



House of Representatives

General Assembly

File No. 13

February Session, 2022

Substitute House Bill No. 5034

House of Representatives, March 15, 2022

The Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement reported through REP. ELLIOTT of the 88th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT PROHIBITING AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION FROM CONSIDERING LEGACY PREFERENCES IN THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2022*) (a) As used in this section,
2 "public institution of higher education" means the constituent units of
3 the state system of higher education identified in subdivisions (1) and
4 (2) of section 10a-1 of the general statutes.

5 (b) No public institution of higher education shall give preference to
6 an applicant for admission to such institution on the basis of the
7 applicant's familial relationship to a person who has graduated from
8 such institution.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

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| Section 1 | <i>July 1, 2022</i> | New section |
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OFA Fiscal Note**State Impact:** None**Municipal Impact:** None**Explanation**

The bill, which prohibits public colleges and universities from using legacy status in admissions decisions, results in no fiscal impact to the constituent units. Tuition revenues will not be affected because the constituent units do not consider legacy status in the admissions process.

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OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY

This bill prohibits UConn, the Connecticut State Universities, the regional community-technical colleges, and Charter Oak State College from giving admissions preference to any applicant because he or she has a family member that is a graduate of the institution.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2022

COMMITTEE ACTION

Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 15 Nay 8 (03/03/2022)