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110TH CONGRESS  
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**H. R.** \_\_\_\_\_

To amend the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 to include workforce investment programs on the Internet.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. HOLT introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**A BILL**

To amend the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 to include workforce investment programs on the Internet.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 The Act may be cited as the "Online Job Training  
5 Act of 2008".

1 **SEC. 2. WORKFORCE INVESTMENT PROGRAMS ON THE**  
2 **INTERNET.**

3 Section 171 of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998  
4 (29 U.S.C. 2916) is amended by adding at the end the  
5 following:

6 “(e) **WORKFORCE INVESTMENT PROGRAMS ON THE**  
7 **INTERNET.—**

8 “(1) **GRANTS TO STATES.—** The Secretary shall  
9 make 1 grant of not more than \$100,000 to each  
10 State to demonstrate progress in implementing work-  
11 force investment programs that enable individuals to  
12 take courses on the Internet to enhance employment  
13 opportunities within its workforce investment system  
14 under subtitle B. A State may use such grant to le-  
15 verage other Federal, State, local, and private re-  
16 sources, in order to expand the participation of busi-  
17 nesses, employees, and individuals in such workforce  
18 investment programs.

19 “(2) **GRANT TO POSTSECONDARY EDUCATIONAL**  
20 **INSTITUTION.—**

21 “(A) **DESCRIPTION OF GRANT.—**The Sec-  
22 retary shall make 1 grant of not more than  
23 \$1,000,000 to 1 eligible postsecondary edu-  
24 cational institution to provide the services de-  
25 scribed in this paragraph.

1           “(B) ELIGIBILITY.—To be eligible to re-  
2           ceive a grant under this subsection, a postsec-  
3           ondary educational institution shall—

4                   “(i) have a proven record of working  
5                   with State and local workforce investment  
6                   boards in developing and evaluating work-  
7                   force investment programs described in  
8                   paragraph (1) for statewide and local  
9                   workforce investment systems under sub-  
10                  title B;

11                  “(ii) have demonstrated ability to dis-  
12                  seminate research on best practices for im-  
13                  plementing such workforce investment pro-  
14                  grams; and

15                  “(iii) be a national leader in pro-  
16                  ducing cutting-edge research on technology  
17                  related to workforce investment systems  
18                  under subtitle B.

19           “(C) SERVICES.—The postsecondary edu-  
20           cational institution that receives a grant under  
21           this subsection shall use such grant—

22                   “(i) to collaborate with, and to pro-  
23                   vide technical assistance to, States that re-  
24                   ceive grants under paragraph (1);

1                   “(ii) to conduct and to disseminate re-  
2                   search on best practices for implementing  
3                   workforce investment programs described  
4                   in paragraph (1) to such States; and

5                   “(iii) to demonstrate and to share cut-  
6                   ting-edge technological innovations in skills  
7                   training with such States.”.

8 **SEC. 3. LIMITATION ON AUTHORITY.**

9                   The authority under the amendments made by this  
10                  Act shall be effective only to the extent, and in such  
11                  amounts as, provided in advance in appropriations Acts.