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House Bill 4142

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4142 AS INTRODUCED 2-18-87

The bill would create a 15-member State Council for Science and Math Education, whose responsibilities would include stimulating and encouraging the study and understanding of science and math by students in public and private schools and distributing grants to further that cause. The members would be appointed by the governor to four-year terms (initially staggered) and would have to be broadly representative of schools, colleges and universities, civic and community organizations, and businesses that employ people in the areas of math and science. The council would exist as an autonomous unit within the Department of Education, except for budgeting, procurement, and related management functions. The council would accept gifts and donations for distribution on the basis of need. It could also enter into agreements with a variety of organizations and individuals to provide services that would further science and math education and could receive assistance toward that end from the state.