

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 843

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1 Amend Bill, page 1, line 7, by inserting after "FOR" where it
2 occurs the first time

3 Special Education Funding Commission, for

4 Amend Bill, page 1, line 8, by striking out all of said line
5 and inserting

6 Commission on Education and Economic Competitiveness

7 Amend Bill, page 1, lines 10 through 18, by striking out "IN
8 GROUNDS AND" in line 10, all of lines 11 through 17 and "PERMIT
9 FOR CLASSROOM MONITORS;" in line 18

10 Amend Bill, page 1, lines 19 through 31; page 2, lines 1
11 through 9; by striking out "AND FOR EDUCATOR PIPELINE SUPPORT"
12 in line 19, all of lines 20 through 31 on page 1, all of lines 1
13 through 8 and "REPORT AND FOR SCHOOL SECURITY GUARDS" in line 9
14 on page 2

15 Amend Bill, page 2, line 13, by inserting after "PROGRAMS;"
16 in terms and courses of study, further providing for Economic
17 Education and Personal Financial Literacy Programs;

18 Amend Bill, page 2, lines 15 through 18, by striking out "IN
19 COMMUNITY" in line 15, all of lines 16 and 17 and "PROVIDING FOR
20 STATE AID FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024;" in line 18 and inserting
21 in educational tax credits, further providing for definitions;
22 in credit card marketing, further providing for regulation of
23 on-campus credit card marketing;

24 Amend Bill, page 2, lines 20 through 22, by striking out

1 "PAYMENTS ON ACCOUNT OF PUPILS ENROLLED" in line 20, all of line
2 21 and "INTERMEDIATE UNITS, FOR" in line 22

3 Amend Bill, page 2, lines 24 through 28, by striking out "
4 FOR READY-TO-LEARN BLOCK GRANT AND" in line 24, all of lines 25
5 through 27 and "APPLICABILITY; AND MAKING AN EDITORIAL CHANGE"
6 in line 28 and inserting
7 ; and abrogating regulations

8 Amend Bill, page 2, lines 34 through 36, by striking out all
9 of said lines and inserting

10 Section 1. Section 122(k) (3) of the act of March 10, 1949
11 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, added
12 July 8, 2022 (P.L.620, No.55), is amended to read:

13 Section 122. Special Education Funding Commission.--* * *
14 (k) * * *

15 (3) The commission shall be reconstituted January 15, [2024]
16 2026, in accordance with subsection (c) and shall meet and hold
17 public hearings to review the operation of the special education
18 funding provisions of this section, and shall make a further
19 report and shall issue the report to the recipients listed in
20 subsection (i) (5) no later than November 30, [2024] 2026. When
21 in receipt of the report recommending changes to the special
22 education funding formula, the General Assembly shall consider
23 and take action to enact the formula into law in accordance with
24 subsection (j).

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26 Section 2. Section 123(k) (2) of the act is amended to read:

27 Amend Bill, page 2, line 44; page 3, lines 1 through 19; by
28 striking out all of said lines on said pages and inserting

29 Section 3. Section 123.1(j) (5) of the act, added July 8,
30 2022 (P.L.620, No.55), is amended to read:

31 Section 123.1. Commission on Education and Economic
32 Competitiveness.--* * *

33 (j) The following shall apply to duties:

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35 (5) Upon receipt of the report from the subcommittee, the
36 commission shall seek public comment on the proposed long-term
37 vision for a period that is no less than three (3) months and
38 issue a final report with legislative recommendations to the
39 General Assembly [within eighteen (18) months of the
40 commission's creation] by November 1, 2025.

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1 Amend Bill, page 3, line 20, by striking out "1.1" and
2 inserting

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4 Amend Bill, page 7, lines 25 through 30; pages 8 through 13,
5 lines 1 through 30; page 14, lines 1 through 21; by striking out
6 all of said lines on said pages

7 Amend Bill, page 14, line 22, by striking out "7" and
8 inserting

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10 Amend Bill, page 14, line 22, by striking out "ARTICLES" and
11 inserting

12 an article

13 Amend Bill, page 38, lines 4 through 30; pages 39 through
14 107, lines 1 through 30; page 108, lines 1 through 20; by
15 striking out all of said lines on said pages

16 Amend Bill, page 108, line 21, by striking out "22" and
17 inserting

18 5.1

19 Amend Bill, page 110, line 12, by striking out "23" and
20 inserting

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22 Amend Bill, page 111, line 21, by striking out "24" and
23 inserting

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25 Amend Bill, page 111, by inserting between lines 27 and 28

26 Section 8. Section 1551(a), (b) and (f) of the act are
27 amended and the section is amended by adding a subsection to
28 read:

29 Section 1551. Economic Education and Personal Financial
30 Literacy Programs.--(a) The department shall have the power and
31 its duty shall be to:

32 (1) Provide resource information on economics, economic
33 education and personal financial literacy to educators and

1 public and private schools and organizations. The department
2 shall review and update its existing resource information
3 following completion of the review of the State standards under
4 the State Board of Education's standards under paragraph (2)
5 (ii).

