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HOUSE BILL **237**

AN ACT requiring vocational education centers to prioritize science, technology, engineering, and mathematics curricula as a condition for funding.

SPONSORS: Rep. Schroadter, Rock 17

COMMITTEE: Education

ANALYSIS

This bill requires the state board of education to include criteria in its rules that would give funding preference to those vocational education centers that offer students an option to enroll in a science, technology, engineering, and mathematics curriculum.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
 Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struck through.~~]
 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 Regional Education Centers; Construction or Renovation. Amend RSA 188-E:3, I to read as
2 follows:

3 I. The commissioner, department of education, shall make grants available to designated
4 regional centers for construction of vocational education facilities or renovation of existing regional
5 vocational centers. The state board shall adopt rules, pursuant to RSA 541-A and RSA 21-N:9, II,
6 which the commissioner shall carry out, relative to requirements for approval of regional vocational
7 education centers to receive funds for construction or renovation of such facilities. The rules shall
8 include criteria which guarantee potential sending districts an opportunity to enroll students in the
9 regional vocational program, and basic criteria for planning such facilities through cooperative
10 development of plans by the vocational education staff of the state department of education and the
11 local school district's staff. ***In addition, the rules shall contain criteria giving funding***
12 ***preference to those vocational education centers that offer students an option to enroll in a***
13 ***science, technology, engineering, and mathematics curriculum.*** When such plans appear to
14 be both educationally and financially acceptable, the department's vocational staff shall recommend
15 to the commissioner that they be approved for funding.

16 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.