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To amend the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act of 1998 to improve the Act.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. ENZI (for himself and Mr. KENNEDY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

A BILL

To amend the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act of 1998 to improve the Act.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

- 4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
- 5 "Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Im-
- 6 provement Act of 2005".
- 7 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for
- 8 this Act is as follows:
 - Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.
 - Sec. 2. References.
 - Sec. 3. Purpose.
 - Sec. 4. Definitions.

- Sec. 5. Transition provisions.
- Sec. 6. Limitation.
- Sec. 7. Authorization of appropriations.

TITLE I—CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION ASSISTANCE TO THE STATES

- Sec. 101. Career and technical education assistance to the States.
- Sec. 102. Reservations and State allotment.
- Sec. 103. Within State allocation.
- Sec. 104. Accountability.
- Sec. 105. National activities.
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- Sec. 107. Native American program.
- Sec. 108. Tribally controlled postsecondary career and technical institutions.
- Sec. 109. Occupational and employment information.
- Sec. 110. State administration.
- Sec. 111. State plan.
- Sec. 112. Improvement plans.
- Sec. 113. State leadership activities.
- Sec. 114. Distribution of funds to secondary school programs.
- Sec. 115. Distribution of funds for postsecondary career and technical education programs.
- Sec. 116. Special rules for career and technical education.
- Sec. 117. Local plan for career and technical education programs.
- Sec. 118. Local uses of funds.
- Sec. 119. Tech-Prep education.

TITLE II—GENERAL PROVISIONS

- Sec. 201. Redesignation of title.
- Sec. 202. Fiscal requirements.
- Sec. 203. Voluntary selection and participation.
- Sec. 204. Limitation for certain students.
- Sec. 205. Authorization of Secretary; participation of private school personnel.
- Sec. 206. Student assistance and other Federal programs.
- Sec. 207. Table of contents.

1 SEC. 2. REFERENCES.

Except as otherwise expressly provided, wherever in this Act an amendment or repeal is expressed in terms of an amendment to, or repeal of, a section or other provision, the reference shall be considered to be made to a section or other provision of the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act of 1998 (20 U.S.C. 2301 et seq.).

1 SEC. 3. PURPOSE.

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| 2 | Section 2 (20 U.S.C. 2301) is amended— |
| 3 | (1) by striking "vocational" each place the term |
| 4 | appears and inserting "career"; |
| 5 | (2) in paragraph (1) , by striking "standards" |
| 6 | and inserting "and technical standards, and to assist |
| 7 | students in meeting such standards, especially in |
| 8 | preparation for high skill, high wage, or high de- |
| 9 | mand occupations in emerging or established profes- |
| 10 | sions''; |
| 11 | (3) in paragraph (2), by inserting "challenging" |
| 12 | after "integrate"; |
| 13 | (4) in paragraph (3), by striking "and" after |
| 14 | the semicolon; |
| 15 | (5) in paragraph (4)— |
| 16 | (A) by inserting "conducting and" before |
| 17 | "disseminating national"; |
| 18 | (B) by inserting "disseminating informa- |
| 19 | tion on best practices," after "national re- |
| 20 | search,"; and |
| 21 | (C) by striking the period at the end and |
| 22 | inserting a semicolon; and |
| 23 | (6) by adding at the end the following: |
| 24 | ((5) promoting leadership and professional de- |
| 25 | velopment at the State and local levels, and devel- |
| 26 | oping research and best practices for improving the |
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| 1 | quality of career and technical education teachers, |
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| 2 | faculty, principals, administrators, and counselors; |
| 3 | "(6) supporting partnerships among secondary |
| 4 | schools, postsecondary institutions, area career tech- |
| 5 | nical centers, business and industry, professional as- |
| 6 | sociations, and intermediaries; and |
| 7 | "(7) developing a highly skilled workforce need- |
| 8 | ed to keep America competitive in the global econ- |
| 9 | omy in conjunction with other Federal education and |
| 10 | training programs, including workforce investment |
| 11 | programs, that provide lifelong learning for the |
| 12 | workforce of today and tomorrow.". |
| 13 | SEC. 4. DEFINITIONS. |
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| 13 | Section 3 (20 U.S.C. 2302) is amended— |
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| 14 15 16 17 18 | Section 3 (20 U.S.C. 2302) is amended— (1) in paragraph (2), by inserting ", including employment statistics and information relating to national, regional, and local labor market areas, as provided pursuant to section 118, and career ladder |
| 14 15 16 17 18 19 | Section 3 (20 U.S.C. 2302) is amended— (1) in paragraph (2), by inserting ", including employment statistics and information relating to national, regional, and local labor market areas, as provided pursuant to section 118, and career ladder information, where appropriate" after "to enter"; |
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(4) by redesignating paragraphs (5) through
 (30) as paragraphs (10) through (35), respectively;
 (5) by inserting after paragraph (3) the fol lowing:

5 "(4) ARTICULATION AGREEMENT.—The term 'articulation agreement' means a written commit-6 7 ment, approved annually by the relevant administra-8 tors of the secondary and postsecondary institutions, 9 to a program that is designed to provide students 10 with a nonduplicative sequence of progressive 11 achievement leading to technical skill proficiency, a 12 credential, a certificate, or a degree, and linked 13 through credit transfer agreements.

14 "(5) CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION.—
15 The term 'career and technical education' means or16 ganized educational activities that—

17 "(A) offer a sequence of courses (which
18 may include technical learning experiences)
19 that—

20 "(i) provides individuals with the challenging academic and technical knowledge
21 and skills the individuals need to prepare
23 for further education and for careers in
24 emerging and established professions; and

| 1 | "(ii) may lead to technical skill pro- |
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| 2 | ficiency, a credential, a certificate, or a de- |
| 3 | gree; and |

4 "(B) include competency-based applied
5 learning that contributes to the academic
6 knowledge, higher-order reasoning and problem7 solving skills, work attitudes, general employ8 ability skills, technical skills, and occupation9 specific skills, of an individual.

10 "(6) CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION STU11 DENT.—The term 'career and technical education
12 student' means a student who enrolls in a clearly de13 fined sequence of career and technical education
14 courses leading to attainment of technical skill pro15 ficiency, a credential, a certificate, or a degree.

16 "(7) CAREER AND TECHNICAL STUDENT ORGA17 NIZATION.—

18 "(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'career and
19 technical student organization' means an orga20 nization for individuals enrolled in a career and
21 technical education program that engages in ca22 reer and technical education activities as an in23 tegral part of the instructional program.

24 "(B) STATE AND NATIONAL UNITS.—An
25 organization described in subparagraph (A)

1 may have State and national units that aggre-2 gate the work and purposes of instruction in ca-3 reer and technical education at the local level. "(8) CAREER GUIDANCE AND ACADEMIC COUN-4 5 SELING.—The term 'career guidance and academic 6 counseling' means providing access to information regarding career awareness and planning with re-7 8 spect to an individual's occupational and academic 9 future that shall involve guidance and counseling 10 with respect to career options, financial aid, and 11 postsecondary options. "(9) CAREER PATHWAY.—The term 'career 12 13 pathway' means a coordinated and nonduplicative sequence of courses (which may include technical 14

15 learning experiences) and associated credits that—

16 "(A) shall identify both secondary and17 postsecondary education elements;

18 "(B) shall include challenging academic19 and career and technical education content;

20 "(C) may include the opportunity for sec21 ondary students to participate in dual or con22 current enrollment programs or other ways to
23 acquire postsecondary credits; and

| 1 | "(D) may culminate in technical skill pro- |
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| 2 | ficiency, a credential, a certificate, or a de- |
| 3 | gree."; |
| 4 | (6) in paragraph (10) (as redesignated by para- |
| 5 | graph (4) of this section), by striking "5206" and |
| 6 | inserting "5210"; |
| 7 | (7) by redesignating paragraphs (11) through |
| 8 | (35) (as redesignated by paragraph (4) of this sec- |
| 9 | tion) as paragraphs (12) through (36), respectively; |
| 10 | (8) by inserting after paragraph (10) (as redes- |
| 11 | ignated by paragraph (4) of this section) the fol- |
| 12 | lowing: |
| 13 | "(11) Community college.—The term 'com- |
| 14 | munity college'— |
| 15 | "(A) means an institution of higher edu- |
| 16 | cation, as defined in section 101 of the Higher |
| 17 | Education Act of 1965, that provides not less |
| 18 | than a 2-year program that is acceptable for |
| 19 | full credit toward a baccalaureate degree; and |
| 20 | "(B) includes tribally controlled colleges or |
| 21 | universities."; |
| 22 | (9) in paragraph (12) (as redesignated by para- |
| 23 | graph (7) of this section)— |
| 24 | (A) by striking "mothed of instruction" |

(A) by striking "method of instruction" and inserting "method"; and

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| (B) by striking "vocational" and inserting |
| "career"; |
| (10) by redesignating paragraphs (13) through |
| (36) (as redesignated by paragraph (7) of this sec- |
| tion) as paragraphs (14) through (37), respectively; |
| (11) by inserting after paragraph (12) the fol- |
| lowing: |
| "(13) CORE ACADEMIC SUBJECTS.—The term |
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9 'core academic subjects' has the meaning given the term in section 9101 of the Elementary and Sec-10 11 ondary Education Act of 1965, except that under 12 this Act such subjects included in such term shall be 13 only those subjects in a secondary school context."; 14 (12) in paragraph (16) (as redesignated by 15 paragraph (10) of this section), by striking "vocational" both places the term appears and inserting 16 "career"; 17

18 (13) in paragraph (17) (as redesignated by 19 paragraph (10) of this section)—

(A) in subparagraph (A), by striking "an 20 21 institution of higher education" and inserting "a public or nonprofit private institution of 22 23 higher education that offers career and technical education courses that lead to technical 24

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| 1 | skill proficiency, an industry-recognized creden- |
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| 2 | tial, a certificate, or a degree"; and |
| 3 | (B) in subparagraph (C), by striking "vo- |
| 4 | cational" and inserting "career"; |
| 5 | (14) in paragraph $(18)(A)$ (as redesignated by |
| 6 | paragraph (10) of this section), by striking "agency, |
| 7 | an area vocational" and inserting "agency (including |
| 8 | a public charter school that operates as a local edu- |
| 9 | cational agency), an area career"; |
| 10 | (15) by redesignating paragraphs (20) through |
| 11 | (37) (as redesignated by paragraph (10) of this sec- |
| 12 | tion) as paragraphs (21) through (38), respectively; |
| 13 | (16) by inserting after paragraph (19) (as re- |
| 14 | designated by paragraph (10) of this section) the |
| 15 | following: |
| 16 | "(20) Graduation and career plan.—The |
| 17 | term 'graduation and career plan' means a written |
| 18 | plan for a secondary career and technical education |
| 19 | student, that— |
| 20 | "(A) is developed with career guidance and |
| 21 | academic counseling or other professional staff, |
| 22 | and in consultation with parents, not later than |
| 23 | in the first year of secondary school or upon en- |
| 24 | rollment in career and technical education; |

| 1 | "(B) is reviewed annually and modified as |
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| 2 | needed; |
| 3 | "(C) includes relevant information on— |
| 4 | "(i) secondary school requirements for |
| 5 | graduating with a diploma; |
| 6 | "(ii) postsecondary education admis- |
| 7 | sion requirements; and |
| 8 | "(iii) high skill, high wage, or high de- |
| 9 | mand occupations and nontraditional fields |
| 10 | in emerging and established professions, |
| 11 | and labor market indicators; and |
| 12 | "(D) states the student's secondary school |
| 13 | graduation goals, postsecondary education and |
| 14 | training, or employment goals, and identifies 1 |
| 15 | or more career pathways that correspond to the |
| 16 | goals."; |
| 17 | (17) in paragraph (25) (as redesignated by |
| 18 | paragraph (15) of this section)— |
| 19 | (A) in the paragraph heading, by striking |
| 20 | "TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT" and inserting |
| 21 | "FIELDS"; and |
| 22 | (B) by striking "training and employment" |
| 23 | and inserting "fields"; |
| 24 | (18) in paragraph (26) (as redesignated by |
| 25 | paragraph (15) of this section), by striking "the |

| 1 | Commonwealth" and all that follows through the pe- |
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| 2 | riod and inserting "and the Commonwealth of the |
| 3 | Northern Mariana Islands."; |
| 4 | (19) by redesignating paragraphs (31) through |
| 5 | (38) (as redesignated by paragraph (15) of this sec- |
| 6 | tion) as paragraphs (32) through (39), respectively; |
| 7 | (20) by inserting after paragraph (30) (as re- |
| 8 | designated by paragraph (15) of this section) the |
| 9 | following: |
| 10 | "(31) Self-sufficiency.—The term 'self-suf- |
| 11 | ficiency' means a standard that is adopted, cal- |
| 12 | culated, or commissioned by a local area or State, |
| 13 | and which adjusts for local factors, in specifying the |
| 14 | income needs of families, by family size, the number |
| 15 | and ages of children in the family, and sub-State |
| 16 | geographical considerations."; |
| 17 | (21) in paragraph (32) (as redesignated by |
| 18 | paragraph (19) of this section)— |
| 19 | (A) in subparagraph (C), by striking |
| 20 | "training and employment" and inserting |
| 21 | "fields"; and |
| 22 | (B) in subparagraph (F), by striking "indi- |
| 23 | viduals with other barriers to educational |
| 24 | achievement, including"; |

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| (22) in paragraph (34) (as redesignated by |
| paragraph (19) of this section) by striking ", and in- |
| structional aids and devices" and inserting "instruc- |
| tional aids, and work supports"; |
| (23) by striking paragraph (35) (as redesig- |
| nated by paragraph (19) of this section) and insert- |
| ing the following: |
| "(35) TECH-PREP PROGRAM.—The term 'tech- |
| prep program' means a program of study that— |
| "(A) combines at a minimum 2 years of |
| secondary education (as determined under State |
| law) with a minimum of 2 years of postsec- |
| ondary education in a nonduplicative, sequential |
| course of study; |
| "(B) integrates academic and career and |
| technical education instruction, and utilizes |
| work-based and worksite learning where appro- |
| priate and available; |
| "(C) provides technical preparation in a |
| career field, including high skill, high wage, or |
| high demand occupations; |
| "(D) builds student competence in tech- |
| nical skills and in core academic subjects, as |
| appropriate, through applied, contextual, and |
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| 1 | integrated instruction, in a coherent sequence |
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| 2 | of courses; |
| 3 | "(E) leads to technical skill proficiency, a |
| 4 | credential, a certificate, or a degree, in a spe- |
| 5 | cific career field; |
| 6 | "(F) leads to placement in appropriate em- |
| 7 | ployment or to further education; and |
| 8 | "(G) utilizes career pathways, to the extent |
| 9 | practicable."; |
| 10 | (24) in paragraph (37) (as redesignated by |
| 11 | paragraph (19) of this section)— |
| 12 | (A) in the paragraph heading, by striking |
| 13 | "VOCATIONAL" and inserting "CAREER"; |
| 14 | (B) in the matter preceding subparagraph |
| 15 | (A)— |
| 16 | (i) by striking "vocational" and in- |
| 17 | serting "career"; |
| 18 | (ii) by striking "paragraph (2)" and |
| 19 | inserting "subsection $(a)(2)$ "; and |
| 20 | (iii) by striking "paragraph $(5)(A)$ " |
| 21 | and inserting "subsection $(a)(5)$ "; and |
| 22 | (C) in subparagraph (F), by striking "vo- |
| 23 | cational" and inserting "career"; and |
| 24 | (25) by striking paragraphs (38) and (39) (as |
| 25 | redesignated by paragraph (19) of this section). |

1 SEC. 5. TRANSITION PROVISIONS.

2 Section 4 (20 U.S.C. 2303) is amended by striking 3 "the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act" and all that follows through the period 4 5 and inserting "this Act, as this Act was in effect on the day before the date of enactment of the Carl D. Perkins 6 7 Career and Technical Education Improvement Act of 8 2005. Each eligible agency shall be assured a full fiscal 9 year for transition to plan for and implement the requirements of this Act.". 10

11 SEC. 6. LIMITATION.

12 Section 6 (20 U.S.C. 2305) is amended by striking13 the second sentence.

14 SEC. 7. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

15 Section 8 (20 U.S.C. 2307) is amended—

16 (1) by striking "title II" and inserting "part D
17 of title I"; and

18 (2) by striking "1999 through 2003" and in19 serting "2006 through 2011".

