

SENATE BILL 319

By Hensley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4 and
Title 49, relative to dual enrollment.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-930, is amended by deleting subsection (f) and substituting instead the following:

(1) It is the intent of the general assembly that:

(A) The dual enrollment grant program be fully funded before any funds in the lottery for education account are transferred to the Tennessee Promise scholarship endowment fund pursuant to § 49-4-708; and

(B) Funding for Tennessee HOPE scholarships, Tennessee HOPE access grants, and Wilder-Naifeh technical skills grants take priority over funding for dual enrollment grants.

(2) Subject to the amounts appropriated by the general assembly and any law relating to a shortfall in funds available for postsecondary financial assistance from the net proceeds of the state lottery, TSAC shall determine the award for a credit hour taken under a dual enrollment grant. TSAC shall not award an amount for a credit hour taken under a dual enrollment grant that exceeds the cost per credit hour of courses taken at community colleges in the state university and community college system.

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