

HOUSE BILL 1554

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49
and Chapter 475 of the Public Acts of 2019,
relative to K-12 education.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 475 of the Public Acts of 2019, is amended by deleting Section 1 and substituting instead the following:

(a) Tennessee comprehensive assessment program (TCAP) tests administered in the 2019-2020 school year must be administered in a paper format.

(b) Before TCAP tests are administered in the 2020-2021 school year, each LEA shall participate in an online verification test conducted by the department of education. The commissioner of education may, based on the results of the online verification test, authorize TCAP tests to be administered in a computerized format in the 2020-2021 school year and in subsequent school years.

(c) Beginning with the 2020-2021 school year, if the commissioner authorizes TCAP tests to be administered in a computerized format, then an LEA's local board of education may choose to administer TCAP tests to the LEA's students in a paper format. Each LEA must notify the department by September 1 of each year if the LEA has chosen to administer TCAP tests for the current school year in a paper format. The department must provide TCAP test materials in a paper format to each LEA choosing to administer TCAP tests in a paper format.

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