

Preparing Alaskans for Successful Careers

RESOLUTION 2019-2 Supporting HB 155

WHEREAS, the Alaska Association for Career & Technical Education (Alaska ACTE) is the state's only member-driven organization for career and technical education (CTE) professionals;

WHEREAS, the mission of Alaska ACTE is to provide leadership to ensure all students have access to quality CTE;

WHEREAS, the goal of HB 155 is to increase access to CTE by giving students the opportunity to take CTE courses that count towards eligibility for the Alaska Performance Scholarship (APS);

WHEREAS, HB 155 offers greater flexibility for students as they choose courses and recognizes the importance of CTE in student preparation for college, career, apprenticeships, and other postsecondary training opportunities;

WHEREAS, financial assistance provided by APS is vital to many young Alaskans and it is important that students who choose a path that includes CTE have access to these resources;

WHEREAS, Alaska Hire is good for Alaska's families, communities, and our state as a whole;

WHEREAS, all students can benefit from CTE and whether college bound or not, CTE offers valuable skills and a pathway to certifications and jobs;

WHEREAS, CTE offers students the opportunity to apply knowledge in a real world context and develop practices that enrich their lives while attaining skills that can lead to jobs and future occupations;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Alaska ACTE supports HB 155 and requests the Alaska legislature to pass legislation that will provide avenues for students to incorporate CTE courses in their APS application.

Alaska ACTE President, Missy Fraze

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Date

