### **SENATE AMENDMENTS**

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Printing

By: Phelan, Romero, Jr., Blanco, Burrows H.B. No. 2784

#### A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1	AN ACT
2	relating to the creation of the Texas Industrial Workforce
3	Apprenticeship Grant Program.
4	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
5	SECTION 1. Chapter 302, Labor Code, is amended by adding
6	Subchapter I to read as follows:
7	SUBCHAPTER I. TEXAS INDUSTRIAL WORKFORCE APPRENTICESHIP GRANT
8	PROGRAM
9	Sec. 302.251. PURPOSE. The purpose of the Texas Industrial
10	Workforce Apprenticeship Grant Program is to address the immediate
11	industrial workforce needs of this state resulting from the impact
12	of Hurricane Harvey and overall workforce shortages.
13	Sec. 302.252. DEFINITIONS. In this subchapter:
14	(1) "Apprenticeship program" means a training program
15	<pre>that:</pre>
16	(A) provides on-the-job training, preparatory
17	instruction, supplementary instruction, or related instruction in
18	a trade that has been recognized as an apprenticeable occupation by
19	the Office of Apprenticeship of the United States Department of
20	Labor; or
21	(B) is certified as an industry-recognized
22	apprenticeship program by a third-party certifier that has received
23	from the United States Department of Labor a favorable
24	determination of qualification to award that certification.

- 1 (2) "Person" does not include a governmental entity.
- 2 Sec. 302.253. PROGRAM. The commission shall establish and
- 3 administer the Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship Grant
- 4 Program to encourage the private sector to develop specialized
- 5 industrial workforce apprenticeship programs in this state. Under
- 6 the program, the commission shall provide grants for persons who
- 7 meet the requirements of Section 302.255.
- 8 Sec. 302.254. TEXAS INDUSTRIAL WORKFORCE APPRENTICESHIP
- 9 FUND. (a) The Texas industrial workforce apprenticeship fund is a
- 10 dedicated account in the general revenue fund.
- 11 (b) The following amounts shall be deposited in the fund:
- 12 (1) money appropriated by the legislature for the fund
- 13 for purposes described by this subchapter;
- 14 (2) interest earned on the investment of money in the
- 15 fund; and
- 16 (3) gifts, grants, and other donations received for
- 17 the fund.
- 18 (c) The fund may be used only for an apprenticeship program
- 19 that meets the requirements of Section 302.255.
- 20 Sec. 302.255. APPLICATION; ELIGIBILITY FOR GRANT. To be
- 21 eligible to receive a grant under this subchapter, a person must:
- 22 (1) if the person is an entity, be in good standing
- 23 under the laws of the state in which the person was formed or
- 24 organized, as evidenced by a certificate issued by the secretary of
- 25 state or the state official of another state having custody of the
- 26 records pertaining to a person formed or organized under the laws of
- 27 that state;

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1	(2) not owe delinquent taxes to a taxing unit of this
2	state; and
3	(3) have in place an apprenticeship program that:
4	(A) provides on-the-job training under an
5	<pre>industry-recognized, accredited training curriculum;</pre>
6	(B) guarantees employment for participants
7	during and on successful completion of the training period;
8	(C) pays each participant at least \$15 per hour
9	during the training period and provides eligibility for
10	participants to receive full-time employee benefits during and on
11	successful completion of the training period;
12	(D) requires participants to advance their
13	skills, at a minimum, to a credentialed, performance-verified
14	mid-level status in the field related to the apprenticeship
15	program;
16	(E) has a duration of not more than 26 weeks; and
17	(F) gives preference to training and hiring:
18	(i) unemployed Texans who have filed with
19	the commission;
20	(ii) veterans of the United States armed
21	<pre>forces;</pre>
22	(iii) formerly incarcerated individuals;
23	<u>and</u>
24	(iv) underemployed individuals who are
25	working without industry-recognized certifications or other
26	credentials.
27	Sec. 302.256. LIMITATIONS ON GRANT AMOUNT. The amount of a

