

Talking Points 2019 State Legislative Visits June 5, 2019

Remember you are the expert in Career and Technical Education, speak from experience, build a relationship, extend an invitation to visit your school, and as always thank them for the meeting.

The following are talking points to share during your legislative visits:

➤ **CTE Funding:**

- Please thank your legislator for the \$10 million increase this school year and tell them how it benefited your students.
- Please share with the legislator the positive impact of the CTE supplemental Equipment Grant and how you have used that grant at your school.
- Tell them you are grateful for the support of the Governor and Legislature of career and technical education.
- Ask that the \$10 million proposed in the Governor's budget for CTE be allocated as follows: \$4 million added to the Career and Technical Education Equipment line and \$6 million be appropriated through the Career and Technical Education Subsidy.

- **CTE Legislation:**
- **House Bill 265**, which would expand the online database that allows students and potential students to check where courses, programs, certificates and diplomas are able to be transferred among public schools and institutions of higher education. The bill is authored by Rep. Craig Staats (R-Bucks).
- **House Bill 297**, which would help improve career information and recruitment. The bill is authored by Rep. Zach Mako (R-Lehigh/Northampton).
- **House Bill 334**, which would deal with the Commission for Agriculture Education Excellence, the use of course credits, and the classification of program codes. The bill is authored by Rep. Seth Grove (R-York).
- **House Bill 522**, which would create a CTE investment incentive program, including tax credits for businesses that contribute CTE programs and enrollment expansion programs. The bill is authored by Rep. Mike Tobash (R-Schuylkill/Dauphin). **(PACTA PRIORITY)**
- **House Bill 393**, which would create an online career resource center. The bill is authored by Rep. Patrick Harkins (D-Erie).
- **House Bill 394**, which would require the Pennsylvania Department of Education to create an inventory of workforce development programs offered at secondary and post-secondary institutions. The bill is authored by Rep. Gerald Mullery (D-Luzerne).
- **House Bill 395**, which would allow CTE programs to establish occupational advisory committees that serve more than one school. The bill is authored by Rep. James Roebuck (D-Philadelphia), minority chairman of the House Education Committee.
- **House Bill 396**, which would add at least one administrator from a career and technical center to each Workforce Development Board. The bill is also authored by Roebuck. **(PACTA PRIORITY)**

Once you have completed your visits please e-mail a brief overview of the visits to Jackie Cullen at jackie@pacareertech.org .