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1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Choice & Innovation
 2 Subcommittee

3 Representative Snyder offered the following:

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 5 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

6 Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

7 Section 1. Subsection (4) of section 446.021, Florida
 8 Statutes, is amended to read:

9 446.021 Definitions of terms used in ss. 446.011-446.092.—

10 As used in ss. 446.011-446.092, the term:

11 (4) "Journeyworker" means a person working in an
 12 apprenticeable occupation who has successfully completed a
 13 registered and state-approved apprenticeship program or who has
 14 worked the number of years required by established industry
 15 practices for the particular trade or occupation and has passed
 16 the appropriate state-approved industry test.

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17 Section 2. Subsection (2) of section 450.061, Florida
18 Statutes, is amended to read:

19 450.061 Hazardous occupations prohibited; exemptions.—

20 (2) A ne minor under 18 years of age, regardless of
21 whether such person's disabilities of nonage have been removed,
22 may not shall be employed or permitted or suffered to work in
23 any of the following places of employment or in any of the
24 following occupations, provided that ~~the provisions of~~
25 paragraphs (b), (e), (g), (h), (j), (m), (o), and (q) do shall
26 not apply to the employment of student learners under the
27 conditions prescribed in s. 450.161:

28 (a) In or around explosive or radioactive materials.

29 (b) On any scaffolding, roof, superstructure, residential
30 or nonresidential building construction, or ladder above 6 feet.
31 A minor 16 or 17 years of age may be employed on any residential
32 building construction if:

33 1. The minor 16 or 17 years of age has earned his or her
34 Occupational Safety and Health Administration 10 certification
35 and is under the direct supervision of a person who:

36 a. Has earned his or her Occupational Safety and Health
37 Administration 10 certification.

38 b. Is 21 years of age or older.

39 c. Has at least 2 years of work experience related to the
40 work he or she is supervising.

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41 2. The minor 16 or 17 years of age is not working on any
42 scaffolding, roof, superstructure, or ladder above 6 feet.

43 3. The work being performed by the minor 16 or 17 years of
44 age is not in violation of any Occupational Safety and Health
45 Administration rule or federal law related to minors in the
46 workplace.

47 (c) In or around toxic substances or corrosives, including
48 pesticides or herbicides, unless proper field entry time
49 allowances have been followed.

50 (d) Any mining occupation.

51 (e) In the operation of power-driven woodworking machines.

52 (f) In the operation of power-driven hoisting apparatus.

53 (g) In the operation of power-driven metal forming,
54 punching, or shearing machines.

55 (h) Slaughtering, meat packing, processing, or rendering,
56 except as provided in 29 C.F.R. s. 570.61(c).

57 (i) In the operation of power-driven bakery machinery.

58 (j) In the operation of power-driven paper products and
59 printing machines.

60 (k) Manufacturing brick, tile, and like products.

61 (l) Wrecking or demolition.

62 (m) Excavation operations.

63 (n) Logging or sawmilling.

64 (o) Working on electric apparatus or wiring.

65 (p) Firefighting.

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66 (q) Operating or assisting to operate, including starting,
67 stopping, connecting or disconnecting, feeding, or any other
68 activity involving physical contact associated with operating, a
69 tractor over 20 PTO horsepower, any trencher or earthmoving
70 equipment, fork lift, or any harvesting, planting, or plowing
71 machinery, or any moving machinery.

72 Section 3. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section
73 489.117, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

74 489.117 Registration; specialty contractors.—

75 (4)(a)1. A person whose job scope does not substantially
76 correspond to either the job scope of one of the contractor
77 categories defined in s. 489.105(3)(a)-(o), or the job scope of
78 one of the certified specialty contractor categories established
79 by board rule, is not required to register with the board. A
80 local government, as defined in s. 163.211, may not require a
81 person to obtain a license, issued by the local government or
82 the state, for a job scope which does not substantially
83 correspond to the job scope of one of the contractor categories
84 defined in s. 489.105(3)(a)-(o) and (q) or authorized in s.
85 489.1455 ~~s. 489.1455(1)~~, or the job scope of one of the
86 certified specialty contractor categories established pursuant
87 to s. 489.113(6). A local government may not require a state or
88 local license to obtain a permit for such job scopes. For
89 purposes of this section, job scopes for which a local
90 government may not require a license include, but are not

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91 limited to, painting; flooring; cabinetry; interior remodeling
92 when the scope of the project does not include a task for which
93 a state license is required; driveway or tennis court
94 installation; handyman services; decorative stone, tile, marble,
95 granite, or terrazzo installation; plastering; pressure washing;
96 stuccoing; caulking; and canvas awning and ornamental iron
97 installation.

