

The House Committee on Public Education

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Pursuant to a notice posted on April 22, 2016, the House Committee on Public Education met in a public hearing and was called to order by the chair, Representative Aycock, at 10:07 a.m.

The initial quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives Aycock; Allen; Deshotel; Farney; Galindo; González, Mary; Huberty; King, Ken; and VanDeaver.

A quorum was present.

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The committee met jointly with the House Committee on Economic and Small Business Development to consider interim charge five. (See below.)

Examine partnerships between higher education institutions, public school districts, and workforce that promote postsecondary readiness. Provide coordination recommendations to ensure vocational, career, and technical education programs are more accessible. Determine the most effective ways to invest in these partnerships and programs to direct at-risk students to stable career paths. Examine current rules and laws limiting employers from providing meaningful internships, apprenticeships, and other opportunities. Consider new methods to finance workforce training programs and associated assets in high schools and postsecondary schools, including ways to reduce or eliminate these costs and options to incentivize businesses to invest in training equipment for schools.

Invited and public testimony was taken.

At 3:46 p.m., on the motion of Representative Aycock and without objection, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

Rep. Aycock, Chair

Jenna Watts, Clerk