

SENATE BILL 588

By Tate

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-1-602, relative to priority schools.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-1-602(b)(2), is amended by deleting the following language:

Schools identified as priority schools shall represent the bottom five percent (5%) of schools in overall achievement as determined by the performance standards and other criteria set by the state board and shall be subject to one (1) of the following interventions as determined by the commissioner:

and substituting instead:

Schools identified as priority schools shall represent the bottom five percent (5%) of schools in overall achievement as determined by the performance standards and other criteria set by the state board. If a school is identified as a priority school, then the school shall have a period of one (1) year from the date of identification as a priority school to address the factors that led the school to be placed in priority status. If, after one (1) school year, the school has not improved and remains in priority status, then the school shall be subject to one (1) of the following interventions as determined by the commissioner:

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015, the public welfare requiring it.