

HOUSE BILL 620

By DeBerry J

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49,
relative to diplomas for students with disabilities.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-6001, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(g) In addition to a full diploma, a certificate of attendance, or a special education diploma, the board shall adopt an occupational diploma for students with disabilities. The board shall set appropriate standards and benchmarks of attendance, academic achievement, and job readiness skills for the occupational diploma. A student is not required to comply with the testing requirements of subdivision (a)(1) in order to receive an occupational diploma.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013, the public welfare requiring it.