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Rep. Haddad Appointed House Chair of Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee

Rep. Gregg Haddad (D-Mansfield) was appointed chair of the Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee on Friday. He will continue to serve on the Appropriations Committee and Government Administrations and Elections Committee.

“I’m honored to chair the Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee, and I’d like to thank the Speaker of the House for my appointment,” **Rep. Haddad** said. “Now more than ever, we need to ensure that higher education is accessible to all Connecticut residents. Whether it’s a four-year college or a job training program, education remains the key to a successful career.”

“The challenge for the Higher Education Committee is to promote and encourage quality education in Connecticut at our public universities and colleges, and at private institutions as well, while also working to ensure that access is unrestricted and affordability is maintained. As a member of the committee I’ve championed innovative initiatives like the use of free open source textbooks, and I expect to continue this work as House Chair,” **Rep. Haddad** continued.

“Throughout his time in the legislature, Rep. Haddad has been a committed advocate for higher education and workforce development programs,” **House Speaker Aresimowicz** said. “Ensuring that we have a highly educated and well-trained workforce is critical to growing Connecticut’s economy. As chair of the Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee, Rep. Haddad will play an important role in facing those challenges.”

The Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee has cognizance of all matters relating to the Board of Regents for Higher Education and the Office of Higher

Education, public and private institutions of higher education, and job training institutions and programs.

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