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DELAWARE STATE SENATE 150th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SENATE BILL NO. 138 AS AMENDED BY SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 1

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE DELAWARE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE:

Section 1. Amend § 8601, Title 14 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and

insertions as shown by underline as follows:

§ 8601. Purpose.

(a) It is the purpose of the General Assembly of the State, through this chapter, to establish and maintain the

Delaware Advisory Council on Career and Technical Education (DACCTE) Education, referred to as "DACCTE"

throughout this chapter. DACCTE is established to advise the Governor, General Assembly, Secretary of Education

Education, and the State Board of Education on all matters pertaining to career and technical education with emphasis on

recommending policies and initiatives that should be pursued to strengthen and modernize the career and technical

education delivery system.

(b) Further, it is the intent and purpose of the General Assembly to provide an objective agency to conduct

evaluations, evaluations and program reviews and serve as a clearinghouse for state and national information on career and

technical education, so that citizens have education, to provide citizens of this State access to the experience and judgment

of lay and professional groups from the fields of employment and education in the formation of public policies.

Section 2. Amend § 8602, Title 14 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and

insertions as shown by underline as follows:

§ 8602. Membership.

(a)(1) Members of the Delaware Advisory Council on Career and Technical Education (DACCTE) shall be The

Governor shall appoint all voting DACCTE members, who shall serve at the Governor's pleasure. Such membership shall

include: The voting members must represent, at a minimum, the following:

(1)a. A person or persons An individual knowledgeable about the vocational needs and the problems of

management and labor in the State; State.

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(2)b. A person or persons representative of An individual representing an industrial and economic development agencies; agency.

(3)c. A person or persons representative of institutions An individual representing an institution of higher

education; education.

(4)d. A person or persons representative of institutions which provide An individual representing an

institution that provides programs of career and technical education and training; training.

(5)e. A person or persons An individual knowledgeable about programs in technical and career

education; education.

(6)f. A person or persons representative of school boards; An individual representing a school board.

(7)g. A person or persons An individual knowledgeable about students with special needs; disabilities.

(8)h. A person or persons representative of An individual representing business and industry and familiar

with current and projected employment opportunities; opportunities.

(9)i. A person or persons representative of An individual representing a career and technical student

 $\frac{organizations;}{organization.}$

(10)j. A person or persons representative of the An individual representing the Delaware National Guard;

and Guard.

(11)k. A person or persons representative of the general public. An individual representing the general

public, with a demonstrated interest in public education.

l. An individual to serve as chair.

(2) The Governor may not appoint a member to represent more than 2 of the membership qualifications under

paragraph (b)(1) of this section.

(3) The Secretary of the Department of Education shall appoint the following nonvoting DACCTE members:

a. A representative of the Department of Education.

b. A student enrolled in a Delaware career and technical education program, whose term is for 1 school

year. The Secretary shall consider geographical and other diversities in appointing this member.

(b) The Chairperson of DACCTE shall be a representative of the private sector and shall be selected by the

members of the Council. A member may be removed by the member's appointing authority for gross inefficiency,

misfeasance, nonfeasance, malfeasance, or neglect of duty in office. A member is deemed in neglect of duty if the member

is absent from 3 consecutive, regular Board meetings or attends less than 50% of Board meetings in a calendar year. The

member's appointing authority may consider the member to have resigned, and may accept the member's resignation.

Section 3. Amend § 8603, Title 14 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and

insertions as shown by underline as follows:

§ 8603. Duties and responsibilities.

The Advisory Council on Career and Technical Education DACCTE shall do all of the following:

(1) Advise policymakers on the development of the State Plan for Career and Technical Education and any

amendments to the State Plan.

(2) Recommend policies that the State should pursue to strengthen career and technical education and related

initiatives.

(3) Evaluate career and technical education programs, services, activities activities, and career initiatives

throughout the State.

(4) Provide technical assistance to local school districts, agencies agencies, and other organizations to

enhance and improve the career and technical education delivery system.

(5) Analyze and report on the distribution of funds for career and technical education and on the availability

of career and technical education activities and services within the State.

(6) Promote coordination, collaboration collaboration, and effective partnerships among business, industry,

labor, education education, and employment and training programs to help meet the economic needs of the State.

(7) Disseminate relevant career information to teachers, counselors, students, and the general public.

(8) Schedule and conduct at least 4 regular meetings each year at which the public is given opportunity to

express views concerning career and technical education. The Council shall determine the time, place, and

manner of meeting shall be determined by the Council.

Section 4. Amend § 8604, Title 14 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and

insertions as shown by underline as follows:

§ 8604. Acceptance of and compliance with federal and state legislation and regulations.

(a) The Delaware Advisory Council on Career and Technical Education DACCTE shall comply with the

provisions of the federal Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 (Perkins IV) [20 U.S.C. § 2301 et

seq.], seq.] and any subsequent reauthorization thereof, and thereof. DACCTE is subject to its requirements of the Carl D.

Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006, and any implementing regulations thereto, and any state laws or

regulations related to career and technical education. As used in this title, "career and technical education" shall have has

the same meaning as "vocational-technical education."

(b) The State Treasurer shall be is the fiscal agent for the Delaware Advisory Council on Career and Technical

Education DACCTE and shall make disbursements upon the order of the Council to carry out its functions.

Section 5. Amend § 8605, Title 14 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and

insertions as shown by underline as follows:

§ 8605. Member reimbursement.

Members shall serve without pay and may be reimbursed for travel in connection with their responsibilities.

Section 6. Amend § 8606, Title 14 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and

insertions as shown by underline as follows:

§ 8606. Staff.

The Council is authorized to may obtain the services of such professional, technical technical, and clerical

personnel and to contract for such services as may be necessary to enable it to carry out the duties and responsibilities of

this chapter.

Section 7. Amend Chapter 86, Title 14 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and

insertions as shown by underline as follows:

§ 8607. Meetings; quorum.

(a) DACCTE shall schedule no less than 3 meetings per year after regular business hours at locations in each of

the 3 counties of this State.

(b) A majority of the voting DACCTE members must be present at a meeting in order to have a quorum and

conduct official business. The nonvoting members or a vacant position are not counted for quorum purposes.

§ 8608. School monitoring.

DACCTE shall do all of the following:

(1) Create a 2-year, rotating career and technical education program monitoring schedule.

(2) Conduct on-site monitoring visits of schools.

(3) Post all final reports regarding the program monitoring under this chapter to DACCTE's website.

§ 8609. Annual report.

(a) DACCTE shall produce an annual report that includes all of the following:

(1) Advocacy efforts made to lawmakers and school administrators on behalf of career and technical

education students.

(2)a. A copy of that year's issue of the annual publication, Career Compass.

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<u>b.</u> A list of recipients of both the print and digital versions of Career Compass. The list must include the names of specific entities that receive Career Compass, but may not include the names of specific individuals, unless the individual receives a Career Compass by virtue of the individual's position.

(3) A needs assessment of statewide career and technical education programming.

(4) The reports from all on-site monitoring visits to programs conducted under § 8608 of this title.

(5) Written procedure if an on-site monitoring visit requires follow up.

(b) DACCTE shall submit the annual report under this section to the Governor, the General Assembly, the Department of Education's Director of Career and Technical Education, and the Director and Librarian of the Division of Research of Legislative Council.

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