

SHB 2995 - H AMD TO H AMD (H-5172.1/18) **1473**

By Representative McCaslin

1 On page 42, after line 22 of the striking amendment insert the
2 following:

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4 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 22.** A new section is added to chapter
5 28A.700 RCW to read as follows:

6 (1) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this
7 specific purpose, the office of the superintendent of public
8 instruction shall allocate grants to middle schools for career and
9 technical education programs, particularly programs related to
10 pipefitting and electrical infrastructure. Grant funds must be
11 allocated on a one-time basis and must be used to refurbish or
12 upgrade technology and equipment to meet industry standards in new
13 or existing programs. Priority in allocating the funds must be given
14 to programs that develop and improve skills that have direct
15 applicability in construction trades.

16 (2) Middle schools, in applying for grant funds under this
17 section, must, in accordance with other requirements determined by
18 the office of the superintendent of public instruction, demonstrate
19 how the technology and equipment purchases funded with the grant
20 would be employed and improve the rigor and quality of a proposed or
21 existing career and technical education program.

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23 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 23.** (1)(a) The office of the superintendent
24 of public instruction shall examine barriers to increased
25 participation in career and technical education programs,
26 particularly programs related to pipefitting and electrical
27 infrastructure, by middle school students. Examined barriers may

1 include, but are not limited to, shortages of qualified educators
2 with career and technical education teaching certificates.

3 (b) In addition to determining and describing participation
4 barriers, the examination must include a three-year strategy for
5 increasing: The number and quality of career and technical education
6 programs available to middle school students; and the number of
7 middle school students participating in career and technical
8 education programs. The examination may also include recommendations
9 for modifications to certification requirements governing career and
10 technical education educators.

11 (2) The report required by this section, including findings and
12 recommendations, and any draft legislation, must be provided to the
13 governor and, in accordance with RCW 43.01.036, the education
14 committees of the house of representatives and the senate by
15 December 1, 2017.

16 (3) This section expires June 30, 2018."
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18 Renumber the remaining subsections consecutively and correct any
internal references accordingly.

EFFECT: Requires the Office of Superintendent of Public
Instruction to:

1. Issue grants to middle schools, subject to the availability of
funds, for career and technical education programs, particularly
programs related to pipefitting and electrical infrastructure per
certain requirements.

2. By December 1, 2017, examine barriers to increased participation
in career and technical education programs, particularly programs
related to pipefitting and electrical infrastructure, by middle
school students and provide recommendations to the Governor and
education committees of the House of Representatives and Senate.

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