

SENATE BILL 482

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 2 and Title 49, Chapter 5, relative to payroll deduction of dues to professional employees' organizations.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-2-203, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection:

(1) A local board of education may make payroll deduction for dues of professional employees' organizations, as defined in § 49-5-602, available to its professional employees. A local board of education is not required to make payroll deduction for dues of professional employees' organizations available to its professional employees.

(2) If a local board of education makes payroll deduction for the dues of one (1) professional employees' organization available to its professional employees, then the local board of education shall make payroll deduction for the dues of any other professional employees' organization available to its professional employees; provided, that the professional employees' organization requests payroll deduction for its dues in writing to the local board of education.

(3) Before a payroll deduction is made under this section, a professional employee must authorize the local board of education to deduct the dues of a professional employees' organization from the employee's compensation. A professional employee who authorizes a deduction of dues of a professional employees' organization from the employee's compensation may revoke the employee's

authorization for payroll deduction within sixty (60) days by providing notice to the local board of education and the professional employees' organization.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019, the public welfare requiring it.