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To amend the Job Training Partnership Act to establish regional private industry councils for labor market areas that are located in more than one State, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MORAN of Virginia (for himself and Mr. DAVIS of Virginia) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. ESTABLISHMENT OF REGIONAL PRIVATE IN-**
4 **DUSTRY COUNCILS UNDER THE JOB TRAIN-**
5 **ING PARTNERSHIP ACT.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Part D of title IV of the Job
7 Training Partnership Act (29 U.S.C. 1731 et seq.) is
8 amended by adding at the end the following:

1 **“SEC. 457. REGIONAL PRIVATE INDUSTRY COUNCILS.**

2 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—

3 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a labor mar-
4 ket area that is located in more than one State, the
5 Secretary, upon request of the Governor of each
6 State in which the labor market area is located, shall
7 establish a regional private industry council for the
8 labor market area in accordance with this section.

9 “(2) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—A regional pri-
10 vate industry council established for a labor market
11 area under paragraph (1) shall be in addition to the
12 private industry council established under section
13 102 for each service delivery area in which the labor
14 market area is located.

15 “(b) MEMBERSHIP.—

16 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Each regional private in-
17 dustry council shall consist of members determined
18 by each Governor consistent with the requirements
19 contained in subsections (a) and (c) of section 102
20 of this Act.

21 “(2) CHAIRMAN.—The chairman of the council
22 shall be selected from among members of the council
23 who are representatives of the private sector.

24 “(3) TERMS.—Members shall be appointed for
25 fixed and staggered terms and may serve until their
26 successors are appointed. Any vacancy in the mem-

1 bership of the council shall be filled in the same
2 manner as the original appointment. Any member of
3 the council may be removed for cause in accordance
4 with procedures established by the council.

5 “(c) CERTIFICATION.—The Secretary shall certify a
6 regional private industry council if the Secretary deter-
7 mines that its composition and appointments are consist-
8 ent with the provisions of this section. Such certification
9 shall be made or denied within 30 days after the date on
10 which a list of members and necessary supporting docu-
11 mentation are submitted to the Secretary. When the Sec-
12 retary certifies the council, it shall be convened within 30
13 days.

14 “(d) FUNCTIONS.—Consistent with the requirements
15 contained in section 103 of this Act, the Secretary shall
16 establish the functions of each regional private industry
17 council established under this section for the purpose of
18 providing policy guidance for, and exercise oversight with
19 respect to, activities under the job training plan for the
20 labor market area of the council in partnership with the
21 unit or units of general local government within the labor
22 market area.

23 “(e) FUNDING.—Notwithstanding any other provi-
24 sion of this Act, to the extent practicable, amounts appro-
25 priated to carry out this part for any fiscal year shall be

1 provided to labor market areas with respect to which a
2 regional private industry council has been established
3 under this section in accordance with the same terms and
4 conditions applicable to amounts provided to service deliv-
5 ery areas under this Act.

6 “(f) JOB TRAINING PLAN.—

7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—No funds appropriated to
8 carry out this part for any fiscal year may be pro-
9 vided to any labor market area under this section ex-
10 cept pursuant to a job training plan for two program
11 years that, to the extent practicable, meets the re-
12 quirements contained in section 104 of this Act.

13 “(2) REVIEW AND APPROVAL.—Consistent with
14 the requirements contained in section 105 of this
15 Act, not less than 120 days before the beginning of
16 the first of the two program years covered by the job
17 training plan—

18 “(A) the proposed plan or summary there-
19 of shall be published;

20 “(B) the proposed plan shall be made
21 available for review and comment to all appro-
22 priate individuals and entities;

23 “(C) the proposed plan shall be reasonably
24 available to the general public through such

1 means as public hearings and local news facili-
2 ties;

3 “(D) the final plan, or a summary thereof,
4 shall be published not later than 80 days before
5 the first of the two program years and shall be
6 submitted to each Governor;

7 “(E) the final plan shall be submitted to
8 the Secretary; and

9 “(F) the Secretary shall approve or dis-
10 approve the final plan not later than 30 days
11 after the date on which the plan is submitted.”.

12 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of con-
13 tents of the Job Training Partnership Act (29 U.S.C.
14 1501 note) is amended by inserting after the item relating
15 to section 456 the following:

“Sec. 457. Regional private industry councils.”

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