

2017 Higher Education Bills

Immigration Status

1. [PSB 17](#) AA ASSISTING STUDENTS WITHOUT LEGAL IMMIGRATION STATUS WITH THE COST OF COLLEGE.
2. [PHB 5117](#) AA PERMITTING THE ELIMINATION OF STATE FUNDING FOR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION THAT VIOLATE FEDERAL OR STATE LAWS.
3. [PHB 5316](#) AA ELIMINATING STATE FUNDING OF PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION THAT ADOPT SANCTUARY CITY POLICIES OR PROCEDURES.
4. [PHB 5639](#) AA PROHIBITING UNDOCUMENTED IMMIGRANT ALIENS FROM QUALIFYING FOR IN-STATE TUITION.

Tuition

1. [PSB 567](#) AAC LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL TO INCREASE TUITION.

That title 10a of the general statutes be amended to require legislative approval to increase tuition rates at public institutions of higher education.

2. [PSB 572](#) AAC TRANSPARENCY REGARDING TUITION.

That title 10a of the general statutes be amended to require public institutions of higher education to include in any documentation regarding the cost of tuition at such institution that is sent to a student enrolled at such institution, or a person paying the tuition for such student, language that notifies such student or person that (1) a certain amount of funds are set aside from such institution's anticipated tuition revenue to provide tuition waivers, tuition remissions, grants for educational expenses and student employment for any undergraduate or graduate student who is enrolled as a full or part-time matriculated student in a degree-granting program, or enrolled in a precollege remedial program, and who demonstrates substantial financial need, and (2) a certain amount may be set aside from such anticipated tuition revenue for financial assistance for students who have a financial need, as determined by such institution, but who would not otherwise be eligible for financial assistance.

3. [PSB 573](#) AA PROHIBITING THE INCREASE OF TUITION AT A FOUR-YEAR PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

That title 10a of the general statutes be amended to prohibit a public institution of higher education from increasing a student's tuition rate during the period in which such student is attending a four-year public institution of higher education.

4. [PHB 5114](#) AA ELIMINATING FREE TUITION FOR DEPENDENTS OF EMPLOYEES OF PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

That title 10a of the general statutes be amended to prohibit the inclusion in future collective bargaining agreements of provisions that permit dependents of certain employees of the public institutions of higher education to attend such institutions tuition-free.

5. [PHB 5120](#) AAC TRANSPARENCY REGARDING TUITION COSTS.

That title 10a of the general statutes be amended to require each public institution of higher education to include in any documentation regarding the cost of tuition at such institution that is sent to a student of such institution, or a person paying the tuition for such student, language that notifies such student or person that (1) a certain amount of funds are set aside from such institution's anticipated tuition revenue to provide tuition waivers, tuition remissions, grants for educational expenses and student employment for any undergraduate or graduate student who is enrolled as a full or part-time matriculated student in a degree-granting program, or enrolled in a precollege remedial program, and who demonstrates substantial financial need, and (2) a certain additional amount may be set aside from such anticipated tuition revenue for financial assistance for students who would not otherwise be eligible for financial assistance but who do have a financial need as determined by such institution.

6. [PHB 5357](#) AAC THE ALLOCATION OF TUITION INCREASES.

That title 10a of the general statutes be amended to require that any tuition increase at a public institution of higher education be allocated solely toward expenditures made directly for the students and prohibit such increase from being allocated toward expenses for the administration of such institution of higher education.

7. [PHB 5638](#) AAC COLLEGE TUITION INCREASES.

That title 10a of the general statutes be amended to prohibit tuition at any public institution of higher education from increasing by more than five per cent of the tuition at such institution for the preceding academic year.

8. [PHB 6165](#) AA FREEZING TUITION AND ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES FOR THE CONNECTICUT STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES.

That title 10a of the general statutes be amended to freeze tuition rates charged to students and salaries of administrators of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, to June 30, 2021, inclusive.

9. [PHB 6584](#) AAC THE STABILITY OF TUITION FOR FOUR-YEAR PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

That title 10a of the general statutes be amended to guarantee a fixed tuition rate during the period in which a full-time student is attending a four-year public institution of higher education in the state.

