

Ohio House of Representatives Education and Career Readiness Committee Chairman, Andrew Brenner Ohio Association of Comprehensive and Compact Career-Technical Schools May 22, 2018

On behalf of the Ohio Association of Comprehensive and Compact Career Technical Schools (Ohio CCS), we appreciate the opportunity to provide supportive comments for HB591 (Duffey).

As you may know, in Ohio there are 91 Career Technical Planning Districts, and three career-technical delivery models at the secondary education level that focus on workforce development. There are Career Centers, also known as Joint Vocational School Districts, single traditional school districts, known as Comprehensives, and Compacts; Compacts share delivery and costs through service agreements between multiple school districts. Ohio CCS represents 42 Compact and Comprehensive career-technical planning districts in the state.

Ohio CCS appreciates Rep. Duffey's diligent work and the collaborative environment he facilitated while drafting the bill, specifically the career technical education (CTE) related provisions. We support this legislation and the goals it seeks to achieve. The CTE related provisions of this bill are the next step from the original CTE report card implemented in 2012 and will better reflect the efforts and achievements of the three CTE delivery models; while providing valuable, reliable information for parents, students and elected officials.

Additionally, we support the two technical revisions outlined in Nancy Luce's testimony, which would better clarify the career-tech focused language. Final recommendations include establishing a definition for a "primarily enrolled" student and clarifying that students can earn multiple points under the PFS component.

Thank you again for the opportunity to provide comments on HB591. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.