Employment, Labor, and Professional Regulation

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- Creates the TechCred Program to provide reimbursements to eligible employers for training costs for incumbent and prospective employees to earn a microcredential, which is an industry-recognized credential or certificate that may be completed in not more than one year.
- Creates the Individual Microcredential Assistance Program (IMAP) to reimburse training providers for training individuals to earn a microcredential.
- Requires the Director of Development Services to develop a grant program to support industry sector partnerships and sector partnership networks in consultation with the Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation.
- Requires the Director to submit to the General Assembly an annual report regarding the workforce development programs created under the act on August 1 each year.
- Allocates the TechCred Program appropriation made for FYs 2020 and 2021 among TechCred, IMAP, and marketing the programs.