



General Assembly

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Offered by:

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To: Senate Bill No. 407

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(As Amended)

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

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