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**"AN ACT CONCERNING VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL SCHOOLS."**

1 Strike section 4 in its entirety and renumber the remaining section  
2 and internal references accordingly.

3 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and  
4 internal references accordingly:

5 "Sec. 501. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a task force  
6 to study the finance, management and enrollment structure of the  
7 regional vocational-technical school system. Such study shall (1)  
8 conduct a cost-benefit analysis of (A) maintaining and strengthening  
9 the existing regional vocational-technical school system operated by  
10 the State Board of Education, (B) developing stronger articulation  
11 agreements between the regional vocational-technical school system  
12 and the regional community-technical colleges, (C) transferring the  
13 regional vocational-technical school system to local and regional  
14 boards of education or regional educational service centers, and (D)  
15 maintaining or transferring adult programs offered at the regional

16 vocational-technical schools, (2) consider the effects of maintaining the  
17 existing regional vocational-technical school system or transferring the  
18 regional vocational-technical school system to local and regional  
19 boards of education, regional educational service centers or the  
20 regional community-technical colleges on facilities, equipment and  
21 personnel management of the regional vocational-technical school  
22 system, and (3) compare and analyze the findings of subdivisions (1)  
23 and (2) of this subsection.

24 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:

25 (1) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the  
26 secretary's designee;

27 (2) The Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's designee;

28 (3) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development,  
29 or the commissioner's designee;

30 (4) The chancellor of the community-technical college system, or the  
31 chancellor's designee;

32 (5) One appointed by the Governor who shall be a representative  
33 from a regional workforce investment board;

34 (6) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one  
35 of whom shall be a representative of the Connecticut Education  
36 Association and one of whom shall be a representative of the  
37 Connecticut Business and Industry Association;

38 (7) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives,  
39 one of whom shall be a representative of the American Federation of  
40 Teachers-Connecticut and one of whom shall (A) be a person with  
41 experience in manufacturing or a trade offered at the regional  
42 vocational-technical schools, (B) be an alumnus of a regional  
43 vocational-technical school, or (C) have served as an educator at a  
44 regional vocational-technical school;

45 (8) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate who shall be  
46 a representative of the RESC Alliance;

47 (9) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of  
48 Representatives who shall be a representative of the Connecticut  
49 Association of School Business Officials;

50 (10) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate who shall  
51 be a representative of the Connecticut Association of Boards of  
52 Education;

53 (11) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of  
54 Representatives who shall be a representative of the Connecticut  
55 Association of Public School Superintendents; and

56 (12) Two appointed by the chairpersons of the joint standing  
57 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
58 relating to education who shall be members of the public.

59 (c) All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than  
60 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be  
61 filled by the appointing authority.

62 (d) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the  
63 secretary's designee, shall serve as the chairperson of the task force  
64 from among the members of the task force. The chairperson shall  
65 schedule the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held not  
66 later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

67 (e) The administrative staff of the Department of Education shall  
68 serve as administrative staff of the task force.

69 (f) Not later than January 15, 2012, the task force shall submit a  
70 report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing  
71 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
72 relating to education, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-  
73 4a of the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date  
74 that it submits such report or January 15, 2012, whichever is later.

75       Sec. 502. Section 10-99f of the general statutes is repealed. (*Effective*  
76    *from passage*)"