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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

**IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

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RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

Introduced By: Senators Gallo, DiPalma, Seveney, Pearson, and Satchell

Date Introduced: March 02, 2017

Referred To: Senate Education

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 16-45.1 of the General Laws entitled "Career and Technical  
2 Education [See Title 16 Chapter 97 - The Rhode Island Board of Education Act]" is hereby  
3 amended by adding thereto the following section:

4 **16-45.1-4. Career and technical education tuition formula.**

5 (a) The department of elementary and secondary education, in consultation with a  
6 workgroup as described in subsection (c) of this section, shall develop a formula for calculating  
7 tuition to career and technical education programs to be paid by the sending district. Said formula  
8 shall be developed and a copy provided to the chairs of the senate committee on education and  
9 the house committee on health, education and welfare no later than December 31, 2017.

10 (b) The tuition of all career and technical programs shall be posted on the school district's  
11 website if the district operates a program or school that receives tuition for a career and technical  
12 program. The sending school district shall remit tuition to the district that operates the career and  
13 technical program. The provisions of §16-45-10 shall be applicable to this section.

14 (c) The department shall convene a workgroup, including, but not limited to,  
15 representatives from career and technical schools, the Rhode Island School Superintendents'  
16 Association, the Rhode Island Association of School Committees, the National Education  
17 Association, the Rhode Island Federation of Teachers and Health Professionals, and the Rhode  
18 Island Career and Technical board of trustees. The purpose of the workgroup shall be to assist the  
19 department in creating a formula for calculating tuition to career and technical education

1 [programs.](#)

2 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
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1           This act would provide that the department of education in consultation with a workgroup  
2   composing of various stakeholders, would develop a funding formula for school districts sending  
3   students to career and technical programs outside the district

4           This act would take effect upon passage.

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