

March 13, 2023

Representative Jay Xiong, Chair Representative Jeff Brand, Vice Chair Members, House Workforce and Development Finance & Policy Committee

RE: HF 1310 - SUPPORT

Chair Howard & Members,

Career & Technical Education (CTE) and Career Pathways programs in Minnesota include students engaged in agriculture, health sciences, business & marketing, family & consumer sciences, construction, manufacturing, transportation, work-based learning/youth apprenticeship, communications technology, law enforcement, cosmetology, and a variety of other careers areas.

On behalf of the board of the Minnesota Association for Career & Technical Administrators (MACTA); a statewide association of professional educators that administer CTE programs across Minnesota we write to you in full support of HF 1310 – increased appropriation for the Youthbuild program.

Youthbuild takes our young adults at risk of not graduating and gives them an opportunity to gain employables skills, confidence, and become community leaders all while addressing our communities' homelessness concerns.

MACTA fully supports this legislation and urges the committee to include it in the omnibus bill.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at thaugen@lcsc.org.

Sincerely,

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