

State of 'ennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 844

SENATE BILL NO. 2196

By Swann, Crowe, Yarbro

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2272

By Pitts, Love, Gilmore, Hardaway, Cooper, Akbari, Thompson, Camper, Fitzhugh

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 37; Title 49; Title 63 and Title 68, Chapter 1, relative to social workers.

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

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

The department of education shall establish a student support collaborative to review and define the roles and responsibilities for school social workers, school counselors, school psychologists, and school nurses. The collaborative shall identify available resources and areas that school social workers, school counselors, school psychologists, and school nurses can collaborate on to provide high quality support to students. The collaborative shall include, at a minimum, representatives from the following organizations:

- (1) The department of education;
- (2) Local education agencies (LEAs);
- (3) The National Association of Social Workers, Tennessee Chapter;
- (4) The Tennessee Association of School Social Workers;
- (5) The Tennessee Association of School Counselors;
- (6) The Tennessee Association of School Nurses;
- (7) The Tennessee Association of School Psychologists; and
- (8) The Tennessee Commission on Children and Youth.

SECTION 2. The basic education program (BEP) review committee shall analyze the addition of a component for school social workers to the BEP funding formula and shall include such analysis in its 2018 annual report.

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

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PASSED: April 12, 2018

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SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this ______ day of ______ _____ 2018

BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR