

Amendment No. 1 to SB0300

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**AMEND Senate Bill No. 300**

**House Bill No. 155\***

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 1, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) The state board shall develop a school grading system that annually assigns A, B, C, D, and F letter grades to schools based on:

(1) Student performance on the Tennessee comprehensive assessment program (TCAP) tests or end-of-course exams, inclusive of student performance on the Tennessee Ready (TNReady) assessments;

(2) Student growth as indicated by Tennessee value-added assessment system data or data from other measures of student growth; and

(3) Other outcome indicators of student achievement that the state board finds to be reliable measures of school performance.

(b) The department of education shall include each school's A, B, C, D, or F grade on the state report card.

(c) Implementation of the school grading system shall begin in the 2017–2018 school year; however, prior to implementation, the state board, with the assistance of the department, shall begin work relative to the grading scale. This work shall include research and study of other states' grading systems as well as Tennessee's most recent school accountability data, inclusive of the information received from the first year of the administration of the Tennessee Ready (TNReady) assessments.

(d) The state board shall provide notice of the adopted grading scale to each LEA prior to the start of the 2017–2018 school year.

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