



## Education Bills with Action Taken

Week of February 24, 2020

Mon 2/24/20 2:00pm - House Hearing Rm I, House Government Operations Committee

MEMBERS: CHAIR M. Daniel (R); VICE CHAIR I. Rudder (R); M. Littleton (R); G. Johnson (D); J. Faison (R); M. Stewart (D); J. Reedy (R); J. Ragan (R); W. Lamberth (R); J. Lafferty (R); D. Howell (R); G. Hardaway (D); C. Halford (R); B. Dunn (R); K. Camper (D); K. Calfee (R)

1. **HB379** **EDUCATION: Pregnancy as approved medical leave for TN HOPE scholarship purposes.** Requires TSAC to promulgate rules designating pregnancy as an approved medical or personal leave of absence for purposes of the Tennessee HOPE scholarship. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House floor on 03/02/20.  
SB823 - R. Akbari - 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee.

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4. **SB1647** **GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION: Sunset - advisory council for the education of students with disabilities.** Extends the advisory council for the education of students with disabilities to June 30, 2027. **Senate Status:** 02/24/20 - Senate passed. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House consent calendar on 03/02/20.  
HB1725 - M. Daniel - 02/27/20 - Set for House consent calendar on 03/02/20.
10. **SB1670** **GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION: Sunset - dyslexia advisory council.** Extends the dyslexia advisory council to June 30, 2027. **Senate Status:** 02/24/20 - Senate passed. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House consent calendar on 03/02/20.  
HB1748 - M. Daniel - 02/27/20 - Set for House consent calendar on 03/02/20.
24. **SB1759** **EDUCATION: A standardized form regarding a student's health.** Requires the department of education, in consultation with the department of health, to develop a standardized form where a student with an allergy may report his or her allergies to the school. Requires the department of education to make the form available to all LEAs. **Senate Status:** 02/24/20 - Senate passed. **House Status:** 02/20/20 - House passed.  
HB1683 - C. Boyd - 02/20/20 - House passed.
29. **SB1962** **EDUCATION: Requires the county legislative body determine school budgets.** Broadens the county legislative body's duties to include making revenue estimates that comply with the necessary budget requirements set by the basic education program (BEP). Requires chair of the local board of education along with the director of schools prepare a budget according to revenue estimates and determinations made by the county legislative body. **Senate Status:** 02/24/20 - Senate passed. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House floor 03/05/20.  
HB2001 - M. White - 02/27/20 - Set for House floor 03/05/20.

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3. **SB1616** **EDUCATION: Offer of employment from local board of education or director of schools.** Reduces, from 14 days to three days, the period of time after a local board of education or director of schools makes an initial offer of employment to a person for a teaching position that the person has to accept or reject the offer of employment. **Amendment Summary:** Senate amendment 1, House Education Committee amendment 1 (015028) deletes and replaces all language after the enacting clause such that the only substantive change is to decrease, from 14 days to 5 business days, the period of time in which a person offered a teaching position is required to accept or reject an employment offer in writing to the local board of education or director of schools. **Senate Status:** 02/27/20 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (015028), which deletes and replaces all language after the enacting clause such that the only substantive change is to decrease, from 14 days to 5 business days, the period of time in which a person offered a teaching position is required to accept or reject an employment offer in writing to the local board of education or director of schools. **House Status:** 02/26/20 - House Education Committee recommended with amendment 1 (015028), which deletes and replaces all language after the enacting clause such that the only substantive change is to decrease, from 14 days to 5 business days, the period of time in which a person offered a teaching position is required to accept or reject an employment offer in writing to the local board of education or director of schools. Sent to House Calendar & Rules.  
HB1617 - V. Dixie - 02/26/20 - House Education Committee recommended with amendment 1 (015028), which deletes and replaces all language after the enacting clause such that the only substantive change is to decrease, from 14 days to 5 business days, the period of time in which a person offered a teaching position is required to accept or reject an employment offer in writing to the local board of education or director of schools. Sent to House Calendar & Rules.
8. **SB1946** **EDUCATION: Development of formative assessment questions banks for LEAs.** Requires the commissioner of the department of education to produce a formative assessment question bank which is aligned to the summative assessment and requires the commissioner to make the formative assessment question banks available to LEAs during the school year. Specifies that LEAs shall have complete authority over the use of the formative assessment question banks. **Amendment Summary:** Senate amendment 1 (014537) requires the commissioner of the department of education begin developing the formative assessment question banks by July 1, 2020 and requires the department of education make the question banks available for use by LEAs. **Senate Status:** 02/24/20 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (014537). **House Status:** 02/27/20 - House passed.  
HB1826 - K. Haston - 02/27/20 - House passed.

Mon 2/24/20 4:30pm - Senate Chamber, Senate Message

1. **SJR747** **EDUCATION: Confirmation of appointment - Nate Morrow, State Board of Education.** Confirms the appointment of Nate Morrow to the State Board of Education. **Amendment Summary:** House amendment 1 (014841) corrects a typographical error in the resolution by changing Governor Bill Haslam to Governor Bill Lee. **Senate Status:** 02/24/20 - Senate concurred in House amendment 1 (014841), which corrects a typographical error in the resolution by changing Governor Bill Haslam to Governor Bill Lee. **House Status:** 02/20/20 - House concurred after adopting amendment 1 (014841).

Mon 2/24/20 5:00pm - House Chamber, House Consent

The House will take up the following memorializing resolutions on consent: HR226-234, HR241, HJR888-911 and HJR919-921.

