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AN ACT to amend the public authorities law, in relation to creating the community college high-technology investment program (C-CHIP)

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

1     Section 1. Legislative intent. The legislature hereby finds that  
2     significant employment opportunities exist in growing fields where  
3     complex technologies require advanced skills. Access to modern, effi-  
4     cient facilities and equipment will provide students with the ability to  
5     learn about, develop and apply new technologies. Having access to these  
6     modern facilities and equipment will provide students with the knowledge  
7     and skill required for employment in the ever-expanding high-technology  
8     sector or in other sectors of the economy, including manufacturing and  
9     service, that utilize advanced, high-technology-related processes. The  
10    legislature finds that it is proper and essential for the state to  
11    support efforts that will provide students with updated and modern  
12    facilities and equipment where skills can be learned in a setting that  
13    best matches the workplaces for which the students are being prepared.  
14    The legislature also finds and declares that a well-trained and skilled  
15    workforce will attract businesses seeking to enhance production, modern-  
16    ize or expand as well as start up or relocate to New York state.  
17    The legislature hereby authorizes the creation of the community  
18    college high-technology investment program (C-CHIP).

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

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1 S 2. The public authorities law is amended by adding a new section  
2 3154-a to read as follows:

3 S 3154-A. COMMUNITY COLLEGE HIGH-TECHNOLOGY INVESTMENT PROGRAM. 1. A  
4 COMMUNITY COLLEGE HIGH-TECHNOLOGY INVESTMENT PROGRAM (HEREAFTER REFERRED  
5 TO AS C-CHIP) IS HEREBY CREATED.

6 2. THE FOUNDATION SHALL, FROM APPROPRIATIONS MADE AVAILABLE FOR THIS  
7 PURPOSE OR FROM APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM  
8 AUTHORIZED UNDER SECTION TWO HUNDRED NINE-P OF THE EXECUTIVE LAW, AWARD  
9 GRANTS OF UP TO ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS TO COMMUNITY COLLEGES FOR  
10 RECONSTRUCTING, REHABILITATING OR IMPROVING EXISTING LABORATORY FACILI-  
11 TIES AND FOR ACQUISITION OR UPGRADES OF EQUIPMENT NECESSARY TO PROVIDE  
12 TARGETED EDUCATIONAL, OCCUPATIONAL OR TRAINING SERVICES TO STUDENTS  
13 SEEKING ASSOCIATE DEGREES OR WORKERS SEEKING OCCUPATION-SPECIFIC TRAIN-  
14 ING IN ORDER TO OBTAIN OR RETAIN EMPLOYMENT AND FOR COSTS INCURRED BY  
15 THE INSTITUTION FOR SALARIES AND BENEFITS OF FACULTY DIRECTLY ENGAGED IN  
16 RELEVANT EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION. SUCH GRANTS  
17 SHALL BE AWARDED ON A COMPETITIVE BASIS TO COMMUNITY COLLEGES RESPONDING  
18 TO REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS ISSUED BY THE OFFICE.

19 3. APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL  
20 DESCRIBE THE GRANT PROGRAM ACTIVITIES AND SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE  
21 LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOWING:

22 (A) DEMONSTRATION OF NEED IN THE REGION FOR SKILLED WORKERS IN THE  
23 HIGH-TECHNOLOGY FIELDS;

24 (B) EVIDENCE OF ANY COLLABORATION WITH A NEW YORK STATE FOUR-YEAR  
25 INSTITUTION OR NEW YORK STATE BUSINESS INCLUDING, (I) A DETAILED  
26 DESCRIPTION OF THE SKILL NEEDS OF THE INSTITUTION OR BUSINESS; (II) A  
27 DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF EQUIPMENT AND OTHER TRAINING RESOURCES REQUIRED;

28 (C) A DETAILED BUDGET INCLUDING COSTS TO RECONSTRUCT, REHABILITATE OR  
29 IMPROVE EXISTING LABORATORY FACILITIES, INCLUDING EQUIPMENT;

30 (D) A DESCRIPTION OF MATCHING FUNDS THAT MAY INCLUDE CASH OR IN-KIND  
31 SERVICES FROM FEDERAL OR PRIVATE SOURCES; AND

32 (E) SALARIES AND BENEFITS OF FACULTY DIRECTLY ENGAGED IN RELEVANT  
33 EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATIONAL AND TRAINING ACTIVITIES PURSUANT TO THIS  
34 SECTION.

35 4. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL SUBMIT TO THE GOVERNOR, THE SPEAKER OF  
36 THE ASSEMBLY, AND THE TEMPORARY PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE A REPORT ON THE  
37 PROGRAM BY THE FIRST OF SEPTEMBER, TWO THOUSAND SEVENTEEN AND ANNUALLY  
38 THEREAFTER. SUCH REPORT SHALL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING FOR EACH RECIPIENT  
39 UNDER THE PROGRAM:

40 (A) THE NAMES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES RECEIVING AWARDS;

41 (B) THE AMOUNTS OF EACH AWARD AND MATCHING FUNDS;

42 (C) A DESCRIPTION OF EQUIPMENT PURCHASES AND FACILITY UPGRADES;

43 (D) THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS OR WORKERS PARTICIPATING IN TRAINING  
44 ENABLED BY THE PROGRAM;

45 (E) EMPLOYMENT OR OTHER OUTCOMES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, JOB  
46 RETENTION, ENABLED BY THE AWARD; AND

47 (F) ANY OTHER INFORMATION DEEMED APPROPRIATE BY THE EXECUTIVE DIREC-  
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49 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.