## **HOUSE BILL 12**

By Reedy

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-708, relative to the Tennessee Promise Scholarship Act of 2014.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-708(c)(4), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead the following:

(4)

- (A) Scholarship recipients shall participate in mentoring and community service programs under the rules promulgated by TSAC. TSAC shall develop the selection and renewal criteria for students and shall have the authority to work with outside organizations to develop the most effective means for delivering the scholarships. In selecting outside organizations for participation in the Tennessee Promise scholarship program, TSAC shall give preference to locally established entities that meet designated standards specified by the program's promulgated rules.
- (B) A blood donation, as defined in § 68-32-101(a)(2)(A)(i), shall count as one (1) hour of community service credit. TSAC shall promulgate by rule the documentation required in order for a student to obtain community service credit for a blood donation;

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017, the public welfare requiring it.