THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 847

Session of 1999

INTRODUCED BY STAIRS, COLAFELLA, BAKER, BOYES, STERN, ARMSTRONG, BARD, BARRAR, BEBKO-JONES, BELFANTI, BROWNE, CAPPABIANCA, L. I. COHEN, CORRIGAN, COY, CURRY, DALEY, DALLY, DELUCA, DEMPSEY, DIGIROLAMO, EGOLF, FAIRCHILD, FLEAGLE, FREEMAN, GEORGE, GIGLIOTTI, GODSHALL, GORDNER, HALUSKA, HARHAI, HASAY, HERMAN, HERSHEY, HESS, JOSEPHS, KAISER, KREBS, LAUGHLIN, McCALL, MELIO, MYERS, NAILOR, PETRARCA, PIPPY, PLATTS, PRESTON, READSHAW, ROONEY, SAINATO, SANTONI, SAYLOR, SCHULER, SEMMEL, SERAFINI, SEYFERT, SHANER, STEVENSON, STRITTMATTER, SURRA, E. Z. TAYLOR, TRICH, VAN HORNE, WALKO, WOJNAROSKI, WRIGHT AND ZUG, MARCH 10, 1999

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, MARCH 10, 1999

AN ACT

- 1 Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled "An
- 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
- laws relating thereto, providing an incentive program to
- 6 increase enrollment at area vocational-technical schools; and
- 7 making an appropriation.
- 8 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 9 hereby enacts as follows:
- 10 Section 1. The act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known
- 11 as the Public School Code of 1949, is amended by adding a
- 12 section to read:
- 13 Section 2595.1. Area Vocational-Technical School Enrollment
- 14 Incentive Program. -- (a) Any school district that sponsors an
- 15 area vocational-technical school is eligible to participate in
- 16 the enrollment incentive program.

- 1 (b) Incentives based on the criteria in section 2595 shall
- 2 be provided annually to school districts which sponsor area
- 3 vocational-technical schools and which meet or exceed their
- 4 <u>enrollment goal</u>, as established in the area vocational-technical
- 5 schools articles of agreement.
- 6 (c) Enrollment goals shall be based on enrollments during
- 7 the year prior to the year in which enrollment incentives are
- 8 paid compared to enrollment during either the immediately
- 9 preceding year or the average of the two immediately preceding
- 10 years, whichever is less.
- 11 Section 2. The sum of \$10,000,000, or as much thereof as may
- 12 be necessary, is hereby appropriated to the Department of
- 13 Education for the fiscal year July 1, 1999, to June 30, 2000,
- 14 for purposes of enrollment incentive payments for area
- 15 vocational-technical schools.
- 16 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 1999.