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H.B. No. 322

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the use of funds awarded under the Jobs and Education  
for Texans (JET) Grant Program.

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

SECTION 1. Section 134.004(b), Education Code, is amended  
to read as follows:

(b) Grants may be awarded under this chapter from the Jobs  
and Education for Texans (JET) fund:

(1) to defray the start-up costs associated with the  
development of new career and technical education programs at  
public junior colleges, public technical institutes, public state  
colleges, and school districts and open-enrollment charter schools  
described under Section 134.007 that meet the requirements of  
Section 134.006; and

(2) to pay costs for the acquisition, implementation,  
and ongoing maintenance of technology solutions necessary to  
support programs described by Subdivision (1).

SECTION 2. Section 134.006(b), Education Code, is amended  
to read as follows:

(b) A grant received under this section may be used only:

(1) to support courses or programs that prepare  
students for career employment in occupations that are identified  
by local businesses as being in high demand, including courses  
offered for dual credit;

1           (2) to finance initial costs of career and technical  
2 education course or program development, including the costs of  
3 constructing or renovating facilities, purchasing equipment, and  
4 other expenses associated with the development of a new course;  
5 ~~[and]~~

6           (3) to finance a career and technical education course  
7 or program that leads to a license, certificate, or postsecondary  
8 degree; and

9           (4) to finance the acquisition, implementation, and  
10 ongoing maintenance of technology solutions necessary to support a  
11 course or program described by Subdivision (1), (2), or (3).

12         SECTION 3. The change in law made by this Act applies only  
13 to a grant awarded on or after the effective date of this Act.

14         SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.