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On page 35, beginning on line 21 of the striking amendment, strike all of subsection (4)

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4 On page 45, beginning on line 9 of the striking amendment, strike 5 all of section 509 and insert the following:

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"NEW SECTION. Sec. 509. In conjunction with the regional needs assessments in sections 506 through 508 of this act, the council of presidents shall convene an interinstitutional work group to implement the plans developed under section 601 of chapter 564, Laws of 2009 to increase the number of mathematics and science teacher endorsements and certificates. The work group must collaborate in evaluating regional needs and identifying strategies to meet those needs. The council of presidents shall report to the education and higher education committees of the legislature on demonstrated progress toward achieving outcomes identified in the plans no later than December 31, 2011."

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EFFECT: Removes provisions that require the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges to select up to three community colleges to offer a baccalaureate degree plus teaching certification in a shortage subject area. Directs the Council of Presidents to convene an inter-institutional work group to implement plans prepared by the four-year institutions of higher education in response to a proviso in the 2009-2011 biennial budget regarding increasing the number of mathematics and science teachers. Requires the COP to report to the Education and Higher Education Committees on demonstrated progress toward achieving the outcomes identified in the plans by December 31, 2011.

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