

HOUSE BILL 1375

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 1; Title 49, Chapter 2 and Title 49, Chapter 5, Part 1, relative to licensure.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-1-302(a)(5)(A), is amended by deleting subdivisions (i) and (ii) in their entireties.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-108(c), is amended by deleting the first sentence of the subsection and by substituting instead the following sentence:

The state board of education shall promulgate rules and regulations governing the issuance of licenses for supervisors, principals and public school teachers.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-108(c), is further amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

( ) A supervisor's, principal's or teacher's license shall not be non-renewed or revoked by the department of education based solely on student growth data as represented by the Tennessee value-added assessment system (TVAAS), developed pursuant to chapter 1, part 6 of this title, or some other comparable measure of student growth, if no such TVAAS data is available, or any other single criterion.

SECTION 4. For purpose of promulgating rules and regulations, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, this act shall take effect July 1, 2015.