

1-1 By: Button, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Hancock) H.B. No. 2575
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 24, 2023;
 1-3 April 24, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on
 1-4 Natural Resources & Economic Development; May 4, 2023, reported
 1-5 favorably by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 4, 2023, sent
 1-6 to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-18 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-19 AN ACT

1-20 relating to the workforce diploma pilot program.
 1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
 1-22 SECTION 1. Sections 317.004 and 317.010, Labor Code, are
 1-23 amended to read as follows:
 1-24 Sec. 317.004. PROVIDER ELIGIBILITY. To be eligible to
 1-25 participate as a provider under the program, a provider must:
 1-26 (1) apply to the commission in the manner prescribed
 1-27 by commission rule;
 1-28 (2) be a public, nonprofit, or private entity that is:
 1-29 (A) authorized under the Education Code or other
 1-30 state law to grant a high school diploma; or
 1-31 (B) accredited by a regional accrediting body and
 1-32 working in partnership with an entity described by Paragraph (A);
 1-33 (3) have at least two years of experience providing
 1-34 dropout reengagement services to adult students, including
 1-35 recruitment, learning plan development, and proactive coaching and
 1-36 mentoring, leading to the obtainment of a high school diploma;
 1-37 (4) be equipped to:
 1-38 (A) provide:
 1-39 (i) academic skill intake assessment and
 1-40 transcript evaluations;
 1-41 (ii) remediation coursework in literacy and
 1-42 numeracy;
 1-43 (iii) a research-validated academic
 1-44 resiliency assessment and intervention;
 1-45 (iv) employability skills development
 1-46 aligned to employer needs;
 1-47 (v) career pathways coursework;
 1-48 (vi) preparation for the attainment of
 1-49 industry-recognized credentials; and
 1-50 (vii) career placement services; and
 1-51 (B) develop a learning plan that integrates
 1-52 academic requirements and career goals; and
 1-53 (5) offer a course catalog that includes all courses
 1-54 necessary to meet high school graduation requirements in this
 1-55 state.
 1-56 Sec. 317.010. EXPIRATION. This chapter expires September
 1-57 1, 2027 [~~2025~~].
 1-58 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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