

HOUSE BILL 15

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 6, relative to summer school for students in grades kindergarten through five (K-5).

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 31, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) Beginning with the 2020-2021 school year, a student in any grade kindergarten through five (K-5) who is identified as in need of Tier II or Tier III interventions according to the response to instruction and intervention (RTI²) framework developed by the department of education must participate in an LEA-approved research-based intervention before the beginning of the next school year.

(b) Each student who participates in an LEA-approved research-based intervention pursuant to this section must be evaluated after completing the required intervention using RTI² screeners or assessments to measure the student's performance and progress, and to determine whether the student requires further intervention.

(c) If a student who is identified as in need of Tier II or Tier III interventions according to the RTI² framework does not participate in an LEA-approved research-based intervention before the beginning of the next school year, then the student must be retained in the upcoming school year.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.