1 2	CHAPTER 804. JOBS AND EDUCATION FOR TEXANS (JET) GRANT PROGRAM
3	PROPOSED RULES WITH PREAMBLE TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE TEXAS
5	REGISTER. THIS DOCUMENT WILL NOT HAVE ANY SUBSTANTIVE
6	CHANGES BUT IS SUBJECT TO FORMATTING CHANGES AS REQUIRED
7	BY THE TEXAS REGISTER.
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9 10	ON AUGUST 23, 2016 , THE TEXAS WORKFORCE COMMISSION PROPOSED THE BELOW RULES WITH PREAMBLE TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE <i>TEXAS</i>
1	REGISTER.
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13 14	Estimated Publication Date of the Proposal in the <i>Texas Register</i> : September 9, 2016 Estimated End of Comment Period: October 10, 2016
15 16 17	The Commission proposes amendments to the following sections of Chapter 804, relating to Jobs and Education for Texans (JET) Grant Program, as follows:
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19	Subchapter A. Definitions, §804.1
20	Subchapter B. Advisory Board Composition, Meeting Guidelines, § §804.11 - 804.13 Subchapter C. Grant Program, § \$804.21 - 804.25
21 22	Subchapter D. Grants to Educational Institutions for Career and Technical Education
23	Programs, §804.41
24 25	The Commission proposes the repeal of the following section of Chapter 804, relating to
26 27	the Jobs and Education for Texans (JET) Grant Program, as follows:
28 29	Subchapter B. Advisory Board Composition, Meeting Guidelines, §804.14
30	PART I. PURPOSE, BACKGROUND, AND AUTHORITY
31	PART II. EXPLANATION OF INDIVIDUAL PROVISIONS
32	PART III. IMPACT STATEMENTS
33	PART IV. COORDINATION ACTIVITIES
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35	PART I. PURPOSE, BACKGROUND, AND AUTHORITY The number of the Chapter 804 males is to comply with the magninements of House Bill
36 37	The purpose of the Chapter 804 rules is to comply with the requirements of House Bill
38	(HB) 3062, enacted by the 84th Texas Legislature, Regular Session (2015), which transferred the administration of the Jobs and Education for Texans (JET) Grant Program
39	from the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts (Comptroller) to the Texas Workforce
10	Commission (Agency) effective September 1, 2015. Per §8(a)(2) of HB 3062, the
‡0 ‡1	Comptroller's rules were transferred to the Agency and have been placed in 40 Texas
+1 12	Administrative Code, Chapter 804.
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14	HB 3062 changed the makeup of the JET advisory board by removing a member of the
 15	public designated by the Comptroller and by designating the Chairman of the Agency's
16	three-member Commission as presiding officer of the advisory board. The bill's primary
17	purpose was to include independent school districts (ISDs) as eligible grantees.

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4	SUBCHAPTER A. DEFINITIONS The Grant of the first state of the first s
5	The Commission proposes the following amendments to Subchapter A:
6	8904.1 Definitions
7	§804.1. Definitions
8 9	Section 804.1(1) defines "Act." Based on a review of the JET rules transferred from the Comptroller, the Agency updates "Act" to properly reference HB 3062.
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11	The previous §804.1(5) definition of "Comptroller" has been removed, as it is no longer
12	applicable to this chapter.
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14 15	New §804.1(5) defines "Developmental education." Based on a review of the JET rules transferred from the Comptroller, the Agency retains this definition and renumbers
16	accordingly.
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18 19	New §804.1(6) defines "Emerging industry." Based on a review of the JET rules transferred from the Comptroller, the Agency retains this definition and renumbers
20	accordingly.
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22	New §804.1(7) defines "High-demand occupation." Based on a review of the JET rules
23	transferred from the Comptroller, the Agency retains this definition and renumbers
24	accordingly, with slight modifications. The Agency proposes to amend this definition to
25	state that the Agency may use specific factors to determine whether there is a substantial
26	need for a particular profession, trade, or skill in occupations identified by the 28 Local
27	Workforce Development Boards (Boards), i.e., Board-Area Target Occupations Lists
28	and/or the Agency's labor market projections.
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30	New §804.1(8) adds a new definition for "ISD" as an independent school district, per HB
31	3062, and is renumbered accordingly.
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33	The definition in §804.1(9) of "in-kind contribution" is removed, as it no longer applies
34	to this chapter.
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36	New §804.1(9) retains the definition for "JET" and is renumbered accordingly.
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38	New §804.1(10) defines "Notice of Availability or NOA." Based on a review of the JET
39	rules transferred from the Comptroller, the Agency retains this definition, updating it to
40	replace "Comptroller" with "Agency" pursuant to HB 3062, and renumbers accordingly.
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42	New §804.1(11) defines "Public junior college." Based on a review of the JET rules
43	transferred from the Comptroller, the Agency retains this definition, with a minor
44	addition of the word "Texas" in reference to the "Education Code," and renumbers
45	accordingly.

