



## 103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

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SB2388

Introduced 2/10/2023, by Sen. Robert Peters

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 605/605-1110 new

Amends the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Provides that the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity shall establish a Future Through Employment for Young Adults Program to award grants to nonprofit entities to train young adults for the workforce and to place them in jobs with partners in the private and public sectors. Provides that, as part of the Future Through Employment for Young Adults Program, the Department shall operate a school-year program and a summer program. Provides for specified requirements of the school-year and summer programs. Provides that the Department shall work with local community-based organizations that interact with jobless youth and young adults and provide them strong, consistent support to build their work-related skills. Provides that the Department may adopt rules necessary to administer the Program.

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1 AN ACT concerning State government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Department of Commerce and Economic  
5 Opportunity Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois  
6 is amended by adding Section 605-1110 as follows:

7 (20 ILCS 605/605-1110 new)

8 Sec. 605-1110. Future Through Employment for Young Adults  
9 Program.

10 (a) Subject to appropriation, the Department of Commerce  
11 and Economic Opportunity shall establish a Future Through  
12 Employment for Young Adults Program to award grants to  
13 nonprofit entities to train young adults for the workforce and  
14 to place them in jobs with partners in the private and public  
15 sectors.

16 (b) As part of the Future Through Employment for Young  
17 Adults Program, the Department shall operate a school-year  
18 program and a summer program as follows:

19 (1) The school-year program shall operate during the  
20 school year of the district in which the program  
21 participant is located. Program participants enrolled in  
22 the school-year program will work 12 to 35 hours per week  
23 at an employer participating in the program at the rate of

1 \$15 per hour or the prevailing minimum wage in that  
2 county, whichever is higher. The Department shall enroll  
3 80,0000 participants in the school-year program.

4 (2) The summer program shall operate during the summer  
5 break of the district where the program participant is  
6 located. Program participants enrolled in the summer  
7 program will work 25 hours per week at an employer  
8 participating in the program at the rate of \$15 per hour or  
9 the prevailing minimum wage in that county, whichever is  
10 higher. The Department shall enroll 80,0000 participants  
11 in the school-year program.

12 (c) The Department shall work with local community-based  
13 organizations that interact with jobless youth and young  
14 adults and provide them strong, consistent support to build  
15 their work-related skills of showing up on time, working  
16 collaboratively with others, following instructions, and other  
17 critical skills to place participating students with an  
18 employer. The Department shall also coordinate with employers  
19 to provide program participants with jobs after training.

20 (d) The Department shall establish eligibility criteria  
21 for young adults and employers participation in the program.

22 (e) The Department may adopt any rules necessary to  
23 administer the provisions of this Section.