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Representative Barnes

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge the President of the United States, the United States Secretary of Education, and the United States Congress to make necessary changes to permit career-technical planning districts to offer associate degrees and to permit high school students to earn college credit for completing high school career-technical education courses that are substantially similar to career-technical education college courses.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF OHIO (THE SENATE CONCURRING):

WHEREAS, Allowing career-technical planning districts to offer associate degrees and allowing high school students to earn college credit for completing high school career-technical courses that are substantially similar to career-technical education college courses will help reduce the cost of college for students in many occupations; and

WHEREAS, 20 United States Code 1099b and 34 Code of Federal Regulations Part 602 do not allow such practices; and

WHEREAS, The United States education market does not affect the flow to community colleges effectively; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the 132nd General Assembly of the State of Ohio, in adopting this concurrent

resolution, urge the following: 21

 The United States Secretary of Education to determine 22
whether the Department of Education has the authority under 20 23
United States Code 1099b to recognize the accreditation of 24
degrees granted by career-technical planning districts and joint 25
vocational school districts; 26

 The United States Congress to enact laws that authorize the 27
Secretary of Education to establish equal accreditation for high 28
school programs in career-technical planning districts and joint 29
vocational school districts for students who complete 30
essentially the same work as students enrolled in similarly 31
accredited community college programs; and 32

 The President of the United States to issue an Executive 33
Order that authorizes the Secretary of Education to recognize 34
accreditation for degrees granted career-technical planning 35
districts and joint vocational school districts; and be it 36
further 37

 RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives 38
shall transmit duly authenticated copies of this resolution to 39
the President of the United States, the Speaker and Clerk of the 40
United States House of Representatives, the President Pro 41
Tempore and Secretary of the United States Senate, each member 42
of the Ohio congressional delegation, the United States 43
Secretary of Education, and the news media of Ohio. 44