

HOUSE BILL 2024

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49,
relative to language assistance for students.

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:

() The department of education shall contract with the provider of the Tennessee comprehensive assessment program (TCAP) tests for the provision of language assistance services, during the administration of a TCAP test, to each student who received language assistance services in the classroom during the school year. The contract must require the provider to offer such language assistance services to each student who received language assistance services in the classroom during the school year at least fourteen (14) days in advance of the TCAP testing window established by the commissioner for the respective school year. If the student, or the student's parent or guardian, accepts the provider's offer of such language assistance services, then the provider shall provide the student with the same language assistance services during the administration of a TCAP test as were provided to the student in the classroom during the school year.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and applies to administrations of the TCAP test in the 2024-2025 school year and in each school year thereafter.