



## 98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2013 and 2014

SB1323

Introduced 2/5/2013, by Sen. Mattie Hunter

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

30 ILCS 757/Act rep.  
525 ILCS 50/10 new

Amends the Illinois Youth and Young Adult Employment Act of 1986. Relocates the Community Youth Employment Program to the Illinois Youth and Young Adult Employment Act of 1986. Provides that the Department of Natural Resources instead of the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity shall administer the competitive grant program to provide up to 5,000 youths with stipends or wages, or both, and supervision for a 52-week year round work program. Repeals the Community Youth Employment Act. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning conservation.

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

4 (30 ILCS 757/Act rep.)

5 Section 5. The Community Youth Employment Act is repealed.

6 Section 10. The Illinois Youth and Young Adult Employment  
7 Act of 1986 is amended by adding Section 10 as follows:

8 (525 ILCS 50/10 new)

9 Sec. 10. Community Youth Employment Program.

10 (a) The Department of Natural Resources shall administer a  
11 competitive grant program that shall provide 5,000 youths with  
12 stipends or wages, or both, and supervision for a 52-week year  
13 round work period. The grants shall be awarded only to summer  
14 programs, of no more than 100 youths, that:

15 (1) are created and administered by a community-based  
16 organization, not-for-profit organization, educational  
17 institution, or governmental entity in Illinois through a  
18 public-private partnership;

19 (2) utilize resources and facilities of the  
20 Department;

21 (3) employ low-income youths in Illinois between the  
22 ages of 14 and 21; and

1           (4) involve age-appropriate, ability-appropriate, and  
2 experience-appropriate:

3                   (A) job training;

4                   (B) life skills;

5                   (C) education counseling;

6                   (D) work-readiness skills; or

7                   (E) supervised meaningful work experience  
8 projects.

9           (b) Grant money awarded under this Section shall be used as  
10 follows:

11                   (1) a stipend of \$7.50 per hour for learning activities  
12 and at least minimum wage for meaningful work experience  
13 for a maximum of 200 hours per participating youth, to be  
14 paid over a 10-week period;

15                   (2) to provide salary for supervisors for each summer  
16 program;

17                   (3) for supportive services, including, but not  
18 limited to, transportation and child care; and

19                   (4) a 10% overhead, per summer program, to provide for  
20 insurance and business necessities.

21           (c) Any entity receiving a grant under this Section must  
22 provide services to the youths receiving stipends or wages, or  
23 both, under this Section. In providing the following services,  
24 the entity must expend, out of the entity's budget, at least  
25 20% of any amount awarded in paragraphs (2) through (4) of  
26 subsection (b) of this Section to provide for services under

1 this Section. The services provided must include:

2 (1) job assessment services;

3 (2) recreation services;

4 (3) job placement services; or

5 (4) administration of this youth program.

6 The Department shall make public notification of the  
7 availability of jobs for eligible youths and young adults in  
8 the Community Youth Employment Program by the means of  
9 newspapers, electronic media, educational facilities, and  
10 units of local government.

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