2. **HB2062** **EDUCATION: Hiring of police, public safety, and security officers by public institutions of higher education.** Gives power to the governing boards of public institutions of higher education to help decide a suitable number of police officers, public safety officers, and security officers to be employed by institutions, schools, and boards. Broadly captioned. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended. **House Status:** 02/24/20 - House passed.  
SB2340 - D. Gresham - 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee.
5. **HJR671** **EDUCATION: Confirmation of Appointment - Kelly Wolfe, Board of Trustees of East Tennessee State University.** Confirms the appointment of Kelly Wolfe to the board of trustees of East Tennessee State University. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - House deferred to 03/12/20.

6. **HB1561** **EDUCATION: Submission of high school transcripts for admission to institutions of higher education.** Prohibits a public institution of higher education from requiring a student to submit a high school transcript or GED certificate as part of the institution's admission process if the student has completed an associate degree at a regionally accredited institution of higher education. **Senate Status:** 02/20/20 - Senate passed. **House Status:** 02/24/20 - House passed. SB1641 - B. Massey - 02/20/20 - Senate passed.

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7. **HB1559** **EDUCATION: Public school instruction on events of September 11, 2001.** Requires each LEA and public charter school to provide age-appropriate instruction to public school students in kindergarten through grade 12 on the events of September 11, 2001, annually on September 11. Requires the department of education to each LEA and public charter school with a variety of age-appropriate and grade-appropriate internet resources and materials that may be used to educate K-12 public school students about the events of September 11, 2001. **Amendment Summary:** House amendment 1 (013952) deletes all language after the enacting clause and rewrites the original bill such that the only substantive changes are to: 1) remove instruction requirements and encourage LEAs and public charter schools to include certain criteria in the instruction of the events of September 11, 2001; and 2) repeal the legislation on July 1, 2025. **Senate Status:** 01/22/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/24/20 - House passed with amendment 1 (013952), which deletes all language after the enacting clause and rewrites the original bill such that the only substantive changes are to: 1) remove instruction requirements and encourage LEAs and public charter schools to include certain criteria in the instruction of the events of September 11, 2001; and 2) repeal the legislation on July 1, 2025. SB1604 - R. Briggs - 01/22/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
8. **HJR710** **EDUCATION: Confirmation of appointment - Alan Levine, Public Charter School Commission.** Confirms the appointment of Alan Levine to the Public Charter School Commission. **House Status:** 02/24/20 - House deferred to 03/09/20 after substituting and conforming to SJR734.
9. **HJR715** **EDUCATION: Confirmation of appointment - Mary Pierce, Public Charter School Commission.** Confirms the appointment of Mary Pierce to the Public Charter School Commission. **House Status:** 02/24/20 - House deferred to 03/09/20.

Tue 2/25/20 9:00am - House Hearing Rm III, House Safety & Funding Subcommittee

MEMBERS: CHAIR T. Weaver (R); D. Carr (R); D. Howell (R); L. Lamar (D); J. Potts (D); L. Russell (R); B. Griffey (R)

10. **HB2597** **TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES: Changes restrictions concerning attaining driver's licenses and learner's permits.** Removes restrictions prohibiting expelled students or students not making satisfactory academic progress from getting a license or keeping their license. Broadly captioned. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Failed in Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/25/20 - House Safety & Funding Subcommittee deferred to last calendar. SB2576 - J. Yarbo - 02/26/20 - Failed in Senate Education Committee.

Tue 2/25/20 10:30am - House Hearing Rm IV, House Higher Education Subcommittee

MEMBERS: CHAIR J. Coley (R); C. Hurt (R); A. Parkinson (D); K. Vaughan (R); M. White (R); J. Clemmons (D); D. Hawk (R); J. Hodges (D)

