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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

- 1 AN ACT
- 2 relating to the provision of career and technology education
- 3 courses in certain partnership programs to provide high school
- 4 dropout recovery.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Section 29.402, Education Code, is amended by
- 7 amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (c-1) to read as
- 8 follows:
- 9 (a) A [Beginning September 1, 2012, a] public junior college
- 10 may enter into an articulation agreement to partner with one or more
- 11 school districts located in the public junior college district to
- 12 provide on the campus of the public junior college a dropout
- 13 recovery program for students described by Subsection (b) to
- 14 successfully complete and receive a diploma from a high school of
- 15 the appropriate partnering school district.
- 16 (c-1) A public junior college under this section may partner
- 17 with a public technical institute, as defined by Section 61.003, to
- 18 provide, as part of the dropout recovery program curriculum, career
- 19 and technology education courses that lead to industry or career
- 20 certification.
- 21 SECTION 2. Section 29.403, Education Code, is amended by
- 22 adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:
- 23 <u>(c) A public technical institute may receive from a</u>
- 24 partnering public junior college for each student enrolled in a

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- 1 career and technology education course as provided by Section
- 2 29.402(c-1) an amount negotiated between the public technical
- 3 <u>institute</u> and the partnering public junior college.
- 4 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 5 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 6 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 7 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 8 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.