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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, MARCH 7, 1989

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled "An
2 act relating to the public school system, including certain
3 provisions applicable as well to private and parochial
4 schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the
5 laws relating thereto," further providing for reimbursement
6 payments for community colleges.

7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
8 hereby enacts as follows:

9 Section 1. Section 1913-A(b) of the act of March 10, 1949
10 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949,
11 amended October 20, 1988 (P.L.827, No.110), is amended to read:

12 Section 1913-A. Financial Program; Reimbursement or
13 Payments.--* * *

14 (b) (1) The Commonwealth shall pay to a community college
15 on behalf of the sponsor on account of its operating costs

1 during the fiscal year from funds appropriated for that purpose
2 an amount equal to one-third of such college's approved
3 operating costs not to exceed [three thousand dollars (\$3,000)]
4 three thousand three hundred dollars (\$3,300) per student
5 multiplied by the number of equivalent full-time students
6 determined by an audit to be made in a manner prescribed by the
7 State Board of Education.

8 (2) In addition, the Commonwealth shall pay to a community
9 college, on account of its operating costs for all equivalent
10 full-time students enrolled in the following categories of two-
11 year or less than two-year occupational or technical programs, a
12 stipend as follows:

13 (i) One thousand one hundred dollars (\$1,100) per full-time
14 equivalent student enrolled in advanced technology programs.
15 Advanced technology programs are programs using new or advanced
16 technologies which hold promise for creating new job
17 opportunities, including such fields as robotics, biotechnology,
18 specialized materials and engineering and engineering-related
19 programs.

20 (ii) One thousand dollars (\$1,000) per full-time equivalent
21 student enrolled in programs designated as Statewide programs. A
22 Statewide program is a program which meets one or more of the
23 following criteria:

24 (A) Program enrollment from out-of-sponsor area is twenty
25 per cent or more of the enrollment for the program.

26 (B) A consortial arrangement exists with another community
27 college to cooperatively operate a program or share regions in
28 order to avoid unnecessary program duplication.

29 (iii) Five hundred dollars (\$500) per full-time equivalent
30 student enrolled in other occupational or technical programs.

1 (3) The Secretary of Education annually shall establish
2 criteria to be used to determine eligibility of programs for
3 each of the above stipend categories, shall approve programs for
4 funding in the following fiscal year according to these criteria
5 and shall submit to chairmen of the committees of education in
6 the House of Representatives and Senate a report setting forth
7 the established criteria, any programs approved for funding
8 under these criteria and the recipient community colleges.

9 (4) Each community college shall maintain such accounting
10 and student attendance records on generally accepted principles
11 and standards as will lend themselves to satisfactory audit. The
12 Commonwealth shall pay to a community college on behalf of the
13 sponsor on account of its capital expenses an amount equal to
14 one-half of such college's annual capital expenses from funds
15 appropriated for that purpose to the extent that said capital
16 expenses have been approved as herein provided.

17 (5) For purposes of determining Commonwealth reimbursement
18 of operating costs, Federally funded expenditures for those
19 programs in which the Commonwealth participates in the cost
20 shall be deducted from total operating expenditures to determine
21 net reimbursable operating costs.

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23 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1989, or
24 immediately, whichever is later.