20 TITLE I-CAREER AND TECH-

21 NICAL EDUCATION ASSIST-

22 ANCE TO THE STATES

23 SEC. 101. CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION ASSIST-

24 ANCE TO THE STATES.

25 Title I (20 U.S.C. 2321 et seq.) is amended by strik-

26 ing the title heading and inserting the following:

TITLE I—CAREER AND TECH NICAL EDUCATION ASSIST ANCE TO THE STATES".

4 SEC. 102. RESERVATIONS AND STATE ALLOTMENT.

5 Section 111(a) (20 U.S.C. 2321(a)) is amended—

6 (1) in paragraph (1)(C), by striking "2001
7 through 2003," and inserting "2006 through 2011,
8 not more than";

9 (2) in paragraph (2), in the matter preceding 10 subparagraph (A), by striking "paragraph (1)" and 11 inserting "paragraph (1), that are not allotted under 12 paragraph (5),";

13 (3) in paragraph (3)—

14 (A) in subparagraph (B), by striking "(or
15 in the case" and all that follows through
16 "1998)"; and

17 (B) in subparagraph (C)—

(i) in clause (i)(I), by striking "(or in
the case" and all that follows through
"1998)"; and

21 (ii) in clause (ii)(II), by striking "(or
22 in the case" and all that follows through
23 "1998)"; and

24 (4) by adding at the end the following:

"(5) FORMULA FOR AMOUNTS IN EXCESS OF
 THE FISCAL YEAR 2005 FUNDING LEVEL.—

3 "(A) IN GENERAL.—For any fiscal year 4 for which the remainder of the sums appro-5 priated under section 8 and not reserved under 6 paragraph (1) exceeds the remainder of the 7 sums appropriated under section 8 and not re-8 served under paragraph (1) for fiscal year 9 2005, such excess amount shall be allotted to 10 the States according to the formula under sub-11 paragraphs (A) through (D) of paragraph (2). 12 "(B) MINIMUM ALLOTMENT.—

13 "(i) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding
14 any other provision of law and subject to
15 clause (ii), no State shall receive for a fis16 cal year under this paragraph less than ¹/₂
17 of 1 percent of the excess amount de18 scribed in subparagraph (A).

19 "(ii) REQUIREMENT.—No State, by
20 reason of the application of clause (i), shall
21 be allotted under this paragraph for a fis22 cal year more than the amount determined
23 by multiplying—

| 1 | "(I) the number of individuals in |
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| 2 | the State counted under paragraph |
| 3 | (2); by |
| 4 | "(II) 185 percent of the national |
| 5 | average per pupil payment made with |
| 6 | the excess amount described in sub- |
| 7 | paragraph (A) for that year.". |
| 8 | SEC. 103. WITHIN STATE ALLOCATION. |
| 9 | Section 112 (20 U.S.C. 2322) is amended— |
| 10 | (1) in subsection (a)— |
| 11 | (A) in paragraph (1), by adding "and" |
| 12 | after the semicolon; and |
| 13 | (B) by striking paragraphs (2) and (3) and |
| 14 | inserting the following: |
| 15 | ((2) not more than 15 percent for— |
| 16 | "(A) State leadership activities described |
| 17 | in section 124, of which— |
| 18 | "(i) an amount determined by the eli- |
| 19 | gible agency shall be made available to |
| 20 | serve individuals in State institutions, such |
| 21 | as State correctional institutions and insti- |
| 22 | tutions that serve individuals with disabil- |
| 23 | ities; and |
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| 1 | "(ii) not less than \$60,000 shall be |
| 2 | available for services that prepare individ- |
| 3 | uals for nontraditional fields; and |
| 4 | "(B) administration of the State plan, |
| 5 | which may be used for the costs of— |
| 6 | "(i) developing the State plan; |
| 7 | "(ii) reviewing the local plans; |
| 8 | "(iii) monitoring and evaluating pro- |
| 9 | gram effectiveness; |
| 10 | "(iv) assuring compliance with all ap- |
| 11 | plicable Federal laws; |
| 12 | "(v) providing technical assistance; |
| 13 | and |
| 14 | "(vi) supporting and developing State |
| 15 | data systems relevant to the provisions of |
| 16 | this Act."; |
| 17 | (2) in subsection (b), by striking "subsection |
| 18 | (a)(3)" both places the term appears and inserting |
| 19 | "subsection $(a)(2)(B)$ "; and |
| 20 | (3) by striking subsection (c) and inserting the |
| 21 | following: |
| 22 | "(c) RESERVE.—From amounts made available |
| 23 | under subsection $(a)(1)$ to carry out this subsection, an |
| 24 | eligible agency may— |
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| 1 | "(1) award grants to eligible recipients, or con- |
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| 2 | sortia of eligible recipients, for career and technical |
| 3 | education activities described in section 135 in— |
| 4 | "(A) rural areas; or |
| 5 | "(B) areas with high percentages or high |
| 6 | numbers of career and technical education stu- |
| 7 | dents; |
| 8 | ((2) reserve funds, with the approval of partici- |
| 9 | pating eligible recipients, for— |
| 10 | "(A) innovative statewide initiatives that |
| 11 | demonstrate benefits for eligible recipients, |
| 12 | which may include— |
| 13 | "(i) developing and implementing |
| 14 | technical assessments; |
| 15 | "(ii) improving the professional devel- |
| 16 | opment of career and technical education |
| 17 | teachers, faculty, principals, and adminis- |
| 18 | trators; and |
| 19 | "(iii) establishing, enhancing, and |
| 20 | supporting systems for accountability data |
| 21 | collection or reporting purposes; or |
| 22 | "(B) the development and implementation |
| 23 | of career pathways or career clusters; and |
| 24 | "(3) carry out activities described in para- |
| 25 | graphs (1) and (2).". |

| 1 | SEC. 104. ACCOUNTABILITY. |
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| 2 | Section 113 (20 U.S.C. 2323) is amended— |
| 3 | (1) by striking "vocational" each place the term |
| 4 | appears and inserting "career"; |
| 5 | (2) in subsection (a)— |
| 6 | (A) by striking "a State performance ac- |
| 7 | countability system" and inserting "and sup- |
| 8 | port State and local performance accountability |
| 9 | systems"; and |
| 10 | (B) by inserting "and its eligible recipi- |
| 11 | ents" after "of the State"; |
| 12 | (3) in subsection (b)— |
| 13 | (A) in paragraph (1)— |
| 14 | (i) in subparagraph (A), by striking |
| 15 | "paragraph $(2)(A)$ " and inserting "sub- |
| 16 | paragraphs (A) and (B) of paragraph (2)"; |
| 17 | and |
| 18 | (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking |
| 19 | "(2)(B)" and inserting "(2)(C)"; |
| 20 | (B) in paragraph (2)— |
| 21 | (i) by striking subparagraph (A) and |
| 22 | inserting the following: |
| 23 | "(A) Core indicators of performance |
| 24 | FOR SECONDARY CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDU- |
| 25 | CATION STUDENTS.—Each eligible agency shall |
| 26 | identify in the State plan core indicators of per- |

| 1 | formance for secondary career and technical |
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| 2 | education students that include, at a minimum, |
| 3 | measures of each of the following: |
| 4 | "(i) Student achievement on technical |
| 5 | assessments and attainment of career and |
| 6 | technical skill proficiencies that are aligned |
| 7 | with nationally recognized industry stand- |
| 8 | ards, if available and appropriate. |
| 9 | "(ii) Student attainment of chal- |
| 10 | lenging academic content standards and |
| 11 | student academic achievement standards, |
| 12 | as adopted by the State under section |
| 13 | 1111(b)(1) of the Elementary and Sec- |
| 14 | ondary Education Act of 1965 and meas- |
| 15 | ured by the academic assessments de- |
| 16 | scribed in section 1111(b)(3) of such Act, |
| 17 | consistent with State requirements. |
| 18 | "(iii) Student rates of attainment |
| 19 | of— |
| 20 | "(I) a secondary school diploma; |
| 21 | "(II) the recognized equivalent of |
| 22 | a secondary school diploma; |
| 23 | "(III) technical skill proficiency; |
| 24 | "(IV) a credential; |
| 25 | "(V) a certificate; and |

| 1 | "(VI) a degree. |
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| 2 | "(iv) Placement in postsecondary edu- |
| 3 | cation, military service, apprenticeship pro- |
| 4 | grams, or employment. |
| 5 | "(v) Student participation in, and |
| 6 | completion of, career and technical edu- |
| 7 | cation programs that lead to employment |
| 8 | in nontraditional fields."; |
| 9 | (ii) by redesignating subparagraphs |
| 10 | (B) through (D) as subparagraphs (C) |
| 11 | through (E), respectively; |
| 12 | (iii) by inserting after subparagraph |
| 13 | (A) the following: |
| 14 | "(B) Core indicators of performance |
| 15 | FOR POSTSECONDARY CAREER AND TECHNICAL |
| 16 | STUDENTS.—Each eligible agency shall identify |
| 17 | in the State plan core indicators of performance |
| 18 | for postsecondary career and technical edu- |
| 19 | cation students that include, at a minimum, |
| 20 | measures of each of the following: |
| 21 | "(i) Student achievement on technical |
| 22 | assessments and attainment of career and |
| 23 | technical skill proficiencies that are aligned |
| 24 | with nationally recognized industry stand- |
| 25 | ards, if available and appropriate. |

| 1 | "(ii) Student attainment of technical |
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| | "(ii) Student attainment of technical |
| 2 | skill proficiency, a credential, a certificate, |
| 3 | or a degree, or retention in postsecondary |
| 4 | education, including transfer to a bacca- |
| 5 | laureate degree program. |
| 6 | "(iii) Placement in military service, |
| 7 | apprenticeship programs, or employment. |
| 8 | "(iv) Student participation in, and |
| 9 | completion of, career and technical edu- |
| 10 | cation programs that lead to employment |
| 11 | in nontraditional fields. |
| 12 | "(v) Increase in earnings, where avail- |
| 13 | able."; |
| 14 | (iv) in subparagraph (C) (as redesig- |
| 15 | nated by clause (ii) of this subparagraph), |
| 16 | by striking "the title." and inserting "this |
| 17 | title, such as attainment of self-suffi- |
| 18 | ciency."; |
| 19 | (v) in subparagraph (D) (as redesig- |
| 20 | nated by clause (ii) of this subparagraph), |
| 21 | by inserting "career and technical edu- |
| 22 | cation" after "developed State"; |
| 23 | (vi) in subparagraph (E) (as redesig- |
| 24 | nated by clause (ii) of this subpara- |
| 25 | graph)— |