6 (2) Provide for the distribution, including through the
7 department's Internet website, to school entities [or] and
8 private, nonpublic, elementary or secondary schools in this
9 Commonwealth, [teacher] of model curriculum materials and other
10 available resources, including economic education partnership
11 programs, on economic education and personal financial literacy,
12 including the basic principle involved with earning, spending,
13 saving and investing money. The model curriculum materials shall
14 align with and complement existing State standards for
15 [Economics, Family and Consumer Science, and Career Education
16 and Work] personal financial literacy as set forth in 22 Pa.
17 Code Ch. 4 (relating to academic standards and assessment). The
18 following shall apply:

19 (i) The department shall review and update its existing
20 model curriculum materials and other available resources as
21 necessary no later than the beginning of the 2025-2026 school
22 year and within one year after any revision of the State
23 standards under subparagraph (ii).

24 (ii) The State Board of Education shall review the existing
25 State standards for Economics, Family and Consumer Science, and
26 Career Education and Work as set forth in 22 Pa. Code Ch. 4 and
27 revise the standards as necessary to implement the provisions of
28 this subarticle.

29 (3) Identify and recognize Commonwealth schools that
30 implement exemplary economic and economic education and personal
31 financial literacy curricula at each benchmark as set forth in
32 existing State standards for Economics, Family and Consumer
33 Science, and Career Education and Work as set forth in 22 Pa.
34 Code Ch. 4.

35 (4) Maintain an inventory of model curriculum economic
36 education and personal financial literacy materials, programs
37 and resources available in Commonwealth agencies.

38 (b) In distributing model curriculum materials and resources
39 for use in schools, the department shall consider those
40 currently available through international, national, Statewide
41 and local economic, banking trade and personal finance education
42 organizations.

43 (b.1) (1) Beginning with the 2026-2027 school year and in
44 each school year thereafter, a school entity or nonpublic school
45 shall provide a mandatory course in personal financial literacy
46 with a value of at least one-half credit or half of a full
47 credit. Students shall be required to complete the course once
48 during grade nine, ten, eleven or twelve.

49 (2) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to
50 circumvent the provisions of 20 U.S.C. Ch. 33 (relating to
51 education of individuals with disabilities). A student's

1 individualized education program may provide for accommodations
2 to enable the student to complete the course required under
3 paragraph (1).

4 (3) The department shall develop or identify a model
5 curriculum and a list of education materials which a school
6 entity or nonpublic school may use in providing the course
7 required under paragraph (1). The department shall consult with
8 multiple organizations specializing in financial literacy
9 education in developing the model curriculum and educational
10 materials. The department may update existing model curriculum
11 materials if necessary and other available resources under
12 subsection (a) as necessary to comply with this paragraph and
13 shall update the existing model curriculum materials and other
14 available resources within one year of the date of revision of
15 the State standards under subsection (a)(2)(ii).

16 (4) The department shall clarify which certifications are
17 necessary to qualify an educator to provide instruction of the
18 course required under paragraph (1), which shall include, at a
19 minimum, family and consumer science, business, computer and
20 information technology, mathematics and social studies. The
21 department shall revise its certification and staffing policy
22 guidelines as necessary to reflect the qualifications specified
23 under this paragraph.

24 (5) An educator who is assigned to provide instruction of
25 the course required under paragraph (1) may not:

26 (i) lose a planning period as a result of the assignment,
27 except in accordance with a collective bargaining agreement
28 between a school entity and an employe organization; or

29 (ii) bear any costs related to earning an add-on
30 certification necessary to provide the instruction.

31 (6) Nothing in this subsection shall supersede or preempt
32 any provision of a collective bargaining agreement between a
33 school entity and an employe organization.

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35 (f) The following words and phrases when used in this
36 section shall have the meanings given to them in this
37 subsection:

38 "Department." The Department of Education of the
39 Commonwealth.

40 "Educator." As defined in section 1.2 of the act of December
41 12, 1973 (P.L.397, No.141), known as the "Educator Discipline
42 Act."

43 "Nonpublic school." A nonprofit school, other than a public
44 school, where a resident of this Commonwealth may legally
45 fulfill the compulsory school attendance requirements of this
46 act and which meet the requirements of 42 U.S.C. Ch. 21 Subch. V
47 (relating to federally assisted programs).

48 "Personal financial literacy." The integration of various
49 factors relating to personal financial management, including
50 understanding financial institutions, using money, learning to
51 manage personal assets and liabilities, creating budgets and any

1 other factors that may assist an individual in this Commonwealth
2 to be financially responsible.

3 "Planning period." A period of time during a school day
4 which an educator may use for professional duties, including
5 instructional preparation and planning, communications with
6 parents and legal guardians of students and evaluating student
7 work.

8 "School entity." A [public] school district, charter school,
9 cyber charter school, regional charter school, intermediate unit
10 or area career and technical school.

11 "Secretary." The Secretary of Education of the Commonwealth.

