HCS HB 331 -- CAREER-TECH CERTIFICATE PROGRAM (Kelley)

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: Standing Committee on Higher Education and Workforce Development

Beginning with the 2026-27 academic year, this bill creates the "Career-Tech Certificate (CTC) Program" and the "Career-Tech Certificate (CTC) Program Fund".

This Program is for students who have met the GPA, attendance, and service requirements for the A+ Program and are eligible for reimbursement of tuition, books, and fees, and are attending an approved institution of postsecondary education, as defined in the bill, for an eligible program of study or specified training program.

The bill provides reimbursement for students for one certificate program or completion of a program of study or until a student has completed 150% of the time usually required to complete such a program.

This bill is similar to HB 1569 (2024) and HB 76 (2023).