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AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

FROM: ASSOCIATED BUILDERS AND CONTRCTORS

RE: S.B. 133- EDUCATION- HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS-

GRADUATION AND ATTENDANCE CREDIT

FOR VOCATIONAL TRAINING

POSITION: SUPPORT

Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) supports S.B. 133 which is before you today for consideration. The bill authorizes a local board of education to award credit to a high school student toward a high school diploma or a postsecondary credential, or both, for one vocational course per semester in a career and technical education (CTE) program approved by the local board.

We believe S.B. 133 will serve as one more incentive to get students focused on the CTE program and interested in pursuing this path through high school.

On behalf of the over 1,500 corporate members of ABC, we recommend a favorable report on S.B. 133.

Thank you.

Robert Zinsmeister, Director Government Affairs

