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[FIRST REPRINT]

SENATE, No. 505

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED MARCH 5, 1992

By Senator KYRILLOS

1 AN ACT concerning business and school partnerships and
2 supplementing chapter 54 of Title 18A of the New Jersey
3 Statutes.

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5 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the*
6 *State of New Jersey:*

7 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Adopt a
8 School Program."

9 2. Each county superintendent shall create a business advisory
10 board ¹or shall designate a Workforce Investment Board created
11 by the State Employment and Training Commission in the
12 Department of Labor or a Private Industry Council established
13 pursuant to the Job Training and Partnership Act to perform the
14 functions of the business advisory board under this act¹.

15 Membership on the ¹business advisory¹ board shall be open to
16 interested local businesses which wish to assist students enrolled
17 in a program involving vocational or technical training in a public
18 secondary school or community college jointly engaged in such a
19 program with a public secondary school. The county
20 superintendent shall be chairman of the business advisory board,
21 and the board shall meet monthly. The county superintendent
22 shall appoint a program coordinator who shall be charged with
23 administering the program at local board levels. All members of
24 the board shall serve without compensation and for a three year
25 term.

26 3. The board ¹or council¹ shall encourage and coordinate local
27 business partnership "Adopt a School Programs" which may ¹be
28 instituted at public secondary schools, other than schools
29 established under the provisions of chapter 54 of Title 18A of the
30 New Jersey Statutes. The business partnership programs may
31 include, but are not limited to, supplying materials, funding,
32 offering ¹[cooperative education and] work based learning
33 opportunities including¹ apprenticeships to students and providing
34 volunteers for the classroom. Businesses entering into the
35 "Adopt a school Program" pursuant to this act shall not seek
36 reimbursement for any donation of time, money, materials or
37 personnel from the State, a local school district or a community
38 college.

39 4. The board ¹or council¹ shall provide upon the request of
40 ¹[local school districts or county colleges] the county
41 superintendent¹ a rating of the effectiveness of ¹[programs] any
42 program¹ designed to prepare students for employment, based on

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

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹ Assembly AED committee amendments adopted May 6, 1993.

1 the preparedness of students who are in their employment. The
2 board shall also make recommendations to the local school board
3 through the county superintendent regarding suggested
4 curriculum changes or other methods to improve those programs
5 designed to prepare students for employment in a vocation or
6 technical field.

7 5. Contributions provided under this act by local businesses
8 shall in no way affect the amount of State aid entitlement of a
9 local school district or community college.

10 6. This act shall take effect immediately.

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16 Creates "Adopt a School Program" providing for business
partnerships with public school districts.

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This bill would create the "Adopt a School Program" which would encourage local businesses to assist local public secondary schools regarding programs designed to prepare students for employment. Local businesses would be eligible to join a business advisory board headed by the county superintendent. The board would coordinate local business efforts and encourage business partnership "Adopt a School Programs" which may be made available at public schools, other than schools established under the provisions of chapter 54 of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

This program is intended to interface with existing employment training programs in the public schools, other than district, regional or county vocational schools, including joint programs between school districts and community colleges, and to coordinate those programs through the advisory board. The program offers the opportunity for businesses to have more involvement in the programs which are being utilized by students intending to enter a technical field or vocation, but who are also receiving college preparatory courses.

The business partnership programs may include, but are not limited to, supplying materials, funding, offering apprenticeships to students and providing volunteers for the classroom. Local businesses would also have the opportunity through the advisory board to suggest changes to current programs for students involving vocational or technical training. In addition, the board may, upon request by a school, rate the training programs in the school based on the preparedness of students in their employ who were enrolled in the programs. Contributions of businesses to school districts or community colleges under the bill are not to affect the amount of State aid to which a school or college receiving the contributions is entitled.

The benefits of involving private businesses with local schools include helping to insure a stabilized, qualified labor force, particularly in technical vocations where a mix of academic and vocational preparation is needed. In addition, the program should help to reduce the school drop-out rate and strengthen communities as a whole through the joint efforts of the schools and businesses.

Creates "Adopt a School Program" providing for business partnerships with public school districts.

ASSEMBLY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 505

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MAY 6, 1993

The Assembly Education Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 505 with committee amendments.

This bill, as amended, creates the "Adopt a School Program" in order to encourage local businesses to assist local public secondary schools in providing programs which are designed to prepare students for employment. Local businesses would be eligible to join a business advisory board headed by the county superintendent. The board would coordinate local business efforts and encourage business partnership "Adopt a School Programs" which may be made available at public schools, other than district, regional or county vocational schools. In order to prevent the duplication of effort in this area, the bill authorizes the county superintendent to designate a Workforce Investment Board under the State Employment and Training Commission or a Private Industry Council under the Job Training and Partnership Act to perform the functions of the advisory board.

This "Adopt a School Program" will interface with existing employment training programs in the public schools, including joint programs between school districts and community colleges, and coordinate those programs through the advisory board. The program gives businesses the opportunity to have more involvement in the programs which are being utilized by students intending to enter a technical field or vocation, but who are also receiving college preparatory courses.

The business partnership "Adopt a School Program" may include, but is not limited to, supplying materials, funding, offering apprenticeships to students and providing volunteers for the classroom. Local businesses would also have the opportunity through the advisory board to suggest changes to current programs for students involving vocational or technical training.

In addition, the advisory board may, upon request of the county superintendent rate the training programs in the school based on the preparedness of students in their employ who were enrolled in the programs.

Finally, contributions of businesses to school districts or community colleges under the bill will not affect the amount of State aid to which a school or college receiving the contributions is entitled.

The committee amended the bill to authorize the county superintendent to designate a Workforce Investment Board under the State Employment and Training Commission or a Private Industry Council under the Job Training and Partnership Act to perform the functions of the advisory board. The committee also amended the bill to provide that only the county superintendent may request the board to rate the effectiveness of a program. The committee also made technical changes to the bill.

SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 505

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: OCTOBER 1, 1992

The Senate Education Committee favorably reports this bill without committee amendments.

This bill creates the "Adopt a School Program" which would encourage local businesses to assist local public secondary schools regarding programs designed to prepare students for employment. Local businesses would be eligible to join a business advisory board headed by the county superintendent. The board would coordinate local business efforts and encourage business partnership "Adopt a School Programs" which may be made available at public schools, other than district, regional or county vocational schools.

This program is intended to interface with existing employment training programs in the public schools, including joint programs between school districts and community colleges, and to coordinate those programs through the advisory board. The program offers the opportunity for businesses to have more involvement in the programs which are being utilized by students intending to enter a technical field or vocation, but who are also receiving college preparatory courses.

The business partnership programs may include, but are not limited to, supplying materials, funding, offering apprenticeships to students and providing volunteers for the classroom. Local businesses would also have the opportunity through the advisory board to suggest changes to current programs for students involving vocational or technical training. In addition, the board may, upon request by a school, rate the training programs in the school based on the preparedness of students in their employ who were enrolled in the programs. Contributions of businesses to school districts or community colleges under the bill are not to affect the amount of State aid to which a school or college receiving the contributions is entitled.