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Public Act No. 16-42

AN ACT CONCERNING THE TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL SYSTEM.

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

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 Section 10-99g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2016*):

(a) (1) Each technical high school shall prepare a proposed operating budget for the next succeeding school year beginning July first and submit such proposed operating budget to the superintendent of the technical high school system. Such proposed operating budget shall include a statement of the staffing needs for such technical high school. The superintendent shall collect, review and use the proposed operating budget for each technical high school to guide the preparation of a proposed operating budget for the technical high school system.

(2) The superintendent of the technical high school system shall submit a proposed operating budget for the technical high school system to the technical high school system board. Such proposed operating budget shall include a statement of the staffing needs for the technical high school system. The board shall review, amend and approve such proposed operating budget and submit the approved budget to the State Board of Education. [and] The state board shall

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review, but shall not amend, and submit such approved operating budget, with any comments or recommendations for revisions, to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management in accordance with the provisions of section 4-77. The superintendent shall submit a copy of (A) the proposed operating budgets for each technical high school, including the statement of the staffing needs for each technical high school, (B) the proposed operating budget for the technical high school system, including the statement of the staffing needs for the technical high school system, and (C) the approved operating budget for the technical high school system to the Office of Policy and Management and the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a. The superintendent shall communicate directly with the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management regarding the creation or filling of staff positions included in the approved operating budget for the technical high school system.

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

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

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

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

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