1. **HB2246** **EDUCATION: Tuition assistance for Tennessee national guard members.** Expands eligibility for tuition reimbursement provided to members of the Tennessee national guard to include technical certificates and diplomas and certain graduate programs. Requires the department of the military to pay the educational institution for 100% of the in-state tuition for the cost of the educational program the member applied. Changes limitations and conditions for eligibility for tuition reimbursement. Part of Administration Package. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Higher Education Subcommittee 03/03/20. SB2177 - J. Johnson - 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20.
2. **HB2157** **EDUCATION: Financial Aid Simplification for Tennesseans (FAST) Act.** Enacts the "Financial Aid Simplification for Tennesseans (FAST) Act. Revises requirements for Tennessee student assistance awards from TSAC, including specifying that a student in default on a Tennessee education loan or owes a refund on a Tennessee student financial aid program is ineligible for such award. Terminates the Christa McAuliffe Scholarship program effective July 1, 2020 and specifies that all funds remaining in the program's investment principal and investment earnings account are to be added to the reserve balances held by TSAC for the student assistance award. Revises requirements for the minority teaching fellows program. Changes various definitions under the Tennessee Promise Scholarship Act, including the definition of "home school student" and the definition of "resident." Changes eligibility requirements for the Tennessee HOPE access grant, Tennessee HOPE teacher's scholarship, and the Wilder-Naifeh skills grant. Authorizes the amount of \$1,750 for a STEP UP scholarship awarded to a student attending an eligible four-year institution for full-time attendance each semester. Revises requirements for the general assembly merit scholarship and for dual enrollment grants. Removes the director of THEC and a representative for commercial lenders from the TSAC board of directors. Makes other revisions to financial aid availability for higher education (21 pp.). **Senate Status:** 02/19/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Committee 03/04/20. SB2097 - D. Gresham - 02/19/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee.
3. **HB2305** **EDUCATION: TN Promise scholarship requirements.** Establishes rules for calculating grade point averages for TN Promise scholarship students, rather than allowing TSAC promulgate them. Allows TN Promise scholarship students to apply for retroactive funds for 2019–2020 to students who became ineligible during the 2019-2020 school year but would have qualified under the new rules set forth in this bill. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20. **House Status:** 02/25/20 - House Higher Education Subcommittee deferred to the lottery calendar. SB2220 - S. Southerland - 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20.
4. **HB2648** **EDUCATION: Prohibits punishments of student athletes receiving gifts from boosters.** Prohibits a public institution of higher education that participates in intercollegiate athletic competitions as a member of an athletic association, conference or other organization from punishing a student athlete based on gifts, benefits or inducements given to the student athlete or their family by a booster. Broadly captioned. **Senate Status:** 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/25/20 - House Higher Education Subcommittee deferred to sports calendar. SB2725 - S. Kyle - 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
5. **HB2649** **EDUCATION: Compensation for student athletes.** Prohibits a public institution of higher education from creating or upholding any rule that prevents a student athlete from earning compensation from the use of the student athlete's name, image or likeness. Prohibits any compensation received by the student athlete from affecting the student athlete's scholarship eligibility. Prohibits a public institution of higher education from preventing student athletes from acquiring professional representation regarding contracts or legal matters and entering contracts where the student athlete uses their name, likeness, or image when not engaged in events associated with the institution. Requires a student athlete who enters into such a contract to disclose the contract to an official of the public institution of higher education but prohibits the institution from punishing a student who fails to disclose. **Senate Status:** 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/25/20 - House Higher Education Subcommittee deferred to sports calendar. SB2804 - R. Akbari - 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
6. **HB2105** **EDUCATION: Removes select requirements for state colleges of applied technology.** Clarifies that state colleges of applied technology are required to provide occupational training and technical education. Removes requirement of the board of regents to restructure the board and staff to carry out sections of the Public Acts of 1983 as well as the requirement for the heads of state colleges of applied technology to report to the senior level staff member. Broadly captioned. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Committee 03/04/20. SB2344 - D. Gresham - 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee.
7. **HB2107** **EDUCATION: William R. Moore College of Technology- dual enrollment grant eligibility** Adds William R. Moore College of Technology as an eligible institution for high school students to receive dual enrollment grants to attend and Tennessee reconnect grants. Broadly captioned. **Senate Status:** 02/06/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/25/20 - House Higher Education Subcommittee deferred to the lottery calendar. SB2031 - P. Rose - 02/06/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.

Tue 2/25/20 12:00pm - House Hearing Rm IV, House Education Curriculum, Testing & Innovation Subcommittee

MEMBERS: CHAIR D. Moody (R); J. Deberry Jr. (D); B. Dunn (R); M. White (R); D. Byrd (R); M. Cochran (R); H. Love Jr. (D)

1. **HB2229** **EDUCATION: Literacy instruction requirements in LEAs.** Requires an LEA with students in kindergarten through second grade (K-2) to provide students in each grade with necessary instruction for students to develop reading skills that meet Tennessee's academic standards and the students' developmental expectations; phonics based instruction must be approved for use by the department of education. Requires LEAs to administer a reading diagnostic to K-2 students and to students in third grade if they are below reading level. Establishes other requirements in regards to the assessment. Creates criteria for educator preparation programs including instruction on how to implement reading instruction, on behavior management and trauma-informed practices in the classroom and how to utilize student data. Requires a candidate for an elementary school educator to pass an examine that tests the candidate's knowledge of evidence-based and scientifically-based reading instruction in order to receive a teacher license. Creates other requirements regarding literacy education in LEAs. Part of Administration Package. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Curriculum, Testing & Innovation Subcommittee 03/03/20.  
SB2160 - J. Johnson - 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20.
2. **HB1688** **EDUCATION: Physical activity for students during each school day.** Removes requirement for LEAs to provide a physical education class taught by a licensed teacher or by a specialist in physical education. Requires each LEA to integrate at least two twenty-five-minute periods of physical activity into each school day. Prohibits an LEA to consider walking to and from class as physical activity for the purpose of this section. **Senate Status:** 01/23/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Curriculum, Testing & Innovation Subcommittee 03/03/20.  
SB1739 - J. Hensley - 01/23/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
3. **HB2135** **EDUCATION: LEAs required to implement a program of family life education.** Updates requirement for the department of health, state center for health statistics, to report counties where pregnancy rates exceeded 19.5 per 1,000 in females aged 15 to 19 beginning in the 2020-2021 school year. Restricts employees, service providers, or volunteers from making abortion referrals or advocating or encouraging abortion while on school property or when present at any required local education agency (LEA) or school-sponsored event. Broadly captioned. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended with amendment 1. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Curriculum, Testing & Innovation Subcommittee 03/03/20.  
SB2089 - F. Haile - 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended with amendment 1. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee.
4. **HB420** **EDUCATION: Comptroller of the treasury to be sent the annual report of virtual education programs.** Includes the comptroller of the treasury to be sent the annual report detailing the operation of the virtual education programs, listed with the general assembly and state board of education. Broadly captioned. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Curriculum, Testing & Innovation Subcommittee 03/03/20.  
SB460 - R. Akbari - 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20.
5. **HJR825** **EDUCATION: Selection of RTI<sup>2</sup> assessments used by school districts.** Urges the department of education to allow school districts the freedom to select the Response to Instruction and Intervention (RTI<sup>2</sup>) assessments they use. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Curriculum, Testing & Innovation Subcommittee 03/03/20.
6. **HB2595** **EDUCATION: Instruction to enhance media literacy skills.** Requires an LEA to include instruction on media literacy skills in a character education curriculum approved by the department of education. Encourages the department of education to post media literacy resources for LEAs to the department's website. **Senate Status:** 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/25/20 - House Education Curriculum, Testing & Innovation Subcommittee deferred to 03/03/20.  
SB2560 - K. Robinson - 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
7. **HB2408** **EDUCATION: Creates the robotics education task force.** Creates the robotics education task force to research opportunities for expansion of robotics education programs in the kindergarten through grade 12 curriculum. Requires the task force to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including feedback gathered from the general public, to the chief clerks of the house of representatives and the senate and the chairs of the education committees of the house of representatives and the senate no later than January 1, 2022. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Senate Government Operations Committee recommended with a positive recommendation. Sent to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Curriculum, Testing & Innovation Subcommittee 03/03/20.  
SB2348 - D. Gresham - 02/26/20 - Senate Government Operations Committee recommended with a positive recommendation. Sent to Senate Education Committee.
8. **HB2409** **EDUCATION: LEAP grant requirements.** Expands LEAP grant requirements for organizations to include the use of high-quality instructional materials. Gives preference in the award of LEAP grants to applicants offering summer programs focused on closing literacy gaps among students entering grades one through three. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee deferred to 03/11/20. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Curriculum, Testing & Innovation Subcommittee 03/03/20.  
SB2345 - D. Gresham - 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee deferred to 03/11/20.
9. **HB2443** **EDUCATION: Driver education in Title I schools.** Requires, beginning with the 2020-2021 school year, each Title I public high school to provide at least one driver education course for its students. **Senate Status:** 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Curriculum, Testing & Innovation Subcommittee 03/03/20.  
SB2446 - S. Kyle - 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
10. **HB1934** **EDUCATION: Performance goals and assessments for schools and LEAs.** Requires the commissioner of education to obtain approval from the state board of education for any changes to school or LEA performance goals. Requires the commissioner to consult with stakeholders before submitting a proposal to the state board. Requires the commissioner and state board of education to consider the stakeholder's input before the final approval of any proposed changes to the performance goals and measures for schools and LEAs. **Senate Status:** 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Curriculum, Testing & Innovation Subcommittee 03/03/20.  
SB2337 - D. Gresham - 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.

