

**APPLIED TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION TASK FORCE**

2000 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Sponsor: Jeff Alexander**

AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC EDUCATION; CREATING THE APPLIED TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION TASK FORCE; PROVIDING FOR MEMBERSHIP; PROVIDING DUTIES AND REQUIRING AN INTERIM REPORT; APPROPRIATING \$40,000 FOR FISCAL YEAR 1999-2000; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND PROVIDING A REPEAL DATE.

This act enacts uncodified material.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

**Section 1. Applied Technology Education Task Force -- Creation -- Membership -- Staff.**

(1) There is created the Applied Technology Education Task Force consisting of the following members:

(a) three members of the Senate appointed by the president of the Senate, no more than two of whom may be from the same political party; and

(b) seven members of the House of Representatives appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, no more than five of whom may be from the same political party.

(2) (a) The president of the Senate shall designate a member of the Senate appointed under Subsection (1)(a) as a cochair of the task force.

(b) The speaker of the House of Representatives shall designate a member of the House of Representatives appointed under Subsection (1)(b) as a cochair of the task force.

(3) In conducting its business, the task force shall comply with the rules of the legislative interim committees.

(4) (a) Salaries and expenses of legislative members of the task force shall be paid in accordance with Section 36-2-2 and Joint Rule 15.03.

(b) Members of the task force who are not legislators receive no additional compensation for their work associated with the task force.

(5) The Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel, in consultation with the Office

of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst, shall provide staff support to the task force.

**Section 2. Duties -- Interim report.**

(1) The task force shall review and make recommendations on the following applied technology education issues:

- (a) the role and mission of applied technology education providers in the state;
  - (b) the governance of applied technology education;
  - (c) the criteria for determining new facility requirements to provide applied technology education services;
  - (d) policies regarding standards of accountability and articulation among stakeholders;
  - (e) funding mechanisms;
  - (f) the applied technology education role and mission of the Joint Liaison Committee within the state's education systems;
  - (g) the development and use of measurable standards, including uniformity in developing databases and common methods of distributing information;
  - (h) duplication of applied technology education programs between the state's public and higher education systems; and
  - (i) other issues related to applied technology education as determined by the task force.
- (2) A final report, including any proposed legislation, shall be presented to the Education Interim Committee before November 30, 2000.

**Section 3. Appropriation.**

There is appropriated from the General Fund for fiscal year 1999-2000:

- (1) \$4,500 to the Senate to pay for the compensation and expenses of senators on the task force;
- (2) \$10,500 to the House of Representatives to pay for the compensation and expenses of representatives on the task force; and
- (3) \$25,000 to the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel to pay for staffing the task force.

**Section 4. Effective date.**

If approved by two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, this act takes effect upon approval by the governor, or the day following the constitutional time limit of Utah Constitution Article VII, Section 8, without the governor's signature, or in the case of a veto, the date of veto override.

**Section 5. Repeal date.**

This act is repealed November 30, 2000.