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The Skills First Coalition, a consortium of employers and innovative education providers advocating for policies that invest in and strengthen the alignment between education and skills training for in-demand jobs, is writing today to express our **strong support for the Workforce Pell provisions within the One Big Beautiful Bill Act.**

As artificial intelligence and other emerging technologies transform industries and jobs, it is critical that we modernize the way Americans access federal student financial aid as they seek learning opportunities to gain in-demand skills that employers are looking for today and put them on career paths for jobs of tomorrow. By offering financial assistance to learners pursuing vocational and technical training, this provision will bridge the gap between education and employment, fostering a more skilled and competitive workforce.

We commend the inclusion of Workforce Pell into the One Big Beautiful Bill Act and offer our support for this important provision.

Sincerely,

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