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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
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Resolve, Directing the Department of Economic and Community Development, the Department of Labor and the Department of Transportation To Develop Partnerships with Businesses, Unions and Educational Programs and Institutions To Provide Training and Transportation for Workers

Sec. 1. Department of Economic and Community Development, Department of Labor and Department of Transportation to develop partnerships with businesses, unions and educational programs and institutions to provide training and transportation for workers. Resolved: That the Department of Economic and Community Development, the Department of Labor and the Department of Transportation shall collaborate to develop partnerships with businesses, unions and educational programs and institutions to provide a hub where workers can access transportation to training programs, apprenticeships and jobs and receive information about open positions and training opportunities. As part of this collaboration, the departments shall:

1. Focus on areas with no viable public transportation;
2. Consider creating a fund for young people in job training programs, including technical education at secondary schools, for driver education, with participation based upon a means test and including youth in foster care; and
3. Coordinate with businesses, unions, educational programs and institutions, training programs, employers and community organizations to improve dissemination of information about available job opportunities and resources for training and transportation.

Sec. 2. Report. Resolved: That, by January 1, 2023, the Department of Economic and Community Development, the Department of Labor and the Department of Transportation shall provide a report on the progress made to carry out this resolve to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over innovation, development, economic advancement and business matters, the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over labor and housing matters and the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over transportation matters, which each may report out legislation to the First Regular Session of the 131st Legislature.