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The trucking industry is disproportionately affected by generational gaps in the workforce. As Boomers and GenX drivers retire, they're not being replaced by enough Millennials and Gen Y. This driver shortage decreases the State's capacity to transport goods and provide commercial driving services, thus reducing capacity and increasing freight costs. This bill will increase opportunities for the younger generation, particularly those from unprivileged backgrounds and people of color, to obtain a trade-level education and pathway to the middle class.