

SENATE BILL 1681

By Tate

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 14 and Title 49, relative to adult education.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 14, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

4-3-1423.

(a) There is established a voucher program in the department of labor and workforce development to provide payment of state approved testing costs for adult education students.

(b) To qualify for payment through the voucher program, an individual shall meet official practice test minimum score requirements. The department shall set income guidelines that an individual shall also meet to qualify for payment of testing costs through the voucher program.

(c) No student shall be eligible to have testing costs paid through the voucher program more than once. The amount of the voucher shall not exceed seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) per individual.

SECTION 2. The commissioner of labor and workforce development is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations to effectuate the purposes of this act. All such rules and regulations shall be promulgated in accordance with Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 5.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.