12 Amend Bill, page 111, line 28, by striking out "25" and
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15 Amend Bill, page 113, by inserting between lines 1 and 2

16 (5) The number of total funded slots for each approved
17 provider by month in the previous quarter.

18 Amend Bill, page 113, line 2, by striking out "(5)" and
19 inserting

20 (6)

21 Amend Bill, page 113, line 6, by striking out "(6)" and
22 inserting

23 (7)

24 Amend Bill, page 113, lines 7 and 8, by striking out "BY THE
25 JULY 31, 2024, REPORT AND" in line 7 and all of line 8 and

26 inserting

27 Beginning in January 2024, and each quarter thereafter, the
28 Secretary of Education and Deputy Secretary for the Office of
29 Child Development and Early Learning

30 Amend Bill, page 113, line 20, by striking out "26" and
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33 Amend Bill, page 115, lines 6 through 30; pages 116 through
34 118, lines 1 through 30; page 119, lines 1 through 15; by
35 striking out all of said lines on said pages and inserting

36 Section 10.1. The definition of "opportunity scholarship
37 organization", "pre-kindergarten scholarship organization" and

1 "scholarship organization" in section 2002-B of the act are
2 amended to read:

3 Section 2002-B. Definitions.

4 The following words and phrases when used in this article
5 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
6 context clearly indicates otherwise:

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8 "Opportunity scholarship organization." A nonprofit entity
9 which:

10 (1) Is exempt from Federal taxation under section 501(c)
11 (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (Public Law 99-514,
12 26 U.S.C. § 1 et seq.); and

13 (2) Contributes at least [80%] 90% of the entity's
14 annual cash receipts to an opportunity scholarship program[.]
15 or at least 85% of the annual cash receipts if the entity
16 reports an annual IRS program expense percentage of greater
17 than 90% on its IRS 990 tax filing.

18 For the purposes of this definition, a nonprofit entity
19 contributes the entity's cash receipts to an opportunity
20 scholarship program when the entity expends or otherwise
21 irrevocably encumbers those funds for distribution during the
22 then-current fiscal year of the nonprofit entity or during the
23 next succeeding fiscal year of the nonprofit entity.

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25 "Pre-kindergarten scholarship organization." A nonprofit
26 entity which:

27 (1) is exempt from Federal taxation under section 501(c)
28 (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or is operated as a
29 separate segregated fund by a scholarship organization that
30 has been qualified under section 2003-B; and

31 (2) contributes at least [80%] 90% of its annual cash
32 receipts to a pre-kindergarten scholarship program by
33 expending or otherwise irrevocably encumbering those funds
34 for distribution during the then-current fiscal year of the
35 organization or during the next succeeding fiscal year of the
36 organization[.] or at least 85% of the annual cash receipts
37 if the entity reports an annual IRS program expense
38 percentage of greater than 90% on its IRS 990 tax filing.

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40 "Scholarship organization." A nonprofit entity which:

41 (1) is exempt from Federal taxation under section 501(c)
42 (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; and

43 (2) contributes at least [80%] 90% of its annual cash
44 receipts to a scholarship program[.] or at least 85% of the
45 annual cash receipts if the entity reports an annual IRS
46 program expense percentage of greater than 90% on its IRS 990
47 tax filing.

48 For purposes of this definition, a nonprofit entity
49 "contributes" its annual cash receipts to a scholarship program
50 when it expends or otherwise irrevocably encumbers those funds
51 for distribution during the then-current fiscal year of the

1 nonprofit entity or during the next succeeding fiscal year of
2 the nonprofit entity.

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4 Section 10.2. Section 2302-A introductory paragraph and (5)
5 of the act are amended to read:

6 Section 2302-A. Regulation of On-Campus Credit Card
7 Marketing.--The board shall require an institution of higher
8 education to establish a policy that regulates the marketing of
9 credit cards on campus. The policy may prohibit any marketing of
10 credit cards on the campus. In establishing the policy, the
11 institution of higher education shall, for students entering in
12 the 2024-2025 school year, incorporate into orientation
13 programming presentations on credit card debt education and
14 money management skills for students. The institution of higher
15 education shall also consider all of the following:

16 * * *

17 [(5) Incorporating into orientation programming a credit
18 card debt education presentation.]

19 Section 11. Section 2510.3(a)(2) of the act, amended July 8,
20 2022 (P.L.620, No.55), is amended to read:

21 Amend Bill, page 119, line 28, by inserting a bracket before
22 "IDENTIFIED"

23 Amend Bill, page 119, line 30, by inserting after "695-A"

24] 694-A or subject to oversight during the transition period
25 under section 625-A

26 Amend Bill, page 120, lines 6 through 30; page 121, lines 1
27 through 21; by striking out all of said lines on said pages and
28 inserting

29 Section 12. The provisions of 22 Pa. Code are abrogated
30 insofar as they are inconsistent with the amendment of section
31 1551 of the act.

32 Amend Bill, page 121, line 22, by striking out "33" and
33 inserting

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