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Referred to Committee on EDUCATION

Introduced by:
(ED)

**AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY ISSUES
RELATING TO THE RECRUITMENT OF MANUFACTURING
TEACHERS.**

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

- 1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a task force
2 to study issues relating to the recruitment of manufacturing teachers.
3 The task force shall examine (1) the need for manufacturing teachers at
4 various grade levels in schools, (2) the interest among persons
5 employed in manufacturing in teaching a manufacturing course or
6 program in schools, (3) obstacles and constraints that exist in the law,
7 collective bargaining agreements, or at the technical high schools,
8 Board of Regents for Higher Education and private education
9 institutions that inhibit the recruitment of persons to teach
10 manufacturing in schools, and (4) potential state actions to improve
11 and increase the recruitment of manufacturing teachers.
- 12 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:
- 13 (1) One appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives,

14 who is a teacher employed at a technical high school who teaches
15 manufacturing;

16 (2) One appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, who
17 is a teacher employed by a college or university who teaches
18 manufacturing;

19 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of
20 Representatives, who is an owner or manager of a manufacturing
21 company with fewer than one hundred employees;

22 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who is an
23 owner or manager of a manufacturing company with one hundred or
24 more employees;

25 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of
26 Representatives, who is a representative of an association of
27 manufacturers;

28 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, who is a
29 representative from a private education institution with a
30 manufacturing program;

31 (7) The superintendent of the technical high school system, or the
32 superintendent's designee;

33 (8) The president of the Board of Regents for Higher Education, or
34 the president's designee; and

35 (9) The president of the Connecticut Center for Advanced
36 Technology, Inc., or the president's designee.

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

40 (d) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president

41 pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task force
42 from among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons shall
43 schedule the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held not
44 later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

45 (e) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
46 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education
47 shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

48 (f) Not later than January 1, 2017, the task force shall submit a report
49 on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee
50 of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
51 education, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the
52 general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date that it
53 submits such report or January 1, 2017, whichever is later.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To establish a task force to study ways to improve efforts to recruit manufacturing teachers.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]