

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

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1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 11, Page
2 5, Section 100.180, Line 9, by inserting immediately after said line the following:

3 "160.2700. For purposes of this section, "adult high school" means a school that:

4 (1) Is for individuals who do not have a high school diploma and who are twenty-one years
5 of age or older;

6 (2) Offers an industry certification program or programs and a high school diploma in a
7 manner that allows students to earn a diploma at the same time that they earn an industry
8 certification;

9 (3) Offers on-site child care for children of enrolled students attending the school; and

10 (4) Is not eligible to receive funding under sections 160.415 or 163.031.

11 160.2705. 1. The department of elementary and secondary education shall authorize, before
12 January 1, 2018, a Missouri-based nonprofit organization meeting the criteria under subsection 2 of
13 this section to establish and operate four adult high schools, with:

14 (1) One adult high school to be located in a city not within a county;

15 (2) One adult high school to be located in any county of the third classification without a
16 township form of government and with more than forty-one thousand but fewer than forty-five
17 thousand inhabitants or a county contiguous to that county;

18 (3) One adult high school to be located in any county of the first classification with more
19 than two hundred sixty thousand but fewer than three hundred thousand inhabitants or a county
20 contiguous to that county; and

21 (4) One adult high school to be located in any county of the first classification with more
22 than one hundred fifty thousand but fewer than two hundred thousand inhabitants.

23 2. The department of elementary and secondary education shall grant the authorization
24 described under subsection 1 of this section based on a bid process conducted in accordance with the
25 rules and regulations governing purchasing through the office of administration. The successful
26 bidder shall:

27 (1) Demonstrate the ability to establish, within twenty-one months of the receipt of the
28 authorization, four adult high schools offering high school diplomas, an industry certification
29 program or programs, and on-site child care for children of the students attending the high schools;

30 (2) Commit at least two million dollars in investment for the purpose of establishing the
31 necessary infrastructure to operate four adult high schools;

32 (3) Demonstrate substantial and positive experience in providing services, including
33 industry certifications and job placement services, to adults twenty-one years of age or older whose
34 educational and training opportunities have been limited by educational disadvantages, disabilities,
35 homelessness, criminal history, or similar circumstances;

36 (4) Establish a partnership with a state-supported postsecondary education institution or

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1 more than one such partnership, if a partnership or partnerships are necessary in order to meet the
 2 requirements for an adult high school;

3 (5) Establish a comprehensive plan that sets forth how the adult high schools will help
 4 address the need for a sufficiently trained workforce in the surrounding region for each adult high
 5 school;

6 (6) Establish partnerships and strategies for engaging the community and business leaders in
 7 carrying out the goals of each adult high school;

8 (7) Establish the ability to meet quality standards through certified teachers and programs
 9 that support each student in his or her goal to find a more rewarding job;

10 (8) Establish a plan for assisting students in overcoming barriers to educational success
 11 including, but not limited to, educational disadvantages; homelessness; criminal history; disability,
 12 including learning disability such as dyslexia; and similar circumstances;

13 (9) Establish a process for determining outcomes of the adult high school, including
 14 outcomes related to a student's ability to find a more rewarding job through the attainment of a high
 15 school diploma and job training and certification; and

16 (10) No bids shall include an administrative fee greater than ten percent.

17 3. (1) The department of elementary and secondary education shall establish academic
 18 requirements for students to obtain high school diplomas.

19 (2) Requirements for a high school diploma shall be based on an adult student's prior high
 20 school achievement and the remaining credits and coursework that would be necessary for the
 21 student to receive a high school diploma if he or she were in a traditional high school setting. The
 22 adult student shall meet the requirements with the same level of academic rigor as would otherwise
 23 be necessary to attain such credits.

24 (3) The adult high school authorized under this section shall award high school diplomas to
 25 students who successfully meet the established academic requirements. The adult high school
 26 authorized under this section shall confer the diploma as though the student earned the diploma at a
 27 traditional high school. The diploma shall have no differentiating marks, titles, or other symbols.

28 (4) Students at adult high schools may complete required coursework at their own pace and
 29 as available through the adult high school. They shall not be required to satisfy any specific number
 30 of class minutes. The adult high school may also make classes available to students online as may
 31 be appropriate. However, students shall not complete the majority of instruction of the school's
 32 curriculum online or through remote instruction.

33 (5) The department of elementary and secondary education shall not create additional
 34 regulations or burdens on the adult high school or the students attending the adult high schools
 35 beyond certifying necessary credits and ensuring that students have sufficiently mastered the subject
 36 matter to make them eligible for credit.

37 160.2710. 1. Any person who is twenty-one years of age or older may enroll in an adult
 38 high school if he or she has not earned a high school diploma.

39 2. An adult high school shall give a preference in admission to those students who receive
 40 any local, state, or federal assistance in which a person or family is required not to exceed a certain
 41 income level in order to qualify for the assistance.

42 160.2715. 1. An adult high school shall not receive state funding under sections 160.415 or
 43 163.031 and shall not receive any local funding that is intended to benefit traditional public schools
 44 or charter schools in the state.

45 2. An adult high school may receive funding from public or private sources, including from
 46 the nonprofit organization operating the adult high school. If an adult high school receives funding
 47 from a public source, it shall operate in a manner so as not to violate the provisions of article IX,
 48 section 8, or article I, section 7, of the Constitution of Missouri or the first amendment of the

1 Constitution of the United States.

2 3. The nonprofit organization operating an adult high school shall ensure that funding for
3 the adult high school enables it to operate year-round.

4 4. The nonprofit organization operating an adult high school shall set the following outcome
5 expectations for the adult high school:

6 (1) Each year, at least seventy-five percent of the school's students will graduate or continue
7 working toward a high school diploma and, if applicable, an industry certification;

8 (2) At least fifty percent of the school's graduates will attain an industry certification or
9 enroll in higher education or more advanced skills training within six months of graduation;

10 (3) At least eighty-five percent of the school's graduates who do not enroll in higher
11 education or more advanced skills training will be employed within six months of graduation; and

12 (4) The school's graduates who enter the workforce shall have, on average, a wage rate at
13 least twenty percent greater than the average Missouri wage rate for individuals without high school
14 diplomas.

15 160.2720. The nonprofit organization who receives the authorization described under
16 section 160.2705 shall submit to the department of elementary and secondary education, the joint
17 committee on education, and the offices of the governor, speaker of the house of representatives,
18 and president pro tempore of the senate an annual report concerning evaluations of the adult high
19 schools, including the impact the adult high schools have had in meeting industry needs in the state
20 before December first of each year.

21 160.2725. The department of elementary and secondary education may promulgate rules to
22 implement the provisions of sections 160.2700 to 160.2720. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that
23 term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall
24 become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if
25 applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable, and if any of the
26 powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective
27 date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of
28 rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2017, shall be invalid and
29 void."; and

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31 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
32 accordingly.