

SENATE BILL 623

By Norris

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68,
Chapter 57, Part 1, relative to surgical
technologists.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-57-101(a), is amended by deleting subdivision (1) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following new language:

(1) Hold current national certification established by the National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (NBSTSA), which shall include sixty (60) continuing education (CE) credits as defined in the Association of Surgical Technologists (AST) Continuing Education Participant Policies. The CE credits shall be earned prior to the expiration of the four-year cycle to renew the credential, and individuals shall provide confirmation of renewals by the NBSTSA to their employers;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-57-101(a), is further amended by deleting subdivision (4) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following new language:

(4) Successfully complete the surgical technologists NBSTSA certifying exam.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013, the public welfare requiring it.