



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 435

SENATE BILL NO. 1231

By White, Akbari

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1232

By Hemmer, White, Slater, Whitson, McCalmon, Brock Martin, Hawk

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, relative to education.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 2, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) A local board of education may contract with a private college or university accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges that has its primary campus domiciled in this state for the college or university to maintain a training school for grades pre-kindergarten through twelve (pre-K-12), or any combination of grades pre-kindergarten through twelve (pre-K-12), to provide practice teaching experience for teachers in training. The students enrolled in the training school must be taught the same course of study as prescribed by the state board of education for the LEA in grades pre-kindergarten through twelve (pre-K-12), or the grades appropriate for the particular school. Training schools must meet the same requirements established by law and the state board's rules for public schools.

(b) A college or university that has entered into a contract with a local board of education pursuant to subsection (a) may receive all state and federal funds received by the local board of education as a result of this contract for the operation of the training school, including TISA allocations and any other funds that may be allocated for the operation of public schools of this state. Training schools are eligible to receive grants and other funds in the same manner as the public schools in this state. The control of the school is wholly under the direction of the respective college or university.

(c) In the event the training school does not maintain a school for grades pre-kindergarten through twelve (pre-K-12), the contract between the college or university and the local board of education must direct the allocation of funds between the local board of education and the training school, as the parties determine necessary to best achieve the objective of providing practice teaching for teachers in training.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-8-105, is amended by deleting subsection (b) and substituting:

(b) Each institution, acting through its governing board, may contract with a local board of education to provide the teaching of the children of public school age in the training school, whereby the training school shall receive all state and federal funds received by the local board of education as a result of this contract for the operation of the training school, including TISA allocations and any other funds that may be allocated for the operation of public schools of this state. Training schools are eligible to receive grants and other funds in the same manner as the public schools in this state. The control of the school is wholly under the direction of the respective institution.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.


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PASSED: April 20, 2023


RANDY McNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE


CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 11th day of May 2023


BILL LEE, GOVERNOR