AN ACT concerning education.

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

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

(110 ILCS 805/2-23 new)

- Sec. 2-23. Mobile response workforce training pilot program.
- (a) From appropriations made for the purposes of this Section, the State Board shall implement and administer a mobile response workforce training pilot program at 3 community colleges to address the fact that businesses are struggling to recruit a qualified workforce because of the frequent emergence of new technologies in the workplace and subsequent skill set requirements. The program shall meet all of the following requirements:
 - (1) The program must be a collaborative model that integrates mobile workforce training with job creation and economic development.
 - (2) The program must provide participating businesses with on-site training activities and resources across all functions, including without limitation recruiting, assessing and training potential employees, developing and producing training materials, providing training facilities, and delivering customized services, with the long-term objective of maintaining business and industry in this State and attracting new businesses and industries to this State.
 - (3) The program must be operated for a period of 3 years.

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

guidance and direction.

- (b) The State Board is authorized to administer the mobile response workforce training pilot program in conjunction with current programs and grants and in cooperation with other State agencies.
- (c) The State Board shall by rule establish the criteria to be used in selecting the community colleges that are to participate in the mobile response workforce training pilot program, standards for implementation of the program, and goals to be accomplished during the 3 years of the program.
- (d) On or before January 1, 2009, the State Board shall file with the Governor and the General Assembly a report on the progress of the mobile response workforce training pilot program.

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