| 1 | (I) by striking "this paragraph" |
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| 2 | and inserting "subparagraphs (A) and |
| 3 | (B)"; and |
| 4 | (II) by striking "recipients." and |
| 5 | inserting "recipients, and shall meet |
| 6 | the requirements of this section."; and |
| 7 | (vii) by adding at the end the fol- |
| 8 | lowing: |
| 9 | "(F) ALIGNMENT OF PERFORMANCE INDI- |
| 10 | CATORS.—In the course of identifying core indi- |
| 11 | cators of performance and additional indicators |
| 12 | of performance, States shall, to the greatest ex- |
| 13 | tent possible, define the indicators so that sub- |
| 14 | stantially similar information gathered for other |
| 15 | State and Federal programs, or any other pur- |
| 16 | pose, is used to meet the requirements of this |
| 17 | section."; |
| 18 | (C) in paragraph (3)— |
| 19 | (i) in the paragraph heading, by strik- |
| 20 | ing "Levels" and inserting "STATE LEV- |
| 21 | ELS''; |
| 22 | (ii) in subparagraph (A)— |
| 23 | (I) in clause (i)— |
| 24 | (aa) by striking "paragraph |
| 25 | (2)(A)" and inserting "subpara- |
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| 1 | graphs (A) and (B) of paragraph |
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| 2 | (2)''; |
| 3 | (bb) by inserting "after tak- |
| 4 | ing into account the local ad- |
| 5 | justed levels of performance and" |
| 6 | after "eligible agency,"; and |
| 7 | (cc) by striking subclause |
| 8 | (II) and inserting the following: |
| 9 | "(II) require the eligible recipi- |
| 10 | ents to make continuous and signifi- |
| 11 | cant improvement in career and tech- |
| 12 | nical achievement of career and tech- |
| 13 | nical education students, including |
| 14 | special populations."; |
| 15 | (II) in clause (v)— |
| 16 | (aa) in the clause heading, |
| 17 | by striking "3RD, 4TH, AND 5TH" |
| 18 | and inserting "SUBSEQUENT"; |
| 19 | (bb) by striking "third pro- |
| 20 | gram year" and inserting "third |
| 21 | and fifth program years"; and |
| 22 | (cc) by striking "third, |
| 23 | fourth, and fifth" and inserting |
| 24 | "corresponding subsequent"; |
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| 1 | (III) in clause (vi)(II), by insert- |
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| 2 | ing "and significant" after "contin- |
| 3 | uous''; and |
| 4 | (IV) in clause (vii), by striking |
| 5 | "or (vi)" and inserting "or (v)"; and |
| 6 | (iii) in subparagraph (B), by striking |
| 7 | " $(2)(B)$ " and inserting " $(2)(C)$ "; and |
| 8 | (D) by adding at the end the following: |
| 9 | "(4) Local levels of performance.— |
| 10 | "(A) Local adjusted levels of per- |
| 11 | FORMANCE FOR CORE INDICATORS OF PER- |
| 12 | FORMANCE.— |
| 13 | "(i) IN GENERAL.—Each eligible re- |
| 14 | cipient shall accept the State adjusted lev- |
| 15 | els of performance established under para- |
| 16 | graph (3) as local adjusted levels of per- |
| 17 | formance, or negotiate with the State to |
| 18 | reach agreement on new local adjusted lev- |
| 19 | els of performance, for each of the core in- |
| 20 | dicators of performance described in sub- |
| 21 | paragraphs (A) and (B) of paragraph (2) |
| 22 | for career and technical education activi- |
| 23 | ties authorized under this title. The levels |
| 24 | of performance established under this sub- |
| 25 | paragraph shall, at a minimum— |
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| "(I) be expressed in a percentage |
| or numerical form, so as to be objec- |
| tive, quantifiable, and measurable; |
| and |
| "(II) require the eligible recipient |
| to make continuous and significant |
| improvement in career and technical |
| achievement of career and technical |
| education students. |
| "(ii) Identification in the local |
| PLAN.—Each eligible recipient shall iden- |
| tify, in the local plan submitted under sec- |
| tion 134, levels of performance for each of |
| the core indicators of performance for the |
| first 2 program years covered by the local |
| plan. |
| "(iii) AGREEMENT ON LOCAL AD- |
| JUSTED LEVELS OF PERFORMANCE FOR |
| FIRST 2 YEARS.—The eligible agency and |
| each eligible recipient shall reach agree- |
| ment on the eligible recipient's levels of |
| performance for each of the core indicators |
| of performance for the first 2 program |
| years covered by the local plan, taking into |
| account the levels identified in the local |
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plan under clause (ii) and the factors de-

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| 2 | scribed in clause (v). The levels of perform- |
| 3 | ance agreed to under this clause shall be |
| 4 | considered to be the local adjusted levels of |
| 5 | performance for the eligible recipient for |
| 6 | such years and shall be incorporated into |
| 7 | the local plan prior to the approval of such |
| 8 | plan. |
| 9 | "(iv) Agreement on local ad- |
| 10 | JUSTED LEVELS OF PERFORMANCE FOR |
| 11 | SUBSEQUENT YEARS.—Prior to the third |
| 12 | and fifth program years covered by the |
| 13 | local plan, the eligible agency and each eli- |
| 14 | gible recipient shall reach agreement on |
| 15 | the local adjusted levels of performance for |
| 16 | each of the core indicators of performance |
| 17 | for the corresponding subsequent program |
| 18 | years covered by the local plan, taking into |
| 19 | account the factors described in clause (v). |
| 20 | The local adjusted levels of performance |
| 21 | agreed to under this clause shall be consid- |
| 22 | ered to be the local adjusted levels of per- |
| 23 | formance for the eligible recipient for such |
| 24 | years and shall be incorporated into the |
| 25 | local plan. |

- 1"(v) FACTORS.—The agreement de-2scribed in clause (iii) or (iv) shall take into3account—4"(I) how the levels of perform-5ance involved compare with the local6adjusted levels of performance estab-
- 7 lished for other eligible recipients, tak8 ing into account factors including the
 9 characteristics of participants when
 10 the participants entered the program
 11 and the services or instruction to be
 12 provided; and

"(II) the extent to which the
local adjusted levels of performance
involved promote continuous and significant improvement on the core indicators of performance by the eligible
recipient.

19 "(vi) REVISIONS.—If unanticipated
20 circumstances arise with respect to an eli21 gible recipient resulting in a significant
22 change in the factor described in clause
23 (v)(II), the eligible recipient may request
24 that the local adjusted levels of perform25 ance agreed to under clause (iii) or (iv) be

revised. The eligible agency shall issue ob jective criteria and methods for making
 such revisions.

"(B) LEVELS OF PERFORMANCE FOR AD-DITIONAL INDICATORS.—Each eligible recipient may identify, in the local plan, local levels of performance for any additional indicators of performance described in paragraph (2)(C). Such levels shall be considered to be the local levels of performance for purposes of this title.

"(C) REPORT.—Each eligible recipient that receives an allocation under section 131 shall publicly report, on an annual basis, its progress in achieving the local adjusted levels of performance on the core indicators of performance."; and

17 (4) by striking subsection (c)(1)(B) and insert-18 ing:

"(B) information on the levels of performance achieved by the State with respect to the
additional indicators of performance, including
the levels of performance disaggregated for
postsecondary institutions, by special populations, and for secondary institutions, by special populations and by the categories described

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| 1 | in section 1111(h)(1)(C)(i) of the Elementary |
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| 2 | and Secondary Education Act of 1965, except |
| 3 | that such disaggregation shall not be required |
| 4 | in a case in which the number of individuals in |
| 5 | a category is insufficient to yield statistically re- |
| 6 | liable information or the results would reveal |
| 7 | personally identifiable information about an in- |
| 8 | dividual.". |
| 9 | SEC. 105. NATIONAL ACTIVITIES. |
| 10 | Section 114 (20 U.S.C. 2324) is amended— |
| 11 | (1) by striking "vocational" each place the term |
| 12 | appears and inserting "career"; |
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| 13 | (2) in subsection (a)(1), by striking ", including |
| 13 14 | (2) in subsection (a)(1), by striking ", including an analysis of performance data regarding special |
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| 14 | an analysis of performance data regarding special |
| 14 15 | an analysis of performance data regarding special populations" and inserting ", including an analysis |
| 14 15 16 | an analysis of performance data regarding special populations" and inserting ", including an analysis of performance data that is disaggregated for post- |
| 14 15 16 17 | an analysis of performance data regarding special populations" and inserting ", including an analysis of performance data that is disaggregated for post- secondary institutions, by special populations, and |
| 14 15 16 17 18 | an analysis of performance data regarding special populations" and inserting ", including an analysis of performance data that is disaggregated for post- secondary institutions, by special populations, and for secondary institutions, by special populations and |
| 14 15 16 17 18 19 | an analysis of performance data regarding special populations" and inserting ", including an analysis of performance data that is disaggregated for post- secondary institutions, by special populations, and for secondary institutions, by special populations and by the categories described in section |
| 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 | an analysis of performance data regarding special populations" and inserting ", including an analysis of performance data that is disaggregated for post- secondary institutions, by special populations, and for secondary institutions, by special populations and by the categories described in section 1111(h)(1)(C)(i) of the Elementary and Secondary |
| 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 | an analysis of performance data regarding special populations" and inserting ", including an analysis of performance data that is disaggregated for post- secondary institutions, by special populations, and for secondary institutions, by special populations and by the categories described in section 1111(h)(1)(C)(i) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, except that such |

| 1 | the results would reveal personally identifiable infor- |
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| 2 | mation about an individual"; |
| 3 | (3) in subsection (c)— |
| 4 | (A) by striking paragraph (2) and insert- |
| 5 | ing the following: |
| 6 | "(2) INDEPENDENT ADVISORY PANEL.— |
| 7 | "(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall |
| 8 | appoint an independent advisory panel to advise |
| 9 | the Secretary on the implementation of the as- |
| 10 | sessment described in paragraph (3), including |
| 11 | the issues to be addressed and the methodology |
| 12 | of the studies involved to ensure that the as- |
| 13 | sessment adheres to the highest standards of |
| 14 | quality. |
| 15 | "(B) Members.—The advisory panel shall |
| 16 | consist of— |
| 17 | "(i) educators, principals, and admin- |
| 18 | istrators (including State directors of ca- |
| 19 | reer and technical education), with exper- |
| 20 | tise in the integration of academic and ca- |
| 21 | reer and technical education; |
| 22 | "(ii) experts in evaluation, research, |
| 23 | and assessment; |

| 1 | "(iii) representatives of labor organi- |
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| 2 | zations and businesses, including small |
| 3 | businesses; |
| 4 | "(iv) parents; |
| 5 | "(v) career guidance and academic |
| 6 | counseling professionals; and |
| 7 | "(vi) other individuals and inter- |
| 8 | mediaries with relevant expertise. |
| 9 | "(C) INDEPENDENT ANALYSIS.—The advi- |
| 10 | sory panel shall transmit to the Secretary and |
| 11 | to the relevant committees of Congress an inde- |
| 12 | pendent analysis of the findings and rec- |
| 13 | ommendations resulting from the assessment |
| 14 | described in paragraph (3). |
| 15 | "(D) FACA.—The Federal Advisory Com- |
| 16 | mittee Act (5 U.S.C. App.) shall not apply to |
| 17 | the panel established under this paragraph."; |
| 18 | (B) in paragraph (3)— |
| 19 | (i) by striking subparagraph (A) and |
| 20 | inserting the following: |
| 21 | "(A) IN GENERAL.—From amounts made |
| 22 | available under subsection (d), the Secretary |
| 23 | shall provide for the conduct of an independent |
| 24 | evaluation and assessment of career and tech- |
| 25 | nical education programs under this Act, in- |

| 1 | aluding the implementation of the Carl D. Day |
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| | cluding the implementation of the Carl D. Per- |
| 2 | kins Career and Technical Education Improve- |
| 3 | ment Act of 2005, to the extent practicable, |
| 4 | through studies and analyses conducted inde- |
| 5 | pendently through grants, contracts, and coop- |
| 6 | erative agreements that are awarded on a com- |
| 7 | petitive basis."; |
| 8 | (ii) in subparagraph (B)— |
| 9 | (I) by striking clause (iii) and in- |
| 10 | serting the following: |
| 11 | "(iii) the preparation and qualifica- |
| 12 | tions of teachers and faculty of career and |
| 13 | technical education, as well as shortages of |
| 14 | such teachers and faculty;"; |
| 15 | (II) by striking clause (v) and in- |
| 16 | serting the following: |
| 17 | "(v) academic and career and tech- |
| 18 | nical education achievement and employ- |
| 19 | ment outcomes of career and technical |
| 20 | education students, including analyses of— |
| 21 | ((I) the number of career and |
| 22 | technical education students and tech- |
| 23 | prep students who meet the State ad- |
| 24 | justed levels of performance estab- |
| 25 | lished under section 113; |

| 1 | "(II) the extent and success of |
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| 2 | integration of challenging academic |
| 3 | and career and technical education for |
| 4 | students participating in career and |
| 5 | technical education programs; |
| 6 | "(III) the extent to which career |
| 7 | and technical education programs pre- |
| 8 | pare students, including special popu- |
| 9 | lations, for subsequent employment in |
| 10 | high skill, high wage occupations, or |
| 11 | participation in postsecondary edu- |
| 12 | cation; and |
| 13 | "(IV) the number of career and |
| 14 | technical education students receiving |
| 15 | a high school diploma;"; |
| 16 | (III) in clause (vi), by inserting |
| 17 | ", and career and technical education |
| 18 | students' preparation for employ- |
| 19 | ment" after "programs"; and |
| 20 | (IV) in clause (viii), by inserting |
| 21 | "and local" after "State" both places |
| 22 | such term appears; and |
| 23 | (iii) in subparagraph (C)— |
| 24 | (I) in clause (i)— |
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| 1 | (aa) by striking "Committee |
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| 2 | on Education" and all that fol- |
| 3 | lows through "Senate" and in- |
| 4 | serting "relevant committees of |
| 5 | Congress"; and |
| 6 | (bb) by striking "2002" |
| 7 | both places it appears and insert- |
| 8 | ing "2009"; and |
| 9 | (II) in clause (ii), by striking |
| 10 | "Committee on Education" and all |
| 11 | that follows through "Senate" and in- |
| 12 | serting "relevant committees of Con- |
| 13 | gress''; |
| 14 | (C) in paragraph (4)(B), by striking |
| 15 | "Committee on Education" and all that follows |
| 16 | through "Senate" and inserting "relevant com- |
| 17 | mittees of Congress"; |
| 18 | (D) in paragraph (5)— |
| 19 | (i) in subparagraph (A)— |
| 20 | (I) in the matter preceding clause |
| 21 | (i), by striking "higher education" |
| 22 | and all that follows through "centers" |
| 23 | and inserting "higher education offer- |
| 24 | ing comprehensive graduate programs |
| 25 | in career and technical education that |
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| 1 | shall be the primary recipient and |
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| 2 | shall collaborate with a public or pri- |
| 3 | vate nonprofit organization or agency, |
| 4 | or a consortium of such institutions, |
| 5 | organizations, or agencies, to establish |
| 6 | a national research center"; |
| 7 | (II) in clause (i)— |
| 8 | (aa) by inserting "and eval- |
| 9 | uation" after "to carry out re- |
| 10 | search"; and |
| 11 | (bb) by inserting ", includ- |
| 12 | ing special populations," after |
| 13 | "participants"; |
| 14 | (III) by redesignating clauses |
| 15 | (ii), (iii), and (iv), as clauses (iii), (iv), |
| 16 | and (v), respectively; |
| 17 | (IV) by inserting after clause (i) |
| 18 | the following: |
| 19 | "(ii) to carry out research for the pur- |
| 20 | pose of developing, improving, and identi- |
| 21 | fying the most successful methods for suc- |
| 22 | cessfully addressing the needs of employers |
| 23 | in high skill, high wage business and in- |
| 24 | dustry, including evaluation and scientif- |
| 25 | ically based research of— |

| 1 | ((I) collaboration between career |
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| 2 | and technical education programs and |
| 3 | business and industry; |
| 4 | "(II) academic and technical |
| 5 | skills required to respond to the chal- |
| 6 | lenge of a global economy and rapid |
| 7 | technological changes; and |
| 8 | "(III) technical knowledge and |
| 9 | skills required to respond to needs of |
| 10 | a regional or sectoral workforce, in- |
| 11 | cluding small business;"; |
| 12 | (V) in clause (iii) (as redesig- |
| 13 | nated by subclause (III) of this |
| 14 | clause), by inserting "that are inte- |
| 15 | grated with challenging academic in- |
| 16 | struction" before ", including"; and |
| 17 | (VI) by striking clause (iv) (as |
| 18 | redesignated by subclause (III) of this |
| 19 | clause) and inserting the following: |
| 20 | "(iv) to carry out scientifically based |
| 21 | research, where appropriate, that can be |
| 22 | used to improve preparation and profes- |
| 23 | sional development of teachers, faculty, |
| 24 | principals, and administrators and student |
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| 1 | learning in the career and technical edu- |
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| 2 | cation classroom, including— |
| 3 | "(I) effective in-service and pre- |
| 4 | service teacher and faculty education |
| 5 | that assists career and technical edu- |
| 6 | cation programs in— |
| 7 | "(aa) integrating those pro- |
| 8 | grams with academic content |
| 9 | standards and student academic |
| 10 | achievement standards, as adopt- |
| 11 | ed by States under section |
| 12 | 1111(b)(1) of the Elementary |
| 13 | and Secondary Education Act of |
| 14 | 1965; and |
| 15 | "(bb) promoting technical |
| 16 | education aligned with industry- |
| 17 | based standards and certifi- |
| 18 | cations to meet regional industry |
| 19 | needs; |
| 20 | "(II) dissemination and training |
| 21 | activities related to the applied re- |
| 22 | search and demonstration activities |
| 23 | described in this subsection, which |
| 24 | may also include serving as a reposi- |
| 25 | tory for information on career and |

