

Amendment No. 1

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	<u>    </u>	(Y/N)
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ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION	<u>    </u>	(Y/N)
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WITHDRAWN	<u>    </u>	(Y/N)
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1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Education & Employment  
 2 Committee

3 Representative Harding offered the following:

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5 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

6 Between lines 47 and 48, insert:

7 Section 1. Section 445.06, Florida Statutes, is amended to  
 8 read:

9 445.06 Florida Ready to Work Credential Certification  
 10 Program.—

11 (1) There is created the Florida Ready to Work Credential  
 12 Certification Program to enhance the employability workplace  
 13 skills of Floridians and to better prepare them for successful  
 14 employment ~~in specific occupations.~~

15 (2) Training required to be eligible for a credential  
 16 under the ~~The Florida Ready to Work Certification~~ program may be

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17 conducted in public middle and high schools, Florida College  
18 System institutions, technical centers, one-stop career centers,  
19 vocational rehabilitation centers, Department of Corrections  
20 facilities, and Department of Juvenile Justice educational  
21 facilities. Such training may also be made available at ~~The~~  
22 ~~program may be made available to~~ other entities that provide job  
23 training. The Department of Economic Opportunity, in  
24 coordination with the Department of Education, shall establish  
25 institutional readiness criteria for program implementation.

26 (3) The ~~Florida Ready to Work Certification~~ program shall  
27 be composed of:

28 (a) A comprehensive identification by the Department of  
29 Economic Opportunity and the Department of Education of  
30 employability skills currently in demand by employers,  
31 including, but not limited to, professionalism, time management,  
32 communication, problem-solving, collaboration, resilience,  
33 digital literacy skills, and academic skills such as mathematics  
34 and reading ~~of workplace skills for each occupation identified~~  
35 ~~for inclusion in the program by the Department of Economic~~  
36 ~~Opportunity and the Department of Education.~~

37 (b) A preinstructional assessment that delineates an  
38 individual's mastery level for ~~on~~ the employability on the  
39 specific workplace skills identified pursuant to paragraph (a)  
40 ~~for that occupation.~~

41 (c) An ~~A~~ targeted instructional program targeting the

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42 ~~limited to those~~ identified employability ~~workplace~~ skills in  
43 which the individual is not proficient as measured by the  
44 preinstructional assessment. Instruction must utilize a web-  
45 based program and be customizable ~~customized~~ to meet identified  
46 specific needs of ~~local~~ employers.

47 (d) An employability ~~A Florida Ready to Work Credential~~  
48 ~~and portfolio~~ to be awarded to individuals upon successful  
49 completion of the instruction. Each portfolio must delineate the  
50 skills demonstrated by the individual as evidence of the  
51 individual's preparation for employment.

52 (4) An employability ~~A Florida Ready to Work~~ credential  
53 shall be awarded to an individual who successfully passes  
54 assessments which measure the skills identified in paragraph  
55 (3) (a) in Reading for Information, Applied Mathematics, and  
56 Locating Information or any other assessments of comparable  
57 rigor. ~~Each assessment shall be scored on a scale of 3 to 7. The~~  
58 ~~level of the credential each individual receives is based on the~~  
59 ~~following:~~

60 ~~—— (a) A bronze-level credential requires a minimum score of~~  
61 ~~3 or above on each of the assessments.~~

62 ~~—— (b) A silver-level credential requires a minimum score of~~  
63 ~~4 or above on each of the assessments.~~

64 ~~—— (c) A gold-level credential requires a minimum score of 5~~  
65 ~~or above on each of the assessments.~~

66 (5) The Department of Economic Opportunity, in

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67 consultation with the Department of Education, shall ~~may~~ adopt  
68 rules pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 to implement the  
69 provisions of this section.

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Remove line 3 and insert:

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education; amending s. 445.06, F.S.; renaming the Florida Ready

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to Work Certification Program as the Florida Ready to Work

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Credential Program; providing where the program training may be

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conducted; providing the components of the program; requiring

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the Department of Economic Opportunity to adopt rules for the

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program; amending s. 1007.23, F.S.; requiring the