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**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 4403**

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**State of Washington**

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**By** House Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Representatives Carlson, Conway, Kenney, Dickerson, Ogden, Keiser, Radcliff, Mason, Regala, Costa, Lantz, Cooper, Tokuda and Butler)

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1       WHEREAS, Chapter 238, Laws of 1991, created the work force training  
2 and education coordinating board to provide planning, coordination,  
3 evaluation, monitoring, and policy analysis for the state training  
4 system as a whole, and advice to the governor and legislature  
5 concerning the state training system, in cooperation with the agencies  
6 that comprise the state training system, and the higher education  
7 coordinating board; and

8       WHEREAS, Section 2, Chapter 130, Laws of 1995, requires the board  
9 to update the state comprehensive plan for work force training and  
10 education every two years and requires the legislature, following  
11 public hearings, to approve or make changes to the updates; and

12       WHEREAS, The work force training and education coordinating board  
13 has identified work force development goals, performance indicators,  
14 standards, and evaluation measures in its work force plan; and

15       WHEREAS, It is critical that in order to successfully implement the  
16 comprehensive plan, it must include specific recommendations from the  
17 work force training and education coordinating board on the  
18 identification, modification, consolidation, initiation, or elimination  
19 of work force training and education programs in the state; and

20       WHEREAS, The legislature finds that the absence of these  
21 recommendations prohibits an accurate assessment of the effectiveness

1 of the work force training system and inhibits evaluation of the  
2 potential for success of the comprehensive plan; and

3 WHEREAS, That under the plan, the current structure of our work  
4 force training system remains fragmented and lacks coordination of  
5 financial and human resources essential to effective administration and  
6 efficiency within the system; and

7 WHEREAS, It is the legislature's desire that the work force  
8 training and education system developed in this state operates under  
9 the highest level of efficiency and effectiveness standards, maximizing  
10 available resources and increasing client satisfaction;

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the House of Representatives of  
12 the State of Washington, the Senate concurring, That the legislature  
13 supports the continued efforts of the work force development system  
14 partners to fulfill their commitments to the recommendations of the  
15 plan pending its adoption by the legislature; and

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the members of the work force training  
17 and education coordinating board be commended for their dedication and  
18 commitment to the State of Washington in producing the 1996 update of  
19 Washington's comprehensive plan for work force training and education  
20 titled "High Skills, High Wages"; and

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the legislature appreciates the  
22 diligence of the board in drafting this plan, but prefers to approve it  
23 in conjunction with action taken on the board reports and  
24 recommendations required under House Bill No. 2211.

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