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| 1 | technical education skills, State aca- |
| 2 | demic standards, and related mate- |
| 3 | rials; and |
| 4 | "(III) the recruitment and reten- |
| 5 | tion of career and technical education |
| 6 | teachers, faculty, counselors, prin- |
| 7 | cipals, and administrators, including |
| 8 | individuals in groups underrep- |
| 9 | resented in the teaching profession; |
| 10 | and"; |
| 11 | (ii) in subparagraph (B)— |
| 12 | (I) by striking "or centers" both |
| 13 | places the term appears; and |
| 14 | (II) by striking "Committee on |
| 15 | Education' and all that follows |
| 16 | through "Senate" and inserting "rel- |
| 17 | evant committees of Congress"; |
| 18 | (iii) in subparagraph (C), by striking |
| 19 | "or centers"; and |
| 20 | (iv) by adding at the end the fol- |
| 21 | lowing: |
| 22 | "(D) INDEPENDENT GOVERNING BOARD.— |
| 23 | "(i) IN GENERAL.—An institution of |
| 24 | higher education that desires a grant, con- |
| 25 | tract, or cooperative agreement under this |
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| 1 | paragraph shall identify, in its application, |
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| 2 | an independent governing board for the |
| 3 | center established pursuant to this para- |
| 4 | graph. |
| 5 | "(ii) Members.—The independent |
| 6 | governing board shall consist of the fol- |
| 7 | lowing: |
| 8 | "(I) Two representatives of sec- |
| 9 | ondary career and technical education. |
| 10 | "(II) Two representatives of |
| 11 | postsecondary career and technical |
| 12 | education. |
| 13 | "(III) Two representatives of eli- |
| 14 | gible agencies. |
| 15 | "(IV) Two representatives of |
| 16 | business and industry. |
| 17 | "(V) Two representatives of ca- |
| 18 | reer and technical teacher preparation |
| 19 | institutions. |
| 20 | "(VI) Two nationally recognized |
| 21 | researchers in the field of career and |
| 22 | technical education. |
| 23 | "(iii) COORDINATION.—The inde- |
| 24 | pendent governing board shall ensure that |
| 25 | the research and dissemination activities |

| 1 | carried out by the center are coordinated |
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| 2 | with the research activities carried out by |
| 3 | the Secretary."; |
| 4 | (E) in paragraph $(6)(B)(ii)$, by striking |
| 5 | "or centers"; and |
| 6 | (F) by striking paragraph (8); and |
| 7 | (4) by adding at the end the following: |
| 8 | "(d) Authorization of Appropriations.—There |
| 9 | are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section |
| 10 | such sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years |
| 11 | 2006 through 2011.". |
| 12 | SEC. 106. ASSISTANCE FOR THE OUTLYING AREAS. |
| 13 | Section 115 (20 U.S.C. 2325) is amended— |
| 14 | (1) by striking "vocational" each place the term |
| 15 | appears and inserting "career"; |
| 16 | (2) in subsection (b)— |
| 17 | (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), |
| 18 | by striking "the Republic of the Marshall Is- |
| 19 | lands, the Federated States of Micronesia,"; |
| 20 | (B) in paragraph (1), by striking "training |
| 21 | and retraining;" and inserting "preparation;"; |
| 22 | (C) by redesignating paragraphs (2) and |
| 23 | (3) as paragraphs (3) and (4), respectively; and |
| 24 | (D) by inserting after paragraph (1) the |
| 25 | following: |

| 1 | "(2) professional development for teachers, fac- |
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| 2 | ulty, principals, and administrators;"; and |
| 3 | (3) in subsection (d)— |
| 4 | (A) by striking "the Republic of the Mar- |
| 5 | shall Islands, the Federated States of Micro- |
| 6 | nesia, and"; and |
| 7 | (B) by striking "2001" and inserting |
| 8 | <i>"2007"</i> . |
| 9 | SEC. 107. NATIVE AMERICAN PROGRAM. |
| 10 | Section 116 (20 U.S.C. 2326) is amended— |
| 11 | (1) by striking "vocational" each place the term |
| 12 | appears and inserting "career"; |
| 13 | (2) in subsection $(a)(5)$, by adding a period at |
| 14 | the end; |
| 15 | (3) in subsection (b)— |
| 16 | (A) in paragraph (1), by striking "(d)" |
| 17 | and inserting "(c)"; and |
| 18 | (B) in paragraph (2), by striking "(other |
| 19 | than in subsection (i))"; |
| 20 | (4) in subsection (d), by striking "section an" |
| 21 | and inserting "section, an"; |
| 22 | (5) in subsection (e), by striking "paragraph" |
| 23 | and inserting "section"; and |
| 24 | (6) in subsection (h), by striking "which are |
| 25 | recognized by the Governor of the State of Hawaii". |

| 1 | SEC. 108. TRIBALLY CONTROLLED POSTSECONDARY CA- |
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| 2 | REER AND TECHNICAL INSTITUTIONS. |
| 3 | Section 117 (20 U.S.C. 2327) is amended— |
| 4 | (1) by striking the section heading and insert- |
| 5 | ing the following: |
| 6 | "SEC. 117. TRIBALLY CONTROLLED POSTSECONDARY CA- |
| 7 | REER AND TECHNICAL INSTITUTIONS."; |
| 8 | (2) by striking "vocational" each place the term |
| 9 | appears and inserting "career"; |
| 10 | (3) in subsection (g)— |
| 11 | (A) in paragraph (1), by striking "The |
| 12 | Secretary" and inserting "On an annual basis, |
| 13 | the Secretary"; |
| 14 | (B) in paragraph $(2)(B)$, by striking |
| 15 | "2000" and inserting "2007"; and |
| 16 | (C) in paragraph $(3)(C)$, by striking "be- |
| 17 | ginning" and all that follows through the period |
| 18 | and inserting "beginning on the date of enact- |
| 19 | ment of the Carl D. Perkins Career and Tech- |
| 20 | nical Education Improvement Act of 2005."; |
| 21 | (4) by redesignating subsections (h) and (i) as |
| 22 | subsections (i) and (j), respectively; |
| 23 | (5) by inserting after subsection (g) the fol- |
| 24 | lowing: |
| 25 | "(h) APPEALS.— |
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| 1 | "(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2), |
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| 2 | the Secretary shall provide a tribally controlled post- |
| 3 | secondary career and technical institution with a |
| 4 | hearing on the record before an administrative law |
| 5 | judge with respect to the following determinations: |
| 6 | "(A) A determination that such institution |
| 7 | is not eligible for a grant under this section. |
| 8 | "(B) A determination regarding the cal- |
| 9 | culation of the amount of a grant awarded |
| 10 | under this section. |
| 11 | "(2) PROCEDURE FOR APPEAL.—To appeal a |
| 12 | determination described in paragraph (1) , a tribally |
| 13 | controlled postsecondary career and technical insti- |
| 14 | tution shall— |
| 15 | "(A) in the case of an appeal based on a |
| 16 | determination that such institution is not eligi- |
| 17 | ble for a grant under this section, file a notice |
| 18 | of appeal with the Secretary not later than 30 |
| 19 | days after receipt of such determination; and |
| 20 | "(B) in the case of an appeal based on a |
| 21 | determination regarding the calculation of the |
| 22 | amount of a grant awarded under this sec- |
| 23 | tion— |
| 24 | "(i) file a notice of appeal with the |
| 25 | Secretary not later than 30 days after re- |
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| 1 | ceipt of the Secretary's notification of the |
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| 2 | grant amount; and |
| 3 | "(ii) identify the amount of funding |
| 4 | that gives rise to such appeal. |
| 5 | "(3) WITHHOLDING OF AMOUNT.—If a tribally |
| 6 | controlled postsecondary career and technical insti- |
| 7 | tution appeals a determination described in para- |
| 8 | graph (1), the Secretary shall withhold the amount |
| 9 | in dispute from the award of grant funds under this |
| 10 | section until such time as the administrative law |
| 11 | judge has issued a written decision on the appeal."; |
| 12 | and |
| 13 | (6) by striking subsection (j) (as redesignated |
| 14 | by paragraph (4) of this section) and inserting the |
| 15 | following: |
| 16 | "(j) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There |
| 17 | are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section |
| 18 | \$10,000,000 for fiscal year 2006 and such sums as may |
| 19 | be necessary for each of the 5 succeeding fiscal years.". |
| 20 | SEC. 109. OCCUPATIONAL AND EMPLOYMENT INFORMA- |
| 21 | TION. |
| 22 | Section 118 (20 U.S.C. 2328) is amended— |
| 23 | (1) in subsection (a)— |
| 24 | (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), |
| 25 | by striking "(f)" and inserting "(g)"; |
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| 1 | (B) in paragraph (1)— |
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| 2 | (i) in subparagraph (A), by striking |
| 3 | "(b)" both places it appears and inserting |
| 4 | ''(c)''; |
| 5 | (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking |
| 6 | "(b)" and inserting "(c)"; and |
| 7 | (iii) in subparagraph (C), by striking |
| 8 | "(b)" and inserting "(c)"; and |
| 9 | (C) in paragraph (2), by striking "(b)" |
| 10 | both places it appears and inserting "(c)"; |
| 11 | (2) by redesignating subsections (b) through (f) |
| 12 | as subsections (c) through (g), respectively; |
| 13 | (3) by inserting after subsection (a) the fol- |
| 14 | lowing: |
| 15 | "(b) STATE APPLICATION.— |
| 16 | "(1) IN GENERAL.—Each State desiring assist- |
| 17 | ance under this section shall submit an application |
| 18 | to the Secretary at the same time the State submits |
| 19 | its State plan under section 122, in such manner, |
| 20 | and accompanied by such additional information, as |
| 21 | the Secretary may reasonably require. |
| 22 | "(2) CONTENTS.—Each application submitted |
| 23 | under paragraph (1) shall include— |
| 24 | "(A) a description of how the State entity |
| 25 | designated in subsection (c) will provide infor- |

| 1 | mation based on labor market trends to inform |
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| 2 | program development; and |
| 3 | "(B) information about the academic con- |
| 4 | tent standards and student academic achieve- |
| 5 | ment standards adopted by the State under sec- |
| 6 | tion $1111(b)(1)$ of the Elementary and Sec- |
| 7 | ondary Education Act of 1965."; |
| 8 | (4) in subsection (c) (as redesignated by para- |
| 9 | graph (2) of this section)— |
| 10 | (A) in paragraph (1), by striking "individ- |
| 11 | uals" and all that follows through the semicolon |
| 12 | and inserting "students and parents, including |
| 13 | postsecondary education and training, including |
| 14 | preparation for high skill, high wage, or high |
| 15 | demand occupations and nontraditional fields in |
| 16 | emerging or established professions;"; |
| 17 | (B) in paragraph (2), by inserting "aca- |
| 18 | demic and career and technical" after "relate"; |
| 19 | (C) by striking paragraph (3) and insert- |
| 20 | ing the following: |
| 21 | "(3) to equip teachers, faculty, administrators, |
| 22 | and counselors with the knowledge, skills, and occu- |
| 23 | pational information needed to assist parents and all |
| 24 | students, especially special populations underrep- |
| 25 | resented in certain careers, with career exploration, |

| 1 | educational opportunities, education financing, and |
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| 2 | exposure to high skill, high wage, or high demand |
| 3 | occupations and nontraditional fields;"; |
| 4 | (D) in paragraph (4), by striking "such |
| 5 | entities;" and inserting "such entities, with an |
| 6 | emphasis on high skill, high wage, or high de- |
| 7 | mand occupations in emerging or established |
| 8 | professions;"; |
| 9 | (E) in paragraph (5), by striking "and" |
| 10 | after the semicolon; |
| 11 | (F) in paragraph (6), by striking the pe- |
| 12 | riod and inserting "; and"; and |
| 13 | (G) by adding at the end the following: |
| 14 | "(7) to provide information, if available, for |
| 15 | each occupation, on— |
| 16 | "(A) the average earnings of an individual |
| 17 | in the occupation at entry level and after 5 |
| 18 | years of employment; |
| 19 | "(B) the expected lifetime earnings; and |
| 20 | "(C) the expected future demand for the |
| 21 | occupation, based on employment projections."; |
| 22 | (5) in subsection $(d)(1)$ (as redesignated by |
| 23 | paragraph (2) of this section), by striking "(b)" |
| 24 | both places it appears and inserting "(c)"; |
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| 1 | (6) in subsection $(e)(1)$ (as redesignated by |
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| 2 | paragraph (2) of this section), by striking "(b)" and |
| 3 | inserting "(c)"; |
| 4 | (7) in subsection $(f)(1)$ (as redesignated by |
| 5 | paragraph (2) of this section), by striking "an iden- |
| 6 | tification" and inserting "a description"; and |
| 7 | (8) in subsection (g) (as redesignated by para- |
| 8 | graph (2) of this section), by striking "1999 through |
| 9 | 2003" and inserting "2006 through 2011". |
| 10 | SEC. 110. STATE ADMINISTRATION. |
| 11 | Section 121 (20 U.S.C. 2341) is amended— |
| 12 | (1) by redesignating subsection $(a)(2)$ as sub- |
| 13 | section (b) and indenting appropriately; |
| 14 | (2) by redesignating subparagraphs (A) through |
| 15 | (D) of subsection $(a)(1)$ as paragraphs (1) through |
| 16 | (4), respectively, and indenting appropriately; |
| 17 | (3) by redesignating clauses (i) and (ii) of para- |
| 18 | graph (4) (as redesignated by paragraph (2) of this |
| 19 | section) as subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively, |
| 20 | and indenting appropriately; |
| 21 | (4) by striking the following: |
| 22 | "(a) ELIGIBLE AGENCY RESPONSIBILITIES.— |
| 23 | "(1) IN GENERAL.—The responsibilities" and |
| 24 | inserting the following: |

