Study on Consolidation of Workforce

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- * Single location to access all possible services
- Businesses know who to contact for all human resource needs
- Customers provide eligibility information multiple times for multiple agency data systems creating frustration for customers
- Customers more willingly to stay engaged in employment process because of a single human connection

- Combining programs would eliminate duplicative administrative functions, such as financial processing, policy development, oversight, and personnel functions
- Reduction in administrative overhead translates to more dollars to create employment opportunities for customers
- Potential funding cuts to a single program would not threaten the organization's survival

- WIOA requires the collaboration of employment activities at the local level
- Typically America's Job Centers in Oklahoma only have WIOA Title 1 and Employment Security Commission staff. Both serve all customers by offering career services
- Multiple locations for services create disengagement for customers thereby reducing the pipeline of potential workers for business

- * Proposed consolidated programs include:
- * WIOA Title I
 - * Adult, Dislocated Worker, Youth, Business Services
- Employment Security Commission
 - Wagner/Peyser, TAA, Veteran's, Federal Bonding, Alien Labor, UI Reemployment
- Department of Career Technology Education
 - * Adult Basic Education
- Department of Rehabilitation Services
 - * Vocational Rehabilitation, Visual Services
- Department of Human Services
 - * Child Care Subsidies, TANF Employment, SNAP Employment

- A single Oklahoma Workforce entity would not only save administrative cost but focus on a single mission of improving Oklahoma's Talent Pipeline to benefit all citizens of the State
- Local Business led Workforce Boards focus on improving the economic conditions of their local communities by aligning services to create a pool of skilled workers for their demand occupations to ensure the continued competitiveness of the business community in their region