- New §804.1(12) defines "Public technical institute." Based on a review of the JET rules
- 2 transferred from the Comptroller, the Agency retains this definition, with a minor
- addition of the word "Texas" in reference to the "Education Code," and renumbers
- 4 accordingly.

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SUBCHAPTER B. ADVISORY BOARD COMPOSITION, MEETING GUIDELINES

The Commission proposes the following amendments to Subchapter B:

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§804.11. Advisory Board Purpose and Composition

Section 804.11(a) establishes the purpose of the advisory board. The Agency proposes to amend §804.11(a) to remove references to "Comptroller" and replace with "Agency."

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- Previous §804.11(b) designates the presiding officer of the JET advisory board as the
- 15 Comptroller. The Agency proposes to replace with new §804.11(b)(1) (6), adding the
- composition of the advisory board and modifying this section to reflect statutory
- language by replacing "Comptroller" with "Commission chair," consistent with HB 3062.

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§804.12. Meetings Required

Section 804.12(a) explains that the advisory board is required to meet at least once each quarter to review received applications and recommend awarding grants to public junior colleges and public technical institutes. The Agency proposes to amend this subsection to reflect the changes enacted by HB 3062, including allowing the advisory board to meet "as needed," and adding ISDs as eligible grantees.

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§804.13. General Advisory Board Responsibilities

Section 804.13 states that the advisory board is responsible for providing advice and recommendations to the Comptroller. The Agency proposes amendments to reflect changes in statutory language, including changing "Comptroller" to "Agency" in §804.13 and §804.13(2) and adding ISDs to §804.13(1).

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§804.14. General Comptroller Responsibilities to the Advisory Board

Section 804.14 is repealed because its provisions are duplicated in §804.11 (b) and it now serves no substantive purpose.

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SUBCHAPTER C. GRANT PROGRAM

The Commission proposes the following amendments to Subchapter C:

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§804.21. General Statement of Purpose

- Section 804.21 sets forth the purpose for the JET program as awarding grants from the
- 41 JET fund for the development of career and technical education programs at public junior
- 42 colleges and public technical institutes that meet the requirements of Texas Education
- Code §134.006. The Agency proposes to amend Section 804.21 to add ISDs as eligible
- grantees and to include §134.007 of the Texas Education Code pertaining to ISDs in
- alignment with the statutory language in HB 3062.

§804.22. Notice of Grant Availability and Application

2 Section 804.22 of the rules transferred from the Comptroller contains an outdated 3

reference to the "Comptroller." The Agency proposes to replace "Comptroller" with

"Agency" to comply with §302.002 of the Texas Labor Code.

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§804.23. Grant Award and Acceptance

Section 804.23 of the rules transferred from the Comptroller contains an outdated 7 reference to the "Comptroller." The Agency proposes to replace "Comptroller" with 8

"Agency" to comply with §302.002 of the Texas Labor Code.

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§804.24. Reporting Requirements

Section 804.24 of the rules transferred from the Comptroller provides that a public junior college and public technical institute receiving a grant under this chapter must comply with all reporting requirements of the contract in a frequency and format determined by the Comptroller in order to maintain eligibility for grant payments. Failure to comply with the reporting requirements may result in termination of the grant award and the entity being ineligible for future grants under this chapter. The Agency proposes to amend §804.24 to add ISDs to the list of eligible grantees and to reference "Agency" instead of "Comptroller."

