

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

January 13, 2017

Introduced by Sen. HAMILTON -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Finance

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to establishing a summer youth employment and career development program; and making an appropriation therefor

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 1527-a
2 to read as follows:

3 § 1527-a. Summer youth employment and career development program. 1.
4 There shall be a summer youth employment and career development program
5 supervised by the board of education and administered by guidance coun-
6 sors of each district. The program shall encourage the development of
7 part time and full time minimum wage paying internship positions for
8 high school students, provide students with job training, placement
9 services and career counseling and assist high school faculty in devel-
10 oping and implementing a curriculum to provide students with work-compe-
11 tency training.

12 2. Subject to the provisions of subdivision one of this section, each
13 high school in the state shall have guidance counselors as permitted by
14 budget allocations therefor: acting as liaisons between directors of all
15 employment-related programs within the school, including cooperative
16 education programs, training opportunities programs and school to
17 employment programs; conducting job and career fairs; organizing field
18 trips to local businesses, job fairs and career centers; compiling and
19 maintaining current lists of all internship placements available includ-
20 ing full-time and part-time employment opportunities; soliciting employ-
21 ment opportunities for high school students from employers representing
22 the public sector, private sector, community-based organizations and
23 internship programs based on the current curriculum and geographical
24 need of the district; endeavor to increase internship opportunities and

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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1 develop other work-experience programs for students; assisting students
2 in securing full-time and part-time summer employment; providing train-
3 ing in resume drafting and interviewing skills to program participants;
4 and continuing to provide job placement and counseling services to
5 program participants for one year subsequent to graduation.

6 3. Each school operating a summer youth employment and career develop-
7 ment program shall be equipped with the necessary tools and resources to
8 facilitate such program as deemed necessary by the commissioner and
9 board of education, and shall be used to accommodate program staff to
10 facilitate student career training and counseling.

11 § 2. The sum of three million dollars (\$3,000,000), or so much thereof
12 as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated to the department of educa-
13 tion from any monies in the state treasury in the general fund to the
14 credit of the local assistance account for purposes of providing for the
15 state's share of the necessary appropriation to the state board of
16 education for the operation of the summer youth employment and career
17 development program established by this act provided, however, that no
18 expenditures shall be made available from this appropriation for any
19 purpose unless and until an appropriation to such board of education is
20 made and then only in amounts matching such moneys paid to such board of
21 education. Such sum shall be payable on the audit and warrant of the
22 state comptroller on vouchers certified or approved by the commissioner
23 of education, or his or her duly designated representative in the manner
24 provided by law. Consistent with the foregoing provisions of this act,
25 no expenditure shall be made from this appropriation until a certificate
26 of approval of availability shall have been issued by the director of
27 the budget and filed with the state comptroller and a copy filed with
28 the chair of the senate finance committee and the chair of the assembly
29 ways and means committee. Such certificate may be amended from time to
30 time by the director of the budget and a copy of each such amendment
31 shall be filed with the state comptroller, the chair of the senate
32 finance committee and the chair of the assembly ways and means commit-
33 tee.

34 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.