- 1 grant awarded under this subchapter may not exceed the lesser of
- 2 \$10,000 per apprenticeship program participant or the cost of
- 3 training, not including wages and benefits.
- 4 Sec. 302.257. REQUIREMENTS; GRANT AWARD. (a) The
- 5 commission shall distribute the grant funds on an individualized
- 6 basis as a reimbursement for training costs incurred by grant
- 7 recipients in accordance with Section 302.256.
- 8 (b) Before awarding a grant to a person under this
- 9 subchapter, the commission must determine that a sufficient number
- 10 of apprenticeship program participants have:
- 11 (1) completed the program and achieved the training
- 12 requirements specified by Section 302.255(3)(D); and
- 13 (2) maintained available and suitable employment for a
- 14 period of not less than six months.
- 15 <u>(c)</u> The commission by rule may develop the criteria for
- 16 making the determinations required by Subsection (b).
- 17 Sec. 302.258. PROGRAM RULES. (a) The commission shall
- 18 adopt rules to administer and enforce this subchapter.
- 19 (b) The commission shall post the rules on its Internet
- 20 website.
- Sec. 302.259. ANNUAL REPORT. (a) Not later than December
- 22 1 of each year, the commission shall submit to the lieutenant
- 23 governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the
- 24 members of the legislature a report on grants made under this
- 25 subchapter that states:
- 26 (1) the number of direct jobs each grant recipient
- 27 created in this state in each job category of the federal Equal

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- 1 Employment Opportunity Commission's job classification guide;
- 2 (2) the median wage of the jobs each grant recipient
- 3 created in this state;
- 4 (3) the total amount of each grant awarded to a grant
- 5 recipient; and
- 6 (4) the number and categorization of apprenticeship
- 7 program participants trained and employed by each grant recipient
- 8 under Section 302.255(3)(F).
- 9 (b) The report may not include information that is made
- 10 confidential by law.
- 11 (c) The commission may require a grant recipient under this
- 12 subchapter to submit, on a form provided by the commission,
- 13 <u>information required to complete the report.</u>
- 14 (d) The commission shall post the annual report on its
- 15 Internet website.
- SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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#### A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

- AN ACT 1
- relating to the creation of the Texas Industrial Workforce 2
- 3 Apprenticeship Grant Program.
- BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 4
- SECTION 1. Chapter 481, Government Code, is amended by 5
- adding Subchapter EE to read as follows: 6
- SUBCHAPTER EE. TEXAS INDUSTRIAL WORKFORCE APPRENTICESHIP GRANT 7
- 8 **PROGRAM**
- Sec. 481.601. PURPOSE. The purpose of the Texas Industrial 9
- Workforce Apprenticeship Grant Program is to address the immediate 10
- industrial workforce needs of this state resulting from the impact 11
- of Hurricane Harvey and overall workforce shortages. 12
- Sec. 481.602. DEFINITIONS. In this subchapter: 13
- (1) "Apprenticeship program" means a training program 14
- that provides on-the-job training, preparatory instruction, 15
- supplementary instruction, or related instruction in a trade that 16
- has been recognized as an apprenticeable occupation by the Office 17
- of Apprenticeship of the United States Department of Labor. 18
- (2) "Person" does not include a governmental entity. 19
- Sec. 481.603. PROGRAM. The office shall establish and 20
- administer the Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship Grant 21
- Program to encourage the private sector to develop specialized 22
- industrial workforce apprenticeship programs in this state. Under 23
- 24 the program, the office shall provide grants for persons who meet

2	Sec. 481.604. TEXAS INDUSTRIAL WORKFORCE APPRENTICESHIE
3	FUND. (a) The Texas industrial workforce apprenticeship fund is a
4	dedicated account in the general revenue fund.
5	(b) The following amounts shall be deposited in the fund:
6	(1) money appropriated by the legislature for the fund
7	for purposes described by this subchapter;
8	(2) interest earned on the investment of money in the
9	fund; and
10	(3) gifts, grants, and other donations received for
11	the fund.
12	(c) The fund may be used only for an apprenticeship program
13	that meets the requirements of Section 481.605.
14	Sec. 481.605. APPLICATION; ELIGIBILITY FOR GRANT. To be
15	eligible to receive a grant under this subchapter, a person must:
16	(1) if the person is an entity, be in good standing
17	under the laws of the state in which the person was formed or
18	organized, as evidenced by a certificate issued by the secretary of
19	state or the state official of another state having custody of the
20	records pertaining to a person formed or organized under the laws of
21	that state;
22	(2) not owe delinquent taxes to a taxing unit of this
23	state; and
24	(3) have in place an apprenticeship program that:
25	(A) provides on-the-job training under an
26	industry-recognized, accredited training curriculum;
27	(B) guarantees employment for participants

