SENATE BILL 2022

By Bell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3, Chapter 7, relative to certain state contracts.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE: SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3, Chapter 7, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section thereto:

3-7-115.

(a) The fiscal review committee shall review any contract that resulted in a reduction in force or lay off of any state employee due to the provisions of such contract.The fiscal review committee shall consider the three-year cost of the contract, comparable benefits and quality of the contractor's performance.

(b) When the fiscal review committee is reviewing any proposed contracts, the committee shall consider as part of its review whether the task to be performed by the contractor can be performed as efficiently on a long-term basis by current state employees or by new state employees who could be hired into existing vacant positions. SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014, the public welfare requiring it.