"(a) ELIGIBLE AGENCY RESPONSIBILITIES.—The re-

| 2 | sponsibilities"; |
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| 3 | (5) in subsection $(a)(1)$ (as redesignated by |
| 4 | paragraph (2) of this section), by striking "training |
| 5 | and employment" and inserting "fields"; |
| 6 | (6) in subsection $(a)(2)$ (as redesignated by |
| 7 | paragraph (2) of this section)— |
| 8 | (A) by inserting "teacher and faculty prep- |
| 9 | aration programs," after "teachers,"; and |
| 10 | (B) by inserting "all types and sizes of" |
| 11 | after "representatives of"; and |
| 12 | (7) in subsection (b) (as redesignated by para- |
| 13 | graph (1) of this section), by striking "paragraph |
| 14 | (1)" and inserting "subsection (a)". |
| 15 | SEC. 111. STATE PLAN. |
| 16 | Section 122 (20 U.S.C. 2342) is amended— |
| 17 | (1) by striking "vocational" each place the term |
| 18 | appears and inserting "career"; |
| 19 | (2) in subsection (a)— |
| 20 | (A) in paragraph (1)— |
| 21 | (i) by striking "5" and inserting "6"; |
| 22 | and |
| 23 | (ii) by adding at the end the fol- |
| 24 | lowing: "Each eligible agency may submit |
| 25 | a transition plan during the first full year |

| 1 | of implementation of this Act after the |
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| 2 | date of enactment of the Carl D. Perkins |
| 3 | Career and Technical Education Improve- |
| 4 | ment Act of 2005. The transition plan |
| 5 | shall fulfill the eligible agency's State plan |
| 6 | submission obligation under this section."; |
| 7 | and |
| 8 | (B) in paragraph $(2)(B)$, by striking "5 |
| 9 | year State plan" and inserting "6-year period"; |
| 10 | (3) by striking subsection $(b)(1)$ and inserting |
| 11 | the following: |
| 12 | "(1) IN GENERAL.—The eligible agency shall |
| 13 | develop the State plan in consultation with academic |
| 14 | and career and technical education teachers, faculty, |
| 15 | principals, and administrators, career guidance and |
| 16 | academic counselors, eligible recipients, parents, stu- |
| 17 | dents, the State tech-prep coordinator and rep- |
| 18 | resentatives of tech-prep consortia (if applicable), in- |
| 19 | terested community members (including parent and |
| 20 | community organizations), representatives of special |
| 21 | populations, representatives of business (including |
| 22 | small business) and industry, and representatives of |
| 23 | labor organizations in the State, and shall consult |
| 24 | the Governor of the State with respect to such devel- |
| 25 | opment."; |

(4) by striking subsection (c) and inserting the 1 2 following: 3 "(c) PLAN CONTENTS.—The State plan shall include information that— 4 5 "(1) describes the career and technical edu-6 cation activities to be assisted that are designed to 7 meet or exceed the State adjusted levels of perform-8 ance, including a description of— 9 "(A) how the eligible agency will support eligible recipients in developing or implementing 10 11 career pathways for career and technical edu-12 cation content areas that are designed to meet 13 relevant workforce needs, including how the eli-14 gible agency will— "(i) support eligible recipients in de-15 16 veloping articulation agreements between 17 secondary and postsecondary institutions; 18 "(ii) support eligible recipients in 19 using labor market information to identify 20 career pathways that prepare individuals 21 for high skill, high wage, or high demand 22 occupations; 23 "(iii) make available information 24 about career pathways offered by eligible 25 recipients; and

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| 1 | "(iv) consult with business and indus- |
| 2 | try and use industry-recognized standards |
| 3 | and assessments, if appropriate; |
| 4 | "(B) the secondary and postsecondary ca- |
| 5 | reer and technical education programs to be |
| 6 | carried out, including programs that will be car- |
| 7 | ried out by the eligible agency to develop, im- |
| 8 | prove, and expand access to quality technology |
| 9 | in career and technical education programs; |
| 10 | "(C) the criteria that will be used by the |
| 11 | eligible agency to approve eligible recipients for |
| 12 | funds under this title, including criteria to as- |
| 13 | sess the extent to which the local plan will— |
| 14 | "(i) promote higher levels of academic |
| 15 | achievement; |
| 16 | "(ii) promote higher levels of technical |
| 17 | skill attainment; and |
| 18 | "(iii) identify and address workforce |
| 19 | needs; |
| 20 | "(D) how programs at the secondary level |
| 21 | will prepare career and technical education stu- |
| 22 | dents, including special populations to graduate |
| 23 | from high school with a diploma; |
| 24 | "(E) how such programs will prepare ca- |
| 25 | reer and technical education students, including |
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| 1 | special populations, both academically and tech- |
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| 2 | nically, for opportunities in postsecondary edu- |
| 3 | cation or entry into high skill, high wage, or |
| 4 | high demand occupations in emerging or estab- |
| 5 | lished occupations, and how participating stu- |
| 6 | dents will be made aware of such opportunities; |
| 7 | and |
| 8 | "(F) how funds will be used to improve or |
| 9 | develop new career and technical education |
| 10 | courses in high skill, high wage, or high de- |
| 11 | mand occupations that are aligned with busi- |
| 12 | ness needs and industry standards, as appro- |
| 13 | priate— |
| 14 | "(i) at the secondary level that are |
| 15 | aligned with challenging academic content |
| 16 | standards and student academic achieve- |
| 17 | ment standards adopted by the State |
| 18 | under section $1111(b)(1)$ of the Elemen- |
| 19 | tary and Secondary Education Act of |
| 20 | 1965; and |
| 21 | "(ii) at the postsecondary level that |
| 22 | are relevant and challenging; |
| 23 | ((2) describes how career and technical edu- |
| 24 | cation teachers, faculty, principals, administrators, |
| 25 | and career guidance and academic counselors will be |
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| 1 | provided comprehensive initial preparation and pro- |
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| 2 | fessional development, including through programs |
| 3 | and activities that— |
| 4 | "(A) promote the integration of chal- |
| 5 | lenging academic and career and technical edu- |
| 6 | cation curriculum development, including oppor- |
| 7 | tunities for teachers to jointly develop and im- |
| 8 | plement curriculum and pedagogical strategies |
| 9 | with appropriate academic teachers; |
| 10 | "(B) increase the academic and career and |
| 11 | technical education knowledge of career and |
| 12 | technical education teachers and faculty; |
| 13 | "(C) are high-quality, sustained, intensive, |
| 14 | focused on instruction, directly related to indus- |
| 15 | try standards, and includes structured induc- |
| 16 | tion and mentoring components for new per- |
| 17 | sonnel, with an emphasis on identifying and ad- |
| 18 | dressing the needs of local businesses, including |
| 19 | small businesses; |
| 20 | "(D) ensure an increasing number of ca- |
| 21 | reer and technical education teachers and fac- |
| 22 | ulty meet teacher certification and licensing re- |
| 23 | quirements reflecting the needs of their subject |
| 24 | area or areas; |

| 1 | "(E) equip them with the knowledge and |
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| 2 | skills needed to work with and improve instruc- |
| 3 | tion for special populations; |
| 4 | "(F) assist in accessing and utilizing data, |
| 5 | including labor market indicators, student |
| 6 | achievement, and assessments; |
| 7 | "(G) enhance the leadership capacity of |
| 8 | principals and administrators; |
| 9 | "(H) are integrated with professional de- |
| 10 | velopment activities that the State carries out |
| 11 | under title II of the Elementary and Secondary |
| 12 | Education Act of 1965 and title II of the High- |
| 13 | er Education Act of 1965; and |
| 14 | "(I) include strategies to expose all career |
| 15 | and technical education students to comprehen- |
| 16 | sive information regarding career options that |
| 17 | lead to high skill, high wage, or high demand |
| 18 | occupations and nontraditional fields; |
| 19 | "(3) describes efforts to improve— |
| 20 | "(A) the recruitment and retention of ca- |
| 21 | reer and technical education teachers, faculty, |
| 22 | counselors, principals, and administrators, in- |
| 23 | cluding individuals in groups underrepresented |
| 24 | in the teaching profession; and |

| 1 | "(B) the transition to teaching from busi- |
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| 2 | ness and industry, including small business; |
| 3 | "(4) describes efforts to improve the capacity of |
| 4 | programs and faculty at postsecondary institutions |
| 5 | to effectively prepare career and technical education |
| 6 | personnel, including, as appropriate, through elec- |
| 7 | tronically delivered distance education, and articula- |
| 8 | tion agreements between 2-year technical programs |
| 9 | and postsecondary education programs; |
| 10 | "(5) describes how the eligible agency will ac- |
| 11 | tively involve parents, academic and career and tech- |
| 12 | nical education teachers, faculty, principals, and ad- |
| 13 | ministrators, career guidance and academic coun- |
| 14 | selors, local businesses (including small- and me- |
| 15 | dium-sized businesses and business intermediaries), |
| 16 | and labor organizations in the planning, develop- |
| 17 | ment, implementation, and evaluation of such career |
| 18 | and technical education programs; |
| 19 | "(6) describes how funds received by the eligible |
| 20 | agency through the allotment made under section |
| 21 | 111 will be allocated— |
| 22 | "(A) among secondary school career and |
| 23 | technical education, or postsecondary and adult |
| 24 | career and technical education, or both, includ- |

ing the rationale for such allocation; and

| 1 | "(B) among any consortia that will be |
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| 2 | formed among secondary schools and eligible in- |
| 3 | stitutions, and how funds will be allocated |
| 4 | among the members of the consortia, including |
| 5 | the rationale for such allocation; |
| 6 | "(7) describes how the eligible agency will— |
| 7 | "(A) use funds to improve or develop new |
| 8 | career and technical education courses in high |
| 9 | skill, high wage, or high demand occupations— |
| 10 | "(i) at the secondary level that are |
| 11 | aligned with challenging academic content |
| 12 | standards and student academic achieve- |
| 13 | ment standards adopted by the State |
| 14 | under section $1111(b)(1)$ of the Elemen- |
| 15 | tary and Secondary Education Act of |
| 16 | 1965; and |
| 17 | "(ii) at the postsecondary level that |
| 18 | are challenging and aligned with business |
| 19 | needs and industry standards, as appro- |
| 20 | priate; |
| 21 | "(B) improve the academic and technical |
| 22 | skills of students participating in career and |
| 23 | technical education programs, including |
| 24 | strengthening the academic, and career and |
| 25 | technical, components of career and technical |
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1 education programs through the integration of 2 academics with career and technical education 3 to ensure learning in the core academic subjects 4 and career and technical education subjects, 5 and provide students with strong experience in, 6 and understanding of, all aspects of an indus-7 try; "(C) ensure that students who participate 8 9 in such career and technical education pro-10 grams are taught to the same challenging aca-11 demic proficiencies as are taught to all other 12 students; and "(D) encourage secondary school students 13 14 who participate in such career and technical 15 education programs to enroll in challenging 16 courses in core academic subjects; 17 "(8) describes how the eligible agency will an-18 nually evaluate the effectiveness of such career and 19 technical education programs, and describes, to the 20 extent practicable, how the eligible agency is coordi-21 nating such programs to promote relevant lifelong 22 learning and ensure nonduplication with other exist-23 ing Federal programs; 24 "(9) describes the eligible agency's program

25 strategies for special populations, including a de-

| 1 | scription of how individuals who are members of the |
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| 2 | special populations— |
| 3 | "(A) will be provided with equal access to |
| 4 | activities assisted under this title; |
| 5 | "(B) will not be discriminated against on |
| 6 | the basis of their status as members of the spe- |
| 7 | cial populations; and |
| 8 | "(C) will be provided with programs de- |
| 9 | signed to enable the special populations to meet |
| 10 | or exceed State adjusted levels of performance, |
| 11 | and prepare special populations for further |
| 12 | learning and for high skill, high wage, or high |
| 13 | demand occupations; |
| 14 | ((10) how the eligible agency will collaborate in |
| 15 | developing the State plan with— |
| 16 | "(A) the entity within the State with re- |
| 17 | sponsibility for elementary and secondary edu- |
| 18 | cation; |
| 19 | "(B) the entity within the State with re- |
| 20 | sponsibility for public institutions engaged in |
| 21 | postsecondary education; |
| 22 | "(C) State institutions such as State cor- |
| 23 | rectional institutions and institutions that serve |
| 24 | individuals with disabilities; and |

"(D) all other relevant State agencies with
 responsibility for career and technical education
 and training and workforce development;
 "(11) describes what steps the eligible agency

will take to involve representatives of eligible recipients in the development of the State adjusted levels of performance;

8 "(12) provides assurances that the eligible 9 agency will comply with the requirements of this 10 title and the provisions of the State plan, including 11 the provision of a financial audit of funds received 12 under this title which may be included as part of an 13 audit of other Federal or State programs;

14 "(13) provides assurances that none of the 15 funds expended under this title will be used to ac-16 quire equipment (including computer software) in 17 any instance in which such acquisition results in a 18 direct financial benefit to any organization rep-19 resenting the interests of the purchasing entity, the 20 employees of the purchasing entity, or any affiliate 21 of such an organization;

