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**SYNOPSIS**

Authorizes county colleges and county vocational school districts to establish green job certification programs.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

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1 AN ACT concerning the establishment of green job certification  
2 programs and supplementing chapters 54 and 64A of Title 18A  
3 of the New Jersey Statutes.

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5 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
6 of New Jersey:

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8 1. a. As used in this section, “green job” means those aspects  
9 of employment that deal with renewable energy, energy  
10 conservation, energy efficiency, and energy sustainability.

11 b. A county vocational school district may enter into a  
12 partnership with one or more private entities to develop and  
13 establish a green jobs certification program. Under the program the  
14 county vocational school district shall identify needed skills,  
15 develop training programs, and train workers for green jobs in one  
16 or more industries including, but not limited to, energy efficient  
17 building, construction and retrofits, renewable electric power,  
18 energy efficient vehicles, biofuels, and manufacturing that produces  
19 sustainable products and uses sustainable processes and materials.

20 The county vocational school district shall issue a green jobs  
21 certification to each person who successfully completes the training  
22 program.

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25 of employment that deal with renewable energy, energy  
26 conservation, energy efficiency, and energy sustainability.

27 b. A county college may enter into a partnership with one or  
28 more private entities to develop and establish a green jobs  
29 certification program. Under the program the county college shall  
30 identify needed skills, develop training programs, and train workers  
31 for green jobs in one or more industries including, but not limited  
32 to, energy efficient building, construction and retrofits, renewable  
33 electric power, energy efficient vehicles, biofuels, and  
34 manufacturing that produces sustainable products and uses  
35 sustainable processes and materials.

36 The county college shall issue a green jobs certification to each  
37 person who successfully completes the training program.

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39 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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44 This bill authorizes county colleges and county vocational school  
45 districts to enter into partnerships with private entities to develop  
46 and establish green job certification programs. Under such  
47 programs, the county college or county vocational school district

1 would identify needed skills, develop training programs, and train  
2 workers for green jobs in one or more industries such as energy  
3 efficient building, construction and retrofits, renewable electric  
4 power, energy efficient vehicles, biofuels, and manufacturing that  
5 produces sustainable products and uses sustainable processes and  
6 materials. A green jobs certification would be issued to an  
7 individual who successfully completes the training program.

8 The creation of green jobs is a goal of all 50 states, especially  
9 during the current economic recession. Green jobs are those aspects  
10 of employment that deal with renewable energy, energy  
11 conservation, and energy sustainability. In many cases they exist  
12 now but without certification as a “green job.” In order for the  
13 State to attract the businesses and industries that produce renewable  
14 energy, green building components, and other similar “green-  
15 oriented industry, the training and the certification of that training  
16 must be provided to demonstrate that New Jersey is an attractive  
17 and viable site for the location of such industries.