



HOUSE BILL 656

By Farmer

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4 and Title 49, relative to education.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-1-104(i), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:

(3) By June 1, 2025, and June 1 each year thereafter, the commissioner shall publish on the department's website the number of waivers granted to LEAs pursuant to this subsection (i) during the previous school year.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

Amendment No. 1 to HB0656

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Signature of Sponsor

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by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-717, is amended by deleting the section and substituting instead the following:

(a) An LEA or public charter school may compensate the estate of an employee who died on or after September 1, 2024, while employed by the LEA or public charter school, for the employee's unused and accrued annual and sick leave in the same manner estates of deceased state employees are compensated pursuant to § 8-50-808.

(b) An employee may designate a beneficiary to receive payment for accrued annual and sick leave upon the employee's death. Unless an employee designates differently, the beneficiary is the same as the beneficiary designated for receipt of retirement benefits with the Tennessee consolidated retirement system.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.