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## IN SENATE

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AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to establishing the strategic partnership for industrial resurgence program

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 239-b to read as follows:

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- S 239-B. STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP FOR INDUSTRIAL RESURGENCE PROGRAM. 1. THERE IS HEREBY ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK, A STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP FOR INDUSTRIAL RESURGENCE PROGRAM, HEREAFTER REFERRED TO AS "THE PROGRAM." SUCH PROGRAM IS CREATED FOR THE PURPOSES OF STRENGTHENING THE STATE'S SMALL AND MID-SIZED BUSINESSES BY HELPING THEM TO ADDRESS ENGINEERING PROBLEMS AND PROCESSES IN ORDER TO IMPROVE INDUSTRIAL COMPETITIVENESS. SUCH PROGRAM SHALL PROVIDE NEW YORK STATE COMPANIES WITH TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE WITH RESEARCH PROJECTS AND WITH THE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL FUNDING AND OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING FOR WHICH THEY ARE ELIGIBLE.
- 2. THE CHANCELLOR OF THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK SHALL DETERMINE THE ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR THE ENGINEERING SCHOOLS OF THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK AT ALBANY, BINGHAMTON, BUFFALO AND STONY BROOK. ADDITIONAL ENGINEERING SCHOOLS IN THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK CAN BE ADDED IF ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE. THE EXISTING RELATIVE FUNDING ALLOCATIONS TO THE INDIVIDUAL UNIVERSITIES WILL BE MAINTAINED.
- 19 3. ELIGIBLE PROJECTS MAY INVOLVE ANY DEPARTMENT IN THE SCHOOL/COLLEGE 20 OF ENGINEERING AT THE PARTICIPATING UNIVERSITIES.
  - 4. ELIGIBLE PROJECTS SHALL INCLUDE ONLY PROJECTS THAT SUPPORT THE GOALS OF STUDENT EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AS DETERMINED BY THE DEAN OF THE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT OR AN EQUIVALENT FACULTY MEMBER AT EACH ENGINEERING SCHOOL. ALL PROJECTS SHALL HAVE WELL-DEFINED DELIVERABLES AND TIMEFRAMES.
- 5. ANY NEW YORK STATE TECHNOLOGY-BASED OR TECHNOLOGY-DEPENDENT COMPANY IN THE MANUFACTURING, PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY OR SERVICE SECTOR WITH FEWER THAN TWO HUNDRED FIFTY EMPLOYEES IS ELIGIBLE

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

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TO RECEIVE ASSISTANCE FROM THE PROGRAM. PROGRAM FUNDS MAY SUPPORT UP TO FIFTY PERCENT OF THE COST OF THE ENTIRE PROJECT. COMPANIES SHALL COVER 3 AT LEAST FIFTY PERCENT OF THE COST OF THE PROJECT THROUGH COMPANY OR OTHER EXTERNAL RESOURCES, INCLUDING FEDERAL RESOURCES. ALLOWABLE EXPENSES UNDER THE PROGRAM SHALL INCLUDE COMPENSATION AND 5 TUITION ASSISTANCE FOR UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE STUDENTS WORKING DIRECTLY ON 6 7 THE PROJECT IN ADDITION TO ANY STUDENT TRAVEL DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE 8 PROJECT.

- 6. THE PROGRAM MAY SUPPORT THE EFFORTS OF COMPANIES TO DEVELOP PROPOSALS FOR THE "SMALL BUSINESS INNOVATION RESEARCH PROGRAM," AS ENACTED PURSUANT TO PUBLIC LAW 97-219 REGARDING THE SMALL BUSINESS INNOVATION DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1982, OR THE "SMALL BUSINESS TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER PROGRAM," AS ENACTED BY PUBLIC LAW 102-564 REGARDING THE SMALL BUSINESS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ENHANCEMENT ACT OF 1992, WHICH PROVIDE FUNDS TO SMALL BUSINESSES TO CONDUCT INNOVATIVE RESEARCH HAVING COMMERCIAL APPLICATION.
- 7. THE CHANCELLOR OF THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT, ON OR BEFORE JULY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND TEN AND ANNUALLY THEREAFT- ER, TO THE BOARD OF REGENTS, THE GOVERNOR, THE TEMPORARY PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE ASSEMBLY. SUCH REPORT SHALL INCORPORATE INFORMATION ON THE PROGRAM AT EACH ENGINEERING SCHOOL AND INCLUDE:
  - (A) A SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECTS AT EACH SCHOOL;
- 23 (B) INFORMATION ON ANY COLLABORATIONS, AND ANY FEDERAL GRANTS AWARDED;
- 24 (C) INFORMATION ON THE PROJECTED ECONOMIC IMPACT, INCLUDING COMPANY 25 PRODUCTIVITY AND ANY JOBS CREATED, RETAINED OR PROJECTED TO BE CREATED 26 OR RETAINED; AND
- 27 (D) SUCH OTHER INFORMATION AS THE CHANCELLOR DEEMS NECESSARY.
- 28 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.