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                    (C) provides eligibility for participants to
   receive full-time employee benefits during and on completion of the
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   skills, at a minimum, to a credentialed mid-level status in the
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   field related to the apprenticeship program;
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                    (E) has a duration of not less than 16 weeks and
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   not more than 26 weeks; and
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                    (F) gives preference to training and hiring:
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                         (i) unemployed Texans who have filed with
   the Texas Workforce Commission;
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                         (iii) formerly incarcerated individuals;
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   credentials.
         Sec. 481.606. LIMITATIONS ON GRANT AMOUNT AND USE.
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   amount of a grant awarded under this subchapter may not exceed
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\$10,000 per apprenticeship program participant and may be used only

to reimburse the cost of training, not including wages and

shall distribute the grant funds as a reimbursement for training

costs incurred by grant recipients in accordance with Section

Sec. 481.607. REQUIREMENTS; GRANT AWARD. (a) The office

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- 2 (b) Before awarding a grant to a person under this
- 3 subchapter, the office must determine that a sufficient number of
- 4 apprenticeship program participants have:
- 5 (1) completed the program and achieved the training
- 6 requirements specified by Section 481.605(3)(D); and
- 7 (2) maintained available and suitable employment for a
- 8 period of not less than six months cumulatively after completion of
- 9 the apprenticeship program.
- (c) The executive director by rule may develop the criteria
- 11 for making the determinations required by Subsection (b).
- Sec. 481.608. PROGRAM RULES. (a) The executive director
- 13 shall adopt rules to administer and enforce this subchapter.
- (b) The office shall post the rules on its Internet website.
- Sec. 481.609. ANNUAL REPORT. (a) Not later than December 1
- of each year, the office shall submit to the lieutenant governor,
- 17 the speaker of the house of representatives, and the members of the
- 18 legislature a report on grants made under this subchapter that
- 19 states:
- (1) the number of direct jobs each grant recipient
- 21 <u>created in this state in each job category of the federal Equal</u>
- 22 Employment Opportunity Commission's job classification guide;
- (2) the median wage of the jobs each grant recipient
- 24 created in this state;
- (3) the total amount of each grant awarded to a grant
- 26 recipient; and
- 27 (4) the number and categorization of apprenticeship

- 1 program participants trained and employed by each grant recipient
- 2 <u>under Section 481.605(3)(F).</u>
- 3 (b) The report may not include information that is made
- 4 confidential by law.
- 5 (c) The office may require a grant recipient under this
- 6 subchapter to submit, on a form provided by the office, information
- 7 required to complete the report.
- 8 (d) The office shall post the annual report on its Internet
- 9 website.
- SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.



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1	Amend C.S.H.B. No. 2784 (senate committee printing) by
2	striking all below the enacting clause and substituting the
3	following:
4	SECTION 1. Chapter 302, Labor Code, is amended by adding
5	Subchapter I to read as follows:
6	SUBCHAPTER I. TEXAS INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS
7	GRANT PROGRAM
8	Sec. 302.251. PURPOSE. The purpose of the Texas
9	Industry-Recognized Apprenticeship Programs Grant Program is to
10	address the immediate industrial workforce needs of this state
11	resulting from the impact of Hurricane Harvey and overall workforce
12	shortages.
13	Sec. 302.252. DEFINITIONS. In this subchapter:
14	(1) "Industry-recognized apprenticeship program"
15	means a training program that:
16	(A) provides on-the-job training, preparatory
17	instruction, supplementary instruction, or related instruction in
18	an occupation that has been recognized as an apprenticeable
19	occupation by the Office of Apprenticeship of the United States
20	Department of Labor; or
21	(B) is certified as an industry-recognized
22	apprenticeship program by a third-party certifier that has received
23	from the United States Department of Labor a favorable
24	determination of qualification to award that certification.
25	(2) "Person" does not include a governmental entity.
26	Sec. 302.253. PROGRAM. The commission shall establish and
27	administer the Texas Industry-Recognized Apprenticeship Programs
28	Grant Program to encourage the private sector to develop
29	specialized industry-recognized apprenticeship programs in this

