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MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON LABOR, INDUSTRY and SMALL BUSINESS

The meeting was called to order by SENATOR ALICIA SALISBURY at
Chairperson

9:20 ~~am~~/p.m. on February 16, 1990 ~~in room~~ 'Around the Rail' of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Senator Martin, Feleciano, Daniels and Thiessen.

Committee staff present:

Phil Lowe, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Senator Salisbury, Chairman of the Committee, called the meeting to order "around the rail" of the Rotunda on the third floor of the Capitol Building.

The meeting was called for the purpose of considering the possible introduction of a bill as requested by the President of Kansas Inc. Senator Salisbury reported the proposal would implement a recommendation of the Advisory Committee for a Job Training Study conducted by Kansas Inc. to fund customized training for existing industry in a separate state budget allocation from state funding for area vocational technical schools and community colleges. Senator Morris made the motion to request a bill draft and introduce it as a committee bill. Senator Sallee seconded the motion and it carried. (Attachment I).

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 a.m. by the Chairman.

W.P.

By Committee on Labor, Industry and Small Business

AN ACT enacting the Kansas existing industry training act; making and concerning appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1991, for the department of education; imposing certain restrictions and limitations, and directing or authorizing certain disbursements and acts incidental to the foregoing.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the Kansas existing industry training act.

Section 2. As used in this act:

(a) "Existing industry training program" means a program established and operated by a vocational education institution for any or all of the following purposes: (1) providing education and training for employees of existing or expanding industries; and (2) upgrading the job skills and knowledge of persons presently in the work force so as to enable such persons to remain gainfully employed.

(b) "Existing industry training program grant" means a grant of financial aid provided by this state under this act for a vocational education institution to offset in part the expenses attributable to the operation of an economic development incentives program.

(c) "Program grant" means an existing industry training

program grant.

(d) "Vocational education institution" means any area vocational school, area vocational-technical school, or community college.

(e) "Area vocational school," "area vocational-technical school," and "community college" have the meanings respectively ascribed thereto in K.S.A. 72-4412, and amendments thereto.

Sec. 3. The secretary of education shall adopt rules and regulations for administration of the provisions of this act and shall:

(a) Promote the establishment and operation of existing industry training programs by vocational education institutions.;

(b) solicit and process applications of vocational education institutions for program grants;

(c) establish criteria and standards for assigning priorities among vocational education institutions for the allocation and award of program grants on the basis of assessments of need for existing industry training programs within institutional service areas;

(d) evaluate the capability of each vocational education institution applying for a program grant to accomplish the purposes designated in this act for establishment and operation of an existing industry training program;

(e) approve applications of and award program grants to vocational education institutions on the basis of assigned priorities and evaluated capabilities; and

(f) prescribe and furnish all forms necessary for reporting

under this act.

Sec. 4. (a) Each vocational education institution which has established or proposes to establish an existing industry training program and desires to secure a program grant for part of the cost of operating the same shall submit an application therefor to the secretary of education for approval or rejection.

(b) Applications for program grants shall be in a form prescribed and furnished by the secretary of education and shall contain the following information: (1) A description of the scope and objectives of the existing industry training program for the year and of the procedures to be utilized in accomplishing the purposes thereof; (2) the amount budgeted by the vocational education institution for operation of the existing industry training program; (3) evidence of joint planning and cooperation in the establishment and operation of an existing industry training program with business and industry situated in the institutional service area; and (4) such additional information as the secretary may require. Applications shall be submitted in the manner and at a time to be determined and specified by the secretary. Approval of the application by the secretary is prerequisite to the award of a program grant to any vocational educational institution.

(c) The amount of a program grant for a vocational education institution shall be determined by the secretary of education on the basis of need and merit and awards thereof shall be made in the manner and on dates determined by the secretary.

(d) Every vocational education institution shall make such

periodic and special reports of statistical and financial information to the secretary of education as may be requested.

Sec. 5. (a) There is hereby established in every vocational education institution an existing industry training program fund which shall consist of all moneys deposited therein or transferred thereto according to law. The governing board of the vocational education institution may use the existing industry training program fund to carry out the purposes of this act by entering into agreements to provide training assistance to existing and expanding Kansas businesses within its institutional service area. The board shall enter into agreements only after:

(1) Developing, adopting and publishing the criteria it shall use when evaluating training proposals; and

(2) reviewing training proposals which include:

(i) a description of training requested by the business from the vocational education institution and potential benefits to the business, employees and community;

(i) determination of the total cost of the training and documentation that 50% of the total costs will be provided by the recipient business; and,

(iii) other information that may be required by the board.

(b) All moneys received by a vocational education institution from appropriations made for existing industry training program grants shall be deposited in the existing industry training program fund of the vocational education institution.

(c) Any moneys received by a vocational education institution from any source, public or private, for the operation of an

existing industry training program shall be deposited in the existing industry training program fund.

(d) In addition to other transfers authorized by law: (1) The board of trustees of a community college and the board of education of an area vocational school may transfer moneys from the general fund to the existing industry training program fund; and (2) the board of control of an area vocational-technical school may transfer moneys from the operating fund to the existing industry training program fund.

Sec. 6. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1991, appropriations are hereby made, restrictions and limitations are hereby imposed, and transfers, receipts, disbursements and acts incidental to the foregoing are hereby directed or authorized as provided in this act.

Sec. 7.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

(a) There is appropriated for the above agency from the economic development initiatives fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1991, the following:

Grants for Kansas existing industry training program.. \$1,750,000

Sec. 8. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 1990, and its publication in the statute book.