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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 676, L.D. 1655, Bill, “An Act To Increase the Number of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Professionals in the State”

Amend the bill in section 1 in chapter 439 in the 3rd line (page 1, line 5 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "**AND LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAMS**" and inserting the following: '**PROGRAM**'

Amend the bill in section 1 in §12921 by striking out all of subsection 4 (page 2, lines 14 to 19 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

4. STEM student. "STEM student" means an undergraduate or graduate student who is a resident of the State and is engaged in the study of science, computer science, technology, engineering or mathematics at an accredited institution of higher education in the State eligible to receive federal assistance under a federal student assistance program authorized under the federal Higher Education Act of 1965, Title IV and has been selected by the authority pursuant to section 12922 to receive a loan. "STEM student" also means a high school senior committed to the study of science, computer science, technology, engineering or mathematics at an accredited institution of higher education in the State eligible to receive federal assistance under a federal student assistance program authorized under the federal Higher Education Act of 1965, Title IV and has been selected by the authority pursuant to section 12922 to receive a loan.'

Amend the bill in section 1 in §12922 in the first paragraph in the last line (page 1, line 25 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "4" and inserting the following: '5'

Amend the bill in section 1 in §12922 in the first paragraph in the last line (page 1, line 25 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "students." the following: 'As used in this section, "employed in the field of science, computer science, technology, engineering or mathematics" includes a person employed as an educator in any of those fields.'

Amend the bill in section 1 in §12922 by striking out all of subsection 3 (page 2, lines 1 to 5 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