98 2. A county that includes an area designated as an area of
99 critical state concern under s. 380.05 may offer a license for
100 any job scope which requires a contractor license under this
101 part if the county imposed such a licensing requirement before
102 January 1, 2021.

103 3. A local government may continue to offer a license for
104 veneer, including aluminum or vinyl gutters, siding, soffit, or
105 fascia; rooftop painting, coating, and cleaning above three
106 stories in height; or fence installation and erection if the
107 local government imposed such a licensing requirement before
108 January 1, 2021.

109 4. A local government may not require a license as a
110 prerequisite to submit a bid for public works projects if the
111 work to be performed does not require a license under general
112 law.

113 Section 4. Section 489.1455, Florida Statutes, is amended
114 to read:

115 489.1455 Journeyman; reciprocity; standards.—

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116 ~~(1)~~ Counties and municipalities must recognize a person as
117 a journeyman ~~are authorized to issue journeyman licenses~~ in the
118 plumbing, pipe fitting, mechanical, or HVAC trades if he or she
119 meets the following requirements:-

120 ~~(2)~~ ~~An individual who holds a valid, active journeyman~~
121 ~~license in the plumbing, pipe fitting, mechanical, or HVAC~~
122 ~~trades issued by any county or municipality in this state may~~
123 ~~work as a journeyman in the trade in which he or she is licensed~~
124 ~~in any county or municipality of this state without taking an~~
125 ~~additional examination or paying an additional license fee, if~~
126 ~~he or she:~~

127 (1)(a) Has scored at least 70 percent, or after October 1,
128 1997, at least 75 percent, on a proctored journeyman Block and
129 Associates examination or other proctored examination approved
130 by the board for the trade in which he or she is licensed and
131 has at least 12,000 hours of on-the-job training in his or her
132 specific trade;

133 ~~(2)(b)~~ Has completed a registered and state-approved ~~an~~
134 ~~apprenticeship program~~ as defined in s. 446.021(6) ~~registered~~
135 ~~with a registration agency defined in 29 C.F.R. s. 29.2 and~~
136 ~~demonstrates 4 years' verifiable practical experience in the~~
137 ~~trade for which he or she is licensed, or demonstrates 6 years'~~
138 ~~verifiable practical experience in the trade for which he or she~~
139 ~~is licensed; and~~ and

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140 ~~(3)(e)~~ Has satisfactorily completed specialized and
141 advanced module coursework approved by the Florida Building
142 Commission, as part of the building code training program
143 established in s. 553.841, specific to the discipline or,
144 pursuant to authorization by the certifying authority, provides
145 proof of completion of such coursework within 6 months after
146 such certification. ~~;~~ and

147 ~~(d)~~ Has not had a license suspended or revoked within the
148 last 5 years.

149 ~~(3)~~ A local government may charge a registration fee for
150 reciprocity, not to exceed \$25.

151 Section 5. Section 489.5335, Florida Statutes, is amended
152 to read:

153 489.5335 Journeyman; reciprocity; standards.—

154 ~~(1)~~ Counties and municipalities must recognize a person as
155 a journeyman ~~are authorized to issue journeyman licenses~~ in the
156 electrical and alarm system trades if he or she meets the
157 following requirements:-

158 ~~(2)~~ ~~An individual who holds a valid, active journeyman~~
159 ~~license in the electrical or alarm system trade issued by any~~
160 ~~county or municipality in this state may work as a journeyman in~~
161 ~~the trade in which he or she is licensed in any other county or~~
162 ~~municipality of this state without taking an additional~~
163 ~~examination or paying an additional license fee, if he or she:~~

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164 ~~(1)(a)~~ Has scored at least 70 percent, or after October 1,
165 1997, at least 75 percent, on a proctored journeyman Block and
166 Associates examination or other proctored examination approved
167 by the board for the trade in which he or she is licensed and
168 has at least 12,000 hours of on-the-job training in his or her
169 specific trade;

