

Amend CSHB 5 (house committee report) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. (a) Subchapter A, Chapter 28, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 28.00222 to read as follows:

Sec. 28.00222. INCREASE IN CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION COURSES. (a) Not later than September 1, 2014, the State Board of Education shall ensure that the number of approved career and technology education courses is at least equal to twice the number of approved courses on September 1, 2013.

(b) Not later than January 1, 2015, the commissioner shall review and report to the governor, the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the presiding officer of each standing committee of the legislature with primary responsibility over public primary and secondary education regarding the progress of increasing the number of courses approved for the career and technology education curriculum. The commissioner shall include in the report a detailed description of any new courses, including instructional materials and required equipment, if any.

(c) This section expires September 1, 2017.

(b) This section applies beginning with the 2013-2014 school year.