- 1 state. Under the program, the commission shall award grants to
- 2 persons who meet the requirements of Section 302.255.
- 3 Sec. 302.254. TEXAS INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED APPRENTICESHIP
- 4 FUND. (a) The Texas industry-recognized apprenticeship fund is a
- 5 <u>dedicated account in the general revenue fund.</u>
- 6 (b) The following amounts shall be deposited in the fund:
- 7 (1) money appropriated by the legislature for the fund
- 8 for purposes described by this subchapter;
- 9 (2) interest earned on the investment of money in the
- 10 fund; and
- 11 (3) gifts, grants, and other donations received for
- 12 the fund.
- (c) The fund may be used only for an apprenticeship program
- 14 that meets the requirements of Section 302.255.
- 15 Sec. 302.255. APPLICATION; ELIGIBILITY FOR GRANT. The
- 16 commission shall establish eligibility criteria for a person to
- 17 receive a grant under this subchapter. The eligibility criteria
- 18 must include the requirement that the person:
- (1) apply to the commission in the form and manner
- 20 prescribed by commission rule;
- 21 (2) if the person is an entity, be in good standing
- 22 under the laws of the state in which the person was formed or
- 23 organized, as evidenced by a certificate issued by the secretary of
- 24 state or the state official of another state having custody of the
- 25 records pertaining to a person formed or organized under the laws of
- 26 that state;
- 27 (3) not owe delinquent taxes to a taxing unit of this
- 28 state; and
- 29 (4) operate an industry-recognized apprenticeship
- 30 program that:
- (A) provides on-the-job training under an

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   industry-recognized, accredited training curriculum;
                    (B) guarantees employment for participants
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                    (C) pays each participant a wage and provides
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   benefits during and on successful completion of the training
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                    (D) requires participants to advance their
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   skills, at a minimum, to a credentialed, performance-verified
   mid-level status in a field related to the industry-recognized
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                    (E) has a duration of not more than 26 weeks; and
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                    (F) gives preference to training and hiring:
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   the commission;
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                         (ii) veterans of the United States armed
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   working without industry-recognized certifications or other
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   credentials.
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         Sec. 302.256. GRANT AWARD; GRANT AMOUNT.
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   commission may award grants under this subchapter only to reimburse
   an eligible person for the cost of training industry-recognized
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   apprenticeship program participants who:
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               (1) complete a program operated by the person that
   meets the requirements of Section 302.255(4) having achieved the
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   skills level required by Section 302.255(4)(D); and
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consecutive months immediately following completion of

(2) maintain suitable employment for at least 12

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- 1 program.
- 2 (b) Grant funds awarded to an eligible person under this
- 3 subchapter must be awarded on a per industry-recognized
- 4 apprenticeship program participant basis. The amount of a grant
- 5 awarded to an eligible person for training a participant described
- 6 by Subsection (a) may not exceed the lesser of:
- 7 (1) the total cost to the person for training the
- 8 participant, excluding wages and benefits; or
- 9 (2) \$10,000.
- 10 (c) In determining the amount of a grant awarded under this
- 11 subchapter for an industry-recognized apprenticeship program
- 12 participant, the commission may consider the increased economic
- 13 value to the state resulting from or reasonably anticipated to
- 14 result from the participant's completion of the program, including
- 15 by considering any increase or anticipated increase in the amount
- 16 of tax revenue generated by the participant, and any decrease in the
- 17 participant's use of a state-funded benefit, attributable to the
- 18 participant's job placement and earning projections. The
- 19 commission by rule may establish guidelines or formulas for
- 20 determining an increase in economic value to the state attributable
- 21 to a participant's program completion for purposes of this
- 22 subsection.
- 23 (d) The commission by rule may establish limitations on the
- 24 total amount of grant funds that a person may be awarded under this
- 25 <u>subchapter</u>.
- Sec. 302.257. PROGRAM RULES. (a) The commission shall
- 27 adopt rules to administer and enforce this subchapter.
- (b) The commission shall post the rules on its Internet
- 29 website.
- 30 Sec. 302.258. ANNUAL REPORT. (a) Not later than December 1
- 31 of each year, the commission shall submit to the lieutenant

