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OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act
 1.2 relating to education finance; authorizing certain nonpublic students in grade 10
 1.3 to participate in career and technical courses offered through the postsecondary
 1.4 enrollment options program; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 124D.09,
 1.5 subdivision 4.

1.6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.7 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 124D.09, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

1.8 Subd. 4. **Alternative pupil.** (a) "Alternative pupil" means an 11th or 12th grade student
 1.9 not enrolled in a public school district, and includes students attending nonpublic schools
 1.10 and students who are home schooled. An alternative pupil is considered a pupil for purposes
 1.11 of this section only. An alternative pupil must register with the commissioner of education
 1.12 before participating in the postsecondary enrollment options program. The commissioner
 1.13 shall prescribe the form and manner of the registration, in consultation with the Nonpublic
 1.14 Education Council under section 123B.445, and may request any necessary information
 1.15 from the alternative pupil.

1.16 (b) A student in grade 10 who is enrolled in a career or technical education course offered
 1.17 by a Minnesota state college or university and who is not enrolled in a public school district
 1.18 is an alternative pupil. An alternative pupil in grade 10 must submit a reading assessment
 1.19 in the form and manner prescribed by the enrolling postsecondary institution. An alternative
 1.20 pupil in grade 10 may enroll in the pupil's first postsecondary options enrollment course
 1.21 under this subdivision. An alternative pupil in grade 10 who is refused enrollment by a
 1.22 Minnesota state college or university under this subdivision may apply to an eligible
 1.23 institution offering a career or technical education course. The postsecondary institution
 1.24 must give priority to its students according to subdivision 9. If an alternative pupil in grade

2.1 10 receives a grade of "C" or better in the career or technical education course taken under
2.2 this subdivision, the postsecondary institution must allow the student to take additional
2.3 postsecondary courses for secondary credit at that institution, not to exceed the limits in
2.4 subdivision 8.

2.5 (c) A "career or technical education course" is a course that is part of a career and
2.6 technical education program that provides individuals with coherent, rigorous content aligned
2.7 with academic standards and relevant technical knowledge and skills needed to prepare for
2.8 further education and careers in current and emerging professions and provides technical
2.9 skill proficiency, an industry-recognized credential, and a certificate, diploma, or associate
2.10 degree.

2.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for applications submitted on or after
2.12 July 1, 2018.