

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

Part of the Texas Workforce Commission's (TWC) 2021 Legislative Agenda, H.B. 1799 is a statutory cleanup bill that would remove one of the agency's required reports, referred to in the Education Code as the apprenticeship-related instruction cost study. The rationale for this change is that this report has been replaced by bi-annual reports to the Texas Workforce Investment Council (TWIC) and the Apprenticeship Texas Advisory Committee (ATAC).

The last submission of the apprenticeship-related instruction cost study occurred in 1975. Presently, TWC provides reports to TWIC and ATAC twice a year that contain the information needed to satisfy the applicable requirements established in the Education Code. Accordingly, this legislation would amend the statute to reflect current TWC practice. The bill also would update antiquated statutory language, such as changing "Texas Employment Commission" to "Texas Workforce Commission" and the Department of Labor's "Bureau of Apprenticeship Training" to "Office of Apprenticeship."

H.B. 1799 amends current law relating to the administration of apprenticeship training programs.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Sections 133.001(1), (3), (4), (5), and (6), Education Code, to, for purposes of Chapter 133 (Apprenticeship of Adult Career and Technology Education), redefine "apprenticeship training program," "supplementary instruction," "related instruction," and "commission," to define "office of apprenticeship," and to delete existing text defining "bureau."

SECTION 2. Amends Sections 133.002(c), (d), (g), and (h), Education Code, to make conforming and nonsubstantive changes.

SECTION 3. Amends Section 133.006(b), Education Code, as follows:

(b) Requires the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC), at least annually, to prepare and submit to the Texas Workforce Investment Council or to the Apprenticeship and Training Advisory Committee, as designated by the Texas Workforce Investment Council, a report that includes an apprenticeship-related instruction cost study for the most recent state fiscal year and the funding distribution for apprenticeship-related instruction programs for the state fiscal year in which the report is submitted. Deletes existing text requiring TWC to prepare an update to the Apprenticeship Related Instruction Cost Study adopted by the State Board of Education on February 10, 1973, prior to each biennial session of the legislature.

SECTION 4. Effective date: September 1, 2021.