170 ~~(2)(b)~~ Has completed a registered and state-approved an
171 apprenticeship program as defined in s. 446.021(6) registered
172 with a registration agency defined in 29 C.F.R. s. 29.2 and
173 demonstrates 4 years' verifiable practical experience in the
174 trade for which he or she is licensed, or demonstrates 6 years'
175 verifiable practical experience in the trade for which he or she
176 is licensed; and

177 ~~(3)(e)~~ Has satisfactorily completed specialized and
178 advanced module coursework approved by the Florida Building
179 Commission, as part of the building code training program
180 established in s. 553.841, specific to the discipline or,
181 pursuant to authorization by the certifying authority, provides
182 proof of completion of such curriculum or coursework within 6
183 months after such certification. ~~;~~ and

184 ~~(d)~~ ~~Has not had a license suspended or revoked within the~~
185 ~~last 5 years.~~

186 ~~(3)~~ ~~A local government may charge a registration fee for~~
187 ~~reciprocity, not to exceed \$25.~~

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188 Section 6. Paragraph (c) of subsection (14) of section
189 1001.43, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

190 1001.43 Supplemental powers and duties of district school
191 board.—The district school board may exercise the following
192 supplemental powers and duties as authorized by this code or
193 State Board of Education rule.

194 (14) RECOGNITION OF ACADEMIC AND CAREER ACHIEVEMENT.—

195 (c) Beginning with the 2023-2024 school year, each
196 district school board shall require each high school within its
197 jurisdiction to host an annual career fair during the school
198 year and establish a process to provide students in grades 11
199 and 12 the opportunity to meet or interview with potential
200 employers during the career fair. The career fair must be held
201 on the campus of the high school, except that a group of high
202 schools in the district or a group of districts may hold a joint
203 career fair at an alternative location to satisfy the
204 requirement in this paragraph. A joint career fair must be held
205 at a location located within reasonable driving distance for
206 students at all participating schools. The career fair must be
207 held during the school day and may use Florida's online career
208 planning and work-based learning system as part of the career
209 fair activities. Alternatively, district school boards may
210 consult with local workforce development boards, advisory
211 committees, and business groups to determine free or cost-
212 effective methods to provide other career and industry

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213 networking opportunities, during the school day, for secondary
214 students and exposure for elementary and secondary students to a
215 representative variety of industries, businesses, and careers.

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217 District school board policies and procedures may include
218 conducting assemblies or other appropriate public events in
219 which students sign actual or ceremonial documents accepting
220 scholarships or enrollment. The district school board may
221 encourage holding such events in an assembly or gathering of the
222 entire student body as a means of making academic and career
223 success and recognition visible to all students.

224 Section 7. Subsection (3) of section 1003.41, Florida
225 Statutes, is amended to read:

226 1003.41 State academic standards.—

227 (3) The Commissioner of Education shall, as deemed
228 necessary ~~needed~~, ~~shall~~ develop and submit proposed revisions to
229 the standards for review and comment by Florida educators,
230 school administrators, representatives of the Florida College
231 System institutions and state universities who have expertise in
232 the content knowledge and skills necessary to prepare a student
233 for postsecondary education and careers, a representative from
234 the Department of Commerce, business and industry leaders for
235 in-demand careers, and the public. The commissioner, after
236 considering reviews and comments, shall submit the proposed
237 revisions to the State Board of Education for adoption.

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238 Section 8. Paragraph (a) of subsection (7) and subsection
239 (10) of section 1003.4282, Florida Statutes, are amended to
240 read:

241 1003.4282 Requirements for a standard high school
242 diploma.—

243 (7) CAREER EDUCATION COURSES THAT SATISFY HIGH SCHOOL
244 CREDIT REQUIREMENTS.—

245 (a) Participation in career education courses engages
246 students in their high school education, increases academic
247 achievement, enhances employability, and increases postsecondary
248 success. The department shall develop, for approval by the State
249 Board of Education, multiple, additional career education
250 courses or a series of courses that meet the requirements set
251 forth in s. 1003.493(2), (4), and (5) and this subsection and
252 allow students to earn credit in both the career education
253 course and courses required for high school graduation under
254 this section and s. 1003.4281.

