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extracurricular programs; (4) merger of school district central office buildings, staff and operational systems; (5) merger of collective bargaining agreements; (6) merger of debt obligations, including for school building projects; (7) the effect of school district regionalization on educational and instructional outcomes; (8) the effect of school district regionalization on school funding allocations; (9) school consolidation; (10) transitional costs associated with school district regionalization; (11) appropriate time frames for implementing school district regionalization; (12) incentives for school districts to increase collaboration and/or regionalize; (13) revisions of chapter 71 of the General Laws to facilitate the effective implementation of existing and future regional school district agreements; (14) school building capacity and facilities; (15) the feasibility of adopting a regional district finance structure in which the local contribution of the member cities or towns that the regional district serves is assessed on the basis of a uniformly measured fiscal capacity; and (16) in-district collaborations between schools, including consolidating buildings, programs, school and central office administration, special education and food service.

The commission shall conduct its first meeting not less than 45 days after the effective date of this act and shall issue its final report to the general court on the results of its study and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry out such recommendations, by filing the same with the clerk of the senate and house of representatives not later than March 31, 2011, and the clerks shall forward the same to the senate and house chairs of the joint committee on education and the chairs of the senate and house committees on ways and means.

Emergency letter 7/27/10 at 3:02 P.M.

Approved July 27, 2010

Chapter 189. AN ACT RELATIVE TO STATE UNIVERSITIES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 18B of chapter 6 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 4 and 35, the second time it appears, the word “colleges” and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- universities.

SECTION 2. Section 133 of said chapter 6, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 21, the words “state college, state university,” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- state university.

SECTION 3. Section 133A of said chapter 6, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 4, the words “state college, state university,” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- state university.

SECTION 4. Section 133C of said chapter 6, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 4 and 5, the words “state college, state university,” and inserting in

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place thereof the following words:- state university.

SECTION 5. Section 35EE of chapter 10 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 22, the word “colleges” and inserting in place thereof the following word:- universities.

SECTION 6. Section 18A of chapter 15 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 8, the first time it appears, the word “colleges” and inserting in place thereof the following word:- universities.

SECTION 7. Section 1 of chapter 15A of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 32, the words “university, the state college” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- the University of Massachusetts, the state university.

SECTION 8. Section 4 of said chapter 15A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 20, the words “state university” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- University of Massachusetts.

SECTION 9. Said section 4 of said chapter 15A, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 21 and 22, the words “college chosen by vote of the chairs of the boards of trustees of each of the state colleges” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- university chosen by vote of the chairs of the boards of trustees of each of the state universities.

SECTION 10. Subsection (a) of said section 4 of said chapter 15A, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out the last sentence.

SECTION 11. Section 4A of said chapter 15A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 27 and 28, the words “state university or college, 1 of whom shall be a president of a state college or his designee” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- campus of the University of Massachusetts or a designee, 1 of whom shall be a president of a state university or a designee.

SECTION 12. Section 5 of said chapter 15A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the first paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

There shall be, for the purposes of this chapter, a system of public institutions of higher education, hereinafter called the system, which shall consist of the following segments: (i) the university of Massachusetts segment, which shall consist of the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, Boston, Dartmouth, Lowell and Worcester; (ii) the state university segment, which shall consist of Bridgewater State University, Fitchburg State University, Framingham State University, the Massachusetts College of Art and Design, the Massachusetts Maritime Academy, the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts, Salem State University, Westfield State University and Worcester State University; and (iii) the community college segment, which shall consist of Berkshire Community College, Bristol Community College, Bunker Hill Community College, Cape Cod Community College, Greenfield Community College, Holyoke Community College, Massachusetts Bay Community College, Massasoit Community College, Middlesex Community College, Mount

Wachusett Community College, Northern Essex Community College, North Shore Community College, Quinsigamond Community College, Roxbury Community College and Springfield Technical Community College.

SECTION 13. Section 7 of said chapter 15A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 2 to 4, inclusive, the words “by (i) the university segment, (ii) the state college segment, and (iii) the community college segment” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- in section 5.

SECTION 14. The second paragraph of said section 7 of said chapter 15A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the second sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:- The board of trustees of each state university and community college shall develop and submit to the secretary and the council a mission statement for each such institution.

SECTION 15. Said section 7 of said chapter 15A, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word “state”, in line 23, the following word:- university.

SECTION 16. Section 7A of said chapter 15A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “state”, in lines 12 and 13, each time it appears, the following word:- universities.

SECTION 17. Said section 7A of said chapter 15A, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 27, the words “, not later than September 1, 2003, separate task forces for the state” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- separate task forces for the state university.

SECTION 18. Section 9 of said chapter 15A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 55, 70, 94 and 136, the word “colleges”, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- universities.

