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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To repeal section 162.1115, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to career and technical education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 162.1115, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 162.1115, to read as follows:

162.1115. 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, no district shall be penalized for any reason under the Missouri school improvement program if students who graduate from the district complete career and technical education programs approved by the department of elementary and secondary education but are not placed in occupations directly related to their training within six months of graduating.

2. The department of elementary and secondary education shall revise its scoring guide under the Missouri school improvement program to provide additional points to districts that create and enter into a partnership with area career centers, comprehensive high schools, industry, and business to develop and implement a pathway for students to:

(1) Enroll in a program of career and technical education while in high school;

(2) Participate and complete an internship or apprenticeship during their final year of high school; and

(3) Obtain the industry certification or credentials applicable to their program or career and technical education and internship or apprenticeship.

3. Each school district shall be authorized to create and enter into a partnership with area career centers, comprehensive high schools, industry, and business to develop and implement a pathway for students to:

21 (1) Enroll in a program of career and technical education while in high
22 school;

23 (2) Participate and complete an internship or apprenticeship during their
24 final year of high school; and

25 (3) Obtain the industry certification or credentials applicable to their
26 program or career and technical education and internship or apprenticeship.

27 **4. In establishing career and technical education offerings, each**
28 **school district may rely on technical coursework and skills assessments**
29 **developed for industry-recognized certificates and credentials.**

30 **5.** The department of elementary and secondary education shall permit
31 student scores, that are from a nationally recognized examination that
32 demonstrates achievement of workplace employability skills, to count towards
33 credit for college and career readiness standards on the Missouri school
34 improvement program or any subsequent school accreditation or improvement
35 program.

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