

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.