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Bill No. S1176

Sponsor(s) Dumont and Ewing

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**SENATE, No. 1176**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

INTRODUCED MAY 18, 1978

By Senators DUMONT and EWING

Referred to Committee on Education

AN ACT creating a Commission on Business Efficiency of the Public Schools and making an appropriation therefor.

1 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*  
2 *of New Jersey:*

1 1. The Legislature finds and declares that:

2 a. The constitutional provision for the maintenance and support  
3 of a thorough and efficient system of public education is a legis-  
4 lative responsibility;

5 b. The Public School Education Act of 1975 (P. L. 1975, c. 212)  
6 provides the statutory mandate for establishing and monitoring  
7 that system;

8 c. P. L. 1975, c. 212, provides for the establishment of a task  
9 force on business efficiency, reflecting the intent of the Legislature  
10 to find ways of improving the business efficiency of the public  
11 schools; and

12 d. The work of the task force will not be effective unless the  
13 Legislature monitors the implementation of its recommendations.

1 2. There is hereby established a Commission on Business Effi-  
2 ciency in the Public Schools, to consist of eight members, two to  
3 be appointed from the membership of the Senate by the President  
4 thereof, no more than one of whom shall be of the same political  
5 party; two to be appointed from the membership of the General  
6 Assembly by the Speaker thereof, no more than one of whom shall  
7 be of the same political party; and four to be appointed from the  
8 general public by the Governor, no more than two of whom shall  
9 be of the same political party.

10 Each of the members of the commission appointed from either  
11 House of the Legislature shall serve so long, only, as he shall be  
12 a member of that House, and all members shall serve for terms of  
13 2 years and until their respective successors shall be appointed and  
14 shall qualify. All shall serve without compensation and vacancies

**EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.**

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16 manner as the original appointments were made.

1 3. The commission shall organize as soon as may be possible  
2 after the appointment of its members and shall select a chairman  
3 from among its members and a secretary who need not be a mem-  
4 ber of the commission.

1 4. It shall be the duty of said commission to develop and imple-  
2 ment a 5-year plan to monitor the implementation of \***the**\*  
3 recommendations of the task force on business efficiency\***;**\* to  
4 ensure adequate progress toward the achievement of the goals and  
5 objectives specified therein;**;**\* and to recommend to the Legislature  
6 such statutory changes as may become necessary to facilitate im-  
7 provements in the business efficiency of the public schools.

1 5. The commission shall be entitled to call to its assistance and  
2 avail itself of the services of such employees of any State, county  
3 or municipal department, board, bureau, commission or agency as  
4 it may require and as may be available to it for said purpose, and  
5 to employ such stenographic and clerical assistants and incur such  
6 traveling and other miscellaneous expenses as it may deem neces-  
7 sary, in order to perform its duties, and as may be within the limits  
8 of funds appropriated or otherwise made available to it for said  
9 purposes.

1 6. The commission may meet and hold hearings at such place  
2 or places as it shall designate during the sessions or recesses of  
3 the Legislature and shall report annually to the Governor and the  
4 Joint Committee on the Public Schools on the status of the moni-  
5 toring program as provided herein.

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#### STATEMENT

This bill provides for the creation of a commission to monitor the recommendations of the task force on business efficiency of the public schools. The task force felt that improved business efficiency and cost-effective management in the public schools will occur only if the Legislature and the administration make a continuous effort to assess the effectiveness of changes resulting from the task force report.

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SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 1176**

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
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DATED: AUGUST 14, 1978

PROVISIONS:

The Senate Education Committee favorably reports this bill which creates a Commission on Business Efficiency in the Public Schools, to develop and implement a five-year program to monitor the recommendations of the Task Force on Business Efficiency.

It consists of eight members, two appointed from each House, and four public members appointed by the Governor. The membership of the commission will be bi-partisan.

BACKGROUND:

The Task Force on Business Efficiency recommended the creation of a standing commission to focus on the implementation of all task force recommendations designed to improve business efficiency and cost-effective management in the public schools.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

This bill appropriates \$20,000.00 for the operation of the commission.