#### Tue 2/25/20 3:00pm - House Hearing Rm I, House Finance, Ways & Means Committee

The committee will hear a presentation by the TN Department of Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services and the TN Department of Treasury. MEMBERS: CHAIR S. Lynn (R); VICE CHAIR P. Hazlewood (R); J. Coley (R); J. Shaw (D); R. Staples (D); J. Windle (D); J. Zachary (R); R. Tillis (R); J. Faison (R); D. Hawk (R); L. Miller (D); C. Todd (R); S. Whitson (R); R. Williams (R); J. Reedy (R); B. Ogles (R); C. Baum (R); K. Camper (D); J. Crawford (R); J. Deberry Jr. (D); R. Gant (R); G. Hicks (R); M. Hill (R); A. Holt (R); S. Kumar (R); W. Lamberth (R)

7. **HB1587** **EDUCATION: Implementation of a Stop the Bleed program.** Authorizes LEA's to develop a Stop the Bleed program beginning with the 2020-2021 school year in conjunction with local law enforcement. Establishes certain requirements for the program including, but not limited to, placement in an accessible location, proper training for LEA employees, annual inspections and the replacement of expired or missing materials. Exempts LEA's from personal injury liability as a result of using the items. Allows disciplinary action for misuse or abuse of a bleeding control kit on school property by a student. **Amendment Summary:** Senate Judiciary Committee amendment 1 (015338) changes language concerning the liability of an LEA, school, or employee of an LEA for personal injury resulting from the act or omission of an individual "that involves one (1) or more of the items contained in a bleeding control kit" to "to control bleeding using a bleeding control kit." **Senate Status:** 02/25/20 - Senate Judiciary Committee recommended with amendment 1 (015338). Sent to Senate Finance. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House floor 03/05/20.  
SB1644 - S. Kyle - 02/25/20 - Senate Judiciary Committee recommended with amendment 1 (015338). Sent to Senate Finance.

#### Tue 2/25/20 3:00pm - House Hearing Rm II, House Civil Justice Subcommittee

The subcommittee will have a budget hearing by the Administrative Office of the Courts. MEMBERS: CHAIR M. Carter (R); B. Beck (D); M. Curcio (R); J. Garrett (R); D. Howell (R); J. Towns Jr. (D); D. Moody (R)

3. **HB2693** **EDUCATION: School discipline - civil immunity for teachers, principals, and school employees.** Gives teachers, principals, school employees, and school bus drivers authority to use reasonable force when necessary to correct or restrain a student or prevent bodily injury or death to another person with immunity from civil liability unless the person's conduct is the result of gross negligence or willful misconduct. Broadly captioned. **Senate Status:** 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Civil Justice Subcommittee 03/03/20.  
SB2437 - B. Powers - 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.

