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(As Amended by House Amendment Schedule "A")

**"AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE  
OFFICE OF EARLY CHILDHOOD."**

1 Strike section 18 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:

2 "Sec. 18. Section 10-95r of the general statutes is repealed and the  
3 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

4 (a) The Technical Education and Career System shall be under the  
5 direction of the executive director of the Technical Education and Career  
6 System, whose appointment shall be made by the Governor. Such  
7 appointment shall be in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-5  
8 to 4-8, inclusive. Any person appointed to be the executive director shall  
9 have experience with educational systems. The executive director of the  
10 Technical Education and Career System shall be responsible for the  
11 operation, supervision and administration and the financial  
12 accountability and oversight of the Technical Education and Career

13 System in matters relating to the central office, system-wide  
14 management and other noneducational matters. The executive director  
15 shall organize the Technical Education and Career System into such  
16 bureaus, divisions and other units as may be necessary for the efficient  
17 conduct of the business of the system, and may, from time to time,  
18 create, abolish, transfer or consolidate within the system any bureau,  
19 division or other unit as may be necessary for the efficient conduct of  
20 the business of the system. The executive director may appoint, and may  
21 prescribe the duties of any subordinates, agents and employees as he or  
22 she finds necessary in the conduct of the system.

23 (b) The executive director shall review and approve all contracts for  
24 the Technical Education and Career System.

25 (c) The executive director may enter into cooperative arrangements  
26 with local and regional boards of education, private career schools,  
27 nonprofit career schools, a nonprofit training institute in the state that  
28 provides training in the building trades to underserved populations,  
29 institutions of higher education, job training agencies and employers in  
30 order to provide (1) general education, (2) vocational, technical,  
31 technological or postsecondary education, and (3) work experience.

32 (d) The executive director may, upon approval of the board, accept  
33 gifts, grants and donations on behalf of the system, including, but not  
34 limited to, in-kind donations, designated for the purchase of equipment  
35 or materials, the hiring of teachers at a technical education and career  
36 school or the acquisition of real property and the construction of  
37 facilities, except no employee of the system may accept any gift, grant  
38 or donation as an individual, or on behalf of the system, that is for  
39 personal use. Any gift, grant or donation accepted on behalf of the  
40 system shall be in accordance with the state code of ethics for public  
41 officials set forth in chapter 10. The executive director shall submit  
42 quarterly reports to the Office of Policy and Management concerning all  
43 gifts, grants or donations received pursuant to this subsection.

44 (e) The executive director shall ensure that the superintendent of the

45 Technical Education and Career System establishes a master schedule  
46 for the Technical Education and Career System and may amend such  
47 master schedule from time to time.

48 (f) The executive director shall communicate directly with the  
49 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management when requesting the  
50 creation or filling of staff positions included in the operating budget for  
51 the Technical Education and Career System. When reviewing such  
52 requests, priority shall be given to any request for instructional staff, as  
53 identified in the statement of staffing needs submitted by the  
54 superintendent of the Technical Education and Career System pursuant  
55 to section 10-99g, and every effort shall be made to avoid interruption  
56 to instructional time during such review. The secretary shall review and  
57 approve a request for the filling of instructional staff positions not later  
58 than thirty days after the date the statement of staffing needs is  
59 submitted for such positions by the superintendent.

60 (g) If the New England Association of Schools and Colleges places a  
61 technical education and career school on probation or otherwise notifies  
62 the superintendent of the Technical Education and Career System that a  
63 technical education and career school is at risk of losing its accreditation,  
64 the executive director shall notify the Commissioner of Education and  
65 the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having  
66 cognizance of matters relating to education of such placement or  
67 problems relating to accreditation."