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IN SENATE -- Introduced by Sen. BAILEY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

IN ASSEMBLY -- Introduced by M. of A. GJONAJ -- read once and referred to the Committee on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to employer specific skill training grant programs

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

Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 4 of section 3032 of the education law, as amended by chapter 683 of the laws of 1986, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Employer specific skill training grant programs shall be designed to support, supplement and contribute to the expansion and maintenance of the economy of the state. Local education agencies shall apply to the commissioner for grants for conducting employer specific skill training programs. Application for funds by local education agencies for training programs shall be in a manner consistent with the application process for business and industry specific training programs under the vocational education act of 1963 and the job training partnership act; the sum of such grants per region shall not exceed the total funds allocated or reallocated to the region for such purposes. Such programs shall provide retraining and upgrading to existing or potential personnel in order to improve technology, quality control, production efficiency, or to adapt to other changes in the labor market, or to provide unique training programs to meet the emerging needs and occupations of the state's business and industry or providing training to individuals to promote the successful management and/or operation of [~~a business purchased by such individuals to provide for their continued employment through the formation of~~] a worker owned cooperative or an employee stock ownership plan **or employee-owned enterprises, as defined in subdi-**

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

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vision five of section eighteen hundred thirty-six-b of the public authorities law, by such employees. No grant shall exceed fifty per centum of the total program cost. Eligible program cost may include employer wages paid to the employee for time spent in the training program. Applications for a grant by local education agencies shall be in a form prescribed by the commissioner.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.