- 1 governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the
- 2 members of the legislature a report on grants made under this
- 3 subchapter that states:
- 4 (1) the number of direct jobs each grant recipient
- 5 created in this state in each job category of the federal Equal
- 6 Employment Opportunity Commission's job classification guide;
- 7 (2) the median wage of the jobs each grant recipient
- 8 created in this state;
- 9 (3) the total amount of each grant awarded to a grant
- 10 recipient;
- 11 (4) the number and categorization of
- 12 industry-recognized apprenticeship program participants trained
- and employed by each grant recipient under Section 302.255(4)(F);
- (5) a determination of whether the grant program
- 15 administered under this subchapter has resulted in a positive
- 16 return on investment to the state and an explanation of the methods
- 17 used by the commission in making that determination; and
- 18 (6) if the commission considers it appropriate and
- 19 <u>feasible</u>, a list of recommendations for legislative or other
- 20 changes to the grant program administered under this subchapter to
- 21 increase the return on investment to the state.
- (b) The report may not include information that is made
- 23 confidential by law.
- (c) The commission may require a grant recipient under this
- 25 subchapter to submit, on a form provided by the commission,
- 26 <u>information required to complete the report.</u>
- 27 (d) The commission shall post the annual report on its
- 28 Internet website.
- 29 SECTION 2. The Texas Workforce Commission is required to
- 30 implement a provision of this Act only if the legislature
- 31 appropriates money specifically for that purpose. If the

- 1 legislature does not appropriate money specifically for that
- 2 purpose, the Texas Workforce Commission may, but is not required
- 3 to, implement a provision of this Act using other appropriations
- 4 available for that purpose.
- 5 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

#### FISCAL NOTE, 86TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

### May 23, 2019

TO: Honorable Dennis Bonnen, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

FROM: John McGeady, Assistant Director Sarah Keyton, Assistant Director

Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2784 by Phelan (Relating to the creation of the Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship Grant Program.), As Passed 2nd House

#### The cost to the bill cannot be determined, as the number and amount of grants are unknown.

Although the bill would not make an appropriation, it would establish the basis for an appropriation. The Texas Workforce Commission is required to implement a provision of this Act only if the legislature appropriates money specifically for that purpose. If the legislature does not appropriate money specifically for that purpose, the agency may, but is not required to, implement a provision of this Act using other appropriations available for that purpose.

The bill would amend the Labor Code to establish the Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship Grant Program to provide grants to reimburse apprenticeship program participants for the cost of training. Additionally, the bill would create the Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship Fund as a dedicated account in the General Revenue Fund. The account would consist of amounts appropriated by the Legislature, interest earned, and gifts, grants, and donations. Amounts in the account could be used only to make grants under the new Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship Grant Program.

This analysis assumes that any administrative costs associated with the establishment of the grant program would be absorbed within the Texas Workforce Commission's existing resources.

The bill would have no revenue implications. As the amount and timing of any appropriations to the new Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship Fund is at the discretion of the Legislature, there is no fiscal impact due to the establishment of this new fund.

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 

320 Texas Workforce Commission, 300 Trusteed Programs Within the

Office of the Governor, 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts

LBB Staff: WP, CLo, SGr, CP, NV, JSm

### FISCAL NOTE, 86TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

### May 20, 2019

TO: Honorable Kelly Hancock, Chair, Senate Committee on Business & Commerce

FROM: John McGeady, Assistant Director Sarah Keyton, Assistant Director

Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2784 by Phelan (relating to the creation of the Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship Grant Program.), Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted

### The cost to the bill cannot be determined, as the number and amount of grants are unknown.

Although this bill would not make an appropriation, it would establish the basis for an appropriation.

The bill would amend the Government Code to establish the Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship Grant Program to provide grants to reimburse apprenticeship program participants for the cost of training. Additionally, the bill would create the Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship Fund as a dedicated account in the General Revenue Fund. The account would consist of amounts appropriated by the Legislature, interest earned, and gifts, grants, and donations. Amounts in the account could be used only to make grants under the new Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship Grant Program.

The Office of the Governor has indicated that there would be administrative costs associated with the establishment of the grant program. This analysis assumes that these cost are absorbable.

The bill would have no revenue implications. As the amount and timing of any appropriations to the new Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship Fund is at the discretion of the Legislature, there is no fiscal impact due to the establishment of this new fund.

