SENATE BILL 688

By Summerville

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, relative to licensure of education professionals.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-101, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

49-5-101. Notwithstanding any law or regulation requiring a license or permit to teach, after June 30, 2011, any person possessing a baccalaureate degree or a graduate degree from an accredited college or university shall be eligible for employment as a principal or teacher in any public elementary or secondary school in the state or as a supervisor in any LEA. Licensure by the state shall not be required as a condition of employment as a principal, teacher or supervisor by any LEA.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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