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# HOUSE BILL NO. 987

## 102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON (23).

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

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### AN ACT

To repeal section 170.029, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to career and technical education.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Section 170.029, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 170.029, to read as follows:

170.029. 1. The state board of education shall develop a statewide plan for career and technical education (CTE) that ensures sustainability, viability, and relevance by matching workforce needs with appropriate educational resources.

2. The state board of education, in consultation with the career and technical education advisory council as established in section 178.550, shall establish minimum requirements for a CTE certificate that a student can earn in addition to the student's high school graduation diploma. Students entering high school in school year 2017-18 and thereafter shall be eligible to earn a CTE certificate.

3. The statewide plan shall establish CTE requirements intended to provide students with the necessary technical employability skills to be prepared for an entry-level career in a technical field or additional training in a technical field. The provisions of this section shall not be considered a means for tracking students in order to impel students to particular vocational, career, or college paths. The state board of education shall work with local school districts to ensure that tracking does not occur. For purposes of this section, "tracking" means separating pupils by academic ability into groups for all subjects or certain classes and curriculum.

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

17           4. Each local school district shall determine the curriculum, programs of study, and  
18 course offerings based on the needs and interests of the students in the district and meeting the  
19 requirements of the statewide plan. As required by Missouri's state plan for career education  
20 and the Missouri school improvement program, the state board of education shall work in  
21 cooperation with individual school districts to stipulate the minimum number of CTE  
22 offerings. Each local school district shall strive to offer programs of study that are  
23 economically feasible for students in the district. In establishing CTE offerings, the district  
24 may rely on standards, technical coursework, and skills assessments developed for industry-  
25 recognized certificates or credentials.

26           5. To enable school districts to offer CTE programs of study that are current with  
27 business and industry standards, the department of elementary and secondary education shall  
28 convene work groups from each program area to develop and recommend rigorous and  
29 relevant performance standards or course competencies for each program of study. The work  
30 groups shall include, but not be limited to, educators providing instruction in each CTE  
31 program area, advisors from each CTE program area from the department of elementary and  
32 secondary education, the department of higher education and workforce development,  
33 business and industry, and institutions of higher education. The department of elementary  
34 and secondary education shall develop written model curriculum frameworks relating to CTE  
35 program areas that may be used by school districts. The requirements of section 160.514  
36 shall not apply to this section.

37           6. No later than January 1, 2017, the department of elementary and secondary  
38 education shall develop a process for recognition of a school district's career and technical  
39 education program that offers a career and technical education certificate.

40           7. **The department of elementary and secondary education shall develop**  
41 **performance standards, course competencies, and a written model curriculum**  
42 **framework related to insurance licensing and certification for all career and technical**  
43 **education programs. The department shall consult with the department of higher**  
44 **education and workforce development and the department of commerce and insurance**  
45 **when developing such performance standards, course competencies, and written model**  
46 **curriculum framework. The department shall make such model curriculum available**  
47 **for use in the 2024-25 school year and all subsequent school years. All career and**  
48 **technical education programs shall adopt the department's model curriculum or a**  
49 **substantially similar curriculum for the 2025-26 school year and all subsequent school**  
50 **years.**

51           8. The department of elementary and secondary education shall promulgate all  
52 necessary rules and regulations for the administration of this section. Any rule or portion of a  
53 rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in

54 this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the  
55 provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536  
56 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to  
57 chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are  
58 subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule  
59 proposed or adopted after August 28, 2016, shall be invalid and void.

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