## ASSEMBLY SCIENCE, INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO

## ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION No. 180

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 6, 2018

The Assembly Science, Innovation and Technology Committee reports favorably Assembly Joint Resolution No. 180.

As reported, this joint resolution designates the month of February each year as "Career and Technical Education Month" in New Jersey in order to recognize and promote the many benefits of career and technical education in this State. The joint resolution requests the Governor to annually issue a proclamation calling upon students, parents, and other citizens of the State to learn more about career and technical education, county vocational-technical school programs, and well-paying career pathways that can be launched with an industry credential or a technical degree. The proclamation is to also call upon New Jersey employers to become active partners with county vocational-technical schools to align curriculum with their workforce needs and provide meaningful work-based learning opportunities to students.