#### Tue 2/25/20 3:00pm - Senate Hearing Rm I, Senate Judiciary Committee

The committee will have budget hearings by the TN Attorney General & Reporter and the TN Office of Post-Conviction Defender. MEMBERS: CHAIR M. Bell (R); VICE CHAIR J. Lundberg (R); 2ND VICE CHAIR D. White (R); J. Bowling (R); T. Gardenhire (R); S. Kyle (D); K. Roberts (R); K. Robinson (D); J. Stevens (R)

10. **SB1944** **CRIMINAL LAW: Revocation of bail or parole based on positive drug test for THC.** Prohibits revocation of bail, parole, or probation based solely on a positive drug test result for THC in a concentration less than one hundred fifty nanograms per milliliter (150 ng/ml). Prohibits public employers from taking adverse employment action and denying certain benefits based on such test result. Also prohibits an LEA, principal, or school counselor from disqualifying a student from participation in voluntary extracurricular activities based solely on a positive drug test result for THC in a concentration less than one hundred fifty nanograms per milliliter (150 ng/ml). Prohibits the department of human services from providing a referral to a treatment resource or denying a person temporary assistance for needy families (TANF) benefits based solely on a positive drug test result for THC in a concentration less than one hundred fifty nanograms per milliliter (150 ng/ml). **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/03/20. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Employee Affairs Subcommittee 03/03/20. HB2054 - B. Terry - 02/27/20 - Set for House Employee Affairs Subcommittee 03/03/20.
14. **SB1644** **EDUCATION: Implementation of a Stop the Bleed program.** Authorizes LEA's to develop a Stop the Bleed program beginning with the 2020-2021 school year in conjunction with local law enforcement. Establishes certain requirements for the program including, but not limited to, placement in an accessible location, proper training for LEA employees, annual inspections and the replacement of expired or missing materials. Exempts LEA's from personal injury liability as a result of using the items. Allows disciplinary action for misuse or abuse of a bleeding control kit on school property by a student. **Amendment Summary:** Senate Judiciary Committee amendment 1 (015338) changes language concerning the liability of an LEA, school, or employee of an LEA for personal injury resulting from the act or omission of an individual "that involves one (1) or more of the items contained in a bleeding control kit" to "to control bleeding using a bleeding control kit." **Senate Status:** 02/25/20 - Senate Judiciary Committee recommended with amendment 1 (015338). Sent to Senate Finance. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House floor 03/05/20. HB1587 - J. Clemmons - 02/27/20 - Set for House floor 03/05/20.

Tue 2/25/20 4:30pm - House Hearing Rm V, House Employee Affairs Subcommittee

MEMBERS: CHAIR J. Holsclaw, Jr. (R); C. Boyd (R); R. Bricken (R); B. Freeman (D); C. Baum (R); H. Love Jr. (D)

2. **HB2054** **CRIMINAL LAW: Revocation of bail or parole based on positive drug test for THC.** Prohibits revocation of bail, parole, or probation based solely on a positive drug test result for THC in a concentration less than one hundred fifty nanograms per milliliter (150 ng/ml). Prohibits public employers from taking adverse employment action and denying certain benefits based on such test result. Also prohibits an LEA, principal, or school counselor from disqualifying a student from participation in voluntary extracurricular activities based solely on a positive drug test result for THC in a concentration less than one hundred fifty nanograms per milliliter (150 ng/ml). Prohibits the department of human services from providing a referral to a treatment resource or denying a person temporary assistance for needy families (TANF) benefits based solely on a positive drug test result for THC in a concentration less than one hundred fifty nanograms per milliliter (150 ng/ml). **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/03/20. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Employee Affairs Subcommittee 03/03/20. SB1944 - R. Briggs - 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/03/20.

Tue 2/25/20 4:30pm - House Hearing Rm III, House Education K-12 Subcommittee

MEMBERS: CHAIR J. Ragan (R); A. Parkinson (D); V. Dixie (D); S. Cepicky (R); J. Sexton (R); J. Windle (D); M. White (R); T. Weaver (R); I. Rudder (R); K. Haston (R)

