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HJR___ SUPPORTING ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR CAREER AND
TECHNICAL EDUCATION.

WHEREAS, Career and Technical Education (CTE) is an educational approach that provides students with skills, knowledge, and experiences necessary to enter the labor market typically delivered through career-related courses; and

WHEREAS, according to the Association for Career and Technical Education, 34 percent of Alabama jobs will require education beyond high school but less than a bachelor's degree by 2031; and

WHEREAS, CTE programs prepare students for these jobs in key Alabama industries such as agriculture technology and food products, bioscience, metals and advance materials, and operations and logistics; and

WHEREAS, in a concerted effort to support CTE in Alabama, the Legislature enacted Act 2025-269 appropriating \$100,000,000 from the Education Trust Fund Advancement and Technology Fund to the State Department of Education to provide matching grants to local education agencies to develop regional career technology centers throughout the state, including capital outlay and equipment; now therefore,



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28 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
29 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we encourage and support an
30 additional \$150,000,000 appropriation by the Legislature in
31 the 2026 Regular Session to continue to support and expand
32 CTE in Alabama.