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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS TO
IDENTIFY JOB CLASSIFICATIONS FOR WHICH A CAREER AND
TECHNICAL EDUCATION CERTIFICATE MAY SUBSTITUTE FOR AN
ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE.

1 WHEREAS, career and technical education programs integrate
2 academic skills and hands-on training to ensure that students
3 are well prepared for their careers; and
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5 WHEREAS, the programs help students become well-rounded
6 individuals, citizens, and employees by emphasizing major
7 academic subjects, communication skills, and political and
8 social responsibility; and
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10 WHEREAS, the programs have proven successful for students
11 who thrive in less traditional learning environments, allowing
12 them to see the immediate relevance and real-world applications
13 of their education; and
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15 WHEREAS, career and technical education programs create
16 opportunities and provide options for disabled individuals,
17 individuals from economically disadvantaged families, homeless
18 individuals, and others who might otherwise be unemployed or
19 underemployed; and
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21 WHEREAS, career and technical education certificates
22 indicate a student's preparedness for employment and are in many
23 ways comparable to an Associate of Arts degree; now, therefore,
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25 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirtieth Legislature
26 of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2020, the House of
27 Representatives concurring, that the Department of Labor and
28 Industrial Relations is urged to identify job classifications
29 for which a Career and Technical Education Certificate may
30 substitute for an Associate of Arts degree; and



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations is requested to submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Labor and Industrial Relations, Chairperson of the Board of Education, Superintendent of Education, and State Director for Career and Technical Education.

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