

1 AN ACT concerning education.

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

4 Section 5. The Public Community College Act is amended by
5 adding Section 2-23 as follows:

6 (110 ILCS 805/2-23 new)

7 Sec. 2-23. Mobile response workforce training pilot
8 program.

9 (a) From appropriations made for the purposes of this
10 Section, the State Board shall implement and administer a
11 mobile response workforce training pilot program at 3 community
12 colleges to address the fact that businesses are struggling to
13 recruit a qualified workforce because of the frequent emergence
14 of new technologies in the workplace and subsequent skill set
15 requirements. The program shall meet all of the following
16 requirements:

17 (1) The program must be a collaborative model that
18 integrates mobile workforce training with job creation and
19 economic development.

20 (2) The program must provide participating businesses
21 with on-site training activities and resources across all
22 functions, including without limitation recruiting,
23 assessing and training potential employees, developing and
24 producing training materials, providing training
25 facilities, and delivering customized services, with the
26 long-term objective of maintaining business and industry
27 in this State and attracting new businesses and industries
28 to this State.

29 (3) The program must be operated for a period of 3
30 years.

31 The program is encouraged to use the highly successful
32 Alabama Industrial Development Training program as a model for

1 guidance and direction.

2 (b) The State Board is authorized to administer the mobile
3 response workforce training pilot program in conjunction with
4 current programs and grants and in cooperation with other State
5 agencies.

6 (c) The State Board shall by rule establish the criteria to
7 be used in selecting the community colleges that are to
8 participate in the mobile response workforce training pilot
9 program, standards for implementation of the program, and goals
10 to be accomplished during the 3 years of the program.

11 (d) On or before January 1, 2009, the State Board shall
12 file with the Governor and the General Assembly a report on the
13 progress of the mobile response workforce training pilot
14 program.

15 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
16 becoming law.