SECTION 19. Said section 9 of said chapter 15A, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 105, the word “college”, the first time it appears, and inserting in place thereof the following word:- university.

SECTION 20. Said section 9 of said chapter 15A, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 169 and 170, the words “university, state college or community college” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- institution of higher education.

SECTION 21. Section 14 of said chapter 15A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 1, the words “state university” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- University of Massachusetts.

SECTION 22. Section 15 of said chapter 15A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 24, the words “university, state colleges” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- University of Massachusetts, state universities.

SECTION 23. Said section 15 of said chapter 15A, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 26, the word “college” and inserting in place thereof the following word:- university.

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SECTION 24. Section 15B of said chapter 15A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “state”, in line 23, the following word:- university.

SECTION 25. Section 15E of said chapter 15A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 2 and 3, the words “state university and public colleges” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- public institutions of higher education.

SECTION 26. Said section 15E of said chapter 15A, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 19, the word “college’s” and inserting in place thereof the following word:- university’s.

SECTION 27. Said section 15E of said chapter 15A, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 36, the word “college” and inserting in place thereof the following word:- university.

SECTION 28. Section 19 of said chapter 15A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 40 and 41, and in lines 65 and 86, the words “college or university” and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following words:- institution of higher education.

SECTION 29. Said section 19 of said chapter 15A, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 45, the word “college” and inserting in place thereof the following word:- university.

SECTION 30. Section 19D of said chapter 15A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 6, in lines 13 and 14 and in line 16, the words “college or university” and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following words:- institution of higher education.

SECTION 31. Section 22 of said chapter 15A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 2 and 84, the word “college” and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- university.

SECTION 32. Section 37 of said chapter 15A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 13, the words “college or university” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- institution of higher education.

SECTION 33. Section 2MMM of chapter 29 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “state”, in line 30, the following word:- universities.

SECTION 34. Section 6 of chapter 69 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 3, the word “college” and inserting in place thereof the following word:- university.

SECTION 35. Section 8 of said chapter 69, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 5, the word “college” and inserting in place thereof the following word:- university.

SECTION 36. Section 1 of chapter 73 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 1, the word “colleges” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- universities, as established by section 5 of chapter 15A.

SECTION 37. Said section 1 of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 6 and 7, the words “said university” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- the University of Massachusetts.

SECTION 38. Said section 1 of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 7, 9, 11, 22, 44, 44 and 45 and 47, the word “colleges” and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- universities.

SECTION 39. Said section 1 of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out the word “college”, in lines 13 and 14 and in line 33, and inserting in place thereof the following word:- university.

SECTION 40. Said section 1 of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out the words “, said Massachusetts College of Art and Design and said Massachusetts Maritime Academy”, in lines 22 and 23.

SECTION 41. Section 1A of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the words “colleges and the Massachusetts College of Art and Design”, in lines 2 and 3, and inserting in place thereof the following word:- universities.

SECTION 42. Said section 1A of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out the word “colleges”, in line 8, and inserting in place thereof the following word:- universities.

SECTION 43. Section 1B of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the words “colleges, the Massachusetts College of Art and Design and the Massachusetts Maritime Academy”, in lines 2 to 4, inclusive, and inserting in place thereof the following word:- universities.

SECTION 44. Said section 1B of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out the word “college”, in lines 5 and 6, in each instance, and inserting in place thereof the following words:- state university.

SECTION 45. Section 1D of said chapter 73 is hereby repealed.

SECTION 46. Section 1E of said chapter 73, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 5, the word “college” and inserting in place thereof the following word:- university.

SECTION 47. Said section 1E of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 6, the word “colleges” and inserting in place thereof the following word:- universities.

SECTION 48. Section 2A of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 1, the word “colleges” and inserting in place thereof the following word:- universities.

SECTION 49. Section 3 of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 6, 7, 9 and 12, the word “colleges” and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- universities.

SECTION 50. Section 4 of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 1, the word “colleges” and inserting in place thereof the following word:-

universities.

SECTION 51. Section 4A of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 1, 5, 11, 12 and 19, the word “college” and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- university.

SECTION 52. Said section 4A of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 2 and 6, the word “colleges” and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- universities.

SECTION 53. Section 4B of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 1 to 3, inclusive, the words “college, the Massachusetts College of Art and Design or the Massachusetts Maritime Academy” and inserting in place thereof the following word:- university.

SECTION 54. Section 6 of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 2, the word “colleges” and inserting in place thereof the following word:- universities.

SECTION 55. Section 8 of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 2 and 3, the words “colleges, and the Massachusetts College of Art and Design” and inserting in place thereof the following word:- universities.

SECTION 56. Section 10 of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “state”, in line 1, the following word:- universities.