"(14) describes how the eligible agency will
measure and report data relating to students participating in and completing career and technical education within specific career clusters in order to ade-

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quately measure the progress of the students, includ-2 ing special populations, at—

"(A) the secondary level, disaggregated by 3 4 the categories described in section 5 1111(h)(1)(C)(i) of the Elementary and Sec-6 ondary Education Act of 1965, except that such 7 disaggregation shall not be required in a case in 8 which the number of individuals in a category 9 is insufficient to yield statistically reliable infor-10 mation or the results would reveal personally 11 identifiable information about an individual; 12 and

13 "(B) the postsecondary level, disaggregated 14 by special populations and the categories de-15 scribed in section 1111(h)(1)(C)(i) of the Ele-16 mentary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, 17 except that such disaggregation shall not be re-18 quired in a case in which the number of individ-19 uals in a category is insufficient to yield statis-20 tically reliable information or the results would 21 reveal personally identifiable information about 22 an individual;

"(15) describes how the eligible agency will ade-23 24 quately address the needs of students in alternative 25 education programs, if appropriate;

1 "(16) describes how the eligible agency will pro-2 vide local educational agencies, area career and tech-3 nical education schools, and eligible institutions in 4 the State with technical assistance; "(17) describes how career and technical edu-5 6 cation relates to State and regional occupational op-7 portunities: 8 "(18) describes the methods proposed for the 9 joint planning and coordination of programs carried 10 out under this title with other Federal education 11 programs; 12 "(19) describes how funds will be used to pro-13 mote preparation for high skill, high wage, or high 14 demand occupations and nontraditional fields in 15 emerging and established professions; "(20) describes how funds will be used to serve 16 17 individuals in State correctional institutions; 18 "(21) describes how the eligible agency will en-19 sure that the data reported to the eligible agency 20 from local educational agencies and eligible institu-21 tions under this title and the data the eligible agency 22 reports to the Secretary are complete, accurate, and 23 reliable; and 24 "(22) contains the description and information

25 specified in sections 112(b)(8) and 121(c) of the

Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (29 U.S.C.
 2822(b)(8) and 2841(c)) concerning the provision of
 services only for postsecondary students and school
 dropouts.";

5 (5) by striking subsection (d) and inserting the6 following:

7 "(d) PLAN OPTIONS.—

8 "(1) SINGLE PLAN.—The eligible agency may 9 fulfill the plan or application submission require-10 ments of this section, section 118(b), and section 11 141(c) by submitting a single State plan. In such 12 plan, the eligible agency may allow eligible recipients 13 to fulfill the plan or application submission require-14 ments of section 134 and subsections (a) and (b) of 15 section 143 by submitting a single local plan.

(2)16 PLAN SUBMITTED AS PART \mathbf{OF} 50117 PLAN.—The eligible agency may submit the plan re-18 quired under this section as part of the plan sub-19 mitted under section 501 of the Workforce Invest-20 ment Act of 1998 (20 U.S.C. 9271), provided that 21 the plan submitted pursuant to the requirement of 22 this section meets the requirements of this Act."; 23 and

24 (6) by striking subsection (f).

1 SEC. 112. IMPROVEMENT PLANS.

2 Section 123 (20 U.S.C. 2343) is amended to read as3 follows:

4 "SEC. 123. IMPROVEMENT PLANS.

5 "(a) STATE PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT PLAN.—

6 "(1) PLAN.—If a State fails to meet the State 7 adjusted levels of performance described in the re-8 port submitted under section 113(c), the eligible 9 agency shall develop and implement a program im-10 provement plan in consultation with the appropriate 11 agencies, individuals, and organizations for the first 12 program year succeeding the program year in which 13 the eligible agency failed to meet the State adjusted 14 levels of performance, in order to avoid a sanction 15 under paragraph (3).

16 "(2) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—If the Sec-17 retary determines that an eligible agency is not 18 properly implementing the eligible agency's respon-19 sibilities under section 122, or is not making sub-20 stantial progress in meeting the purpose of this Act, 21 based on the State's adjusted levels of performance, 22 the Secretary shall work with the eligible agency to implement improvement activities consistent with the 23 24 requirements of this Act.

25 "(3) FAILURE.—

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"(A) IN GENERAL.—If an eligible agency 1 2 fails to meet the State adjusted levels of per-3 formance, has not implemented an improvement 4 plan as described in paragraph (1), has shown 5 no improvement within 1 year after imple-6 menting an improvement plan as described in paragraph (1), or has failed to meet the State 7 8 adjusted levels of performance for 2 or more 9 consecutive years, the Secretary may, after no-10 tice and opportunity for a hearing, withhold 11 from the eligible agency all, or a portion of, the 12 eligible agency's allotment under this title. 13 "(B) WAIVER FOR EXCEPTIONAL CIR-14 CUMSTANCES.—The Secretary may waive the 15 sanction in subparagraph (A) due to exceptional 16 or uncontrollable circumstances such as a nat-17 ural disaster or a precipitous and unforeseen 18 decline in financial resources of the State. 19 "(4) FUNDS RESULTING FROM REDUCED AL-20 LOTMENTS.-

21 "(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall
22 use funds withheld under paragraph (3) for a
23 State served by an eligible agency, to provide
24 (through alternative arrangements) services and

activities within the State to meet the purposes of this Act.

3 "(B) REDISTRIBUTION.—If the Secretary
4 cannot satisfactorily use funds withheld under
5 paragraph (3), then the amount of funds re6 tained by the Secretary as a result of a reduc7 tion in an allotment made under paragraph (3)
8 shall be redistributed to other eligible agencies
9 in accordance with section 111.

10 "(b) Local Program Improvement.—

"(1) LOCAL EVALUATION.—Each eligible agency shall evaluate annually, using the local adjusted
levels of performance described in section 113(b)(4),
the career and technical education activities of each
eligible recipient receiving funds under this title.

16 "(2) PLAN.—

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17 "(A) IN GENERAL.—If, after reviewing the
18 evaluation, the eligible agency determines that
19 an eligible recipient is not making substantial
20 progress in achieving the local adjusted levels of
21 performance, the eligible agency shall—

22 "(i) conduct an assessment of the
23 educational needs that the eligible recipient
24 shall address to overcome local perform-

1 ance deficiencies, including the perform-2 ance of special populations; "(ii) enter into an improvement plan 3 4 with an eligible recipient based on the results of the assessment, for the first pro-5 6 gram year succeeding the program year in 7 which the eligible recipient failed to meet 8 the local adjusted levels of performance, 9 which plan shall demonstrate how the local performance deficiencies will be corrected 10 11 and include instructional and other pro-12 grammatic innovations of demonstrated ef-13 fectiveness, and, where necessary, strate-14 gies for appropriate staffing and profes-15 sional development; and "(iii) conduct regular evaluations of 16 17 the progress being made toward reaching

22 "(B) CONSULTATION.—The eligible agency
23 shall conduct the activities described in sub24 paragraph (A) in consultation with teachers,
25 principals, administrators, faculty, parents,

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1 other school staff, appropriate agencies, and 2 other appropriate individuals and organizations. 3 "(3) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—If the eligible 4 agency determines that an eligible recipient is not 5 properly implementing the eligible recipient's respon-6 sibilities under section 134, or is not making sub-7 stantial progress in meeting the purpose of this Act, 8 based on the local adjusted levels of performance, 9 the eligible agency shall provide technical assistance 10 to the eligible recipient to assist the eligible recipient 11 in carrying out the improvement activities consistent 12 with the requirements of this Act. An eligible recipi-13 ent, in collaboration with the eligible agency, may re-14 quest that the Secretary provide additional technical 15 assistance. "(4) FAILURE.— 16 17 "(A) IN GENERAL.—If an eligible recipient

18 fails to meet the local adjusted levels of per-19 formance as described in section 113(b)(4) and 20 has not implemented an improvement plan as 21 described in paragraph (2), has shown no im-22 provement within 1 year after implementing an 23 improvement plan as described in paragraph 24 (2), or has failed to meet more than 1 of the 25 local adjusted levels of performance for 2 or

| 1 | more consecutive years, the eligible agency may, |
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| 2 | after notice and opportunity for a hearing, |
| 3 | withhold from the eligible recipient all, or a por- |
| 4 | tion of, the eligible recipient's allotment under |
| 5 | this title. |
| 6 | "(B) WAIVER FOR EXCEPTIONAL CIR- |
| 7 | CUMSTANCES.—The eligible agency may waive |
| 8 | the sanction under this paragraph due to excep- |
| 9 | tional or uncontrollable circumstances such as |
| 10 | organizational structure, or a natural disaster |
| 11 | or a precipitous and unforeseen decline in fi- |
| 12 | nancial resources of the eligible recipient. |
| 13 | "(5) Funds resulting from reduced al- |
| 14 | LOTMENTS.—The eligible agency shall use funds |
| 15 | withheld under paragraph (4) to provide (through |
| 16 | alternative arrangements) services and activities to |
| 17 | students within the area served by such recipient to |
| 18 | meet the purpose of this Act.". |
| 19 | SEC. 113. STATE LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES. |
| 20 | Section 124 (20 U.S.C. 2344) is amended— |
| 21 | (1) by striking "vocational" each place the term |
| 22 | appears and inserting "career"; |
| 23 | (2) in subsection (a), by striking " $112(a)(2)$ " |
| 24 | and inserting "112(a)(2)(A)"; |
| 25 | (3) in subsection (b)— |

| 1 | (A) in paragraph (1), by striking "further |
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| 2 | learning" and all that follows through the semi- |
| 3 | colon and inserting "further education, further |
| 4 | training, or for high skill, high wage, or high |
| 5 | demand occupations;"; |
| 6 | (B) in paragraph (2), by striking subpara- |
| 7 | graphs (A) through (C) and inserting the fol- |
| 8 | lowing: |
| 9 | "(A) training of career and technical edu- |
| 10 | cation teachers, faculty, principals, career guid- |
| 11 | ance and academic counselors, and administra- |
| 12 | tors to use technology, including distance learn- |
| 13 | ing; |
| 14 | "(B) encouraging schools to work with |
| 15 | technology industries to offer voluntary intern- |
| 16 | ships and mentoring programs; or |
| 17 | "(C) encouraging lifelong learning, includ- |
| 18 | ing through partnerships that may involve insti- |
| 19 | tutions of higher education, organizations pro- |
| 20 | viding career and technical education, busi- |
| 21 | nesses, and communications entities;"; |
| 22 | (C) by striking paragraph (3) and insert- |
| 23 | ing the following: |
| 24 | "(3) professional development programs, includ- |
| 25 | ing providing comprehensive professional develop- |

1 ment (including initial teacher preparation) for ca-2 reer and technical education teachers, faculty, prin-3 cipals, administrators, and career guidance and aca-4 demic counselors at the secondary and postsecondary 5 levels, that support activities described in section 6 122 and— "(A) provide in-service and pre-service 7 8 training in career and technical education pro-9 grams and techniques, effective teaching skills 10 based on promising practices and, where avail-11 able and appropriate, scientifically based re-12 search, and effective practices to improve pa-

rental and community involvement; 14 "(B) improve student achievement in order 15 to meet the State adjusted levels of perform-

ance established under section 113;

17 "(C) support education programs for 18 teachers and faculty of career and technical 19 education in public schools and other public 20 school personnel who are involved in the direct 21 delivery of educational services to career and 22 technical education students to ensure that 23 such personnel—

"(i) stay current with the needs, ex-24 25 pectations, and methods of industry;

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| 1 | "(ii) can effectively develop chal- |
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| 2 | lenging, integrated academic and career |
| 3 | and technical education curriculum jointly |
| 4 | with academic teachers, to the extent prac- |
| 5 | ticable; and |
| 6 | "(iii) develop a higher level of aca- |
| 7 | demic and industry knowledge and skills in |
| 8 | career and technical education; and |
| 9 | "(D) are integrated with the teacher cer- |
| 10 | tification or licensing and professional develop- |
| 11 | ment activities that the State carries out under |
| 12 | title II of the Elementary and Secondary Edu- |
| 13 | cation Act of 1965 and title II of the Higher |
| 14 | Education Act of 1965;"; |
| 15 | (D) in paragraph (4), by striking "support |
| 16 | for" and inserting "supporting"; |
| 17 | (E) in paragraph (5), by striking "non- |
| 18 | traditional training and employment" and in- |
| 19 | serting "nontraditional fields in emerging and |
| 20 | established professions, and other activities that |
| 21 | expose students, including special populations, |
| 22 | to high skill, high wage occupations"; |
| 23 | (F) in paragraph (6) — |
| 24 | (i) by inserting "intermediaries," after |
| 25 | "labor organizations,"; and |

| 1 | (ii) by inserting ", or complete career |
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| 2 | pathways, as described in section |
| 3 | 122(c)(1)(A)" after "skills"; |
| 4 | (G) in paragraph (7), by striking "and" |
| 5 | after the semicolon; |
| 6 | (H) in paragraph (8), by striking "wage |
| 7 | careers." and inserting "wage, or high demand |
| 8 | occupations; and"; and |
| 9 | (I) by adding at the end the following: |
| 10 | "(9) technical assistance for eligible recipi- |
| 11 | ents."; |
| 12 | (4) by striking subsection (c) and inserting the |
| 13 | following: |
| 14 | "(c) Permissible Uses of Funds.—The leadership |
| 15 | activities described in subsection (a) may include— |
| 16 | "(1) improvement of career guidance and aca- |
| 17 | demic counseling programs that assist students in |
| 18 | making informed academic, and career and technical |
| 19 | education, decisions, including encouraging sec- |
| 20 | ondary and postsecondary students to graduate with |
| 21 | a diploma or degree, and expose students to high |
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| 22 | skill, high wage occupations and nontraditional fields |
| 22 23 | skill, high wage occupations and nontraditional fields in emerging and established professions; |
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| 1 | secondary career and technical education programs |
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| 2 | in order to provide postsecondary education and |
| 3 | training opportunities for students participating in |
| 4 | such career and technical education programs, such |
| 5 | as tech-prep programs; |
| 6 | ((3) support for career and technical student |
| 7 | organizations, especially with respect to efforts to in- |
| 8 | crease the participation of students who are mem- |
| 9 | bers of special populations; |
| 10 | "(4) support for public charter schools oper- |
| 11 | ating secondary career and technical education pro- |
| 12 | grams; |
| 13 | ((5) support for career and technical education |
| 14 | programs that offer experience in, and under- |
| 15 | standing of, all aspects of an industry for which stu- |
| 16 | dents are preparing to enter; |
| 17 | "(6) support for family and consumer sciences |
| 18 | programs; |
| 19 | "(7) support for partnerships between edu- |
| 20 | cation and business or business intermediaries, in- |
| 21 | cluding cooperative education and adjunct faculty |
| 22 | arrangements at the secondary and postsecondary |
| 23 | levels; |
| 24 | "(8) support to improve or develop new career |
| 25 | and technical education courses and initiatives, in- |

cluding career clusters, career academies, and dis tance learning, that prepare individuals academically
 and technically for high skill, high wage, or high de mand occupations;

