SENATE BILL 2101

By Finney

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3 and Title 49, relative to the department of education.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE: SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 1, Part 2, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

49-1-212.

(a) The commissioner of education shall establish guidelines to require the department to prepare a fiscal note to accompany any department rule or policy that increases or decreases state or local revenues, or financially impacts an LEA prior to the implementation of such rule or policy.

(b) The fiscal note shall, if possible, include an estimate in dollars of the anticipated change in revenue, expenditures, or fiscal liability under the provisions of the proposed rule or policy. The fiscal note statement shall include an explanation of the basis or reasoning on which the estimate is founded, including any assumptions involved.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014, the public welfare requiring it.