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05/18/2017 – Perkins Act Moves Out of House Committee

As a member of the Opportunity America Jobs and Careers Coalition, CIRT joined a cross-section of organizations in support of *The Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act* (H.R. 2353). On Wednesday, during CIRT's spring conference, the reauthorizing bill for Perkins CTE Act passed *unanimously* in the House Ed & Workforce Committee. Next stop is the House floor, probably in June, where it is anticipated the bill should have fairly-smooth sailing. The real challenge will come in the Senate where last-year's version of the bill was hung-up on details and left to expire with the end of the 114th Congress. The key player in the Senate is Senate HELP Committee – Chairman Lamar Alexander. [See, [the Coalition letter for details](#)]