

**260C.44 Apprenticeship programs.**

1. Each community college is authorized to establish or contract for the establishment of apprenticeship programs for apprenticeable occupations. Any apprenticeship program established under [this section](#) shall comply with requirements established by the United States department of labor, office of apprenticeship. Participation in an apprenticeship program or apprenticeship agreement by an apprenticeship sponsor shall be on a voluntary basis.

2. For purposes of [this section](#):

a. “*Apprentice*” means a person who is at least sixteen years of age, except where a higher minimum age is required by law, who is employed in an apprenticeable occupation, and is registered with the United States department of labor, office of apprenticeship.

b. “*Apprenticeable occupation*” means an occupation approved for apprenticeship by the United States department of labor, office of apprenticeship.

c. “*Apprenticeship program*” means a plan, registered with the United States office of apprenticeship which contains the terms and conditions for the qualification, recruitment, selection, employment, and training of apprentices, including the requirement for a written apprenticeship agreement.

d. “*Apprenticeship sponsor*” means a person operating an apprenticeship program or in whose name an apprenticeship program is being operated, registered, or approved.

[90 Acts, ch 1253, §46](#)

C91, §280A.44

C93, §260C.44

[2010 Acts, ch 1069, §35](#); [2010 Acts, ch 1193, §47](#)

Referred to in [§15.343](#), [260F.6B](#)