1. **HB2169** **EDUCATION: Water bottle filling stations in schools.** Requires an LEA or the governing body of a public charter school that constructs or renovates a public school or public charter school building to install water bottle filling stations for students. Requires at least one station for every 75 students enrolled, one on each floor, one in the school food service area and one near gym, outdoor learning areas, athletic facilities and playgrounds. Prohibits schools from denying students' ability to bring clear water bottles on campus. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education K-12 Subcommittee 03/03/20. SB2102 - B. Massey - 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20.
2. **HB2589** **EDUCATION: Required amount to make purchases by competitive bids.** Increases the required amount needed by LEAs to make purchases by competitive bids for expenditures exceeding \$25,000. Requires the comptroller of the treasury increase the amount for purchases made by competitive bids by two percent (2%) to account for inflation beginning with the 2021-2022 school year. **Senate Status:** 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Committee 03/04/20. SB2633 - D. White - 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
3. **HB2051** **EDUCATION: Requires BEP funding of full-time social workers at schools.** Requires the basic education program (BEP) provide funding for one full-time social worker position for every 1,500 or fewer students. Broadly captioned. **Senate Status:** 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Committee 03/04/20. SB2702 - B. Gilmore - 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
5. **HB1648** **EDUCATION: Enrollment in a pre-kindergarten program.** Requires each LEA to provide opportunity for enrollment in a pre-kindergarten program to all children who are four years of age by September 30 of each year. **Senate Status:** 01/29/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education K-12 Subcommittee 03/03/20. SB1822 - K. Robinson - 01/29/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
6. **HB1855** **EDUCATION: LEAs to install technology on computers to block inappropriate websites.** Requires each LEA to install technology on each of the LEAs computers to filter or block access to inappropriate websites and information accessible through the internet, including materials that the LEA deems harmful to juveniles, child pornography, and obscenity. Requires each LEA to review its internet acceptable use policy and the technology installed on its computers to filter or block inappropriate websites and information otherwise accessible through the internet no later than January 1, 2021, and at least once every three years thereafter. **Amendment Summary:** House Education K-12 Subcommittee amendment 1 (014672) requires the LEAs who have selected their programs to implement the selected protection programs. **Senate Status:** 01/29/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Committee 03/04/20. SB1813 - J. Hensley - 01/29/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
7. **HB2722** **EDUCATION: Requirements for school safety drills.** Revises and consolidates provisions relating to requirements for school safety drills, including fire drills and armed intruder drills. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education K-12 Subcommittee 03/03/20. SB1937 - E. Jackson - 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20.
8. **HB2542** **EDUCATION: Released time courses.** Requires a public school to excuse a student from school in order for the student to attend a released time course if requested by the student's parent or legal guardian even if the local board of education has not adopted a policy on released time courses. Authorizes local boards of education to transport students attending a released time course to and from the place of instruction if the entity providing the instruction reimburses the LEA for the services. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Committee 03/04/20. SB2473 - K. Yager - 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee.
9. **HB2002** **EDUCATION: Workload considerations used when determining maximum class size.** Specifies workload considerations for the state board of education when establishing the maximum class size and caseload standards for instructional personnel and teachers having primary responsibility for a student's individualized education program (IEP) or a classroom that includes students with disabilities or students eligible for special education services. Allows the department of education to grant a waiver from the maximum class sizes, average class sizes, or caseload standards for instructional personnel and teachers having the primary responsibility for the development, implementation, and updating of a student's IEP and in classrooms that include students with disabilities and students eligible for special education services. Requires an LEA's request for a waiver from the maximum class sizes, average class sizes, or caseload standards to include workload calculations demonstrating the need for a waiver. Establishes requirements for such workload calculations. **Amendment Summary:** House Education K-12 Subcommittee amendment 1 (015011) requires State Board of Education and DOE to consider the workload of a special education teacher when setting the maximum caseload standards for special education. Requires the board and department to consider providing instruction and services and implement inclusive practices for IEP management. Allows for waivers for maximum caseload standards, sets requirements for LEA's requests for waivers. **Senate Status:** 02/06/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Committee 03/04/20. SB2035 - J. Hensley - 02/06/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
10. **HB2300** **EDUCATION: School grading system.** Removes the requirement that the department of education annually assign an A, B, C, D, or F letter grades to schools based on student performance on TCAP or end-of-course exams and student growth as indicated by TVAS data or other measures of student growth. **Senate Status:** 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/25/20 - House Education K-12 Subcommittee deferred to 03/10/20. SB2512 - S. Dickerson - 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.

11. **HB2059** **EDUCATION: Use of excess instructional days toward required 180 classroom instruction days.** Allows excess instructional days to be applied toward the 180 required days of classroom instruction if the excess instructional time is not applied to instruction days missed due to dangerous or extreme weather conditions. **Senate Status:** 02/19/20 - Senate Education Committee deferred to 03/18/20. **House Status:** 02/25/20 - House Education K-12 Subcommittee deferred to 03/10/20. SB2782 - M. Bell - 02/19/20 - Senate Education Committee deferred to 03/18/20.
12. **HB1976** **EDUCATION: Subpoena power of the state board of education.** Allows the chair of the state board of education or the chair's designee to issue subpoenas for the appearance of persons or the production of items that the chair or the chair's designee considers material or relevant to an investigation being conducted by the state board pursuant to the state board's authority to revoke, suspend, refuse to issue, or renew a license or formally reprimand a licensed educator. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Committee 03/04/20. SB2260 - D. Gresham - 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20.
13. **HB2462** **EDUCATION: Truancy- student withdrawals from LEAs.** Allows a parents or guardian to withdraw a student with five or more days of unexcused absence and subject to truancy interventions from the LEA. Prohibits withdraw in any other month unless the student meets certain criteria. **Senate Status:** 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Committee 03/04/20. SB2784 - M. Bell - 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.

### Wed 2/26/20 8:30am - Senate Hearing Rm I, Senate Government Operations Committee

SB2550 was added to the calendar by suspension of the rules on the Senate Floor on 02/24/20. MEMBERS: CHAIR K. Roberts (R); VICE CHAIR E. Jackson (R); 2ND VICE CHAIR J. Bowling (R); M. Bell (R); R. Crowe (R); S. Kyle (D); M. Pody (R); P. Rose (R); B. Powers (R)

