

# Bill History

## Session Year 2023

### Substitute for S.B. No. 8

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#### **Introducer(s):**

Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee

**Title:** AN ACT CONCERNING HIGHER EDUCATION AFFORDABILITY AND GRADUATE RETENTION.

**Statement of Purpose:** To (1) extend the debt-free community college program to returning students, (2) increase the amount of minimum grants under the debt-free community college program, (3) reallocate ARPA funds under the Roberta B. Willis Scholarship program to the Connecticut State University System, (4) require the Connecticut Higher Education Supplemental Loan Authority to establish a Student Loan Subsidy Program to reduce the interest rate on authority loans to individuals employed in certain high-demand professions, and (5) provide a tax deduction to residents of the state who paid interest on student loans during the taxable year.

#### **Bill History:**

01-04-2023 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee  
01-19-2023 VOTE TO DRAFT  
02-22-2023 DRAFTED BY COMMITTEE  
02-23-2023 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee  
02-24-2023 PUBLIC HEARING 03/02  
03-07-2023 JOINT FAVORABLE  
03-07-2023 FILED WITH LEGISLATIVE COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE  
03-14-2023 REFERRED TO OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH AND OFFICE OF FISCAL ANALYSIS 03/20/23-5:00 PM  
03-21-2023 REPORTED OUT OF LEGISLATIVE COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE  
03-21-2023 FAVORABLE REPORT, TABLED FOR THE CALENDAR, SENATE  
03-21-2023 SENATE CALENDAR NUMBER 104  
03-21-2023 FILE NUMBER 139  
05-03-2023 REFERRED BY SENATE TO COMMITTEE ON Appropriations Committee  
05-08-2023 JOINT FAVORABLE  
05-08-2023 FILED WITH LEGISLATIVE COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE  
05-09-2023 REPORTED OUT OF LEGISLATIVE COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE  
05-09-2023 NO NEW FILE BY COMMITTEE ON Appropriations Committee  
05-09-2023 FAVORABLE REPORT, TABLED FOR THE CALENDAR, SENATE  
05-25-2023 SENATE ADOPTED SENATE AMENDMENT SCHEDULE A:LCO-8705

05-25-2023 SENATE PASSED AS AMENDED BY SENATE AMENDMENT SCHEDULE A  
05-25-2023 RULES SUSPENDED, TRANSMITTED TO THE HOUSE  
05-26-2023 FAVORABLE REPORT, Tabled FOR THE CALENDAR, HOUSE  
05-26-2023 HOUSE CALENDAR NUMBER 597

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