



## Adult Education – House Bills 81<sup>st</sup> Legislative Session

In this struggling economy, Americans are learning the immense value of education. Though Texas has one of the largest workforces in the nation, one out of every five adult Texans lacks a high school diploma. As basic literacy and basic technology and career skills are vital for economic success, Texans must acknowledge that educational services that increase these skills are an investment in our future. Over 10 million Texans need adult educational services, yet only about 100,000 individuals receive them. Innovations in delivering adult education and increased funding are necessary for an educated workforce.

Several bills are making their way through the process that would improve adult literacy, stimulate our Texas workforce through career and technology training and address our state's colonia situation.

### Critical Adult Education and Career Training House Bills:

HB 516 by Strama “Green Job Training and Literacy Grant Funding”

Last Action: Passed out of House Technology, Economic Development and Workforce Committee

**Request: Calendars Committee to “set” the bill to be voted on by the full House on the floor**

HB 1935 by Villarreal “Establishing Texas Adult Career Education Grant Program”

Last Action: Passed out of House Technology, Economic Development and Workforce Committee

**Request: Calendars Committee to “set” the bill to be voted on by the full House on the floor**

HB 2492 by Strama “Establishing the Texas YouthBuild Program”

Last Action: Left Pending in House Technology, Economic Development and Workforce Committee

**Request: Vote HB 2492 out of House Technology, Economic Development and Workforce Committee**

HB 2812 by Swinford “Career and Technology Education at Public Institutions”

Last Action: Left pending in House Public Education Committee

**Request: Vote HB 2812 out of House Public Education Committee**

HB 3241 by “Mondo” Martinez “Colonia Counties Work Group”

Last Action: Left Pending in House Technology, Economic Development and Workforce Committee

**Request: Vote HB 3241 out of House Technology, Economic Development and Workforce Committee**

HB 4328 by Strama (Companion to SB 1543 by Uresti)

Last Action: Passed out of House Technology, Economic Development and Workforce Committee

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**Please support these bills as they come before you either in committee, in Calendars or on the House floor.**