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AN ACT SUPPORTING "LEARN AND EARN" INTERNSHIP
OPPORTUNITIES.

AMENDMENT

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See Fiscal Note Details

The amendment strikes the underlying bill and its associated fiscal impact.

The amendment results in a one-time cost of up to \$50,000 in FY 27, a revenue gain annually beginning in FY 27, and a minimal cost annually beginning in FY 28 to the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities (CSCU). It requires CSCU, along with UConn, to identify best practices of a high-quality internship and develop a syllabus based on those best practices. It also requires CSCU (via Charter Oak State College) to use the syllabus to develop an online training course for employers to offer high-quality internships. The amendment does not require UConn to develop an online training course.

As CSCU does not have expertise in developing or maintaining online training courses for high quality internships, it is anticipated that it would need to hire a consultant to assist. This would result in a cost of up to \$50,000 in FY 27. There is an additional, minimal cost to CSCU in FY 28, and annually thereafter, to host, maintain, and update the training course as needed.

The amendment allows CSCU to charge course enrollment fees. This results in a revenue gain annually beginning in FY 27 that at least

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partially offsets the cost of the online training program.

There is no fiscal impact to UConn, as the amendment does not require UConn to develop an online training course.

The amendment also requires: (1) the constituent units of higher education to create a report concerning certain internship opportunities; (2) the Department of Administrative Services to survey state agencies regarding internship opportunities; and (3) the Department of Revenue Services to conduct a study concerning the expansion of the human capital investment tax credit. These provisions have no fiscal impact as it is anticipated that each of these requirements can be completed with existing resources.

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