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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

relating to administration of certain workforce development programs by the Texas Workforce Commission.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: SECTION 1. Section 302.021, Labor Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 302.021. CONSOLIDATION OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT The following job-training, PROGRAMS. (a) employment, employment-related educational employment-related educational programs and functions consolidated under the authority of the <u>commission</u> [division]:

(1) adult education programs under Subchapter Chapter 29, Education Code;

(2) proprietary school programs under Chapter 132, Education Code;

(3) apprenticeship programs under Chapter 133, Education Code;

(4)postsecondary vocational and job-training programs that are not a part of approved courses or programs that lead to licensing, certification, or an associate degree under Chapters 61, 130, and 135, Education Code, Subchapter E, Chapter 88, Education Code, and Subchapter E, Chapter 96, Education Code;

(5) employment programs under Chapter 31, Human Resources Code;

the senior citizens employment program under (6) Chapter 101, Human Resources Code;

(7) the work and family policies program under Chapter 81;

(8) job-training programs funded under the [Job Training Partnership Act (29 U.S.C. Section 1501 et seq. under the] Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (29 U.S.C. Section 2801 et seq.);

(9)job the program counseling for displaced homemakers under Chapter 304;

(10)the reintegration of offenders program under Chapter 306;

(11)the inmate employment counseling program [under 499.051(f), Government Code];

(12) the continuity of care program under Section 501.095, Government Code;

a literacy program from state, local, federal, (13)and private funds available to the state for that purpose;

the employment service; (14)

(15) the community service program under the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Section 12501 et seq.);

(16) the trade adjustment assistance program under Part 2, Subchapter II, Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. Section 2271 et seq.);

education, employment, employment support, training services, activities and programs funded under Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (42 U.S.C. Section 601 et seq.);

(18) the food stamp employment and training program authorized under 7 U.S.C. Section $20\overline{15}(\overline{d})$; and

(19)the functions of the State Occupational Information Coordinating Committee.

In addition to the programs consolidated under the (b) authority of the commission [division] under Subsection (a), the commission [division] shall administer:

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- (1) programs in this state to enhance the employment opportunities of veterans of the armed services of the United States, including the employment program funded under Chapters 41 and 42, Title 38, United States Code;
- (2) child-care services provided under Chapter 44, Human Resources Code; and
- (3) programs established in this state through federal funding to conduct full service career development centers and school-to-work transition services.
- (c) To the extent permitted under federal law, the <u>commission</u> [<u>division</u>] shall administer the programs funded through the education coordination funds under Section 123, Job Training Partnership Act (29 U.S.C. Section 1533).
- (d) To the extent permitted under federal law, the commission [division] shall promote and monitor services provided to persons with disabilities, including persons referred from the Texas Rehabilitation Commission.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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