## **PERKINS V**

## **PURPOSE AND INTENT OF PERKINS**

**The Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21**<sup>st</sup> **Century Act ("Perkins V")** *is focused on systems alignment and program improvement. Perkins is critical to ensuring that programs are prepared to meet the ever-changing needs of learners and employers. Perkins affords states and local communities the opportunity to implement a vision for CTE that uniquely supports the range of educational needs of students, encourages exploration through career preparation and balances those student needs with the current and emerging needs of the economy.* 