5 "(9) awarding incentive grants to eligible recipi-6 ents for exemplary performance in carrying out pro-7 grams under this Act, which awards shall be based 8 on local performance indicators, as described in sec-9 tion 113, in accordance with previously publicly dis-10 closed priorities;

"(10) providing career and technical education
programs for adults and school dropouts to complete
their secondary school education;

"(11) providing assistance to individuals, who
have participated in services and activities under
this title, in finding an appropriate job and continuing their education or training through collaboration with the workforce investment system established under the Workforce Investment Act of 1998
(29 U.S.C. 2801 et seq.);

21 "(12) developing valid and reliable assessments
22 of technical skills that are integrated with industry
23 certification assessments where available;

| 1 | "(13) developing and enhancing data systems to |
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| 2 | collect and analyze data on secondary and postsec- |
| 3 | ondary academic and employment outcomes; |
| 4 | "(14) improving— |
| 5 | "(A) the recruitment and retention of ca- |
| 6 | reer and technical education teachers, faculty, |
| 7 | principals, administrators, and career guidance |
| 8 | and academic counselors, including individuals |
| 9 | in groups underrepresented in the teaching pro- |
| 10 | fession; and |
| 11 | "(B) the transition to teaching from busi- |
| 12 | ness and industry, including small business; and |
| 13 | "(15) adopting, calculating, or commissioning a |
| 14 | self-sufficiency standard."; and |
| 15 | (5) in subsection (d), by striking " $112(a)(2)$ " |
| 16 | and inserting " $112(a)(2)(A)$ ". |
| 17 | SEC. 114. DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS TO SECONDARY |
| 18 | SCHOOL PROGRAMS. |
| 19 | Section 131 (20 U.S.C. 2351) is amended— |
| 20 | (1) by striking "vocational" each place the term |
| 21 | appears and inserting "career"; |
| 22 | (2) by striking subsection (a); |
| 23 | (3) by redesignating subsections (b) through (i) |
| 24 | as subsections (a) through (h), respectively; |

| 1 | (4) in subsection (a) (as redesignated by para- |
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| 2 | graph (3) of this section)— |
| 3 | (A) in the subsection heading, by striking |
| 4 | "Special Distribution Rules for Suc- |
| 5 | CEEDING FISCAL YEARS" and inserting "DIS- |
| 6 | TRIBUTION RULES"; and |
| 7 | (B) by striking "for fiscal year 2000 and |
| 8 | succeeding fiscal years"; |
| 9 | (5) in subsection (b) (as redesignated by para- |
| 10 | graph (3) of this section)— |
| 11 | (A) by striking "subsection (b)" and in- |
| 12 | serting "subsection (a)"; and |
| 13 | (B) in paragraph (1), by striking |
| 14 | "9902(2))" and inserting "9902(2)))"; |
| 15 | (6) in subsection (e) (as redesignated by para- |
| 16 | graph (3) of this section), in the subsection heading, |
| 17 | by striking "VOCATIONAL" and inserting "CAREER"; |
| 18 | and |
| 19 | (7) in subsection (g) (as redesignated by para- |
| 20 | graph (3) of this section), by striking "subsections |
| 21 | (a), (b), (c), and (d)" and inserting "subsections (a), |
| 22 | (b), and (c)". |

| 1 | SEC. 115. DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS FOR POSTSECONDARY |
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| 2 | CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PRO- |
| 3 | GRAMS. |
| 4 | Section 132 (20 U.S.C. 2352) is amended by striking |
| 5 | the section heading and inserting the following: |
| 6 | "SEC. 132. DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS FOR POSTSECONDARY |
| 7 | CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PRO- |
| 8 | GRAMS.". |
| 9 | SEC. 116. SPECIAL RULES FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL |
| 10 | EDUCATION. |
| 11 | Section 133 (20 U.S.C. 2353) is amended— |
| 12 | (1) by striking the section heading and insert- |
| 13 | ing the following: |
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| 14 | "SEC. 133. SPECIAL RULES FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL |
| 14 15 | "SEC. 133. SPECIAL RULES FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION."; |
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| 15 | EDUCATION."; |
| 15 16 | EDUCATION."; and |
| 15 16 17 | EDUCATION."; and (2) by striking "vocational" each place such |
| 15 16 17 18 | EDUCATION."; and (2) by striking "vocational" each place such term appears and inserting "career". |
| 15 16 17 18 19 | EDUCATION."; and (2) by striking "vocational" each place such term appears and inserting "career". SEC. 117. LOCAL PLAN FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDU- |
| 15 16 17 18 19 20 | EDUCATION."; and (2) by striking "vocational" each place such term appears and inserting "career". SEC. 117. LOCAL PLAN FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDU- CATION PROGRAMS. |
| 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 | EDUCATION."; and (2) by striking "vocational" each place such term appears and inserting "career". SEC. 117. LOCAL PLAN FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDU- CATION PROGRAMS. Section 134 (20 U.S.C. 2354) is amended— |
| 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 | EDUCATION."; and (2) by striking "vocational" each place such term appears and inserting "career". SEC. 117. LOCAL PLAN FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDU- CATION PROGRAMS. Section 134 (20 U.S.C. 2354) is amended— (1) by striking the section heading and insert- |
| 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 | EDUCATION."; and (2) by striking "vocational" each place such term appears and inserting "career". SEC. 117. LOCAL PLAN FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDU- CATION PROGRAMS. Section 134 (20 U.S.C. 2354) is amended— (1) by striking the section heading and insert- ing the following: |

| 1 | (2) in subsection (b), by striking paragraphs |
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| 2 | (1) through (10) and inserting the following: |
| 3 | ((1) describe how the career and technical edu- |
| 4 | cation programs required under section 135(b) will |
| 5 | be carried out with funds received under this title; |
| 6 | ((2) describe how the career and technical edu- |
| 7 | cation activities will be carried out with respect to |
| 8 | meeting State and local adjusted levels of perform- |
| 9 | ance established under section 113; |
| 10 | "(3) describe how the eligible recipient will— |
| 11 | "(A) offer the appropriate courses of not |
| 12 | less than 1 of the career pathways described in |
| 13 | section $122(c)(1)(A);$ |
| 14 | "(B) improve the academic and technical |
| 15 | skills of students participating in career and |
| 16 | technical education programs by strengthening |
| 17 | the academic and career and technical edu- |
| 18 | cation components of such programs through |
| 19 | the integration of challenging academics with |
| 20 | career and technical education programs |
| 21 | through a coherent sequence of courses to en- |
| 22 | sure learning in the core academic subjects, and |
| 23 | career and technical education subjects; |

| 1 | "(C) provide students with strong experi- |
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| 2 | ence in and understanding of all aspects of an |
| 3 | industry; and |
| 4 | "(D) ensure that students who participate |
| 5 | in such career and technical education pro- |
| 6 | grams are taught to the same challenging aca- |
| 7 | demic proficiencies as are taught for all other |
| 8 | students; |
| 9 | "(4) describe how comprehensive professional |
| 10 | development will be provided that is consistent with |
| 11 | section 122; |
| 12 | "(5) describe how parents, students, academic |
| 13 | and career and technical education teachers, faculty, |
| 14 | principals, administrators, career guidance and aca- |
| 15 | demic counselors, representatives of tech-prep con- |
| 16 | sortia (if applicable), representatives of business (in- |
| 17 | cluding small business) and industry, labor organiza- |
| 18 | tions, representatives of special populations, and |
| 19 | other interested individuals are involved in the devel- |
| 20 | opment, implementation, and evaluation of career |
| 21 | and technical education programs assisted under |
| 22 | this title, and how such individuals and entities are |
| 23 | effectively informed about, and assisted in, under- |
| 24 | standing, the requirements of this title, including ca- |
| 25 | reer pathways; |

| 1 | "(6) provide assurances that the eligible recipi- |
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| 2 | ent will provide a career and technical education |
| 3 | program that is of such size, scope, and quality to |
| 4 | bring about improvement in the quality of career |
| 5 | and technical education programs; |
| 6 | ((7) describe the process that will be used to |
| 7 | evaluate and continuously improve the performance |
| 8 | of the eligible recipient; |
| 9 | "(8) describe how the eligible recipient— |
| 10 | "(A) will review career and technical edu- |
| 11 | cation programs, and identify and adopt strate- |
| 12 | gies to overcome barriers that result in lowering |
| 13 | rates of access to or lowering success in the |
| 14 | programs, for special populations; and |
| 15 | "(B) will provide programs that are de- |
| 16 | signed to enable the special populations to meet |
| 17 | the local adjusted levels of performance and |
| 18 | prepare for high skill, high wage, or high de- |
| 19 | mand occupations, including those that will lead |
| 20 | to self-sufficiency; |
| 21 | "(9) describe how individuals who are members |
| 22 | of special populations will not be discriminated |
| 23 | against on the basis of their status as members of |
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| 1 | ((10) describe how funds will be used to pro- |
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| 2 | mote preparation for nontraditional fields; |
| 3 | "(11) describe how career guidance and aca- |
| 4 | demic counseling will be provided to all career and |
| 5 | technical education students; and |
| 6 | ((12) describe efforts to improve the recruit- |
| 7 | ment and retention of career and technical education |
| 8 | teachers, faculty, counselors, principals, and admin- |
| 9 | istrators, including individuals in groups underrep- |
| 10 | resented in the teaching profession, and the transi- |
| 11 | tion to teaching from business and industry.". |
| 12 | SEC. 118. LOCAL USES OF FUNDS. |
| 13 | Section 135 (20 U.S.C. 2355) is amended— |
| 14 | (1) in subsection (a), by striking "vocational" |
| 15 | and inserting "career"; |
| 16 | (2) in subsection (b)— |
| 17 | (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), |
| 18 | by striking "vocational" and inserting "career"; |
| 19 | and |
| 20 | (B) by striking paragraphs (1) through (8) |
| 21 | and inserting the following: |
| 22 | ((1) strengthen the academic and career and |
| 23 | technical education skills of students participating in |
| 24 | career and technical education programs by |
| 25 | strengthening the academic and career and technical |

| 1 | education components of such programs through the |
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| 2 | integration of academics with career and technical |
| 3 | education programs through a coherent sequence of |
| 4 | courses, such as career pathways described in sec- |
| 5 | tion $122(c)(1)(A)$, to ensure learning in the core |
| 6 | academic subjects and career and technical edu- |
| 7 | cation subjects; |
| 8 | "(2) link secondary career and technical edu- |
| 9 | cation and postsecondary career and technical edu- |
| 10 | cation, including by— |
| 11 | "(A) offering the relevant elements of not |
| 12 | less than 1 career pathway described in section |
| 13 | 122(c)(1)(A); |
| 14 | "(B) developing and supporting articula- |
| 15 | tion agreements between secondary and postsec- |
| 16 | ondary institutions; or |
| 17 | "(C) supporting tech-prep programs and |
| 18 | consortia; |
| 19 | "(3) provide students with strong experience in |
| 20 | and understanding of all aspects of an industry; |
| 21 | "(4) develop, improve, or expand the use of |
| 22 | technology in career and technical education, which |
| 23 | may include— |
| 24 | "(A) training of career and technical edu- |
| 25 | cation teachers, faculty, principals, and admin- |

| 1 | istrators to use technology, including distance |
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| 2 | learning; or |
| 3 | "(B) encouraging schools to collaborate |
| 4 | with technology industries to offer voluntary in- |
| 5 | ternships and mentoring programs; |
| 6 | "(5) provide professional development programs |
| 7 | that are consistent with section 122 to secondary |
| 8 | and postsecondary teachers, faculty, principals, ad- |
| 9 | ministrators, and career guidance and academic |
| 10 | counselors who are involved in integrated career and |
| 11 | technical education programs, including— |
| 12 | "(A) in-service and pre-service training— |
| 13 | "(i) in career and technical education |
| 14 | programs and techniques; |
| 15 | "(ii) in effective integration of chal- |
| 16 | lenging academic and career and technical |
| 17 | education jointly with academic teachers, |
| 18 | to the extent practicable; |
| 19 | "(iii) in effective teaching skills based |
| 20 | on research that includes promising prac- |
| 21 | tices; and |
| 22 | "(iv) in effective practices to improve |
| 23 | parental and community involvement; |

| 1 | "(B) support of education programs that |
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| 2 | provide information on all aspects of an indus- |
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| 4 | "(C) internship programs that provide rel- |
| 5 | evant business experience; and |
| 6 | "(D) programs dedicated to the effective |
| 7 | use of instructional technology; |
| 8 | "(6) develop and implement evaluations of the |
| 9 | career and technical education programs carried out |
| 10 | with funds under this title, including an assessment |
| 11 | of how the needs of special populations are being |
| 12 | met; |
| 13 | "(7) initiate, improve, expand, and modernize |
| 14 | quality career and technical education programs, in- |
| 15 | cluding relevant technology; |
| 16 | "(8) provide services and activities that are of |
| 17 | sufficient size, scope, and quality to be effective; and |
| 18 | "(9) provide activities to prepare special popu- |
| 19 | lations, including single parents and displaced home- |
| 20 | makers, for high skill, high wage, or high demand |
| 21 | occupations, including those that will lead to self- |
| 22 | sufficiency."; and |
| 23 | (3) in subsection (c)— |
| 24 | (A) in paragraph (1), by striking "voca- |
| 25 | tional" and inserting "career"; and |