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 300 Trusteed Programs Within the Office of the Governor, 304 Comptroller

of Public Accounts, 320 Texas Workforce Commission

LBB Staff: WP, CLo, NV, JSm

### FISCAL NOTE, 86TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

### May 14, 2019

TO: Honorable Kelly Hancock, Chair, Senate Committee on Business & Commerce

FROM: John McGeady, Assistant Director Sarah Keyton, Assistant Director

Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2784 by Phelan (Relating to the creation of the Texas Industrial Workforce

Apprenticeship Grant Program.), As Engrossed

The cost to the bill cannot be determined, as the number and amount of grants are unknown.

Although the bill would not make an appropriation, it would establish the basis for an appropriation.

The bill would amend the Labor Code to establish the Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship Grant Program to provide grants to reimburse apprenticeship program participants for the cost of training. Additionally, the bill would create the Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship Fund as a dedicated account in the General Revenue Fund. The account would consist of amounts appropriated by the Legislature, interest earned, and gifts, grants, and donations. Amounts in the account could be used only to make grants under the new Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship Grant Program.

This analysis assumes that any administrative costs associated with the establishment of the grant program would be absorbed within the Texas Workforce Commission's existing resources.

The bill would have no revenue implications. As the amount and timing of any appropriations to the new Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship Fund is at the discretion of the Legislature, there is no fiscal impact due to the establishment of this new fund.

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 320 Texas Workforce Commission, 300 Trusteed Programs Within the

Office of the Governor, 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts

LBB Staff: WP, CLo, SGr, CP, NV, JSm

### FISCAL NOTE, 86TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

### April 24, 2019

**TO:** Honorable Rafael Anchia, Chair, House Committee on International Relations & Economic Development

FROM: John McGeady, Assistant Director Sarah Keyton, Assistant Director

Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2784 by Phelan (Relating to the creation of the Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship Grant Program.), Committee Report 1st House, Substituted

The cost to the bill cannot be determined, as the number and amount of grants are unknown.

Although the bill would not make an appropriation, it would establish the basis for an appropriation.

The bill would amend the Labor Code to establish the Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship Grant Program to provide grants to reimburse apprenticeship program participants for the cost of training. Additionally, the bill would create the Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship Fund as a dedicated account in the General Revenue Fund. The account would consist of amounts appropriated by the Legislature, interest earned, and gifts, grants, and donations. Amounts in the account could be used only to make grants under the new Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship Grant Program.

This analysis assumes that any administrative costs associated with the establishment of the grant program would be absorbed within the Texas Workforce Commission's existing resources.

The bill would have no revenue implications. As the amount and timing of any appropriations to the new Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship Fund is at the discretion of the Legislature, there is no fiscal impact due to the establishment of this new fund.

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 320 Texas Workforce Commission, 300 Trusteed Programs Within the

Office of the Governor, 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts

LBB Staff: WP, CLo, SGr, CP, NV, JSm

### FISCAL NOTE, 86TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

### April 7, 2019

**TO:** Honorable Rafael Anchia, Chair, House Committee on International Relations & Economic Development

FROM: John McGeady, Assistant Director Sarah Keyton, Assistant Director

Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2784 by Phelan (Relating to the creation of the Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship grant program.), As Introduced

#### The cost to the bill cannot be determined, as the number and amount of grants are unknown.

Although this bill would not make an appropriation, it would establish the basis for an appropriation.

The bill would amend the Government Code to establish the Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship Grant Program to provide grants to reimburse apprenticeship program participants for the cost of training. Additionally, the bill would create the Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship Fund as a dedicated account in the General Revenue Fund. The account would consist of amounts appropriated by the Legislature, interest earned, and gifts, grants, and donations. Amounts in the account could be used only to make grants under the new Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship Grant Program.

The Office of the Governor has indicated that there would be administrative costs associated with the establishment of the grant program. This analysis assumes that these cost are absorbable.

The bill would have no revenue implications. As the amount and timing of any appropriations to the new Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship Fund is at the discretion of the Legislature, there is no fiscal impact due to the establishment of this new fund.

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 300 Trusteed Programs Within the Office of the Governor, 304 Comptroller

of Public Accounts, 320 Texas Workforce Commission

LBB Staff: WP, CLo, NV, JSm