

SENATE BILL 759

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4,
relative to state licensure examinations.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 19, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Agency" has the same meaning as defined in § 4-5-102; and

(2) "License" has the same meaning as defined in § 4-5-102.

(b) An agency that requires an examination to be administered to a person applying for a license to engage in an occupation, trade, or profession in this state shall provide reasonable accommodations to a person diagnosed with dyslexia.

(c) Each state agency that requires an examination for licensure shall promulgate rules to implement this section. The rules must:

(1) Establish the eligibility criteria that a person must meet for an accommodation to be provided pursuant to this section; and

(2) Be promulgated in accordance with the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, compiled in chapter 5 of this title.

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