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HOUSE BILL NO. 1415

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE LAUER.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapters 160 and 168, RSMo, by adding thereto two new sections relating to educational workforce development.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapters 160 and 168, RSMo, are amended by adding thereto two new sections, to be known as sections 160.572 and 168.024, to read as follows:

160.572. 1. For purposes of this section, the following terms mean:

(1) "ACT assessment", the ACT assessment or the ACT Plus Writing assessment;

(2) "WorkKeys", the ACT WorkKeys assessments required for the National Career Readiness Certificate.

2. (1) In any school year in which the department of elementary and secondary education directs a state-funded census administration of the ACT assessment to any group of students, any student who would be allowed or required to participate in the census administration shall receive the opportunity, on any date within three months before the census administration, to participate in a state-funded administration of WorkKeys.

(2) Any student who participated in a state-funded administration of WorkKeys as described under subdivision (1) of this subsection shall not participate in any state-funded census administration of the ACT assessment.

(3) The department of elementary and secondary education shall not require school districts or charter schools to administer the ACT assessment to any student who

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

15 participated in a state-funded administration of WorkKeys as described under subdivision
16 (1) of this subsection.

17 3. (1) In any school year in which a school district directs the administration of the
18 ACT assessment to any group of its students to be funded by the district, any student who
19 would be allowed or required to participate in the district-funded administration shall
20 receive the opportunity, on any date within three months before the administration, to
21 participate in an administration of WorkKeys funded by the school district.

22 (2) Nothing in this section shall require a school district to fund the administration
23 of the ACT assessment to any student who participated in a district-funded administration
24 of WorkKeys as described under subdivision (1) of this subsection.

168.024. 1. For purposes of this section, "local business externship" means an
2 experience in which a teacher, supervised by his or her school or school district, gains
3 practical experience at a business in the local community in which the teacher is employed
4 through observation and interaction with employers and employees who are working on
5 issues related to subjects taught by the teacher.

6 2. Any hours spent in a local business externship shall count as contact hours of
7 professional development under section 168.021.

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