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54TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2019

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AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC EDUCATION IMPROVEMENTS; CREATING THE CAREER
TECHNICAL EDUCATION PILOT PROJECT; REQUIRING THE COLLECTION AND
ANALYSIS OF STUDENT, PROGRAM AND INSTRUCTOR DATA TO DETERMINE
THE EFFICACY OF THE PILOT PROJECT; CREATING A FUND; MAKING AN
APPROPRIATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. A new section of the Public School Code is
enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION PILOT
PROJECT.--

A. A "career technical education pilot project" is
created as a seven-year pilot project administered by the
department to fund high-quality career technical education
programs and monitor their effect on student outcomes,

1 including achievement scores, academic growth, remediation
2 rates and graduation rates. The department shall consult with
3 the higher education department and the workforce solutions
4 department as it develops its measures to determine what
5 constitutes a high-quality career technical education program
6 and what students should know and be able to demonstrate to an
7 employer or to succeed in a post-secondary career technical
8 education program. School districts and charter schools may
9 apply to participate in the pilot project on forms provided by
10 the department. The department may provide grants to school
11 districts and charter schools to:

12 (1) establish career technical education
13 programs as part of the pilot project; and

14 (2) provide professional development and
15 training to career technical education teachers in the pilot
16 project.

17 B. At a minimum, the career technical education
18 programs funded by the department as part of the pilot project
19 shall:

20 (1) include rigorous content aligned with
21 academic standards and relevant career technical content that
22 align secondary and post-secondary education;

23 (2) incorporate permeable pathways through
24 post-secondary education;

25 (3) include potential for dual credit courses;

1 (4) require competency in science, technology,
2 engineering and mathematics;

3 (5) require training in soft skills and social
4 skills;

5 (6) lead to an industry-recognized credential
6 at the post-secondary level or to an associate's or bachelor's
7 degree;

8 (7) establish partnerships among the local
9 school district or charter school, post-secondary institutions
10 and local business and industry; and

11 (8) provide the data necessary to the
12 department and the participating public schools to evaluate
13 each program and the pilot project.

14 C. The department shall provide professional
15 development to existing career technical education teachers and
16 training to new teachers in career technical education that:

17 (1) addresses project-based learning;

18 (2) includes the basics of pedagogy;

19 (3) promotes integration of career technical
20 curricula with core content areas;

21 (4) includes training in instruction for
22 employability and soft skills;

23 (5) includes training in social-emotional
24 learning and trauma-informed instruction; and

25 (6) addresses department standards and

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1 benchmarks for career technical education.

2 D. The department shall promulgate rules for the
3 administration of the pilot project, the collection and
4 analysis of student, program and instructor data and required
5 reporting by participating public schools.

6 E. The department shall provide annual and final
7 reports to the legislature through the legislative education
8 study committee and the governor on the efficacy of the pilot
9 project."

10 SECTION 2. A new section of the Public School Code is
11 enacted to read:

12 "[NEW MATERIAL] CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION FUND CREATED.--
13 The "career technical education fund" is created as a
14 nonreverting fund in the state treasury until the end of the
15 pilot project. The fund consists of appropriations, gifts,
16 grants and donations. The department shall administer the fund
17 and money in the fund is appropriated to the department to
18 carry out the career technical education pilot project. The
19 fund shall be administered by the department and money in the
20 fund is appropriated to the department to provide grants to
21 school districts and charter schools participating in the pilot
22 project. Expenditures from the fund shall be on warrants of
23 the secretary of finance and administration on vouchers signed
24 by the secretary of public education or the secretary's
25 designated representative."

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