



Senate

General Assembly

File No. 457

February Session, 2026

Substitute Senate Bill No. 310

Senate, April 7, 2026

The Committee on Education reported through SEN. MCCRORY, D. of the 2nd Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PILOT PROGRAM TO TRAIN CERTIFIED WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY OPERATORS.

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective July 1, 2026*) For the school year commencing July
2 1, 2026, the executive director of the Technical Education and Career
3 System shall establish a pilot program for the provision of one or more
4 courses to train students to become certified wastewater treatment
5 facility operators at technical education and career schools throughout
6 the state. Not later than January 1, 2027, the executive director shall
7 submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the
8 general statutes, to the joint standing committee of the General
9 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education. Such
10 report shall include the number of students who enrolled in such course
11 or courses, the timeframe in which such students may become certified
12 wastewater treatment facility operators after completion of such course
13 and recommendations for any funding or legislation to expand such
14 pilot program or to make such pilot program permanent.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>July 1, 2026</i>	New section
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The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. In general, fiscal impacts are based upon a variety of informational sources, including the analyst's professional knowledge. Whenever applicable, agency data is consulted as part of the analysis, however final products do not necessarily reflect an assessment from any specific department.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 27 \$	FY 28 \$
Technical Education and Career System	GF - Cost	18,000	None

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill results in a one-time cost of approximately \$18,000 in FY 27 to the Connecticut Technical Education and Career System (CTECS). The bill requires CTECS to conduct a pilot program to train students to become certified wastewater treatment facility operators. The cost is associated with additional staff hours worked and supplies as well as materials needed to administer the program.

The Out Years

There is no fiscal impact in the out years, as the bill specifies that the pilot program is for FY 27 only.

OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Education Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

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