SENATE BILL 7013

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, relative to education.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-1-302(d)(2)(F), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting:

Notwithstanding subdivisions (d)(2)(B)(ii) and (iii), for the 2019-2020, 2020-2021, 2021-2022, and 2022-2023 school years, student growth evaluation composites generated by assessments administered in the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 school years must be excluded from the student growth measure of a teacher's evaluation, as specified in subdivision (d)(2)(B)(ii), unless including the composites results in a higher evaluation score for the teacher.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-1-602(a), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:

Notwithstanding any provision of this part to the contrary, student performance and student growth data from Tennessee comprehensive assessment program (TCAP) tests, which include, but are not limited to, TNReady assessments, English learner assessments, alternate TCAP assessments, and end-of-course examinations, administered in the 2020-2021 school year shall not be used to identify a school as a priority school or to assign a school to the achievement school district.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-1-617, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

Notwithstanding subsection (a), scores on Tennessee comprehensive assessment program (TCAP) tests, which include, but are not limited to, TNReady assessments, English learner assessments, alternate TCAP assessments, and end-ofcourse examinations, administered in the 2020-2021 school year shall not comprise a percentage of a student's final grade for either the fall or spring semesters in the subject areas of mathematics, English language arts, science, and social studies, unless including TCAP test scores results in a higher final grade for the student. SECTION 4. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.