

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. FAHY -- read once and referred to the Committee on Economic Development

AN ACT to amend the economic development law, in relation to establishing the New York state advisory council on coronavirus economic recovery and workforce development; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof

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

1 Section 1. The economic development law is amended by adding a new
2 article 23 to read as follows:

ARTICLE 23

NEW YORK STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON CORONAVIRUS ECONOMIC RECOVERY AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

6 Section 455. New York state advisory council on coronavirus economic
7 recovery and workforce development.

8 § 455. New York state advisory council on coronavirus economic recovery
9 and workforce development. 1. There is hereby created within the
10 department the New York state advisory council on coronavirus economic
11 recovery and workforce development for advising the department as
12 provided in this section. The council shall concentrate both on corona-
13 virus economic recovery as well as issues impacting business post recovery.

15 2. (a) The council shall consist of sixteen members: three members
16 appointed by the temporary president of the senate, three members
17 appointed by the speaker of the assembly, one member appointed by the
18 minority leader of the senate, one member appointed by the minority
19 leader of the assembly, and the eight remaining members appointed by the
20 governor, at least two of which shall be small business owners in the
21 state who employ fifty or less employees.

22 (b) The appointed council members shall represent various geographic
23 areas of the state and shall be knowledgeable in at least one of the
24 following areas:

25 (i) business;

26 (ii) education;

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

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1 (iii) workforce development; or

2 (iv) public-private partnerships for economic recovery.

3 3. The council shall make recommendations to the commissioner on
4 certain subjects including, but not limited to:

5 (a) opportunities for collaboration between employers and educational
6 institutions;

7 (b) strategies to address any skills gaps;

8 (c) strategies to create sustainable pathways into careers; and

9 (d) strategies for workplace learning and skills application.

10 4. The council shall meet as frequently as its business may require,
11 but not less than twice a year. The presence of a majority of the
12 members shall constitute a quorum. The members of the council shall
13 receive no compensation for their services as members.

14 5. The commissioner, upon request of the council, shall designate an
15 officer or employee of the office to act as secretary of the council and
16 shall assign from time to time such other employees as the council may
17 require.

18 6. The council shall develop and submit a report to the governor, the
19 speaker of the assembly, the temporary president of the senate, the
20 chair of the senate committee on commerce, economic development, and
21 small business, the ranking minority member of the senate committee on
22 commerce, economic development and small business, the chair of the
23 assembly committee on economic development, job creation, commerce and
24 industry and the ranking minority member of the assembly committee on
25 economic development, job creation, commerce and industry no later than
26 one year from the effective date of this act and annually thereafter.
27 Such report shall include recommendations required by this section and
28 recommendations to effectively implement any initiative identified by
29 the council.

30 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire and be
31 deemed repealed four years after it shall have become a law.