

## HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 3552

By COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

April 16

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 5 through 28.

2 On page 2, delete lines 1 through 12 and insert:

3 **“SECTION 2. (1) Education service districts may establish regional career centers to**  
4 **provide regional career and technical education support and coordination. A regional career**  
5 **center may be jointly established with one or more community colleges within the region**  
6 **served by the education service district.**

7 **“(2) The purposes of a regional career center are to:**

8 **“(a) Provide coordinated planning and deployment of funding to meet the needs of the**  
9 **school districts of the region for career and technical education and career learning oppor-**  
10 **tunities;**

11 **“(b) Increase the number and capacity of:**

12 **“(A) Advanced career development opportunities in the region; and**

13 **“(B) Regionally appropriate career learning opportunities;**

14 **“(c) Collect regional student data, industry data and workforce data;**

15 **“(d) Aid local and regional needs assessments and prioritization by providing the data**  
16 **collected under paragraph (c) of this subsection to:**

17 **“(A) The education service district that established the regional career center;**

18 **“(B) The school districts served by the education service district;**

19 **“(C) The advisory committee established as provided by subsection (3) of this section; and**

20 **“(D) Community colleges within the region served by the education service district; and**

21 **“(e) Develop, in collaboration with the advisory committee established as provided by**  
22 **subsection (3) of this section, career and technical education programs that focus on assist-**  
23 **ing students in completing the programs and that meet local industry needs by providing:**

24 **“(A) Pathways that lead to high wage and high demand jobs; and**

25 **“(B) Work-based learning opportunities that can lead to a relevant, industry-recognized**  
26 **credential by the time the student receives a high school diploma.**

27 **“(3)(a) Each regional career center shall convene an advisory committee.**

28 **“(b) The advisory committee must consist of the following representatives of the region:**

29 **“(A) One representative from each community college within the region served by the**  
30 **education service district;**

31 **“(B) One representative from a regional network that supports science, technology, en-**  
32 **gineering and mathematics;**

33 **“(C) One representative from each local and regional industry coordinator located within**  
34 **the education service district;**

35 **“(D) Two teachers of career and technical education;**

1       “(E) One representative of a local workforce development board, as defined in ORS  
2       660.300; and

3       “(F) Five representatives of regional industries or workforce development providers.

4       “(c) The purposes of the advisory committee are to:

5       “(A) Identify priorities and effectively use resources;

6       “(B) Promote articulation and pathways between high school programs and post-  
7       secondary education programs;

8       “(C) Ensure that industry workforce needs are considered and that the curriculum is  
9       kept current with state standards; and

10       “(D) Increase opportunities for internships, apprenticeships and other opportunities that  
11       may lead to employment in the region.

12       “(d) The advisory committee must meet at least once each month.

13       “(4) Based on rules adopted by the State Board of Education, the Department of Educa-  
14       tion shall award grants to no more than 12 education service districts for a regional career  
15       center from moneys available for regional career centers.

16       “(5) Each education service district that has a regional career center shall provide an  
17       annual report to the Department of Education that identifies, for the region served by the  
18       education service district:

19       “(a) The number of students who completed a career and technical education program;

20       “(b) The number of career and technical education credits earned by students;

21       “(c) The number of career and technical education programs offered to students;

22       “(d) The number of students who earned an industry-recognized credential; and

23       “(e) Employment data for students who completed a career and technical education pro-  
24       gram.”.

25       On page 3, delete lines 29 through 33 and insert:

26       “**SECTION 4.** In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appro-  
27       priated to the Department of Education, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, out of the  
28       General Fund, the amount of \$3,600,000, which may be expended for the purpose of supporting  
29       regional career centers as provided by section 2 of this 2025 Act.”.  
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