| 1 | (B) by striking paragraphs (2) through |
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| 2 | (15) and inserting the following: |
| 3 | "(2) to provide career guidance and academic |
| 4 | counseling that is based on current labor market in- |
| 5 | dicators, as provided pursuant to section 118, for |
| 6 | students participating in career and technical edu- |
| 7 | cation programs that— |
| 8 | "(A) improves graduation rates and pro- |
| 9 | vides information on postsecondary and career |
| 10 | options for secondary students, which activities |
| 11 | may include the use of graduation and career |
| 12 | plans; and |
| 13 | "(B) provides assistance for postsecondary |
| 14 | students, including for adult students who are |
| 15 | changing careers or updating skills; |
| 16 | "(3) for partnerships between the eligible recipi- |
| 17 | ent and businesses, including small businesses and |
| 18 | business intermediaries, including for— |
| 19 | "(A) work-related experience for students, |
| 20 | such as internships, cooperative education, |
| 21 | school-based enterprises, entrepreneurship, and |
| 22 | job shadowing that are related to career and |
| 23 | technical education programs; |
| 24 | "(B) adjunct faculty arrangements at the |
| 25 | secondary and postsecondary levels; and |

| 1 | "(C) industry experience for teachers and |
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| 2 | faculty; |
| 3 | "(4) to provide programs for special popu- |
| 4 | lations; |
| 5 | "(5) to assist career and technical student orga- |
| 6 | nizations; |
| 7 | "(6) for mentoring and support services; |
| 8 | "(7) for leasing, purchasing, upgrading, or |
| 9 | adapting instructional equipment; |
| 10 | "(8) for teacher preparation programs that ad- |
| 11 | dress the integration of academic and career and |
| 12 | technical education and that assist individuals who |
| 13 | are interested in becoming career and technical edu- |
| 14 | cation teachers and faculty, including individuals |
| 15 | with experience in business and industry; |
| 16 | "(9) to develop and expand postsecondary pro- |
| 17 | gram offerings at times and in formats that are con- |
| 18 | venient and accessible for working students, includ- |
| 19 | ing through the use of distance education; |
| 20 | "(10) for improving or developing new career |
| 21 | and technical education courses, including develop- |
| 22 | ment of new career pathways; |
| 23 | "(11) to develop and support small, personal- |
| 24 | ized career-themed learning communities; |

| 1 | "(12) to provide support for family and con- |
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| 2 | sumer sciences programs; |
| 3 | ((13) to provide career and technical education |
| 4 | programs for adults and school dropouts to complete |
| 5 | their secondary school education or upgrade their |
| 6 | technical skills; |
| 7 | "(14) to provide assistance to individuals who |
| 8 | have participated in services and activities under |
| 9 | this title in finding an appropriate job and con- |
| 10 | tinuing their education or training through collabo- |
| 11 | ration with the workforce investment system estab- |
| 12 | lished under the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 |
| 13 | (29 U.S.C. 2801 et seq.); |
| 14 | "(15) to support activities in nontraditional |
| 15 | fields, such as mentoring and outreach; and |
| 16 | ((16) to support other career and technical |
| 17 | education activities that are consistent with the pur- |
| 18 | pose of this Act.". |
| 19 | SEC. 119. TECH-PREP EDUCATION. |
| 20 | (a) Redesignation.—Title II (20 U.S.C. 2371 et |
| 21 | seq.) is amended— |
| 22 | (1) by striking the title heading and inserting |
| 23 | the following: |

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1 "PART D—TECH-PREP EDUCATION"; 2 (2) by striking sections 201, 202, 206, and 207; 3 and 4 (3) by redesignating sections 203, 204, 205, 5 and 208, as sections 141, 142, 143, and 144, re-6 spectively. 7 (b) STATE ALLOTMENT AND APPLICATION.—Section 8 141 (as redesignated by subsection (a) of this section) is 9 amended-10 (1) in subsection (a), by striking "section 206" and inserting "section 144"; and 11 12 (2) by striking subsection (c) and inserting the 13 following: 14 "(c) STATE APPLICATION.—Each eligible agency de-15 siring assistance under this part shall submit an applica-16 tion to the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and accompanied by such information as the Secretary may 17 18 require. Such application shall describe how activities 19 under this part will be coordinated, to the extent prac-20 ticable, with activities described in section 122.". 21 (c) TECH-PREP EDUCATION.—Section 142 (as redes-22 ignated by subsection (a) of this section) is amended— 23 (1) in subsection (a)—

24 (A) in paragraph (1)—

25 (i) by striking "section 203" and in26 serting "section 141";

| 1 | (ii) by striking "title" and inserting |
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| 2 | "part"; |
| 3 | (iii) by striking "vocational" both |
| 4 | places the term appears and inserting "ca- |
| 5 | reer"; and |
| 6 | (iv) in subparagraph (A), by inserting |
| 7 | ", educational service agency," after "in- |
| 8 | termediate educational agency'; and |
| 9 | (B) in paragraph (2)— |
| 10 | (i) in subparagraph (A), by striking |
| 11 | "and"; |
| 12 | (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking |
| 13 | the period at the end and inserting a semi- |
| 14 | colon; and |
| 15 | (iii) by adding at the end the fol- |
| 16 | lowing: |
| 17 | "(C) employers, including small businesses, |
| 18 | or business intermediaries; and |
| 19 | "(D) labor organizations."; |
| 20 | (2) in subsection (c)— |
| 21 | (A) by striking paragraph (2) and insert- |
| 22 | ing the following: |
| 23 | ((2) consist of not less than 2 years of sec- |
| 24 | ondary school with a common core of technical skills |
| 25 | and core academic subjects preceding graduation |

| and 2 years or more of higher education, or an ap- |
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| prenticeship program of not less than 2 years fol- |
| lowing secondary instruction, designed to lead to |
| technical skill proficiency, a credential, a certificate, |
| or a degree, in a specific career field;"; |
| (B) in paragraph (3)(B), by inserting "in- |
| cluding through the use of articulation agree- |
| ments, and" after "career fields,"; |
| (C) by striking paragraph (4) and insert- |
| ing the following: |
| ((4) include in-service professional development |
| for teachers, faculty, principals, and administrators |
| that— |
| "(A) supports effective implementation of |
| tech-prep programs; |
| "(B) supports joint training in the tech- |
| prep consortium; |
| "(C) supports the needs, expectations, and |
| methods of business and all aspects of an in- |
| dustry; |
| "(D) supports the use of contextual and |
| applied curricula, instruction, and assessment; |
| ((E) supports the use and application of |
| technology; and |
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| 1 | "(F) assists in accessing and utilizing |
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| 2 | data, including labor market indicators, achieve- |
| 3 | ment, and assessments;"; |
| 4 | (D) in paragraph (5)— |
| 5 | (i) by striking "training" and insert- |
| 6 | ing "professional development"; |
| 7 | (ii) in subparagraph (B), by inserting |
| 8 | ", which may include through the use of |
| 9 | graduation and career plans" after "pro- |
| 10 | grams''; |
| 11 | (iii) in subparagraph (D), by striking |
| 12 | "and"; |
| 13 | (iv) in subparagraph (E), by inserting |
| 14 | "and" after the semicolon; and |
| 15 | (v) by adding at the end the following: |
| 16 | "(F) provide comprehensive career guid- |
| 17 | ance and academic counseling to participating |
| 18 | students, including special populations;"; |
| 19 | (E) in paragraph (6)— |
| 20 | (i) by inserting "(including pre-ap- |
| 21 | prenticeship programs)" after "programs"; |
| 22 | and |
| 23 | (ii) by striking "and" after the semi- |
| 24 | colon; |

| 1 | (F) in paragraph (7), by striking the pe- |
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| 2 | riod at the end and inserting "; and"; and |
| 3 | (G) by adding at the end the following: |
| 4 | "(8) coordinate with activities conducted under |
| 5 | this title."; and |
| 6 | (3) in subsection (d)— |
| 7 | (A) in paragraph (2), by striking "and" |
| 8 | after the semicolon; |
| 9 | (B) in paragraph (3), by striking the pe- |
| 10 | riod at the end and inserting a semicolon; and |
| 11 | (C) by adding at the end the following: |
| 12 | "(4) improve career guidance and academic |
| 13 | counseling for participating students through the de- |
| 14 | velopment and implementation of graduation and ca- |
| 15 | reer plans; and |
| 16 | ((5) develop curriculum that supports effective |
| 17 | transitions between secondary and postsecondary ca- |
| 18 | reer and technical education programs.". |
| 19 | (d) Consortium Applications.—Section 143 (as |
| 20 | redesignated by subsection (a) of this section) is amend- |
| 21 | ed— |
| 22 | (1) in subsection (a), by striking "title" and in- |
| 23 | serting "part"; |
| 24 | (2) in subsection (b)— |
| 25 | (A) by striking "5" and inserting "6"; and |

| 1 | (B) by striking "title" and inserting |
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| 2 | "part"; |
| 3 | (3) in subsection (d)— |
| 4 | (A) in paragraph (1), by inserting "or ad- |
| 5 | vanced" after "baccalaureate"; |
| 6 | (B) by striking paragraph (4) and insert- |
| 7 | ing the following: |
| 8 | "(4) provide education and training in areas or |
| 9 | skills, including emerging technology, in which there |
| 10 | are significant workforce shortages based on the |
| 11 | data provided by the entity in the State under sec- |
| 12 | tion 118;"; |
| 13 | (C) in paragraph (5), by striking the pe- |
| 14 | riod at the end and inserting "; and"; and |
| 15 | (D) by adding at the end the following: |
| 16 | "(6) demonstrate success in, or provide assur- |
| 17 | ances of, coordination and integration with eligible |
| 18 | recipients described in part C."; and |
| 19 | (4) in subsection (e), by striking "title" and in- |
| 20 | serting "part". |
| 21 | (e) Authorization of Appropriations.—Section |
| 22 | 144 (as redesignated by subsection (a) of this section) is |
| 23 | amended— |
| 24 | (1) by striking "title (other than section 207)" |
| 25 | and inserting "part"; and |

(2) by striking "1999 and each of the 4" and
 inserting "2006 and each of the 5".

3 TITLE II—GENERAL PROVISIONS

4 SEC. 201. REDESIGNATION OF TITLE.

5 (a) FEDERAL ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS.—Title
6 III (20 U.S.C. 2391 et seq.) is amended by redesignating
7 sections 311 through 318 as sections 211 through 218,
8 respectively.

9 (b) STATE ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS.—Title III 10 (20 U.S.C. 2391 et seq.) is amended by redesignating sec-11 tions 321 through 325 as sections 221 through 225, re-12 spectively.

13 (c) TITLE HEADING.—The title heading of title III14 (20 U.S.C. 2391 et seq.) is amended to read as follows:

15 **"TITLE II—GENERAL**16 **PROVISIONS".**

17 SEC. 202. FISCAL REQUIREMENTS.

18 Section 211 (as redesignated by section 201 of this19 Act) is amended—

20 (1) by striking "vocational" each place the term

- 21 appears and inserting "career"; and
- 22 (2) in subsection (b)—
- 23 (A) by striking paragraph (1) and insert-
- 24 ing the following:
- 25 "(1) DETERMINATION.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in 1 2 subparagraphs (B) and (C), no payments shall 3 be made under this Act for any fiscal year to 4 a State for career and technical education pro-5 grams or tech-prep programs unless the Sec-6 retary determines that the average fiscal effort 7 per student or the aggregate expenditures of 8 such State for career and technical education 9 programs for the 3 fiscal years preceding the 10 fiscal year for which the determination is made, 11 equaled or exceeded such effort or expenditures 12 for career and technical education programs, 13 for the 3 fiscal years preceding the fiscal year 14 for which the determination is made.

"(B) COMPUTATION.—In computing the
average fiscal effort or aggregate expenditures
pursuant to subparagraph (A), the Secretary
shall exclude capital expenditures, special onetime project costs, and the cost of pilot programs.

21 "(C) DECREASE IN FEDERAL SUPPORT.—
22 If the amount made available for career and
23 technical education programs under this Act for
24 a fiscal year is less than the amount made
25 available for career and technical education pro-

| 1 | grams under this Act for the preceding fiscal |
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| 2 | year, then the average fiscal effort per student |
| 3 | or the aggregate expenditures of a State re- |
| 4 | quired by subparagraph (A) for the 3 preceding |
| 5 | fiscal years shall be decreased by the same per- |
| 6 | centage as the percentage decrease in the |
| 7 | amount so made available."; and |
| 8 | (B) in paragraph (2), by striking "fiscal |
| 9 | effort" both places the term appears and insert- |
| 10 | ing "average fiscal effort". |
| 11 | SEC. 203. VOLUNTARY SELECTION AND PARTICIPATION. |
| 12 | Section 214 (as redesignated by section 201 of this |
| 13 | Act) is amended by striking "vocational" both places the |
| 14 | term appears and inserting "career". |
| 15 | SEC. 204. LIMITATION FOR CERTAIN STUDENTS. |
| 16 | Section 215 (as redesignated by section 201 of this |
| 17 | Act) is amended by striking "vocational" and inserting |
| 18 | "career". |
| 19 | SEC. 205. AUTHORIZATION OF SECRETARY; PARTICIPATION |
| 20 | OF PRIVATE SCHOOL PERSONNEL. |
| 21 | Part A of title II (as redesignated by section 201 of |
| 22 | this Act) is amended— |
| 23 | (1) by striking section 217; |
| 24 | (2) by redesignating section 218 as section 217; |
| 25 | and |

| 1 | (3) in section 217 (as redesignated by para- |
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| 2 | graph (2) of this section)— |
| 3 | (A) by inserting "principals," after "for |
| 4 | vocational and technical education teachers,"; |
| 5 | (B) by inserting "principals," after "of vo- |
| 6 | cational and technical education teachers,"; and |
| 7 | (C) by striking "vocational" each place the |
| 8 | term appears and inserting "career". |
| 9 | SEC. 206. STUDENT ASSISTANCE AND OTHER FEDERAL |
| 10 | PROGRAMS. |
| 11 | Section 225(c) (as redesignated by section 201 of this |
| 12 | Act) is amended— |
| 13 | (1) in the subsection heading, by striking "Vo- |
| 14 | CATIONAL" and inserting "CAREER"; and |
| 15 | (2) by striking "vocational" both places the |
| 16 | term appears and inserting "career". |
| 17 | SEC. 207. TABLE OF CONTENTS. |
| 18 | Section 1(b) (20 U.S.C. 2301 note) is amended to |
| 19 | read as follows: |
| 20 | "(b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents |
| 21 | for this Act is as follows: |
| | "Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents. "Sec. 2. Purpose. "Sec. 3. Definitions. "Sec. 4. Transition provisions. "Sec. 5. Privacy. "Sec. 6. Limitation. "Sec. 7. Special rule. "Sec. 8. Authorization of appropriations. |

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