

HOUSE BILL 1205

By Mitchell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8 and Title 49, relative to the "Director of Schools Transparency Act."

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

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

(a) This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Director of Schools Transparency Act."

(b) A director of schools shall disclose for every fiscal year the amount and a description of all contract payments made by the director of schools and the local board of education.

(c) If a director of schools or a local board of education makes one (1) or more payments to any business entity that exceeds one thousand dollars (\$1,000) in any fiscal year, then the director of schools or local board of education shall disclose whether the director of schools or any family member of the director of schools has a financial interest in the business entity that received the payment. As used in this subsection (c):

(1) "Family member" means a spouse, parent, sibling, or child and includes the parent, sibling, or child of one's spouse; and

(2) "Financial interest" means any interest, legal or beneficial, such that the director of schools will be entitled to a share of the net profits or net worth of the business in which the interest is held, excluding the ownership of publicly traded stock equaling less than ten percent (10%) of the company.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019, the public welfare requiring it.