

HOUSE BILL 2827
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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code
Annotated, Title 49 and Section 10-7-
504 relative to education data.

WHEREAS, Tennessee adopted the Tennessee Value Added Assessment System in 1992 and therefore has one of the most complete sets of educational data available in the nation; and

WHEREAS, access to Tennessee's data is requested frequently by educational researchers; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee stands to benefit from use of the data by educational researchers; now, therefore,

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 1, Part 2 is hereby amended by adding the following new section:

Section 49-1-218

Before January 2003, the Commissioner of Education shall promulgate rules regarding the timely and responsible release of education data for research purposes. In promulgating such rules, the Commissioner shall appoint a task

force which shall be composed of one representative from the University of Tennessee, one representative from the Board of Regents, and one representative from the office of education accountability in the office of the comptroller of the treasury.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, § 10-7-504(a)(4) is amended by adding the language “the office of education accountability in the office of the comptroller of the treasury,” immediately after the language “department of education,” in the third sentence.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.