

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 149

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A RESOLUTION urging the Department of Education to address the negative impacts of recent legislation on local education agencies.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-3-307(a)(6), was amended in 2016 by the BEP Enhancement Act to change the method the Department of Education uses to identify "at-risk" students; and

WHEREAS, this change resulted in substantial decreases of the number of "at-risk" students identified by the Department; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that the speakers of the respective houses are authorized and directed to urge the Department of Education to work with local education agencies (LEAs) to address the negative impacts on LEAs, including, but not limited to, the loss of Basic Education Program (BEP) funding and the impact on LEAs' free lunch programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an enrolled copy of this resolution be transmitted to the commissioner of the Department of Education.