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H.B. No. 533

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 533:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a development of a workforce investment partnership in rural areas.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 12, Agriculture Code, is amended by adding Section 12.0272 to read as follows:

Sec. 12.0272. RURAL WORKFORCE INVESTMENT PROGRAM. (a) In this section:

(1) "General academic teaching institution," "public junior college," and "public technical institute" have the meanings assigned by Section 61.003, Education Code.

(2) "Rural area" means:

(A) a county with a population of less than 200,000; or

(B) a municipality with a population of less than 50,000.

(b) Subject to available funding, the commissioner may develop a rural workforce investment program to facilitate partnerships in rural areas among school districts, public junior colleges, public technical institutes, general academic teaching institutions, and business and industry to promote workforce investment plans.

(c) The commissioner may adopt rules to administer this section.

1           SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
2 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
3 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
4 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
5 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.