2. **SB2348** **EDUCATION: Creates the robotics education task force.** Creates the robotics education task force to research opportunities for expansion of robotics education programs in the kindergarten through grade 12 curriculum. Requires the task force to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including feedback gathered from the general public, to the chief clerks of the house of representatives and the senate and the chairs of the education committees of the house of representatives and the senate no later than January 1, 2022. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Senate Government Operations Committee recommended with a positive recommendation. Sent to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Curriculum, Testing & Innovation Subcommittee 03/03/20. HB2408 - J. Ragan - 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Curriculum, Testing & Innovation Subcommittee 03/03/20.
10. **SB2550** **AGRICULTURE: Advisory task force of famers and foresters.** Creates an advisory task force of farmers and foresters to lead a strategic planning process and resulting implementation plan to position this state as a leading hub for agtech and value-added agriculture. Specifies membership of the task force and specifies that the task force will be managed through the department of agriculture. Requires the task force to report its findings and recommendations to the general assembly no later than April 1, 2021. **Amendment Summary:** Senate Government Operations Committee amendment 1 (015485) establishes the farm and forestry task force managed through the department of agriculture, in collaboration with the Tennessee Farm Bureau Federation, the Center for Profitable Agriculture, and AgLaunch Initiative. Decreases the number of appointed members from 12 to nine with six full-time farmers or foresters who receive their primary income from farming activities. Decreases the appointments made by the speaker of the House and Senate from four to one, and increases the appointments by the commissioner of agriculture from four to seven. Requires input be made when developing a statewide strategy for agricultural innovation and entrepreneurship by the state's universities, commodity organizations, companies, and other stakeholders and requires the resulting plan include the identification of new opportunities to stimulate the growth and the investment of more private capital into Tennessee agricultural and farmer-owned enterprises, the establishment of further statewide farmer network and entrepreneurship programming to grow more agtech and value-added businesses, and a quantitative analysis of the statewide research enterprise that may have applications for agriculture industry. Requires the task force submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the general assembly no later than August 31, 2021. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee 03/04/20. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee 03/03/20. HB2583 - M. White - 02/27/20 - Set for House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee 03/03/20.

### Wed 2/26/20 9:00am - House Hearing Rm I, House Education Committee

The committee will have budget hearings by the TN Education Lottery Corporation and TN State University. MEMBERS: CHAIR M. White (R); VICE CHAIR K. Haston (R); G. Johnson (D); A. Parkinson (D); J. Ragan (R); I. Rudder (R); J. Sexton (R); K. Vaughan (R); T. Weaver (R); J. Windle (D); C. Baum (R); D. Hawk (R); J. Clemmons (D); D. Moody (R); H. Love Jr. (D); D. Byrd (R); S. Cepicky (R); M. Cochran (R); J. Coley (R); J. Deberry Jr. (D); V. Dixie (D); B. Dunn (R); J. Hodges (D); C. Hurt (R); T. Leatherwood (R)

1. **HB1589** **EDUCATION: Tennessee Anti-Lunch Shaming Act.** Requires a school to provide a United States Department of Agriculture reimbursable meal to each student who requests one. Prohibits a school from requiring a student to throw away a meal after the meal has been served to the student because of the student's inability to pay for the meal. Requires the student's school to attempt, on at least two separate occasions, to contact the student's parent or guardian to discuss the reasons for the meal debt and to offer any available assistance if a student accumulates a meal debt equal to the cost of five or more meals provided to the student during the school year. Prohibits a school from taking certain actions against a student who cannot pay for a meal. Requires the school to direct communications about a student's meal debt to the student's parent or guardian and not to the student. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee 03/04/20. SB1593 - S. Kyle - 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20.
2. **HB1835** **EDUCATION: LEA funding of a grow your own program.** Allows the commissioner of the department of education, upon request by an LEA, to grant a waiver from the average class size limits established to assist the LEA in funding a grow your own program pursuant to criteria established by the department. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20. **House Status:** 02/26/20 - House Education Committee recommended. Sent to House Calendar & Rules. SB1790 - B. Powers - 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20.
3. **HB1655** **EDUCATION: Attendance for student who participates in non-school-sponsored extracurricular activity or basic training.** Requires a public school to credit a student who participates in a non-school-sponsored extracurricular activity as being present for attendance purposes in the same manner as the student would be credited for an educational field trip. Requires the student to provide documentation to the school as proof of the student's participation in the non-school-sponsored extracurricular activity and requires the student's parent or guardian to submit written notice of the student's intent to participate no later than seven business days prior. Also requires a public school to credit a student who participates in basic training required by a branch of the United States armed forces as present for attendance purposes in the same manner as an educational field trip. **Amendment Summary:** House Education Committee amendment 1 (015248) deletes all language after the enacting clause. Requires a public school to credit a student as present if the student participates in an activity or program sponsored by 4-H. Requires a public school to credit a student as present, for up to ten days, if the student participates in basic training required by a branch of the United States armed forces. Requires a student to have the opportunity to make up any schoolwork in basic training. Prohibits a school principal or principal's designee from crediting a student who participates in an activity or program sponsored by 4-H or in basic training if the participation occurs during TCAP or during any period of time for which the student has been suspended, expelled, or assigned to an alternative school or alternative program if it would otherwise preclude the student from participating in an educational field trip. **Senate Status:** 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House floor on 03/02/20. SB2352 - D. Gresham - 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
4. **HB1657** **EDUCATION: Tennessee state flag to be displayed at public schools.** Requires the official Tennessee state flag to be displayed on every public school building in this state, in addition to the currently required official United States flag. Requires the commissioner of education to specify the size and quality of the official Tennessee state flags that school districts may purchase and to prescribe rules for the proper care, display, and observance of the official Tennessee state flag. **Amendment Summary:** House Education Committee amendment 1 (021716) deletes and replaces language in the original bill such that the only substantive change is to require the State Board of Education (SBE), instead of the Commissioner of DOE, to specify the size and quality of the Tennessee state flags that school districts may purchase and to prescribe rules for the proper care, display, and observance of the flags. **Senate Status:** 02/06/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee 03/04/20. SB2033 - P. Rose - 02/06/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.

