

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

BY HIS EXCELLENCY

STEPHEN MERRILL, GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 94-1

an order providing that the New Hampshire State Council for Vocational Education establish a working group to examine secondary level vocational-technical education in New Hampshire in order to ascertain the needs of a growing and changing economy in effectively meeting the requirements of employers and employees in our State.

WHEREAS, it is essential to promote a close and continuing relationship between the secondary level vocational-technical system in our state and the business community; and

WHEREAS, it is incumbent upon the State to provide a forum for assessing business needs and making resource allocations by producing a system plan; and

WHEREAS, concerted efforts must be made to ensure that both the secondary and postsecondary education systems work in concert to improve secondary vocational-technical education and educational opportunities for all citizens; and

WHEREAS, the secondary vocational-technical education system in the State must ensure the employability of graduates at the highest possible skill levels as well as provide the skills and knowledge for participation in further education opportunities; and

WHEREAS, secondary vocational-technical education must ensure that each student acquire the basic skills including reading, writing, mathematics and job readiness; and

WHEREAS, secondary vocational-technical education needs to recognize that periodically acquiring new skills is a life-long necessity for most workers;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEPHEN MERRILL, GOVERNOR of the State of New Hampshire by virtue of the authority vested in me, pursuant to Part II, Article 41 of the New Hampshire Constitution, do hereby order the following:

That the State Council on Vocational Education establishing a working group which shall develop an evaluation of secondary vocational-technical education in New Hampshire with special emphasis on the Skill Center Concept.

The working group will review current policy and practices in order to make recommendations which will result in the secondary vocational-technical education system in New Hampshire being more responsive to the needs of employers while ensuring the continued cooperation between the business community and the providers of vocational-technical education, as well as being positioned to better meet the needs of our young people as they prepare for entry into the world of work and postsecondary education experiences, and to more effectively utilize available educational resources.

FURTHER, it is hereby ordered, that the working group shall report to the full State Council on Vocational Education its findings and recommendations on or before December 31, 1994; and

That subsequent to completion of a system review, the State Council on Vocational Education is hereby directed to submit its report and recommendations to the Governor and the State Board of Education on or before February 1, 1995.

Given at the Executive Chambers in
Concord, this fifth day of May, in the year of
Our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and
ninety-four, and of the independence of the
United States of American, two hundred and
eighteen.



Stephen Merrill
GOVERNOR OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

By His Excellency, Governor

ATTEST: