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H.B. No. 2046

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to eligibility to receive certain federal funding for
3 postsecondary career and technology education distributed by the
4 Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 61, Education Code, is
7 amended by adding Section 61.0761 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 61.0761. CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION GRANTS. (a)
9 In this section, "ability to benefit career and technology
10 education program" means a postsecondary career and technology
11 education program in which a person who does not have a high school
12 diploma or equivalency certificate and who both qualifies for
13 federal student financial aid and demonstrates on an assessment
14 instrument that the person can pass college-level courses with some
15 support may enroll.

16 (b) In establishing criteria for postsecondary career and
17 technology education funding provided under the Carl D. Perkins
18 Vocational and Technical Education Act of 1998 (20 U.S.C. Section
19 2301 et seq.), the board shall, to the extent permitted under that
20 law, ensure that noncredit and ability to benefit career and
21 technology education programs are eligible to receive funding.

22 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.