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STATE EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Federal Comprehensive Employment and Training Act of 1973, as amended, requires each State to establish a State employment and training council if it is to receive funds under the act; and

WHEREAS, there are currently 141 million dollars expended annually in the State of Maine to provide employment and training programs and services by a number of Federal, State and local agencies; and

WHEREAS, effective coordination of employment and training and related programs can yield the greatest benefit to those they were intended to serve; and

WHEREAS, such an advisory council can play an important and beneficial role reviewing and commenting on the State's employment and training needs and programs;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH E. BRENNAN, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby establish a State Employment and Training Council.

The Council shall be constituted as follows:

Membership

Consistent with PL95-524, Sec. 110(a)(3), the State Employment and Training Council shall consist of the following representatives from the following interests in an equitable manner:

- A. Representatives of the units or combinations of units of general local government in such state, including those which are prime sponsors;
- B. Representatives of organized labor, business and agricultural employers and workers;
- C. Representatives of the eligible population and of the general public; and
- D. Representatives of service deliverers, including:
 - (i) Representative of the State Board of Vocational Education and Job Service,
 - (ii) Representative of the State Advisory Council on Vocational Education,
 - (iii) Representative of the state public assistance agency,

- (iv) Representatives of community-based organizations, veterans organization, and of handicapped individuals,
- (v) Representatives of other state agencies which the Governor from time to time may determine to have a direct interest in overall employment and training and human resource utilization within the state.

Administration

Pursuant to the provisions of PL95-524, sec. 110(a)(2), the performance of the responsibilities of the Governor relating to provision of staff and support are hereby delegated to the Commissioner of the Department of Manpower Affairs, who shall appoint an executive director to serve at his pleasure and such other personnel as he may deem necessary to carry out the purposes of this Executive Order. The Department of Manpower Affairs shall be the fiscal agent of the Council. Funding shall be provided from the Governor's special discretionary grants as required.

Responsibilities

The overall responsibility of the State Employment and Training Council shall be to a) assist in the development of policies related to the employment and training community, b) conduct reviews of Federal and State legislation relating to the employment and training system, and c) receive such of the Governor's discretionary funds, under PL95-524 and undertake the planning, implementation and grant management for such funds as he may deem appropriate.

In fulfillment of its responsibilities under PL95-524, the State Employment and Training Council shall:

- (1) review continuously the operation of programs conducted by each prime sponsor, and the availability, responsiveness, and adequacy of State services, and make recommendations to the prime sponsors, to agencies providing employment and training services, to the Governor, and to the general public with respect to ways to improve the effectiveness of such programs or services; PL95-524, Sec. 110(b)(1).
- (2) make an annual report to the Governor which shall be a public document, and issue such other studies, reports, or documents as it deems advisable to assist prime sponsors or to otherwise help carry out the purposes of this Act; PL95-524, Sec. 110(b)(2)
- (3) provide for the establishment of cooperative efforts between State and local institutions, including (A) occupational and career guidance and counseling and placement services for in-school and out-of-school youth; and (B) coordinations of statewide activities carried out under the Career Education Incentive Act; PL95-524, Sec. 433(c)(3).

- (4) coordinate all employment and training, education and related services provided by the State, by prime sponsors, by State education agencies and other appropriate institutions of vocational and higher education, State and local public assistance agencies, and by other providers of such services within the State; PL95-524, Sec. 105(b)(1)

- (5) coordinate the utilization of funds under this Act and the Vocational Education Act of 1963 to enhance economic growth and development in the State; PL95-524, Sec. 204(c)(2)(B).



JOSEPH E. BRENNAN
Governor

