	Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly. Act 1376 of the Regular Session			
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8	For An Act To Be Entitled			
9	AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN VOCATIONAL AND TECHNICAL			
10	EDUCATION IN PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS; AND FOR OTHER			
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14	TO STRENGTHEN VOCATIONAL AND TECHNICAL			
15	EDUCATION IN PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS.			
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18	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:			
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20	SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 16, Subchapter 1 is amended			
21	to add an additional section to read as follows:			
22	6-16-140. Vocational or technical course awards.			
23	(a) A student who successfully completes an approved vocational or			
24	technical career pathway or program of study at a public high school shall be			
25	awarded a certificate of attainment which shall be:			
26	(1) Aligned in the appropriate career pathway or program of			
27	study; and			
28	(2) Used for consideration of acceptance and advanced placement			
29	<u>into an apprenticeship training program.</u>			
30	(b) The Department of Workforce Education in cooperation with the			
31	Department of Education shall determine and issue the appropriate award to a			
32	student upon successful completion of the vocational or technical career			
33	pathway or program of study.			
34	(c) The Department of Workforce Education is authorized to promulgate			
35	rules as necessary for the implementation of this section.			



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