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H.R.3663

To support the establishment of an apprenticeship college consortium.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. Harder of California introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

A BILL

To support the establishment of an apprenticeship college consortium.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Apprenticeships to Col-
- 5 lege Act".
- 6 SEC. 2. APPRENTICESHIP COLLEGE CONSORTIUM.
- 7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the
- 8 date of enactment of this Act, in order to cooperate with
- 9 the Secretary of Education and promote awareness and
- 10 adoption of apprenticeship programs, the Secretary of
- 11 Labor shall—

- 1 (1) enter into an interagency agreement with 2 the Secretary of Education to promote and support 3 integration and alignment of programs under the 4 national apprenticeship system with secondary, post-5 secondary, and adult education, through the activi-6 ties described in this section; and
- 7 (2) submit to the Committee on Education and 8 Labor of the House of Representatives and the Com-9 mittee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions 10 of Senate, such agreement and any modifications to 11 such agreement.
- 12 (b) Apprenticeship College Consortium.—In order to support the establishment of a college consortium of postsecondary educational institutions, related instruc-14 tion providers, sponsors, qualified intermediaries, and em-15 ployers for the purposes of promoting stronger connections 16 17 between programs under the national apprenticeship system and participating 2- and 4-year postsecondary edu-18 19 cational institutions, the interagency agreement under 20 subsection (a) shall include a description of how the Secre-21 taries will—
 - (1) support data sharing systems that align education records and records of programs under the national apprenticeship system regarding whether program participants who receive financial aid

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1	under title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965
2	enroll in, or complete, postsecondary coursework
3	while participating in a program under such system;
4	(2) provide guidance on how to align eligible
5	funding from, planning processes for, and the re-
6	quirements of the Carl D. Perkins Career and Tech-
7	nical Education Act of 2006 (20 U.S.C. 2301 et
8	seq.), the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and the High-
9	er Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.)
10	with this Act;
11	(3) require all participants of the apprentice-
12	ship college consortium to enter into agreements
13	to—
14	(A) have an articulation agreement with a
15	participating sponsor of an apprenticeship pro-
16	gram, which may include a 2- or 4-year postsec-
17	ondary educational institution;
18	(B) create or expand the awarding and ar-
19	ticulation of academic credit for related instruc-
20	tion completed and credentials awarded to pro-
21	gram participants as part of a program under
22	the national apprenticeship system; and
23	(C) support the creation or expansion of
24	electronic transcripts for apprenticeship pro-

1	grams and all academic content, including re-
2	lated instruction and on-the-job training;
3	(4) provide technical assistance on eligible uses
4	of financial aid, including the Federal work study
5	program under part C of title IV of the Higher Edu-
6	cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1087–51 et seq.), for
7	related instruction for programs under the national
8	apprenticeship system;
9	(5) provide to consortium participants or poten-
10	tial participants information regarding—
11	(A) a list of apprenticeship programs in re-
12	lated occupations offered in the State or avail-
13	able under the Office of Apprenticeship that
14	may become part of the consortium;
15	(B) information on how to develop an ap-
16	prenticeship program;
17	(C) information on Federal, State, and
18	local financial resources available to assist with
19	the establishment and implementation of ap-
20	prenticeship programs; and
21	(D) information on related qualified inter-
22	mediaries or industry or sector partnerships
23	supporting apprenticeship programs, as applica-
24	ble; and

1	(6) support information regarding the appren-
2	ticeship consortium being made available on a pub-
3	licly accessible website, including—
4	(A) a list of participating members of the
5	consortium, apprenticeship programs provided
6	credentials awarded with each program, and
7	available apprenticeable occupations; and
8	(B) models of articulation agreements
9	prior learning assessments, and competency-
10	based curriculum for related instruction for il-
11	lustrative purposes.

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