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Short Title: National Forest Receipts Program/DCED Regulations

Summary:

 Makes the statutory changes necessary for the Department of Community and Economic Development to disburse National Forest Receipts in accordance with the federal act providing these funds.

• Defines the student "average daily membership" for the purpose of distributing forest receipts within unorganized boroughs.

Benefits:

- Provides the DCED with the authority to adopt regulations necessary to implement the revised federal program in a manner consistent with federal law.
- Allows federal forest receipts to flow through to schools as intended.

Background:

National Forest Receipts are distributed to the State for schools and roads within the boundary of the national forest in which they are collected. The "Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000" (P.L. 106-393) made substantive changes to the federal program, necessitating the conforming changes made by SB 328.