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ASSEMBLY, No. 1404

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED MAY 7, 1992

By Assemblyman SOSA, Assemblywoman ANDERSON,
Assemblyman Mikulak, Assemblywoman Haines,
Assemblymen Roma, Garrett, R. Brown,
Assemblywomen Weinberg and Heck

1 AN ACT concerning tuition waivers for unemployed workers at
2 certain public institutions of higher education and amending
3 P.L.1983, c.469 and P.L.1983, c.470.

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

7 1. Section 1 of P.L.1983, c.469 (C.18A:64-13.1) is amended to
8 read as follows:

9 1. As used in this act:

10 a. "Job training course" means any course of instruction which
11 will provide the individual with an identifiable job skill and will
12 assist [him] the individual in gaining reemployment , any course
13 of instruction which is part of a training program approved
14 pursuant to the provisions of paragraph (4) of subsection (c) of
15 R.S.43:21-4, or any course of instruction which is part of the
16 education and training described in the Employability
17 Development Plan developed for the individual pursuant to
18 section 3 of P.L. , c. (C.)(now pending before the
19 Legislature as Assembly Bill No. of 1992).

20 b. "Public [college]" institution of higher education means
21 the State colleges and the New Jersey Institute of Technology
22 and all other institutions indicated by N.J.S.18A:62-1, except for
23 county colleges.

24 (cf: P.L.1983, c.469, s.1)

25 2. Section 2 of P.L.1983, c.469 (C.18A:64-13.2) is amended to
26 read as follows:

27 2. Each public [college] institution of higher education shall
28 permit a person who has been in the labor market for at least two
29 years and is unemployed or has received a layoff notice as a
30 result of a factory or plant closing to enroll without payment of
31 tuition in a job training course, provided that [he] the person is
32 not eligible for any available State or federal student financial
33 aid ¹[or aid available to the person pursuant to job training
34 programs, including P.L.1983, c.328 (C.34:15B-11 et seq.), the
35 "1992 New Jersey Employment and Workforce Development
36 Act," P.L. , c. (C.)(now pending before the Legislature as
37 Assembly Bill No. 1402 of 1992) or the "Job Training Partnership
38 Act," Pub.L.97-300 (29 U.S.C. §1501 et seq.),]¹ and that available
39 classroom space permits and that tuition paying students
40 constitute the minimum number required for the course. Nothing
41 herein shall preclude a public [college] institution of higher

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 ALA committee amendments adopted June 11, 1992.

1 education from requiring a registration fee not to exceed \$20.00
2 per academic term.

3 (cf: P.L.1983, c.469, s.2)

4 3. Section 1 of P.L.1983, c.470 (C.18A:64A-23.1) is amended
5 to read as follows:

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7 of instruction which will provide the individual with an
8 identifiable job skill and will assist [him] the individual in gaining
9 reemployment, any course of instruction which is part of a
10 training program approved pursuant to the provisions of
11 paragraph (4) of subsection (c) of R.S.43:21-4, or any course of
12 instruction which is part of the education and training described
13 in the Employability Development Plan developed for the
14 individual pursuant to section 3 of P.L. , c. (C.)(now
15 pending before the Legislature as Assembly Bill No. of 1992).
16 (cf: P.L.1983, c.470, s.1)

17 4. Section 2 of P.L.1983, c.470 (C.18A:64A-23.2) is amended
18 to read as follows:

19 2. Each county college shall permit a person who has been in
20 the labor market for at least two years and is unemployed or has
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24 State or federal student financial aid ¹[or aid available to the
25 person pursuant to job training programs, including P.L.1983,
26 c.328 (C.34:15B-11 et seq.), the "1992 New Jersey Employment
27 and Workforce Development Act," P.L. , c. (C.)(now
28 pending before the Legislature as Assembly Bill No. 1402 of
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30 U.S.C. §1501 et seq.),]¹ and that available classroom space
31 permits and that tuition paying students constitute the minimum
32 number required for the course. Nothing herein shall preclude a
33 county college from requiring a registration fee not to exceed
34 \$20.00 per academic term.

35 (cf: P.L.1983, c.470, s.2)

36 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

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41 Provides tuition waivers for unemployed workers at public higher
42 education institutions.

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34 programs, including P.L.1983, c.328 (C.34:15B-11 et seq.), the
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36 Act," P.L. , c. (C.)(now pending before the Legislature as
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24 and Workforce Development Act," P.L. , c. (C.)(now
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STATEMENT

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38 This bill extends the existing tuition waiver program for
39 unemployed workers enrolled in job training courses by making
40 the waivers available for job training courses at all public
41 institutions of higher education. The current laws, P.L.1983,
42 c.469 (C.18A:64-13.1 et seq.) and P.L.1983, c.470
43 (C.18A:64A-23.1 et seq.), provide the waivers only for job
44 training courses at county colleges, State colleges and the New
45 Jersey Institute of Technology.

46 The bill also makes the waivers available for any course which
47 is part of an overall job training program approved for an
48 unemployed worker by the State Department of Labor, including
49 courses providing remedial basic skills education deemed
50 necessary for the worker to succeed in occupation training. The
51 present law limits the waivers to courses providing specific job
52 skills.

53 This legislation would not impose any new costs on public
54 institutions of higher education, because the tuition waivers only

1 apply, both under the present law and this bill, to courses which
2 have both the minimum required number of paying students and
3 available space for non-paying students. In addition, the bill
4 clarifies that the law's present requirement that no waiver be
5 given to a worker who is eligible for available federal and State
6 student financial aid also prohibits a waiver for a worker for
7 whom aid is available from federal and State job training
8 programs.

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ASSEMBLY LABOR COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1404

with Assembly committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 10, 1992

The Assembly Labor Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 1404 with committee amendments.

As amended by the committee, the bill extends the existing tuition waiver program for unemployed workers enrolled in job training courses by making the waivers available for job training courses at all public institutions of higher education. The current laws, P.L.1983, c.469 (C.18A:64-13.1 et seq.) and P.L.1983, c.470 (C.18A:64A-23.1 et seq.), provide the waivers only for job training courses at county colleges, State colleges and the New Jersey Institute of Technology.

The bill also makes the waivers available for any course which is part of an overall job training program approved for an unemployed worker by the State Department of Labor, including courses providing remedial basic skills education deemed necessary for the worker to succeed in occupation training. The present law limits the waivers to courses providing specific job skills.

This legislation would not impose any new costs on public institutions of higher education, because the tuition waivers only apply, both under the present law and this bill, to courses which have both the minimum required number of paying students and available space for non-paying students.

The committee amendments remove a provision that no waiver be given to a worker who is eligible for aid from federal and State job training programs.