

Bill History

Session Year 2026

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Introducer(s):

Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee

Title: AN ACT SUPPORTING GRADUATE STUDENTS IN THE STATE.

Statement of Purpose: To establish the Supplemental Graduate Student Loan Program, allow up to ten million dollars in state bonds for said program, allocate not less than sixty million dollars in annual private activity bonds for the Connecticut Higher Education Supplemental Loan Authority and increase the authority's bonding authorization cap.

Bill History:

02-04-2026 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee

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