April 30, 1971

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY OF R.S. 18A:6-71 & 74

18A:6-72

18A:6-73 18A:6-74

(Establishment of educational centers of research and demonstration)

Similar bills introduced (1968-1970):

1968 - A414 (McDonough & Wilentz).
Died in Committee.

1969 - A745 (McDonough & Wilentz).
Died in Committee.

Periodical notation on 1969 bill (A745):

State Federation District Boards of Education.
Legislative Bulletin, vol. 17, no. 4, 4/25/69.

The State Department of Education is charged with the responsibility of encouraging, developing and disseminating D information about quality educational programs. If the department is to fulfill this responsibility, it must have at its disposal adequate research facilities. The educational centers for research and demonstration established under this act will enable the department to explore fully the problems facing our educational systems, locate and examine potential solutions, and make these findings available to local school districts in New Jerust. The Legislative Committee recommends support of this bill."

Governor's Message:

N.J. Governor. Cahill, William T.

Toward excellence in education in the seventies.

Special message... April 9, 1970. see esp. p. 8-9.

L. 1970, Chapter 122 - A400
Pre-filed by McDonough
Bill has statement (copy enclosed)
Not amended during passage.

Periodical material located: (cop. enc.

State Federation District Boards of Education.
L51 Legislative bulletin, no. 1, 1/30/70, p. 23.

"Research and demonstration centers". E24 NJEA Review, February 1970.

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N.J. - Education - Research & Newspaper clippings Development Centers

"State OKs \$400,000 Education Research Centers" TET 5/1/70 "Centers proposed on education issues" C-P 5/8/70

"Educational research system OK" TET 5/10/70

(copies of the above clippings are enclosed)

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ASSEMBLY, No. 400

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 1970 SESSION

By Assemblyman McDONOUGH

An Act concerning the establishment and development of educational centers of research and demonstration to improve the quality of education in the State of New Jersey and supplementing Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State 2 of New Jersey:
- 1 1. That the Commissioner of Education and the State Board of
- 2 Education shall have the authority and responsibility under this
- 3 act to plan for, establish, and operate a State-wide system of edu-
- 4 cational centers for research and demonstration. These centers, in
- 5 voluntary co-operation with local school districts, shall concentrate
- 6 upon the development, testing, and installation of ideas and proce-
- 7 dures to solve major educational problems facing the State; in-
- 8 cluding but not limited to reading levels of low-income children,
- 9 early childhood development, the gifted student and the effective
- 10 utilization of new materials and equipment, educational technology,
- 11 and patterns of school organization.
- 1 2. The centers shall design projects within an experimental
- 2 framework in order that unproven educational ideas, equipment,
- 3 methods and approaches, and newly developed curriculum mate-
- 4 rials can be objectively tested and evaluated and their value to
- 5 local school districts demonstrated. These educational centers shall
- 6 be planned and developed (1) to demonstrate an exemplary result
- 7 that has widespread use and adaptability to local educational agen-
- 8 cies, and (2) to procure and use Federal and private resources in
- 9 combination with State resources to attain State educational goals.
- 1 3. The Commissioner of Education shall, with the approval of the
- 2 State Board of Education, promulgate rules and regulations, estab-
- 3 lish procedures, employ personnel, and take all other necessary
- 4 steps to insure the implementation of the provisions of this act.

- 1 4. There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Education
- 2 the sum of \$400,000.00 to carry out the purposes of this act for the
- 3 period ending on June 30, 1970. Such amounts of this appropri-
- 4 tion as approved by the State Board of Education may be allo-
- 5 cated to the Department of Education for such purposes as will
- 6 insure the effective administration and evaluation of the provisions
- 7 of this act.
- 1 5. Pursuant to the objectives of this act, the State Department of
- 2 Education may seek the co-operation and involvement of other
- 3 State agencies.
- 1 6. This act shall take effect immediately.

STATEMENT

The State Department of Education is charged with the responsibility of encouraging, developing and disseminating information about quality educational programs. If the department is to fulfill this responsibility, it must have at its disposal adequate research facilities. The educational centers for research and demonstration established under this act will enable the department to explore fully the problems facing our educational systems, locate and examine potential solutions, and make these findings available to local school districts in New Jersey.