

HOUSE BILL 2357

By Miller

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4 and Title 49, relative to the creation of the select committee on the Tennessee education lottery corporation.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 51, Part 1, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

(a) There is created a special joint committee of the general assembly to be known as the select committee on the Tennessee education lottery corporation.

(b) The select committee shall be composed of eighteen (18) members. Nine (9) senators shall be appointed by the speaker of the senate; provided, that at least three (3) of whom shall be appointed from the membership of the state and local government committee, one (1) of whom shall be the chair; at least two (2) of whom shall be appointed from the membership of the education committee, one (1) of whom shall be the chair; and, at least one (1) of whom shall be appointed from the membership of the finance, ways and means committee. Nine (9) representatives shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives; provided, that at least two (2) of whom shall be appointed from the membership of the state government committee, one (1) of whom shall be the chair; at least two (2) of whom shall be appointed from the membership of the local government committee, one (1) of whom shall be the chair; at least two (2) of whom shall be appointed from the membership of the education administration and planning committee, one (1) of whom shall be the chair; and, at least one (1) of whom shall be appointed from the membership of the finance, ways and means committee. During the organizational session of each general assembly, the

respective speakers shall appoint or reappoint members to serve on the select committee. The select committee shall elect from among the membership of the select committee a chair, vice chair, and any other officers as the select committee deems necessary. The chair and vice chair positions shall rotate between the senate and the house of representatives every two (2) years. A vacancy occurring on the select committee shall be filled by the respective speaker in accordance with this subsection (b).

(c) The select committee shall, at the call of the chair, meet periodically to review and evaluate:

(1) The operations of the corporation;

(2) The success with which the corporation is accomplishing its statutory duties and functions as provided in this part; and

(3) The educational programs and purposes otherwise provided by law and established in accordance with the Constitution of Tennessee, Article XI, § 5, including the educational programs established pursuant to § 49-4-708; title 49, chapter 4, part 9; title 49, chapter 6, part 7; and title 49, chapter 17.

(d) The select committee may conduct, or cause to be conducted, an independent audit or investigation of the corporation as the select committee deems necessary.

(e) The corporation shall, no later than December 1 of each year, prepare and submit to the select committee a report specifying the level of participation of minority businesses in all retail and major procurement contracts awarded by the corporation.

(f) A member of the select committee may be reimbursed for the member's expenses for each day the member attends a meeting of the select committee in the same manner as the member is paid for attending legislative meetings pursuant to § 3-1-106; provided, that a member shall not receive additional legislative compensation when the general assembly is in session or if the member is being paid any other payments on the same dates for attendance on other state business.

(g) The department of education, department of finance and administration, Tennessee higher education commission, Tennessee student assistance corporation, and other agencies of state government shall provide the select committee with information and administrative support upon the select committee's request.

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