

## Committee on Education Pre-K -12

### **SB 832 — Employment of Individuals with Disabilities**

by Senator Calatayud

The bill adds to the roles, responsibilities, and objectives of the interagency cooperative agreement that implements the Employment First Act to achieve better employment outcomes for individuals with disabilities.

The bill requires that the interagency cooperative agreement ensure that collaborative efforts between the agencies include the collection and sharing of data. The bill also requires that the accountability measures in the interagency cooperative agreement include, minimally, systemwide measures to:

- Increase the number of individuals working in competitive integrated employment;
- Decrease the number of individuals working in subminimum wage employment; and
- Decrease the number of individuals working in nonintegrated employment settings.

The bill also requires the Office of Reimagining Education and Career Help to issue an annual statewide report by December 1 each year on the implementation of the Employment First Act and progress made on the accountability measures.

If approved by the Governor, or allowed to become law without the Governor's signature, these provisions take effect July 1, 2024.

*Vote: Senate 38-0; House 113-0*