

SENATE BILL 1783

By Tate

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 1; Title 49, Chapter 2; Title 49, Chapter 3 and Title 49, Chapter 6, relative to education finance.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-2-106, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection (c):

(c) In a county in which there exists a county school system and one (1) or more city or special school districts, if the county school system is converted to a special school district, then the county legislative body shall continue to levy a property tax for school purposes on all property located within the county. The taxes collect shall be allocated and apportioned to all school systems located within the county pursuant to § 49-3-315. The rate of the property tax so levied for school purposes shall not be set in any tax year at an amount less than the tax rate at the time of the conversion of the county school system to a special school district, but the tax rate may be set by the county legislative at a higher amount.

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