

HOUSE BILL 19

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49,
Chapter 2, Part 2, relative to persons eligible to
serve on a local board of education.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-2-202(a), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:

(A) Notwithstanding subdivision (a)(3), a person is not eligible to serve as a member of the local board of education if that person is a relative of:

- (i) The LEA's director of schools;
- (ii) A member of the LEA's central office staff; or
- (iii) A member of the LEA's board of education.

(B) For purposes of this subdivision (a)():

- (i) "Central office staff" means a person employed by the director of schools for a position that provides administrative services to the LEA; and
- (ii) "Relative" has the same meaning as defined in subdivision (a)(3).

(C) This subdivision (a)() does not vacate the office of a member of a local board of education who is a relative of one (1) or more of the individuals listed in subdivision (a)()(A)(i)-(iii) and who is serving a term on the board for which the member was elected before July 1, 2019.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019, the public welfare requiring it.