SECTION 57. Said section 10 of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 5, the word “college” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- university or community college.

SECTION 58. Said section 10 of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out the last sentence.

SECTION 59. Section 12 of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 3 and 4 and in lines 4 and 5, the word “college” and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- university.

SECTION 60. Section 13 of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 7, the word “colleges” and inserting in place thereof the following word:- universities.

SECTION 61. Section 14 of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 4, the word “college” and inserting in place thereof the following word:- university.

SECTION 62. Said section 14 of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 7, in lines 12 and 13 and in lines 23 and 25, the word “colleges” and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- universities.

SECTION 63. Section 15 of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 2, lines 8 and 9, lines 12 and 13 and in lines 14 and 15, the word “college” and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- university.

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SECTION 64. Said section 15 of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 16, the word “college’s” and inserting in place thereof the following word:- university’s.

SECTION 65. Section 16 of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 3, 14, 36, 49, 61, 62, 73 and 81, the word “colleges” and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- universities.

SECTION 66. Said section 16 of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 17, 47, 53, 56 and 79, the word “college” and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- university.

SECTION 67. Section 17 of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 2 and 5, the word “college” and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- university.

SECTION 68. Section 18 of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 3, 5, 6 and 12, the word “college” and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- university.

SECTION 69. Said section 18 of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 11, the word “colleges” and inserting in place thereof the following word:- universities.

SECTION 70. Said chapter 73 is hereby amended by striking out section 19, as so appearing, and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 19. The institutions of higher learning under the jurisdiction of the board of trustees of state universities shall be those institutions in the state university segment established by section 5 of chapter 15A.

SECTION 71. Section 20 of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 1, 4, 7, 10, 13, 15 and 18, the word “college”, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- university.

SECTION 72. Said section 20 of said chapter 73, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 11, the following word “collegiate”.

SECTION 73. Section 1 of chapter 75 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 1, the words “The state university shall be the” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- There shall be a.

SECTION 74. The definition of “police chief” in section 1 of chapter 90C of the General Laws, as amended by section 60 of chapter 451 of the acts of 2008, is hereby amended by inserting after the words “commonwealth’s state” the following word:- universities.

SECTION 74A. The definition of “police officer” in said section 1 of said chapter 90C, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the words “commonwealth’s state” the following word:- universities.

SECTION 75. Section 2 of said chapter 90C, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “state”, in lines 11 and 46, the following word:- universities.

SECTION 76. Said section 2 of said chapter 90C, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word “state”, in lines 13, 30, 32, 35, 38 and 41, the following word:- university.

SECTION 77. Section 2A of said chapter 90C, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “state”, in lines 2 and 4, the following word:- universities.

SECTION 78. Section 1 of chapter 703 of the acts of 1963, as most recently amended by sections 4 and 5 of chapter 258 of the acts of 2008, is hereby amended by striking out paragraph (h) and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

(h) “State college”, any of the public institutions of higher education in the state university segment established by section 5 of chapter 15A of the General Laws.

SECTION 79. Chapter 811 of the acts of 1967 is hereby amended by striking out, in line 1, the word “colleges” and inserting in place thereof the following word:- universities.

SECTION 79A. Said chapter 811 is hereby further amended by inserting after the word “such”, in line 6, the second time it appears, the words:- state university or community.

SECTION 80. With the exception of section 78, nothing in this act shall be construed to affect the Massachusetts State College Building Authority, established pursuant to chapter 703 of the acts of 1963 or the obligations, agreements, authorities or responsibilities thereof.

SECTION 81. Subsection (a) of section 9 of chapter 419 of the acts of 2008 is hereby amended by striking out the words “Bridgewater State College” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- Bridgewater State University.

SECTION 82. Nothing in this act shall be deemed to alter any bargaining unit that exists at Bridgewater State University, formerly known as Bridgewater State College; Fitchburg State University, formerly known as Fitchburg State College; Framingham State University, formerly known as Framingham State College; the Massachusetts College of Art and Design; the Massachusetts Maritime Academy; the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts; Salem State University, formerly known as Salem State College; Westfield State University, formerly known as Westfield State College; or Worcester State University, formerly known as Worcester State College, on the effective date of this act. No action taken pursuant to this act shall be deemed to be justification for altering any bargaining unit that exists at said institutions on the date immediately preceding the effective date of this act.

SECTION 83. Any reference to the state colleges generally or to any 1 or more of them individually in any general or special law, or in any rule, regulation, order, by-law, deed, indenture or other document or instrument shall be considered to be a reference to the state universities set forth in clause (ii) of the first paragraph of section 5 of chapter 15A of the General Laws, inserted by section 12 of this act, or to the corresponding state university, whether 1 or more, individually.

Approved July 28, 2010.