Amend CSSB 1 (house committee printing) in Article VII of the bill, following the appropriations to the Texas Workforce Commission (page VII-36), by adding the following appropriately numbered rider:

_____. Assessment on Certain Workforce Needs and Skill Gaps in Border Counties. From amounts appropriated above to the Texas Workforce Commission in Strategy B.3.1, State Workforce Services (page VII-35), for the state fiscal biennium ending August 31, 2027, the Texas Workforce Commission shall conduct an assessment of the workforce needs and existing skill gaps for occupations relating to logistics, warehousing, customs brokerage, and transportation in counties located wholly or partly within 50 miles of a port of entry located on the Texas-Mexico border. The assessment must include employer input, regional credentialing data, and proposed workforce development strategies that align with existing workforce training programs.

Not later than October 1, 2026, the Texas Workforce Commission shall submit to the Legislature a report containing the findings of, and the workforce development strategies proposed under, the assessment conducted under this rider.