

HR 3244

First STEP Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 13, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

First STEP Act or the Supporting Training for Employment Potential Act - Amends the National Institute of Standards and Technology Act to direct the Secretary of Commerce to provide support and assistance to programs that promote the Manufacturing Skills Certification System (a collaborative federal-private industry effort to create universally recognizable manufacturing employee credentials), including by: (1) promoting collaboration between community colleges, technical schools, and local businesses to help such colleges and schools better understand business needs and and to help businesses better understand the skill sets learned in college and school programs; (2) educating businesses and students on the value of universally recognized credential programs and apprenticeship opportunities; (3) providing support and assistance for state programs looking to implement the System; and (4) providing support and assistance for programs to collaborate at a national level.

Extends through FY2016 a program of assistance for the creation and support of regional centers for the transfer of manufacturing technology.

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