statutes means those units in subdivisions (1) to ~~(4)~~ (5), inclusive, of this section.

Section x: Subsection (c) of section 10a-1b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2014*).

(c) Upon recommendation of the president, the Board of Regents shall appoint two vice-presidents; One vice president shall represent each constituent unit the Connecticut State University system and the other vice president shall represent the regional-community technical colleges. Each vice president shall perform such duties and responsibilities as the board and president shall prescribe, so that each said constituent unit fulfills its mission. Such duties shall include, but not be limited to, oversight of academic programs, student support services and institutional support.

Sec. x (*NEW*) (*Effective July 1, 2014*): (a) Wherever the term "Board for State Academic Awards" is used or referred to in the following sections of the general statutes, the term "Charter Oak State College" shall be substituted in lieu thereof: 10a-1, 10a-8, and 10a-25i.

(b) Wherever the term "Board for State Academic Awards" is used or referred to in the following sections of the general statutes, the term "Board of Regents for Higher Education" shall be substituted in lieu thereof: 3-27a, 10a-

25h, 10a-143, 10a-143a, 10a-143b and 10a-149.

(c) The Legislative Commissioners' office shall, in codifying the provisions of this section, make such technical, conforming, grammatical and punctuation changes as are necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.