HCS HB 896 -- CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

SPONSOR: Black (7)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on Workforce Development by a vote of 13 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Legislative Oversight by a vote of 9 to 0.

The following is a summary of the House Committee Substitute for HB 896.

This bill requires the State Board of Education, in consultation with the Career and Technical Advisory Council, to develop a statewide plan establishing the minimum requirements for a Career and Technical Education (CTE) Certificate. The statewide plan will match workforce needs with appropriate educational resources. Each local school district shall determine the curriculum, programs of study, and course offerings based on the requirements of the statewide plan. The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education is required to convene work groups on an as needed basis from each CTE program area to develop written model curriculum frameworks that may be used by districts.

This bill is the same as HCS HB 1868 (2020)

The following is a summary of the public testimony from the committee hearing. The testimony was based on the introduced version of the bill.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that a statutory requirement to develop the plan would improve certainty and help industry progress over time. The plan is already produced in order to access federal funds.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Black; Andrea Tarro; Andrew M Stewart; Angel Roller; Betty Glasgow; Brandi Maddux; Christy Johnson; Courtney Bergsieker; Erin Carl; Gary Morris; Johnny D. Viebrock; Jon Kirchhoff; Jon Wilson; Katie Kensinger; Lisa Perkins; Martin Hanley; Mary Louise Lunkenheimer; McKalie Lorenz; Melanie Ryan; Rachel Longan; Regina Rainey; Stephanie Carpenter; Tracey Eatherton; Stacey Preis, Aligned; Jack Gamble, Missouri Association for Career and Technical Education; Missouri Chamber of Commerce and Industry; and the Missouri Council of Career and Technical Administrators.

OPPONENTS: Those who oppose the bill provided written testimony.

Testifying against the bill was Arnie Dienoff.

Written testimony has been submitted for this bill. The full written testimony can be found under Testimony on the bill page on the House website.