

SENATE BILL 1797

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4;
Title 8, Chapter 23; Title 9; Title 49; Title 50 and
Title 54, relative to public employees.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 23, Part 2, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) Beginning January 1, 2021, this state shall provide compensation equivalent to at least fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per hour to each employee in active service.

(b) This section applies to both full-time and part-time employees of this state.

(c) If an employee of this state is not in active service on July 1, 2020, and earns less than the equivalent of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per hour, then the employee is entitled to an increase in compensation when the employee returns to active service.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020, the public welfare requiring it.