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§804.25. Enforcement

- Section 804.25(a) of the rules transferred from the Comptroller sets forth the requirement
- that grant funds must be used in compliance with the terms of the contract for the 23
- purposes designated in the contract or they will be subject to refund by the grantee, 24
- disqualification from receiving further funds under this chapter, or any other available 25
- legal remedies. If deemed appropriate, the grantee may also be referred to another 26
- department or agency including, but not limited to, the Attorney General's Office, the 27
- 28 Comptroller's Criminal Investigation Division, or the Comptroller's Internal Audit
- Department. The Agency proposes to amend §804.25(a) to remove outdated references 29
- to "Comptroller" divisions and departments, and to reflect the Agency's oversight staff, 30
- 31 including the State Auditor's Office and the Agency's Office of Investigations to align 32 with the statutory language provided in HB 3062.

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- Section 804.25(b) of the rules transferred from the Comptroller states that the
- Comptroller or its designee may audit the use of funds. The Agency proposes to replace 35
- "Comptroller or the comptroller's designee" with "Agency" to comply with §302.002 of 36 37 the Texas Labor Code.

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SUBCHAPTER D. GRANTS TO EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS FOR

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

The Commission proposes the following amendments to Subchapter D:

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§804.41. Grants for Career and Technical Education Programs

- Section 804.41(a) of the rules transferred from the Comptroller sets forth the guidelines 44
- for JET grants awarded to public junior colleges and public technical institutes for the 45
- development of career and technical education programs that meet the requirements of 46
- Texas Education Code §134.006 and Texas Government Code §403.356. The Agency 47

proposes to add ISDs to the list of eligible grantees and to include a cross-reference to

Texas Education Code §134.007 pertaining to ISDs to align with the statutory language

3 in HB 3062.

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- Section 804.41(c) of the rules transferred from the Comptroller states that in awarding a grant under this subchapter, the Comptroller shall primarily consider the potential economic returns to the state from the development of the career and technical education
- course or program. The Comptroller may also consider whether the course or program:
- 9 (1) is part of a new, emerging industry or high-demand occupation;
- 10 (2) offers new or expanded dual credit career and technical educational opportunities 11 in public high schools; or
 - (3) is provided in cooperation with other public junior colleges or public technical institutes across existing service areas.

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The Agency proposes to amend this subsection by replacing references to "Comptroller" with "Agency."

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- Section 804.41(d) of the rules transferred from the Comptroller states that a grant recipient shall provide the matching funds as identified in its application.
- 20 (1) Matching funds may be obtained from any source available to the college, 21 including industry consortia, community or foundation grants, individual contributions, 22 and local governmental agency operating funds.
- 23 (2) A grant recipient's matching share may consist of one or more of the following contributions:
- 25 (A) cash:
- 26 (B) in kind contributions or equipment use;
- 27 (B) equipment, equipment use, materials, or supplies;
- 28 (C) personnel or curriculum development cost; and/or
- 29 (D) administrative costs that are directly attributable to the project.
- 30 (3) The matching funds must be expended on the same project for which the grant funds are provided and valued in a manner acceptable or as determined by the
- 32 comptroller.

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The Agency proposes to amend this section to align with the statutory language provided in HB 3062 by removing "in-kind contributions or equipment use" from the list of allowable matching contributions, relettering this section, and replacing references to "Comptroller" with "Agency".

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PART III. IMPACT STATEMENTS

Randy Townsend, Chief Financial Officer, has determined that for each year of the first five years the rules will be in effect, the following statements will apply:

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There are no additional estimated costs to the state and to local governments expected as a result of enforcing or administering the rules.

There are no estimated cost reductions to the state and to local governments as a result of 1 2 enforcing or administering the rules.

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There are no estimated losses or increases in revenue to the state or to local governments as a result of enforcing or administering the rules.

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There are no foreseeable implications relating to costs or revenue of the state or local governments as a result of enforcing or administering the rules.

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There are no anticipated economic costs to persons required to comply with the rules.

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There is no anticipated adverse economic impact on small or microbusinesses as a result of enforcing or administering the rules.

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Economic Impact Statement and Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

The Agency has determined that the proposed rules will not have an adverse economic 16 17

impact on small businesses as these proposed rules place no requirements on small

businesses. 18

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Doyle Fuchs, Director of Labor Market and Career Information, has determined that there is no significant negative impact upon employment conditions in the state as a result of the rules.

