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S.C.R. No. 26

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The State of Texas desires to provide the most
2 streamlined and consolidated customer service for those seeking
3 work, unemployment benefits, or social safety net services; and

4 WHEREAS, The United States Department of Labor and the
5 Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) currently restrict
6 the consolidation of federally funded employment and job training
7 services with other federally funded services such as safety net
8 services; and

9 WHEREAS, In Texas, federally funded employment services and
10 workforce development services are provided by local workforce
11 development boards and the Texas Workforce Commission, and
12 federally funded social services are provided by the Texas Health
13 and Human Services Commission; and

14 WHEREAS, Texans seeking assistance with employment and job
15 training services, as well as social safety net services, are
16 forced to seek such services at more than one location of state and
17 local government agencies, with little to no consolidation or
18 coordination of such services; and

19 WHEREAS, The State of Texas desires to develop a
20 consolidation plan for the delivery of workforce development and
21 social services to its citizens in order to provide a broader and
22 more streamlined delivery of services to those seeking such
23 services; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the 88th Legislature of the State of Texas

1 hereby respectfully urge the Congress of the United States to amend
2 federal law to allow states to provide for the consolidation of
3 federally funded workforce development services with federally
4 funded social safety net services; and, be it further

5 RESOLVED, That the Texas secretary of state forward official
6 copies of this resolution to the president of the United States, to
7 the president of the Senate and the speaker of the House of
8 Representatives of the United States Congress, and to all the
9 members of the Texas delegation to Congress with the request that
10 this resolution be officially entered in the Congressional Record
11 as a memorial to the Congress of the United States of America.