



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 346

LCO No. 836



Referred to Committee on EDUCATION

Introduced by:

SEN. SOMERS, 18th Dist.

REP. HOWARD, 43rd Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEFINITION OF EXCUSED ABSENCE
FOR PURPOSES OF REPORTING TRUANCY IN CONNECTICUT.**

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

- 1 That section 10-198b of the general statutes be amended to require the
- 2 Department of Education to amend the definition of "excused absence"
- 3 to include (1) any medical absence that is approved by a licensed
- 4 medical professional, and (2) any absence resulting from participation
- 5 in a work-study program that is part of a curriculum approved by the
- 6 local or regional board of education.

Statement of Purpose:

To accurately report on truancy in Connecticut.