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Reagan Miller, Director, Workforce Development Division, has determined that for each year of the first five years the rules are in effect, the public benefit anticipated as a result of enforcing the proposed rules will be to ensure that public junior colleges, public technical institutes, and ISDs that meet the requirements of Texas Education Code §134.006 and §134.007 have opportunities through the JET grant program to develop new career and technical education programs or to enhance existing career and technical education programs.

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The Agency hereby certifies that the proposal has been reviewed by legal counsel and found to be within the Agency's legal authority to adopt.

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PART IV. COORDINATION ACTIVITIES

In the development of these rules for publication and public comment, the Commission

37 sought the involvement of Texas' 28 Boards. The Commission provided the policy

concept regarding these rule amendments to the Boards for consideration and review on 38

39 May 31, 2016. The Commission also conducted a conference call with Board executive

directors and Board staff on June 10, 2016, to discuss the policy concept. During the 40 41

rulemaking process, the Commission considered all information gathered in order to 42 develop rules that provide clear and concise direction to all parties involved.

- 44 Comments on the proposed rules may be submitted to TWC Policy Comments,
- Workforce Policy and Service Delivery, attn: Workforce Editing, 101 East 15th Street, 45
- Room 440T, Austin, Texas 78778; faxed to (512) 475-3577; or e-mailed to 46

1	TWCPolicyComments@twc.state.tx.us. Comments must be received or postmarked no
2	later than 30 days from the date this proposal is published in the <i>Texas Register</i> .
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4	The rules are proposed under Texas Labor Code §301.0015 and §302.002(d), which
5	provide the Texas Workforce Commission with the authority to adopt, amend, or repeal
6	such rules as it deems necessary for the effective administration of Agency services and
7	activities.
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9	The rules affect Title 4, Texas Labor Code, particularly Chapters 301 and 302.
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5 §804.1. Definitions.		
7 8 9		owing words and terms, when used in this chapter shall have the g meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.
10 11 12 13 14	(1)	ActThis term has the meaning given in Education Code, Chapter 134, as adopted by House Bill 3, 81st Legislature, 2009, and House Bill 437, 83rd Legislature, 2013. relating to the Jobs and Education for Texans Grant Program in Texas Education Code, Chapter 134.
15 16 17	(2)	Advisory boardThe advisory board of education and workforce stakeholders created pursuant to the Act.
18 19 20 21	(3)	Career and technical educationOrganized educational activities that offer a sequence of courses that:
22 23 24 25 26		(A) provides individuals with coherent and rigorous content aligned with challenging academic standards and relevant technical knowledge and skills needed to prepare for further education and careers in high-demand occupations or emerging industries;
27 28 29 30 31		(B) includes competency-based applied learning that contributes to the academic knowledge, problem-solving skills, work attitudes, general employability skills, technical skills, and occupation-specific skills, and knowledge of all aspects of an industry, including entrepreneurship, of an individual; or
32 33 34		(C) provides a license, a certificate, or a postsecondary degree.
35 36 37 38 39 40	(4)	Certificate or degree completionAny grouping of workforce or technical courses in sequential order that, when satisfactorily completed by a student, will entitle the student to a Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB)_(Coordinating Board)approved certificate or associate degree from a public technical institute or public junior college.
41 42 43	(5)	Comptroller The Comptroller of Public Accounts. 6) Developmental education Structured courses tutorials Jahoratorias
44 45 46	<u>(3) (</u>	6)Developmental educationStructured courses, tutorials, laboratories, or other proven instructional efforts that successfully prepare students for college level (and therefore work-ready) courses as measured by

