

Western Business and Information Technology Educators Resolution In Support Of Carl D. Perkins' Funding

Whereas, the Western Business and Information Technology Educators (WBITE), representing the states of Alaska, Arizona, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, and Washington are committed to providing the highest-quality courses and programs in our schools and colleges, and

Whereas, without the significant funding provided by Perkins' legislation, business and computer departments in our schools and colleges would be in serious jeopardy in their need to obtain up-to-date equipment and other essential requirements that enable workers to be successful in today's workplace, and

Whereas, our business and computer education departments are committed to providing funds for faculty to attend professional development sessions in order for them to be updated on the latest technologies and methodologies for teaching on sophisticated, highly-technical equipment in an ever-changing work environment, and

Whereas Perkins' legislation allocates significant funding for Career Technical student organizations that provide them with leadership skills to enable them to successfully transition into the workplace and become knowledgeable, productive employees,

Be it, therefore, resolved that the Western Business and Information Technology Educators (WBITE), representing the 10 Western states listed, reaffirm its previous positions opposing any and all efforts to eliminate or reduce Carl D. Perkins' funding.

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