

Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Conforming Bill
Relating to Workforce Development Capitalization Incentive
Grant Program

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to Workforce Development Capitalization
3 Incentive Grant Program; amending s. 1011.801, F.S.;
4 amending participation criteria; providing an effective
5 date.

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7 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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9 Section 1. Section 1011.801, Florida Statutes is amended to
10 read:

11 1011.801 Workforce Development Capitalization Incentive
12 Grant Program. -

13 The Legislature recognizes that the need for school
14 districts and Florida College System institutions to be able to
15 respond to emerging local or statewide economic development
16 needs is critical to the workforce development system. The
17 Workforce Development Capitalization Incentive Grant Program is
18 created to provide grants to school districts and Florida
19 College System institutions to fund some or all of the costs
20 associated with the creation or expansion of career and
21 technical education programs that lead to industry
22 certifications included on the CAPE Industry Certification
23 Funding List. The programs may serve secondary students or
24 postsecondary students ~~if the postsecondary career and technical~~
25 ~~education program also serves secondary students.~~

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(1) Funds awarded for a workforce development capitalization incentive grant may be used for instructional equipment, laboratory equipment, supplies, personnel, student services, or other expenses associated with the creation or expansion of a career and technical education program that serves secondary students. Expansion of a program may include either the expansion of enrollments in a program or expansion into new areas of specialization within a program. No grant funds may be used for recurring instructional costs or for institutions' indirect costs.

(2) The Department of Education shall administer the program. The State Board of Education may adopt rules for program administration. The State Board of Education shall consider the statewide geographic dispersion of grant funds in ranking the applications and shall give priority to applications from education agencies that are making maximum use of their workforce development funding by offering high-performing, high-demand programs.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.