



97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB0166

Introduced 1/18/2011, by Rep. Dave Winters

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the University Green Jobs and Technology Act. Provides that the Board of Higher Education shall require that green jobs certificate and degree programs offered by each State university be uniformly named. Requires the Board to annually publicize on its Internet website information concerning efforts made by State universities to promote the green technology industry. Requires each State university to develop agreements to share equipment required for students participating in green jobs certificate or degree programs or enrolled in a course of study concerning green jobs. Requires the Board to annually prepare and publish on its Internet website a list of every green jobs course and green jobs certificate and degree program offered by State universities and an inventory of green jobs-related equipment used by these universities. Provides that representatives from each State university, in conjunction with research centers affiliated with these universities that focus on clean or sustainable energy and that are located within the same geographic regions, shall meet annually to develop collaborative efforts with regard to the green technology industry. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning education.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the
5 University Green Jobs and Technology Act.

6 Section 5. Definitions. In this Act:

7 "Board" means the Board of Higher Education.

8 "Green jobs" means jobs in which green technology is
9 employed and may include the occupation codes identified as
10 green jobs by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics and
11 any codes identified as green jobs by the Illinois Department
12 of Labor and the Department of Commerce and Economic
13 Opportunity.

14 "Green technology" means technology that (i) promotes
15 clean energy, renewable energy, or energy efficiency, (ii)
16 reduces greenhouse gases or carbon emissions, or (iii) involves
17 the invention, design, and application of chemical products and
18 processes to eliminate the use and generation of hazardous
19 substances.

20 "State university" means a public university in this State.

21 Section 10. Uniformly named programs. The Board shall
22 require that green jobs certificate and degree programs offered

1 by each State university be uniformly named.

2 Section 15. Promotion of industry. The Board shall annually
3 publicize on its Internet website information concerning
4 efforts made by State universities to promote the green
5 technology industry, including the development of new academic
6 degree and certificate programs, courses of instruction, and
7 initiatives made by these universities to align green jobs
8 programs with employer needs.

9 Section 20. Agreements to share equipment. Each State
10 university shall develop, in such manner as the Board
11 prescribes, agreements to share equipment required for
12 students participating in green jobs certificate or degree
13 programs or enrolled in a course of study concerning green
14 jobs.

15 Section 25. Course and equipment list. The Board shall
16 annually prepare and publish on its Internet website a list of
17 every green jobs course and green jobs certificate and degree
18 program offered by State universities and an inventory of green
19 jobs-related equipment used by these universities.

20 Section 30. Collaboration. Representatives from each State
21 university, in conjunction with research centers affiliated
22 with these universities that focus on clean or sustainable

1 energy and that are located within the same geographic regions,
2 shall meet annually to develop collaborative efforts with
3 regard to the green technology industry.

4 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
5 becoming law.