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Motion by Mr. Williams and Mr. Simon  
(on Conferees' Staff Notes on H.R. 1617)

Mr. Williams and Simon move that the staff recommendations be modified as follows:

Note 189 a  (on functions of local board)

"The Senate recedes with an amendment inserting

"(a) FUNCTIONS.—The functions of the local workforce development board shall include—

(1) LOCAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PLAN.—Each local workforce development board shall develop a comprehensive multi-year strategic plan that is consistent with the goals the plan established by the State under section____. Such plan shall include the following information—

(A) an identification of the workforce development needs of local industries, job seekers, and workers;

(B) a description of workforce development activities to be carried out in the local area as required under section____(reference to employment and training section) and section____(reference to at-risk youth section), that with programs established under Wagner-Peyser Act, contribute to a coherent workforce development system;

(C) a description of the local benchmarks applicable to the local area as a whole negotiated with the State consistent with the State plan pursuant to section____, and the benchmarks to be used by the local board for measuring the performance of local service providers and the performance of the one-stop career center system;

(D) a description of the process negotiated with the Governor by the local board in coordination with local elected officials that the local board will use to establish or certify one-stop career centers and service providers in the local workforce development area;

(E) a description of the process that the local board will use to—

(i) ensure that the most effective and efficient service providers are chosen;
(ii) ensure that local providers continue to meet the labor market needs of local employers and program participants; and
(iii) fully utilize activities authorized under the Wagner-Peyser Act.
(F) a description of how the local board will obtain the continued input of the chief elected official or officials in the local area in carrying out its duties;

(G) a description of how the local workforce development board will obtain the active and continuous participation of business and industry, representatives of employees, local educational agencies, postsecondary education institutions, adult education and literacy providers, local service providers, community-based organizations, parents and consumers (including individuals with disabilities, older workers, and veterans) in the workforce development area;

(H) a description of the steps the local board will take to work with local educational agencies, postsecondary educational institutions, adult education and literacy providers, and others to address the local employment, education, and training needs;

(I) a description of the process used to fully involve business, labor organizations, the local education community (including teachers), parents and community-based organizations in the development and implementation of at-risk youth activities, including a description of the process used to ensure that the most effective and efficient providers of services are chosen;

(J) such other information as the Governor may require.

(2) IDENTIFICATION OF QUALIFIED TRAINING PROVIDERS.-- Consistent with the requirements established under section , the local board is authorized to work with the State in the identification of qualified providers of training in the workforce development area, for participation in employment and training activities established under section .”

Note 192a (on local board developing budget, with approval by local elected officials)

Strike the staff recommendation (which proposes that the House recede from its provision) and insert in lieu thereof the following:

“The Senate recedes with technical corrections to cross-references.”

Note 192b (on local board oversight responsibilities, in partnership with local elected officials)

Strike the staff recommendation (which proposes that the House recede from its provision) and insert in lieu thereof the following:

“The Senate recedes”
**Note 193 (relating to the role of local elected officials)**

Strike the staff recommendation (which proposes that the House recede with an amendment modifying the language) and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"The House recedes with an amendment, as follows:

"COORDINATION WITH LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS.—The local board shall—

"(A) develop the local workforce development plan, in coordination with the appropriate chief elected officials of units of general local government in the workforce development area;

"(B) submit the local workforce development plan to such appropriate chief elected officials for approval or modifications, allowing not less than 30 days for such consideration; and

"(C) include acceptable modifications and transmit any additional recommendations by any such chief elected official, as part of the submission of the local workforce development plan to the Governor."

**Note 194 (on local board receiving and disbursing training funds or designating fiscal agent)**

Strike the staff recommendation (which proposes that the House recede from its provision) and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"The Senate recedes."

**Note 194a (relating to employment of staff for the local board)**

Strike the staff recommendation (which proposes that the House recede from its provision) and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"The Senate recedes."

**Note 195 (relating to prohibition of the local board operating programs itself)**

Strike the staff recommendation (which proposes that the Senate recede with an amendment containing new language) and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"The Senate recedes with amendments to insert the word 'directly' before the word 'operate' in the first sentence of the House provision, and to strike the second sentence of the House provision."