

## SENATE BILL No. 347

By Legislative Educational Planning Committee

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9 AN ACT concerning postsecondary technical education; relating to the  
10 postsecondary technical education authority; amending K.S.A. 2009  
11 Supp. 72-4482 and repealing the existing section.  
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13 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

14 Section 1. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 72-4482 is hereby amended to read as  
15 follows: 72-4482. (a) The postsecondary technical education authority  
16 shall:

17 (1) Have delegated authority from the board of regents to coordinate  
18 state-wide planning for postsecondary technical education, new postse-  
19 condary technical education programs and contract training. Such plan-  
20 ning shall be conducted in coordination with federal agencies, the state  
21 board of education and other state agencies and Kansas business and  
22 industry;

23 (2) recommend for adoption by the state board of regents rules and  
24 regulations for the supervision of postsecondary technical education;

25 (3) review existing and proposed postsecondary technical educational  
26 programs and program locations and make recommendations to the state  
27 board of regents for approval or disapproval of such programs for state  
28 funding purposes;

29 (4) review requests of state funding for postsecondary technical ed-  
30 ucation and make recommendations to the state board of regents for  
31 amounts of state funding and the distribution thereof;

32 (5) develop benchmarks and accountability indicators of programs to  
33 be utilized in the awarding of state funding and make recommendations  
34 relating thereto to the state board of regents;

35 (6) develop and advocate annually a policy agenda for postsecondary  
36 technical education;

37 (7) conduct continuous studies of ways to maximize the utilization of  
38 resources available for postsecondary technical education and make rec-  
39 ommendations for improvement in the use of such resources to the state  
40 board of regents;

41 (8) conduct studies to develop strategies and programs for meeting  
42 needs of business and industry and make recommendations relating  
43 thereto to the state board of regents;

- 1 (9) make reports on the performance of its functions and duties to-  
2 gether with any proposals and recommendations it may formulate with  
3 respect thereto to the state board of regents and the legislature;
- 4 (10) coordinate the development of a seamless system for the delivery  
5 of technical education between the secondary-school level and the pos-  
6 tsecondary-school level; and
- 7 (11) (A) develop and recommend to the state board of regents a  
8 credit hour funding distribution formula for postsecondary technical  
9 training programs that (i) is tiered to recognize and support cost differ-  
10 entials in providing high-demand, high-tech training, (ii) takes into con-  
11 sideration target industries critical to the Kansas economy, (iii) is respon-  
12 sive to program growth and (iv) includes other factors and considerations  
13 as deemed necessary or advisable; and (B) establish and recommend to  
14 the state board of regents the rates to be used in such funding distribution  
15 formula.
- 16 (b) Recommendations adopted by the authority pursuant to subsec-  
17 tion (a) shall be submitted to the state board of regents. ~~A recommen-~~  
18 ~~dation of the authority shall be implemented by the state board unless~~  
19 ~~the state board, by majority vote thereof, vetoes the recommendation~~  
20 ~~within 45 days of the submission of the recommendation to the state~~  
21 ~~board. *The state board of regents shall act upon such recommendations*~~  
22 ~~*within 45 days of submission to the state board.*~~
- 23 (c) (1) Subject to the provisions of paragraph (2), the state board of  
24 regents and the postsecondary technical education authority shall appoint  
25 a vice-president of workforce development who shall serve as the exec-  
26 utive director of the postsecondary technical education authority. The  
27 vice-president for workforce development shall be in the unclassified  
28 service under the Kansas civil service act. Such person shall not be a  
29 member of the authority and shall serve at the pleasure of the state board  
30 of regents.
- 31 (2) The state board of regents shall develop a procedure for the ap-  
32 pointment of the vice-president of workforce development. Such proce-  
33 dure shall provide for the participation of the Kansas association of com-  
34 munity college trustees and the Kansas association of technical schools  
35 and colleges, or the successor organizations thereof, in the selection of  
36 the vice-president of workforce development.
- 37 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 72-4482 is hereby repealed.
- 38 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
39 publication in the statute book.