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Committee on Economic Development

AN ACT to amend the New York state urban development corporation act, in  
relation to providing science, technology, engineering and mathematics  
grants for the encouragement of women and minorities to pursue careers  
in technology

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

1     Section 1. Section 16-m of section 1 of chapter 174 of the laws of  
2     1968, constituting the New York state urban development corporation act,  
3     is amended by adding a new subdivision (o) to read as follows:  
4     (O) ASSISTANCE TO ENCOURAGE WOMEN AND MINORITIES TO PURSUE TECHNOLOGY  
5     CAREERS BY PROVIDING SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATHEMATICS  
6     (STEM) GRANTS, ON A COMPETITIVE BASIS, TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS OR BOARDS OF  
7     COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES FOR USE IN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS,  
8     SHALL NOT INCLUDE SCHOOLS DESIGNATED UNDER ARTICLE FIFTY-SIX OF THE  
9     EDUCATION LAW, TO DEVELOP NEW AND ENHANCE CURRENT STEM PROGRAMS IN  
10    GRADES SIX THROUGH TWELVE, INCLUDING CAREER EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES,  
11    OPPORTUNITIES FOR TECHNICAL SKILLS ATTAINMENT AND PARTNERSHIPS WITH  
12    POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAMS.  
13    (I) DEVELOPMENT OF PROPOSALS AND SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS OF SUCH STEM  
14    GRANTS SHALL BE CARRIED OUT IN COOPERATION WITH THE COMMISSIONER OF THE  
15    STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.  
16    (II) GRANTS SHALL BE MADE FOR A RECURRENT PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS AT  
17    WHICH TIME THE CHAIRPERSON SHALL EVALUATE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE STEM  
18    GRANTS BASED ON CRITERIA DEVELOPED IN COOPERATION WITH THE COMMISSIONER  
19    OF THE STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.  
20    (1) SUCH CRITERIA SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO, THE NUMBER OF  
21    WOMEN AND MINORITY STUDENTS IN STEM PROGRAMS BEFORE AND AFTER THE GRANT  
22    PERIOD; AND

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

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(2) THE PERCENTAGE OF THE NEW STEM STUDENTS WHO HAVE GONE ON TO TWO- AND FOUR-YEAR POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS AND THE PERCENTAGE WHO HAVE BEEN EMPLOYED FOR A PERIOD NOT LESS THAN TWO YEARS IN MATHEMATICS, SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, HEALTH RELATED FIELDS AND THE LICENSED PROFESSIONS.

(III) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCIES SHALL MEAN SCHOOL DISTRICTS, BOARDS OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES BUT SHALL NOT INCLUDE SCHOOLS DESIGNATED UNDER ARTICLE FIFTY-SIX OF THE EDUCATION LAW.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately; provided that the amendments to section 16-m of section 1 of chapter 174 of the laws of 1968, constituting the New York state urban development corporation act, made by section one of this act, shall not affect the expiration of such section and shall be deemed to expire therewith.