

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 36

BY COMMERCE AND HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 STATING FINDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE AND RECOGNIZING NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP
2 WEEK.
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4 Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

5 WHEREAS, the year 2016 marks the seventy-seventh anniversary of the en-
6 actment of the Shelley-Maloney Apprentice Labor Standards Act of 1939; and
7 WHEREAS, apprenticeship has been recognized over the centuries as a
8 proven method of passing on essential skills from one generation to another;
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10 WHEREAS, apprenticeships provide the opportunity to combine paid,
11 on-the-job training with significant career education; and

12 WHEREAS, apprenticeships provide employers in every industry the tools
13 necessary to develop a highly skilled workforce that will help increase
14 their business; and

15 WHEREAS, apprenticeships provide instructional rigor and quality
16 training and promote the development of high work standards; and

17 WHEREAS, apprenticeships lead to higher wages and long-term successful
18 careers; and

19 WHEREAS, Idaho has 130 registered apprenticeship programs represent-
20 ing more than 200 employers, with approximately 950 registered apprentices
21 in such industries as advanced manufacturing, construction, energy, govern-
22 ment, mining and timber; and

23 WHEREAS, approximately 350-400 new apprentices are registered annually
24 in Idaho; and

25 WHEREAS, apprenticeships provide a good return on investment for em-
26 ployers and workers; and

27 WHEREAS, National Apprenticeship Week affords the opportunity for the
28 apprenticeship community to educate the public about the benefits of appren-
29 ticeships and serves as an invitation to employers, students and workers to
30 learn about the real-world advantages of developing careers through adop-
31 tion of the apprenticeship model.

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the Second Regular Ses-
33 sion of the Sixty-third Idaho Legislature, the House of Representatives and
34 the Senate concurring therein, that the State of Idaho recognize National
35 Apprenticeship Week at the time declared by the United States Department of
36 Labor.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the citizens of Idaho are encouraged, both
38 during National Apprenticeship Week and throughout the year, to acknowledge
39 the value of apprenticeships in the state's economy and workforce.