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Referred to Committee on EDUCATION

Introduced by:  
(ED)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL SYSTEM.***

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

1 Section 1. Section 10-99f of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2016*):

3 For the fiscal year ending June 30, [2011] 2017, and each fiscal year  
4 thereafter, the budget for the technical high school system shall be a  
5 separate budgeted agency from the Department of Education and the  
6 superintendent of the technical high school system shall be considered  
7 the administrative head for purposes of sections 4-77 and 10-99g, as  
8 amended by this act.

9 Sec. 2. Section 10-99g of the general statutes is repealed and the  
10 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2016*):

11 (a) (1) Each technical high school shall prepare a proposed operating  
12 budget for the next succeeding school year beginning July first and  
13 submit such proposed operating budget to the superintendent of the  
14 technical high school system. Such proposed operating budget shall  
15 include a statement of the staffing needs for such technical high school.

16 The superintendent shall collect, review and use the proposed  
17 operating budget for each technical high school to guide the  
18 preparation of a proposed operating budget for the technical high  
19 school system.

20 (2) The superintendent of the technical high school system shall  
21 submit a proposed operating budget for the technical high school  
22 system to the technical high school system board. Such proposed  
23 operating budget shall include a statement of the staffing needs for the  
24 technical high school system. The board shall review, amend and  
25 approve such proposed operating budget and submit the approved  
26 budget to [the State Board of Education and] the Secretary of the Office  
27 of Policy and Management in accordance with the provisions of  
28 section 4-77. The superintendent shall submit a copy of (A) the  
29 proposed operating budgets for each technical high school, including  
30 the statement of the staffing needs for each technical high school, (B)  
31 the proposed operating budget for the technical high school system,  
32 including the statement of the staffing needs for the technical high  
33 school system, and (C) the approved operating budget for the technical  
34 high school system to the Office of Policy and Management and the  
35 joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance  
36 of matters relating to education and appropriations and the budgets of  
37 state agencies, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a. The  
38 superintendent shall communicate directly with the Secretary of the  
39 Office of Policy and Management regarding the creation or filling of  
40 staff positions included in the approved operating budget for the  
41 technical high school system.

42 (b) The superintendent of the technical high school system shall  
43 semiannually submit the operating budget and expenses for each  
44 individual technical high school, in accordance with section 11-4a, to  
45 the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, the director of  
46 the legislative Office of Fiscal Analysis and to the joint standing  
47 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
48 relating to education.

49 (c) The superintendent of the technical high school system shall  
50 make available and update on the technical high school system web  
51 site and the web site of each technical high school the operating budget  
52 for the current school year of each individual technical high school.

53 Sec. 3. Subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of section 10-95h of the  
54 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
55 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2016*):

56 (2) The superintendent of the technical high school system shall  
57 submit the following to the joint standing committees of the General  
58 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education, higher  
59 education and employment advancement and labor: (A) Information  
60 ensuring that the curriculum of the technical high school system is  
61 incorporating those workforce skills that will be needed for the next  
62 thirty years, as identified by the Labor Commissioner in subdivision  
63 (1) of this subsection, into the technical high schools; (B) information  
64 regarding the employment status of students who graduate from or  
65 complete an approved program of study at the technical high school  
66 system, including, but not limited to: (i) Demographics such as age and  
67 gender, (ii) course and program enrollment and completion, (iii)  
68 employment status, and (iv) wages prior to enrolling and after  
69 graduating; (C) an assessment of the adequacy of the resources  
70 available to the technical high school system as the system develops  
71 and refines programs to meet existing and emerging workforce needs;  
72 [and] (D) recommendations to the [State Board of Education] technical  
73 high school system board to carry out the provisions of subparagraphs  
74 (A) to (C), inclusive, of this subdivision; and (E) information regarding  
75 staffing at each technical high school for the current academic year.  
76 The superintendent of the technical high school system shall  
77 collaborate with the Labor Commissioner to obtain information as  
78 needed to carry out the provisions of this subsection.

79 Sec. 4. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2016*) (a) For the fiscal year ending  
80 June 30, 2017, and each fiscal year thereafter, the superintendent of the  
81 technical high school system shall establish and administer a

82 manufacturing training for incumbent workers pilot program. Such  
83 pilot program shall provide training in manufacturing to incumbent  
84 workers at one of the technical high schools after regular school hours.  
85 For purposes of this section, "incumbent workers" means individuals  
86 who are employed in this state, but who are in need of additional  
87 skills, training or education in order to upgrade employment.

88 (b) Not later than June 30, 2018, and annually thereafter, the  
89 superintendent shall submit a report, in accordance with the  
90 provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing  
91 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
92 relating to education and labor on the operation of the pilot program  
93 established pursuant to subsection (a) of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2016</i>	10-99f
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2016</i>	10-99g
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2016</i>	10-95h(b)(2)
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2016</i>	New section

**ED**      *Joint Favorable*