1	passing the state-required college entrance exam (or meeting the Texas
2	Success Initiative requirements).
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4 	(6)(7)Emerging industryA growing, evolving or developing industry based
5	on new technological products or concepts.
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7	(7)(8) High-demand occupationA job, profession, skill, or trade for which
8 I o	employers within the State of Texas generally, or within particular
9	regions or cities of the state, have or will have a substantial need. In
10 L 11	determining whether there is or will be a substantial need for a
11	particular job, profession, trade, or skill, the Agency comptroller may
12	consider: (A) occupations identified by the 28 Local Workforce
13	Development Boards (Board-Area Target Occupations Lists) the list of
14	high demand occupations and/or the Agency's its labor market
15	projections;.
16 17	(B) whether the occupation has been targeted for Workforce I
18	nvestment Act (WIA) training as a result of employer or
19	community input; or
20	community input, or
20	(C) research, projections, or workforce data that are compiled by the
22	comptroller or derived from one of the following sources:
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24	(i) the Texas Workforce Commission:
25	(i) the Texas Workforce Commission,
26	(ii) the United States Department of Labor; or
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28	(iii) another source, such as a letter from employers, which provides
29	evidence that a particular job, profession, skill, or trade will
30	provide potential economic benefits to the state or a local or
31	regional area within the state.
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33	(9) In kind contribution A cash value placed on a non-monetary
34	contribution or investment.
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36	(8) ISDIndependent school district.
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38	(9)(10) JETThe Jobs and Education for Texans Grant Program.
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40	(10)(11) Notice of Availability or NOAThe notice of availability that is
41	published by the Agency comptroller pursuant to §804.22 §8.22 of
42	—this title (relating to Notice of Grant Availability and Application).
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44	(11)(12) Public junior collegeAny junior college certified by the Texas
45	Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) (Coordinating Board)
46	in accordance with Texas Education Code §61,003.

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2	(12)(13) Public technical instituteThe Lamar Institute of Technology or
3	the Texas State Technical College System, as in accordance with <u>Texas</u>
4	Education Code §61.003.
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6 7	SUBCHAPTER B. ADVISORY BOARD COMPOSITION, MEETING GUIDELINES
8	§804.11. Advisory Board Purpose and Composition.
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10	(a) The advisory board shall assist the Agency comptroller in administering the
11	Jobs and Education for Texans (JET) Grant ProgramJET.
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13	(b) The comptroller is the presiding officer of the board.
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15	(b) The advisory board is composed of six members who serve two-year terms,
16	and are appointed as follows:
17	(1) one member appointed by the governor
18 19	(1) one member appointed by the governor;
20	(2) one member appointed by the lieutenant governor;
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22	(3) one member appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives;
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24	(4) one member appointed by the Coordinating Board;
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26	(5) one member appointed by the Commission; and
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28	(6) the Commission chair, who serves as the presiding officer.
29 30	§804.12. Meetings Required.
31	8004.12. Meetings Required.
32	(a) The advisory board is required to meet at least once each quarter, or as
33	needed, to review received applications and recommend awarding grants
34	under this chapter to public junior colleges, public technical institutes, and
35	ISDs. to public junior colleges and public technical institutes.
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37	(b) Meetings may be called at the request of the board's presiding officer.
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39	(b)(e) Meetings shall be subject to the requirements of the Open Meetings Act.
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41 42	§804.13. General Advisory Board Responsibilities.
42	The advisory board shall provide advice and recommendations to the Agency
44	comptroller on:
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1	(1)	the manner in which public junior colleges, and public technical
2		institutes, and ISDs apply for Jobs and Education for Texans (JET)
3		Grant Program JET grants; and
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5	(2)	the JET grants to be awarded by the Agency comptroller.
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7	§804.14. G	eneral Comptroller Responsibilities to the Advisory Board.
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9	The com	ptroller serves as presiding officer of the board. The presiding officer
10	shall perf	Form all duties and responsibilities imposed by law and in this chapter.
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12	SUBCHAPTER C.	GRANT PROGRAM
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14	§804.21. Ge	eneral Statement of Purpose.
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16	In accord	lance with the Act, the Agency comptroller establishes the Jobs and
17	Educatio	n for Texans (JET) Grant Program JET, which shall be administered
18	pursuant to the Act and the rules in this chapter to award grants from the JET fund	
19	for the development of new career and technical education programs at public	
20	junior colleges, and public technical institutes, and ISDs that meet the	
21	requirements of <u>Texas</u> Education Code, §134.006 and §134.007.	
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23	§804.22. No	otice of Grant Availability and Application.
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25	(a) Fron	n time to time, the Agency comptroller may publish a Notice of
26	Avai	lability (NOA) of grant funds under this chapter. The notice shall be
27	publ	ished in the <i>Texas Register</i> and on the <u>Agency's website-comptroller's</u>
28	Web	site. In addition to the respective purpose for each grant program under
29	this o	chapter, the notice may include:
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31	(1)	the total grant funds available for award;
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33	(2)	the minimum and maximum amount of grant funds available for each
34		grant recipient;
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36	(3)	eligibility criteria;
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38	(4)	application requirements;
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40	(5)	grant award and evaluation criteria;
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42	(6)	any grant requirements in addition to those set forth in this chapter;
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44	(7)	the date by which the application must be submitted to the Agency
45		comptroller ;
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1	(8) the anticipated date of grant awards; and
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3	(9) any other information or instructions necessary and appropriate for
4	awarding the grant as determined by the Agency comptroller.
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6	(b) To be eligible for a grant award, an applicant meeting the eligibility criteria
7	identified in the NOA shall submit an application in the form and manner as
8	prescribed by the Agency comptroller in the NOA.
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10	(c) The Agency comptroller may request additional information at any time prior
11	to grant award in order to effectively evaluate any application.
12	8804 22 Creat Award and Acceptance
13 14	§804.23. Grant Award and Acceptance.
15	(a) To award a grant, the Agency comptroller shall provide a grant contract to the
16	grant recipient that shall contain all the terms and conditions for the use of
17	the grant funds.
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19	(b) To receive grant funds, an applicant must execute and return the contract to
20	the Agency comptroller's office.
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22	§804.24. Reporting Requirements.
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24	A public junior college, or public technical institute, or ISD-receiving a grant
25	under this chapter must comply with all reporting requirements of the contract in
26	a frequency and format determined by the Agency comptroller in order to
27	maintain eligibility for grant payments. Failure to comply with the reporting
28	requirements may result in termination of the grant award and the entity being
29	ineligible for future grants under this chapter.
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31	§804.25. Enforcement.
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33	(a) Grant funds must be used in compliance with the terms of the contract for the
34	purposes designated in the contract or will be subject to refund by the
35	grantee, disqualification from receiving further funds under this chapter, or
36	any other available legal remedies. If deemed appropriate, the grantee may
37	also be referred to another department or agency including, but not limited to,
38	the State Auditor's Office and the Agency's Office of Investigations the
39	Attorney General's Office, the Comptroller's Criminal Investigation Division,
40	or the Comptroller's Internal Audit Department.
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42	(b) The Agency comptroller or the comptroller's designee may audit the use of
43	funds.

