

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION requesting the Education Professional
2 Standards Board to conduct a study on the vocational teacher rank system.

3 WHEREAS, KRS 161.1211 provides the uniform rank system for Kentucky's
4 teachers based on educational attainment and training; and

5 WHEREAS, KRS 161.1211 empowers the Education Professional Standards Board
6 to give consideration for apprenticeship training and industrial experience in lieu of
7 college training for vocational teachers; and

8 WHEREAS, KRS 161.048 provides that all teachers will be placed on district salary
9 schedules based on the rank attained by a teacher; and

10 WHEREAS, it is critical that vocational teachers receive a salary competitive with
11 the compensation they would receive in the vocational field based on their training,
12 experience, and education; and

13 WHEREAS, a uniform system of rank is critical to the regular and equitable
14 operation of Kentucky's vocational education programs;

15 NOW, THEREFORE,

16 ***Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of***
17 ***Kentucky, the House of Representatives concurring therein:***

18 ➔Section 1. The General Assembly does hereby request the Education
19 Professional Standards Board to direct its staff to conduct a study on the need and
20 feasibility of a vocational teacher ranking system that allows for occupational experience
21 and training as alternatives to college training, that is uniformly applied to all teachers
22 within a vocational certification field, and that encourages vocational teachers to remain
23 in the classroom. A report detailing the results of the study and any recommendations of
24 the Education Professional Standards Board should be submitted to the Interim Joint
25 Committee on Education by December 1, 2019.

26 ➔Section 2. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to send a copy of this Resolution
27 to Dr. Wayne Lewis, Office of the Commissioner of Education, 300 Sower Blvd., 5th

1 Floor, Frankfort, KY 40601.