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Referred to Committee on EDUCATION

Introduced by: (ED)

AN ACT CONCERNING GRADUATION DATA FOR THE TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND CAREER SYSTEM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 10-95h of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):
- (a) Not later than November thirtieth of each year, the joint standing
 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
- 5 relating to education, higher education and employment advancement
- 6 and labor shall meet with the chairperson of the Technical Education
- 7 and Career System board and the superintendent of the Technical
- 8 Education and Career System, the Labor Commissioner and such other
- 9 persons as they deem appropriate to consider the items submitted
- 10 pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.
- 11 (b) On or before November fifteenth, annually:
- 12 (1) The Labor Commissioner shall submit the following to the joint
- 13 standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of
- 14 matters relating to education, higher education and employment

- advancement and labor: (A) Information identifying general economic trends in the state; (B) occupational information regarding the public and private sectors, such as continuous data on occupational movements; and (C) information identifying emerging regional, state and national workforce needs over the next thirty years.
 - (2) The superintendent of the Technical Education and Career System shall submit the following to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education, higher education and employment advancement and labor: (A) Information ensuring that the curriculum of the Technical Education and Career System is incorporating those workforce skills that will be needed for the next thirty years, as identified by the Labor Commissioner in subdivision (1) of this subsection, into the technical education and career schools; (B) information regarding graduation rates for the Technical Education and Career System and the employment status of students who graduate from or complete an approved program of study at the Technical Education and Career System, including, but not limited to: (i) Demographics such as age and gender, (ii) course and program enrollment, [and completion,] (iii) course and program completion rates and graduation rates, including such completion and graduation rates disaggregated for each course and program of study, (iv) employment status, and [(iv)] (v) wages prior to enrolling and after graduating; (C) an assessment of the adequacy of the resources available to the Technical Education and Career System as the system develops and refines programs to meet existing and emerging workforce needs; (D) recommendations to the Technical Education and Career System board to carry out the provisions of subparagraphs (A) to (C), inclusive, of this subdivision; (E) information regarding staffing at each technical education and career school for the current academic year; and (F) information regarding the transition process of the Technical Education and Career System as an independent agency, including, but not limited to, the actions taken by the Technical Education and Career System board and the superintendent to create a budget process and maintain

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- 49 programmatic consistency for students enrolled in the technical 50 education and career system. The superintendent shall collaborate 51 with the Labor Commissioner to obtain information as needed to carry 52 out the provisions of this subsection.
- 53 Sec. 2. Subsection (a) of section 10-95k of the general statutes is 54 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 55 1, 2019):
- 56 (a) Not later than January 1, [2017] 2021, and biennially thereafter, 57 the Technical Education and Career System board shall prepare a 58 summary report concerning the Technical Education and Career 59 System and shall submit the report directly to the joint standing 60 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters 61 relating to education in accordance with the provisions of section 11-62 4a. The report shall include demographic information for the 63 preceding two school years on applicants for admission, students 64 enrolled and graduates, and a summary of the capital and operating 65 expenditures. Such information shall be provided for the Technical 66 Education and Career System and for each technical education and 67 career school and satellite facility. Enrollment information shall be 68 reported by race and sex and by specific trade programs. Applicant 69 information shall include the number of applicants, the number 70 accepted and the number enrolled reported by race and sex. 71 Enrollment capacity for each school and projected enrollment capacity 72 for the subsequent school year shall be developed on the basis of a 73 standardized format and shall be reported for each school and satellite 74 facility. The report shall also include assessment of student outcomes 75 including, but not limited to, mastery examination results pursuant to 76 section 10-14n, retention and [completion] graduation rates, including 77 such graduation rates disaggregated for each trade program, and 78 postsecondary education or employment based on graduate follow-up 79 and, for purposes of employment placement, state unemployment 80 insurance wage records.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2019	10-95h
Sec. 2	July 1, 2019	10-95k(a)

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