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(By Delegates Marshall, Fleischauer and Cooper)

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AN ACT to amend and reenact §5B-2B-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to requiring the Workforce Investment Council to provide information and guidance to local workforce investment boards that would enable them to better educate both women and men about higher paying jobs including jobs traditionally dominated by men or women.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §5B-2B-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

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FIATE FO . 1 . (a) The counci	l shall assis	st the Gove	rnor in the:

- 2 (1) Development and revision of a strategic five-year state
 3 workforce investment plan, including the establishment of an
 4 overall workforce investment public agenda with goals and
 5 benchmarks of success for the State, state agencies and for local
 6 workforce investment boards;
- 7 (2) Development and continuous improvement of a statewide 8 system of workforce investment activities including:
- 9 (A) Development of linkages in order to assure coordination 10 and nonduplication of services and activities of workforce 11 investment programs conducted by various entities in the State; 12 and
- 13 (B) The review of strategic plans created and submitted by local workforce investment boards;
- (3) Commenting at least annually on the measures taken by
 the State pursuant to the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied
 Technology Education Act, 20 U.S.C. §2323;
- 18 (4) Designation and revision of local workforce investment 19 areas:
- (5) Development and revision of allocation formulas for the
 distribution of funds for adult employment and training activities
 and youth activities to local areas;
- 23 (6) Development and continuous improvement of compre-24 hensive state performance measures, including state-adjusted 25 levels of performance, to assess the effectiveness of the 26 workforce investment activities in the State:

- (7) Preparation of the annual report to the Secretary of Labor
 as required by the Workforce Investment Act, 29 U.S.C. §2871;
- 29 (8) Development and continued improvement of a statewide 30 employment statistics system; and
- 31 (9) Development and revision of an application for 32 workforce investment incentive grants.
- 33 (b) The council shall make a report to the Legislative 34 Oversight Commission on Workforce Investment for Economic 35 Development and the Legislative Oversight Commission on 36 Education Accountability on or before November 1 of each year, 37 detailing: (1) All the publicly funded workforce investment 38 programs operating in the State, including the amount of federal 39 and state funds expended by each program, how the funds are 40 spent and the resulting improvement to the workforce; (2) the 41 council's recommendations concerning future use of funds for 42 workforce investment programs; (3) the council's analysis of 43 operations of local workforce investment programs; (4) the 44 council's recommendations for the establishment of an overall 45 workforce investment public agenda with goals and benchmarks 46 of success for the State, state agencies and for local workforce 47 investment boards; (5) the status of one-stop system operations 48 in the State, including all memoranda of understanding entered 49 into by the one-stop partners and local workforce investment 50 boards; (6) the status and outcome data regarding the council and 51 local workforce investment boards' success in linking West 52 Virginia PROMISE scholars to employment with a West 53 Virginia employer; and (7) any other information the commis-54 sion may require.
- 55 (c) To aid in the report required in subsection (b) of this 56 section, each local workforce investment board shall report 57 annually to the council on or before September 1 of each year on 58 the status of one-stop centers within the region each board 59 represents, attaching all memoranda of understanding entered 60 into with one-stop partners.

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- (d) The council shall provide information and guidance to local workforce investment boards and staff, to enable them to better educate both women and men about higher paying jobs and careers including jobs traditionally dominated by men or women. Such guidance shall promote services provided by the local workforce investment boards for job seekers that includes:
- 67 (1) Current information about compensation for jobs and 68 careers that offer high earning potential including jobs that are 69 traditionally dominated by men or women;
- 70 (2) Counseling, skills development and training opportuni-71 ties that encourage both women and men to seek employment in 72 such jobs;
- 73 (3) Referral information to employers offering such jobs; or
- 74 (4) Information regarding the long-term consequences, 75 including lower social security benefits or pensions, of choosing 76 jobs that offer lower earnings potential and are traditionally 77 dominated by women or men.

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That Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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