SENATE BILL 818 By Hensley

HOUSE BILL 1381

By Ragan

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 1 and Title 49, Chapter 6, relative to thirdgrade students.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-3115(a)(2), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:

(C) A student who is not proficient in ELA may be promoted if at least sixty-six percent (66%) of the third-grade students in the LEA or public charter school in which the student is enrolled achieve a performance level rating of "on track" or "mastered" on the ELA portion of the most recent TCAP test, and if the student's parent or guardian, teacher, and school principal mutually agree and recommend in writing that the student should be promoted to the next grade level. A recommendation under this subdivision (a)(2)(C) must be kept in the student's record.

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