

General Assembly

Raised Bill No. 963

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LCO No. **5009**



Referred to Committee on HIGHER EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT

Introduced by: (HED)

AN ACT CONCERNING COORDINATION BETWEEN NORWALK COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND J. M. WRIGHT TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL.

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

- Section 1. Section 10a-72h of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):
- 3 (a) On or before September 1, 2009, the [Board of Trustees of the
- 4 Community-Technical Colleges] Board of Regents for Higher
- 5 Education shall appoint and convene an oversight board for the
- 6 purposes of carrying out the provisions of subsection (b) of this
- 7 section. Such board shall include: (1) A representative of the faculty of
- 8 Norwalk Community College; (2) a representative of the faculty of the
- 9 J. M. Wright Technical High School; (3) four representatives from trade
- 10 vocations; (4) two representatives of the business community; and (5) a
- 11 representative of a chamber of commerce. The president of Norwalk
- 12 Community College shall serve as the oversight board's chairperson.
- 13 (b) On or before January 1, 2010, the oversight board established

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- 14 pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, in consultation with the
- 15 [Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges] Board of
- 16 Regents for Higher Education and the Commissioner of Education,
- 17 shall establish, within existing budgetary resources and staffing levels,
- 18 a pilot program to operate during the school year commencing July 1,
- 19 2010, and each school year thereafter, to allow students to complete
- 20 courses at the J. M. Wright Technical High School for college credit at
- 21 Norwalk Community College. Such program shall coordinate courses
- 22 between the J. M. Wright Technical High School and Norwalk
- 23 Community College and provide students with access to vocational
- 24 employment or postsecondary education.

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(c) On or before June 30, 2011, and annually thereafter, the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges and the Commissioner of Education shall report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education and higher education and employment advancement on the curriculum offered as part of the pilot program, [and] the number of students who have earned course credit under the program established in subsection (b) of this section, a plan for the expansion of the pilot program at J. M. Wright Technical High School and recommendations for the implementation of similar programs at other high schools in the state.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2019	10a-72h

Statement of Purpose:

To consider expansion of the pilot program for coordination between Norwalk Community College and J. M. Wright Technical High School.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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