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To: Senate Bill No. 407

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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A POST-COVID-19 WOMEN'S RETURN TO WORK ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN."

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) Not later than October 1, 2022, the
4 Chief Workforce Officer, in consultation with the Department of
5 Economic and Community Development and regional workforce
6 development boards, shall, within available appropriations, develop
7 and implement a Post-COVID-19 Women's Return to Work Economic
8 Development Plan, which may include, but need not be limited to, the
9 establishment of (1) partnerships with institutions of higher education,
10 nonprofit organizations, professional business associations and child
11 care and transit providers to develop and promote return to work
12 initiatives, paid internships in high-growth industries, job and career

13 fairs, professional mentorships, experiential learning opportunities and
14 educational and employment coaching services for women seeking to
15 return to work after the COVID-19 pandemic; and (2) business
16 incentives to increase apprenticeship and internship opportunities for
17 women. The Post-COVID-19 Women's Return to Work Economic
18 Development Plan shall terminate on October 1, 2024. Not later than
19 February 1, 2023, and annually thereafter until February 1, 2025, the
20 Chief Workforce Officer shall report, in accordance with the provisions
21 of section 11-4a of the general statutes, regarding such plan to the joint
22 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
23 matters relating to commerce. For the purposes of this section, "COVID-
24 19" means the respiratory disease designated by the World Health
25 Organization on February 11, 2020, as coronavirus 2019, and any related
26 mutation thereof recognized by the World Health Organization as a
27 communicable respiratory disease."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section