45 46 47 SUBCHAPTER ED. GRANTS TO EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

1 §804.41. Grants for Career and Technical Education Programs. 2 3 (a) This subchapter is applicable to the Jobs and Education for Texans (JET) Grant Program awards to public junior colleges, and public technical 4 institutes, and ISDs for the development of career and technical education 5 programs that meet the requirements of Texas Education Code, §§134.006 -6 134.007 and Texas Government Code, §403.356. 7 9 (b) A grant received under this subchapter may be used only: 10 11 (1) to support courses or programs that prepare students for career employment in occupations that are identified by local business 12 businesses as being in high demand; 13 14 to finance the initial costs of career and technical education courses or 15 (2) program development, including the costs of purchasing equipment, 16 and other expenses associated with the development of an appropriate 17 course: and 18 19 20 to finance a career and technical education course or program that leads (3) 21 to a license, certificate, or postsecondary degree. 22 23 (c) In awarding a grant under this subchapter, the Agency comptroller shall primarily consider the potential economic returns to the state from the 24 development of the career and technical education course or program. The 25 Agency comptroller may also consider whether the course or program: 26 27 28 (1) is part of a new, emerging industry or high-demand occupation; 29 30 (2) offers new or expanded dual-credit career and technical educational opportunities in public high schools; or 31 32 33 (3) is provided in cooperation with other public junior colleges or public technical institutes across existing service areas. 34 35 (d) A grant recipient shall provide the matching funds as identified in its 36 application. 37 38 39 Matching funds may be obtained from any source available to the 40 college, including in kind contributions, industry consortia, community or foundation grants, individual contributions, and local governmental 41 agency operating funds. 42 43 A grant recipient's matching share may consist of one or more of the 44 (2) following contributions: 45 46

1	(A) cash;
2 3	(B) in kind contributions or equipment use;
5	(B)(C) equipment, equipment use, materials, or supplies;
6 7	(C) (D) personnel or curriculum development cost; and/or
8 9 10	(D) (E) administrative costs that are directly attributable to the project.
11 12 13 14	The matching funds must be expended on the same project for which the grant funds are provided and valued in a manner acceptable or as determined by the Agency comptroller.
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