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H.B. No. 739

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a grant program administered by the Texas Veterans Commission to provide energy industry career training for veterans.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 434, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 434.026 to read as follows:

Sec. 434.026. GRANTS FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT. (a)

The Texas Veterans Commission shall develop and administer a grant program to provide financial assistance to veterans seeking a certification or training to prepare for employment in the energy industry.

(b) The commission, in coordination with the General Land Office and Veterans' Land Board, shall conduct an outreach campaign to encourage veterans to participate in the grant program established under this section.

(c) The commission shall adopt rules to implement the grant program established under this section, including rules establishing criteria for eligibility and terms of the grant.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.