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H 1085. SCI/TECH/ENG/MATH INNOVATION STUDY COMN. Filed 4/6/09. *CREATING THE STUDY COMMISSION ON SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATH INNOVATION AND COMMUNITY COLLABORATION.*

Establishes the 24-member Study Commission on Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math Innovation and Community Collaboration (STEM) to study and recommend the development of a framework for assessing the readiness of a community or region to support the economic demands of business and industry in the 21st century and the scaling of innovative local programs to impact broader numbers of individuals in communities around the state. Provides that the Executive Director of the Education Cabinet (ED) or the ED's designee is to serve as an ex-officio member of STEM, and provides that the Governor is to appoint three members, the Speaker of the House of Representatives is to appoint ten members and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate is to appoint ten members. Provides additional details about the specific required qualifications of the STEM appointees, and the filling of vacancies. Provides that STEM is to have two co-chairs, one appointed by the Speaker of the House and one appointed by the President Pro Tem and that the commission is to meet upon the call of the co-chairs, with 13 members constituting a quorum of the commission. Provides additional specifications regarding staffing, meetings, member expenses, and funding. Requires STEM to make a final report, including any proposed legislation, to the 2010 Session of the General Assembly upon its convening. Directs that the commission is to terminate upon filing its final report or the convening of the 2010 Session, whichever is earlier.

Includes additional details as to the purpose and duties of STEM and the issues that it is to examine.

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