

SENATE BILL No. 427

By Committee on Ways and Means

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1 AN ACT creating the Johnson county community college go pro now
2 program; making and concerning appropriations for the fiscal years
3 ending June 30, 2014, June 30, 2015, and June 30, 2016, for the state
4 board of regents.
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6 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

7 Section 1. (a) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2014, June 30,
8 2015, and June 30, 2016, appropriations are hereby made, restrictions and
9 limitations are hereby imposed, and transfers, capital improvement
10 projects, fees, receipts, disbursements and acts incidental to the foregoing
11 are hereby directed or authorized as provided in this act.

12 (b) This act shall not be subject to the provisions of subsection (a) of
13 K.S.A. 75-6702, and amendments thereto.

14 (c) The appropriations made by this act shall not be subject to the
15 provisions of K.S.A. 46-155, and amendments thereto.

16 Sec. 2.

17 STATE BOARD OF REGENTS

18 (a) There is appropriated for the above agency from the state general
19 fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, the following:

20 Johnson county community college go pro now.....\$500,000

21 *Provided*, That, during fiscal year 2014, notwithstanding the provisions of
22 any other statute, expenditures shall be made from the Johnson county
23 community college go pro now account of the state general fund for fiscal
24 year 2014 by the state board of regents to establish a pilot program called
25 the Johnson county community college go pro now program, that directly
26 benefits students, Kansas technology-driven employers and Kansas
27 bioscience employers by helping students attain their educational goals
28 and employers meet their technical and bioscience workforce needs:

29 *Provided further*, That development and implementation of the pilot
30 program seeks to provide high school students with an: (1) Accelerate IT,
31 two-year, opportunity to receive a high school diploma from the school
32 district in which the student is enrolled, and associate degree from Johnson
33 county community college, in the relevant technology or bioscience field
34 that addresses employers' needs; or (2) accelerated, four-year opportunity
35 to receive a high school diploma from the school district in which the
36 student is enrolled, associate degree from Johnson county community

1 college, and bachelor's degree from a state educational institution, as
2 defined in K.S.A. 76-711, and amendments thereto, in the relevant
3 technology or bioscience field that addresses employers' needs: *And*
4 *provided further*; That the objectives of the program are students graduate
5 from the program after achieving the competency objectives, identified
6 collaboratively by the employers and the educational institutions, with an
7 opportunity, upon successful performance, of a high-paying job in the
8 workplace and no program-related tuition debt, and the employer benefits
9 from hiring an employee already prepared to succeed in the respective
10 workplace who can be productive on the first day of the job: *And provided*
11 *further*; That the state board of regents, the administration of Johnson
12 county community college, the administration of the university of Kansas
13 Edwards campus, the administration of the Kansas state university Olathe
14 campus, the state board of education and any interested unified school
15 district shall collaborate to implement such program: *And provided further*;
16 That the course of study for students admitted into such program shall be
17 subject to the approval of the state board of education and shall be
18 designed to meet the high school graduation requirements for such
19 students: *And provided further*; That students admitted to the Johnson
20 county community college go pro now program may be charged fees by
21 Johnson county community college and the participating universities
22 which are no higher than those fees regularly charged to high school,
23 community college or university students, but shall not be charged tuition
24 by Johnson county community college or a state educational institution:
25 *And provided further*; That it is anticipated that for fiscal year 2016, the
26 tuition for the students in this program shall be paid by the private sector
27 employers: *And provided further*; That the state board of regents shall
28 review the credit hours of course work in the program to determine
29 compliance with K.S.A. 71-601, and amendments thereto: *And provided*
30 *further*; That solely for the purpose of admission to the Johnson county
31 community college go pro now program, a student shall not be required to
32 comply with the requirements of K.S.A. 76-717, and amendments thereto.

33 (b) During fiscal year 2014 and fiscal year 2015, expenditures shall
34 be made from the Johnson county community college go pro now account
35 of the state general fund for fiscal year 2014 and fiscal year 2015 by the
36 state board of regents to establish a go pro now-accelerate IT advisory
37 board consisting of five members appointed as follows: One member by
38 the superintendents of the participating school districts, one member by the
39 Johnson county community college president and one member
40 representing the universities selected by the board of regents. Following
41 the appointments of these three board members, such board members shall
42 select two members from a group of applicants nominated by technology
43 or bioscience private sector employers. The go pro now-accelerate IT

1 advisory board shall assist the participating school districts, Johnson
 2 county community college and the state educational institutions in
 3 curriculum design, student selection and retention, design and measures of
 4 student core competency requirements for graduation, internship program
 5 design and the overall operation of the program.

6 Sec. 3.

7 STATE BOARD OF REGENTS

8 (a) There is appropriated for the above agency from the state general
 9 fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, the following:

10 Johnson county community college go pro now.....\$1,500,000

11 *Provided*, That any unencumbered balance in the Johnson county
 12 community college go pro now account in excess of \$100 as of June 30,
 13 2014, is hereby reappropriated for fiscal year 2015: *Provided further*, That,
 14 during fiscal year 2015, notwithstanding the provisions of any other
 15 statute, expenditures shall be made from the Johnson county community
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19 (b) Any unencumbered balance in excess of \$100 as of June 30,
20 2015, for the above agency in the Johnson county community college go
21 pro now account of the state general fund is hereby reappropriated for
22 fiscal year 2016.

23 Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
24 publication in the Kansas register.