255 1. The state board must determine at least biennially
256 whether ~~if~~ sufficient academic standards are covered to warrant
257 the award of academic credit, including satisfaction of
258 graduation, assessment, and state university admissions
259 requirements under this section.

260 2. Career education courses must:

261 a. Include workforce and digital literacy skills.

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262 b. Integrate required course content with practical
263 applications and designated rigorous coursework that results in
264 one or more industry certifications or clearly articulated
265 credit or advanced standing in a 2-year or 4-year certificate or
266 degree program, which may include high school junior and senior
267 year work-related internships or apprenticeships. The department
268 shall negotiate state licenses for material and testing for
269 industry certifications.

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271 The instructional methodology used in these courses must
272 comprise authentic projects, problems, and activities for
273 contextual academic learning and emphasize workplace skills
274 identified under s. 445.06.

275 3. A student who earns credit upon completion of 1 year of
276 related technical instruction for an apprenticeship program
277 registered with the Department of Education under chapter 446 or
278 preapprenticeship program registered with the Department of
279 Education under chapter 446 may use such credit to satisfy the
280 high school graduation credit requirements in paragraph (3)(e)
281 or paragraph (3)(g). The state board shall approve and identify
282 in the Course Code Directory the apprenticeship and
283 preapprenticeship programs from which earned credit may be used
284 pursuant to this subparagraph.

285 4. The State Board of Education shall, by rule, establish
286 a process that enables a student to receive work-based learning

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287 credit or credit in electives for completing a threshold level
288 of demonstrable participation in extracurricular activities
289 associated with career and technical student organizations.
290 Work-based learning credit or credit in electives for
291 extracurricular activities or supervised agricultural
292 experiences may not be limited by grade level.

293 (10) CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION CREDIT.—The Department
294 of Education shall convene a workgroup, no later than December
295 1, 2024, to:

296 (a) Identify best practices in career and technical
297 education pathways from middle school to high school to aid
298 middle school students in career planning and facilitate their
299 transition to high school programs. The career pathway must be
300 linked to postsecondary programs.

301 (b) Establish three mathematics pathways for students
302 enrolled in secondary grades by aligning mathematics courses to
303 programs, postsecondary education, and careers. The workgroup
304 shall collaborate to identify the three mathematics pathways and
305 the mathematics course sequence within each pathway which align
306 to the mathematics skills needed for success in the
307 corresponding academic programs, postsecondary education, and
308 careers.

309 Section 9. Subsection (3) of section 1004.91, Florida
310 Statutes, is amended to read:

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311 1004.91 Requirements for career education program basic
312 skills.—

313 (3)(a) An adult student with a disability may be exempted
314 from this section.

315 (b) The following students are exempt from this section:

316 1. A student who possesses a college degree at the
317 associate in applied science level or higher.

318 2. A student who demonstrates readiness for public
319 postsecondary education pursuant to s. 1008.30 and applicable
320 rules adopted by the State Board of Education.

321 3. Beginning with students graduating in 2007 and
322 thereafter, a student who possesses a high school diploma from a
323 private school in compliance with s. 1002.42, or, for a student
324 in a home education program, a signed affidavit submitted by the
325 student's parent or legal guardian attesting that the student
326 has completed a home education program pursuant to the
327 requirements of s. 1002.41.

328 4. A student who passes a state or national industry
329 certification or licensure examination that is identified in
330 State Board of Education rules and aligned to the career
331 education program in which the student is enrolled.

332 ~~5.4.~~ An adult student who is enrolled in an apprenticeship
333 program that is registered with the Department of Education in
334 accordance with chapter 446.

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335 Section 10. (1) The Career and Technical Education Task
336 Force, a task force as defined in s. 20.03(5), Florida Statutes,
337 is created adjunct to the Department of Education to study the
338 status of career and technical education in each school district
339 within the state. Except as otherwise provided in this section,
340 the task force shall operate in a manner consistent with s.
341 20.052, Florida Statutes. The department shall provide
342 administrative and staff support relating to the functions of
343 the task force.

