

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Supporting adequate funding for vocational-technical education programs in South Dakota.

WHEREAS, the 1995 Legislature enacted a new method of distributing general state aid to school districts and this new method changed support for secondary education programs; and

WHEREAS, secondary vocational-technical education programs are a critical link to community and state workforce development goals; and

WHEREAS, a well-educated and skilled workforce is vital to the economic development of local communities and the state of South Dakota; and

WHEREAS, fiscal challenges can cause individual school districts to reduce or eliminate funding for certain vocational-technical programs due to the high costs sometimes associated with the special equipment and facilities they require; and

WHEREAS, a significant number of high school graduates go directly into articulated postsecondary education or employment opportunities:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Seventy-seventh Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the House of Representatives concurring therein, that the South Dakota Legislature supports the adequate funding of approved secondary vocational-technical education programs.

Adopted by the Senate,
Concurred in by the House of Representatives,

January 30, 2002
February 01, 2002

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