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TO: District Career and Technical Education Directors District Technical College Directors Florida College System Workforce Administrators

Via: Chancellor2@fldoe.org

SUBJECT: Implementation of House Bill (HB) 1507

Dear Colleagues:

The Florida Department of Education invites you to participate in a webinar on December 15, 2021, at 1:00 PM ET, to learn more about the implementation of House Bill (HB) 1507, section 35 pertaining to program approval. You may register for the session at https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1774370293584963344

HB 1507 specified the State Board of Education shall establish criteria, based on the framework of quality established by the Credentials Review Committee, for review and approval of new workforce education programs that are not included in statewide curriculum frameworks. Additionally, HB 1507 established an expedited review process for new workforce education programs that are in statewide frameworks to be eligible to receive performance incentive funding and additional FTE membership.

These provisions necessitate changes to the statewide curriculum framework approval process and also require the department to create an inventory of all active workforce education programs as a baseline. As a first step in this process, we will host a webinar to:

- Review the provisions of HB 1507 related to program approval.
- Share information about the current processes for program approval and anticipated future modifications.
- Discuss the need for an active program inventory for 2021-22, and the accompanying data request in spring 2022 of all clock and credit programs and all non-credit offerings that result in industry certifications.
- Review the intersection of the provisions of section 35 with the Education Meets Opportunity Platform.

A recording of the webinar along with the forthcoming survey instrument will be disseminated for those unable to attend.

Thank you,

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