

1-1 By: Fallon S.B. No. 2202
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 8, 2019; March 21, 2019, read
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Higher Education;
 1-4 April 24, 2019, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9,
 1-5 Nays 0; April 24, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Creighton	X			
1-8 West	X			
1-9 Bettencourt	X			
1-10 Buckingham	X			
1-11 Flores	X			
1-12 Menéndez	X			
1-13 Powell	X			
1-14 Taylor	X			
1-15 Watson	X			

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the administration of the Jobs and Education for Texans
 1-20 (JET) Grant Program.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Section 134.004, Education Code, is amended by
 1-23 adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

1-24 (c) In awarding grants under this chapter, the commission,
 1-25 to the extent feasible, shall distribute grants equally across
 1-26 geographic areas of this state.

1-27 SECTION 2. Section 134.007, Education Code, is amended to
 1-28 read as follows:

1-29 Sec. 134.007. GRANTS AWARDED TO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL
 1-30 DISTRICT. (a) The commission may award a grant to an independent
 1-31 school district under this chapter if the district has entered into
 1-32 a partnership with a public junior college, public technical
 1-33 institute, or public state college for the purpose of:

1-34 (1) promoting career and technical education to the
 1-35 district's students; or

1-36 (2) offering dual credit courses to the district's
 1-37 students.

1-38 (b) Notwithstanding Subsection (a), an independent school
 1-39 district located in a rural area of this state in which no public
 1-40 junior college, public technical institute, or public state college
 1-41 is located in close geographic proximity to the district may be
 1-42 awarded a grant under this chapter to provide career and technical
 1-43 education courses or programs to students in the district in
 1-44 partnership with a local manufacturing facility in the area. The
 1-45 commission shall adopt rules for the administration of this
 1-46 subsection.

1-47 SECTION 3. Chapter 134, Education Code, is amended by
 1-48 adding Section 134.009 to read as follows:

1-49 Sec. 134.009. BIENNIAL REPORT. (a) Not later than
 1-50 November 1 of each even-numbered year, the commission shall prepare
 1-51 and submit to each standing legislative committee with primary
 1-52 jurisdiction over workforce development or higher education a
 1-53 report regarding the grant activities and grant recipients under
 1-54 this chapter, including the results and outcomes of grants awarded
 1-55 under this chapter.

1-56 (b) The report must:

1-57 (1) identify high-demand occupations in this state and
 1-58 evaluate how grants awarded under this chapter have been used to
 1-59 support courses or programs that prepare students for employment in
 1-60 those occupations; and

1-61 (2) include the following data for the most recent

2-1 two-year period for which the information is available,
2-2 disaggregated by appropriate region as determined by the
2-3 commission:
2-4 (A) the number of students receiving career and
2-5 technical education funded by grants awarded under this chapter;
2-6 (B) the number of students attaining a
2-7 certificate, a degree, or an industry certification or other
2-8 workforce credential as a result of receiving career and technical
2-9 education funded by grants awarded under this chapter;
2-10 (C) the number of students entering the workforce
2-11 who received career and technical education funded by grants
2-12 awarded under this chapter; and
2-13 (D) any losses or gains in manufacturing jobs and
2-14 the effect of those losses or gains on workforce education needs.
2-15 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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