10. [PHB 6869](#) AAC LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL FOR TUITION INCREASES AT PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION. (CANDELARIA)

That the general statutes be amended to require each chamber of the General Assembly to vote to approve all tuition increases proposed by the Board of Regents for Higher Education or the Board of Trustees for The University of Connecticut.

11. [PHB 6871](#) AAC TUITION DISCOUNTS AT THE CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM FOR CERTAIN FAMILIES.

That section 10a-99 of the general statutes be amended to require the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System to provide a tuition discount, based on family income, to students who have a sibling attending a state university within the Connecticut State University System.

12. [PHB 6872](#) AAC A STUDY OF A MORATORIUM ON STATE UNIVERSITY TUITION INCREASES.

That the general statutes be amended to study the implications of imposing a moratorium on state university tuition increases.

General Meddling

1. [PHB 5118](#) AA PROHIBITING THE USE OF STATE FUNDS FOR SPEECHES AT PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION
2. [PHB 5637](#) AA PROHIBITING PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION FROM ESTABLISHING DORMITORIES OR FACILITIES THAT ARE SEGREGATED BY RACE OR NATIONAL ORIGIN.
3. [PHB 5739](#) AAC THE CREATION OF GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES TO ALLOW FOR THE TRANSFER OF CREDITS BETWEEN PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

That title 10a of the general statutes be amended to require the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities and The University of Connecticut to create a set of general education courses that allow students to transfer credits between such public institutions of higher education.

4. [PHB 6163](#) AA ESTABLISHING A PILOT PROGRAM CREATING PARTNERSHIPS BETWEEN CERTAIN FITNESS FACILITIES AND PUBLIC COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES IN THE STATE

That title 10a of the general statutes be amended to establish a pilot program to create partnerships between fitness facilities that offer adaptive physical education programs for individuals with autism spectrum disorder and public institutions of higher education.

5. [PHB 6166](#) AAC THE STREAMLINING OF PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT FOR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

That title 10a of the general statutes be amended to streamline the process for the development of new courses and programs offered at public institutions of higher education for the purpose of increasing student enrollment.

6. [PSB 341](#) AAC MEDICAID COST SAVINGS FOR STUDENTS

That titles 10 and 17b of the general statutes be amended to require that all Medicaid-eligible students at institutions of higher education join the group health insurance program offered by each institution and disenroll from Medicaid, provided that the insurance cost for such students shall be paid from savings realized on Medicaid expenditures.

7. [PSB 68](#) AAC THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE APPROPRIATION TO THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT. Referred to Appropriations

That the general statutes be amended to require line item appropriations in the state budget for The University of Connecticut.

8. [PSB 568](#) AAC THE PROGRAM APPROVAL PROCESS FOR PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

That title 10a of the general statutes be amended to review and evaluate the process for the approval of new programs offered at public institutions of higher education.

9. [PHB 5266](#) AA REQUIRING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A TRACKING SYSTEM TO HELP STUDENTS OF PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION MAKE INFORMED DECISIONS ABOUT THEIR CAREER PATHS. (Cummings)

That title 10a of the general statutes be amended to require the creation of a tracking system that collects data regarding students of public institutions of higher education in the state, including, but not limited to, the percentage of students who enroll in remedial courses, the average time it takes a student to complete his or her degree, graduation rates, job placement rates in the students' chosen fields and average salary of graduates employed in such fields, for purposes of enabling prospective students of such public institutions of higher education to have realistic expectations or their employability and to make informed decisions about their intended career paths.

10. [PHB 5166](#) AN ACT REQUIRING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A TRACKING SYSTEM TO HELP STUDENTS OF PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION MAKE INFORMED DECISIONS ABOUT THEIR CAREER PATHS. (Cheesman)

That title 10a of the general statutes be amended to require the creation of a tracking system that collects data regarding students of public institutions of higher education in the state, including, but not limited to, the percentage of students who enroll in remedial courses, the average time it takes a student to complete his or her degree, graduation rates, job placement rates in the students' chosen fields and average salary of graduates employed in such fields, for purposes of enabling prospective students of such public institutions of higher education to have realistic expectations or their employability and to make informed decisions about their intended career paths.