SENATE BILL 2194

By Ketron

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 1, Part 3, relative to teacher evaluations.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-1-302(d), is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() A licensed teacher may work with a student teacher biennially without negatively affecting the teacher's evaluation score during that school year. During the school year in which the teacher worked with a student teacher, the licensed teacher's evaluation score shall remain the same as the score from the previous school year. The licensed teacher's supervisor or evaluator may raise any component of the teacher's evaluation score during that school year, but at no time may the evaluation score be lowered.

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