

**Bill History**  
**Session Year 2026**  
**Substitute for Raised H.B. No. 5478**

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**Introducer(s):**

Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee

**Title:** AN ACT SUPPORTING "LEARN AND EARN" INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES.

**Statement of Purpose:** To (1) require support for paid internship programs at small businesses, (2) provide grants to students who receive federal Pell grants to assist such students in obtaining internships, (3) require institutions of higher education to report about internship opportunities offered through such institutions, (4) establish a state quality seal for quality internships, (5) extend the human capital investment tax credit for salaries paid to interns, and (6) establish a grant program for nonprofit organizations to offset the cost of salaries paid to interns.

**Bill History:**

03-05-2026 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee

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04-20-2026 NO NEW FILE BY COMMITTEE ON Appropriations Committee

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**Co-sponsor(s):**

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Rep. Frank Smith, 118th Dist.

Rep. Nick Gauthier, 38th Dist.

Rep. Michael "MJ" Shannon, 117th Dist.

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