RESOLUTION

concerning

TEXTBOOK AFFORDABILITY

August 25, 2006

WHEREAS, Section 3 of Public Act (P.A.) No. 06-103 requires that, “(t)he Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System shall develop a policy that (1) provides for the disbursement of financial aid to students who have met all federal, state and institutional requirements for financial aid by the first day of the academic term, or (2) permits students to use financial aid that has not yet been disbursed at stores on the campuses of the universities under the board’s jurisdiction to purchase during the first week of the academic term required textbooks for courses taught at the universities”, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That each University within the Connecticut State University System shall be in compliance with the requirements of Section 3 of P.A. No. 06-103 by the start of the Fall 2006 Academic Year.

A Certified True Copy:

David G. Carter, Sr.
Chancellor
ITEM
Textbook Affordability

BACKGROUND
Section 3 of Public Act No. 06-103 (P.A. 06-103), effective July 1, 2006, requires that, “(t)he Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University System shall develop a policy that (1) provides for the disbursement of financial aid to students who have met all federal, state and institutional requirements for financial aid by the first day of the academic term, or (2) permits students to use financial aid that has not yet been disbursed at stores on the campuses of the universities under the board’s jurisdiction to purchase during the first week of the academic term required textbooks for courses taught at the universities.”

ANALYSIS
There are various approaches that may be taken at a university to comply with the requirements of Section 3 of P.A. 06-103. All four Universities within the Connecticut State University System either currently have, or will have by the beginning of the Fall 2006 academic term, procedures in place which bring them into compliance.

CHANCELLOR’S RECOMMENDATION
That the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System require that each University within the Connecticut State University System be in compliance with Section 3 of Public Act No. 06-103, effective for the Fall 2006 academic term.