344 (2) The Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker
345 of the House of Representatives, the Commissioner of Education,
346 the Secretary of the Department of Commerce, the Secretary of
347 the Department of Corrections, and the Secretary of Juvenile
348 Justice shall each appoint two members to the task force by
349 September 1, 2024. The commissioner shall appoint a chair of the
350 task force.

351 (3) The task force shall do all of the following:

352 (a) Compile a list of career and technical education
353 courses offered within each school district. Such data must be
354 broken down by industry, grade level, location, the number of
355 students enrolled in such courses, the number of students who
356 complete such courses, and the total number of students per
357 district enrolled in such courses.

358 (b) Compile a list of career and technical education
359 courses offered through the Department of Corrections and the

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360 Department of Juvenile Justice. Such data must be broken down by
361 location, population, industry course offering, the number of
362 students enrolled in each course, and the number of students who
363 complete such courses.

364 (c) Identify the total funding provided for the career and
365 technical education courses offered by school districts and
366 analyze whether such funding is uniform across the state or if
367 such funding varies by geography, course, or industry.

368 (d) Identify the total funding provided for the career and
369 technical education courses offered by the Department of
370 Corrections and the Department of Juvenile Justice.

371 (e) Compare funding and reimbursement rates and timelines
372 for career and technical education courses to funding and
373 reimbursement rates and timelines for traditional K-12 education
374 courses.

375 (f) Identify any additional funding available for
376 additional career and technical education courses, including
377 federal funding, industry funding, or additional state funding.

378 (g) Identify how career and technical education courses
379 are advertised to parents and students.

380 (h) Identify the needs of school districts to expand
381 career and technical education, including what needs could be
382 met by the Legislature.

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383 (i) Identify the number of students who earn an industry
384 certification through career and technical education courses who
385 also find employment in relevant industries.

386 (j) Review existing postsecondary credits available for K-
387 12 career and technical education course offerings and how this
388 information is advertised to students and parents.

389 (k) Compare existing career and technical education course
390 offerings with data from the Department of Commerce and industry
391 leaders about in-demand careers and the state's economic needs.

392 (l) Provide recommendations for changes and expansions to
393 career and technical education course offerings beginning in the
394 2026-2027 school year.

395 (m) Provide recommendations for increasing funding,
396 eliminating barriers to expanding career and technical education
397 offerings, and streamlining regulations.

398 (n) Provide recommendations for improving the marketing of
399 career and technical education offerings to students and
400 parents.

401 (4) The task force shall submit to the Governor, the
402 President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of
403 Representatives, and the Commissioner of Education a report of
404 its findings by September 1, 2025. The task force shall submit
405 to the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the
406 House of Representatives, and the Commissioner of Education its

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407 recommendations by January 1, 2026. This section shall expire
408 upon submission of the recommendations.

409 Section 11. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.

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412 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

413 Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:

414 A bill to be entitled

415 An act relating to career and technical education;
416 amending s. 446.021, F.S.; revising the definition of
417 the term "journeyworker"; amending s. 450.061, F.S.;
418 providing an exemption for minors to work in specified
419 conditions; amending s. 489.117, F.S.; conforming a
420 cross-reference; amending ss. 489.1455 and 489.5335,
421 F.S.; requiring counties and municipalities to
422 recognize certain persons as journeymen for specified
423 occupations if such persons meet specified criteria;
424 deleting provisions authorizing a local government to
425 charge a specified registration fee; amending s.
426 1001.43, F.S.; providing an alternative to career
427 fairs through other career and industry networking
428 opportunities; amending s. 1003.41, F.S.; revising a
429 list of individuals who are required to review and
430 comment on certain revisions to the state academic
431 standards; making technical changes; amending s.

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432 1003.4282, F.S.; revising the requirements for certain
433 credits and certifications to meet specified
434 graduation requirements; requiring the Department of
435 Education to convene a workgroup by a specified date
436 for specified purposes; making a technical change;
437 amending s. 1004.91, F.S.; providing an additional
438 exemption from completing an entry-level examination
439 for certain students; creating the Career and
440 Technical Education Task Force adjunct to the
441 Department of Education; providing the purpose of the
442 task force; providing the membership and duties of the
443 task force; requiring the task force to submit a
444 report and recommendations to certain officials by
445 specified dates; providing for expiration of the task
446 force; providing an effective date.