117TH CONGRESS
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To amend the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act to raise public awareness for skilled trade programs, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on ___________________

A BILL

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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 This Act may be cited as the “Creating Opportunities to Thrive and Advance Act” or the “COTA Act”.
SEC. 2. CAREER GUIDANCE AND PUBLIC AWARENESS FOR SKILLED TRADE PROGRAMS.

Section 223(a)(2) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3303(a)(2)) is amended—

(1) by redesignating subparagraph (M) as subparagraph (O); and

(2) by inserting the following:

“(M) Providing guidance on career options in high-skill, high-wage, or in-demand industry sectors or occupations in current or emerging professions (including skilled trades).

“(N) Raising public awareness and conducting public service announcements about career and technical education programs and community-based organizations, including through social media campaigns and other endeavors, focused on programs that prepare students for high-skill, high-wage, or in-demand industry sectors or occupations in current or emerging professions (including skilled trades).”.