5. **HB2634** **EDUCATION: Funding of out-of-state residential mental health facilities.** Requires LEAs to allocate funding for out-of-state residential mental health facilities for students if the facility borders Tennessee, serves at least 15 students per school year, offers at least 16 1/2 hours of educational instruction per week, has at least one teacher with an endorsement in special education and other criteria. Requires the state board of education to promulgate rules and procedures for approving out-of-state residential facilities to receive funding. Changes requirements for students admitted into facilities receiving funding such as requiring students to have been enrolled for at least one full school prior to admission. **Amendment Summary:** House Education Committee amendment 1 (014728) specifies that the educational programs or instructional services should meet the Category I requirements, as applicable. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended with amendment 1. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee. **House Status:** 02/26/20 - House Education Committee recommended with amendment 1 (014728), which specifies that the educational programs or instructional services should meet the Category I requirements, as applicable. Sent to House Government Operations.  
SB2774 - M. Bell - 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended with amendment 1. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee.
6. **HB1975** **EDUCATION: Automatic revocation of the license of a licensed teacher or administrator.** Adds offenses to the list of offenses for which, upon conviction, the state board of education shall automatically revoke a teacher's or administrator's license, including arson or aggravated arson, proving a handgun to juveniles, and child abuse, child neglect or child endangerment. **Amendment Summary:** House Education K-12 Subcommittee amendment 1 (014746) deletes and replaces language to the original bill to require that due process rights of licensed teachers or administrators be exhausted or waived before licensure can be revoked for certain criminal offenses. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House floor 03/05/20.  
SB2262 - D. Gresham - 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20.
7. **HB1665** **EDUCATION: In-state tuition for family members of persons serving in the military.** Requires public institutions of higher education to classify a student who is the spouse or dependent child of a service member as an in-state student for tuition purposes, regardless of the spouse's or dependent child's domicile or place of residence. **Senate Status:** 01/23/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee 03/04/20.  
SB1729 - R. Briggs - 01/23/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
8. **HB1664** **EDUCATION: Grading scale for students in grades nine through 12.** Establishes the grading scale that must be used to assign letter grades to students enrolled in grades nine through 12 for purposes of reporting students' grades for postsecondary financial assistance. Clarifies that this section does not prohibit the state board of education or an LEA from developing, adopting, or implementing a grading system for purposes other than reporting students' grades for postsecondary financial assistance. **Senate Status:** 01/23/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee 03/04/20.  
SB1728 - R. Briggs - 01/23/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
9. **HB1617** **EDUCATION: Offer of employment from local board of education or director of schools.** Reduces, from 14 days to three days, the period of time after a local board of education or director of schools makes an initial offer of employment to a person for a teaching position that the person has to accept or reject the offer of employment. **Amendment Summary:** Senate amendment 1, House Education Committee amendment 1 (015028) deletes and replaces all language after the enacting clause such that the only substantive change is to decrease, from 14 days to 5 business days, the period of time in which a person offered a teaching position is required to accept or reject an employment offer in writing to the local board of education or director of schools. **Senate Status:** 02/27/20 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (015028), which deletes and replaces all language after the enacting clause such that the only substantive change is to decrease, from 14 days to 5 business days, the period of time in which a person offered a teaching position is required to accept or reject an employment offer in writing to the local board of education or director of schools. **House Status:** 02/26/20 - House Education Committee recommended with amendment 1 (015028), which deletes and replaces all language after the enacting clause such that the only substantive change is to decrease, from 14 days to 5 business days, the period of time in which a person offered a teaching position is required to accept or reject an employment offer in writing to the local board of education or director of schools. Sent to House Calendar & Rules.  
SB1616 - F. Haile - 02/27/20 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (015028), which deletes and replaces all language after the enacting clause such that the only substantive change is to decrease, from 14 days to 5 business days, the period of time in which a person offered a teaching position is required to accept or reject an employment offer in writing to the local board of education or director of schools.
10. **HB1822** **EDUCATION: Establishes LEA requirements for advanced mathematics education.** Requires LEAs that serve grades 3-12 to offer advanced mathematics courses for each grade 3-12. Students must be placed in advanced mathematics courses based on their end-of-course (EOC) exam results for their most recently enrolled mathematics course. Students in seventh grade meeting the required benchmark for advanced mathematics courses must be enrolled in high school level courses and no LEA may remove a student from an advanced mathematics course unless the parent or guardian requests in writing for the student's removal. By October 1 of each year starting with 2021, the department of education is required to submit a report to the education committees in the house of representatives and senate, which must include the number of eligible students, courses offered, and feedback regarding the implementation of these requirements. Broadly captioned. **Amendment Summary:** House Education Committee amendment 1 (014962) deletes all language after the enacting clause. Requires students who achieve a benchmark score in mathematics as determined by the LEA, on the seventh grade Tennessee Comprehensive Assessment Program (TCAP) to enroll in an Algebra I course in the upcoming school year if the LEA offers Algebra I and there is space and staff available. Requires an LEA to notify the parent of each student who the LEA has space and staff available to enroll in an Algebra I course. Prohibits an LEA from removing a student who qualifies for and is enrolled in an Algebra I course without certain notification and parental consent. Requires the Department of Education (DOE) to submit a report to the Education Committees of the Senate and the House of Representatives by October 1st of each year, beginning in 2021, that contains collected data related to the placement of students in Algebra I course. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20. **House Status:** 02/26/20 - House Education Committee recommended with amendment 1 (014962), which deletes all language after the enacting clause. Requires students who achieve a benchmark score in mathematics as determined by the LEA, on the seventh grade Tennessee Comprehensive Assessment Program (TCAP) to enroll in an Algebra I course in the upcoming school year if the LEA offers Algebra I and there is space and staff available. Requires an LEA to notify the parent of each student who the LEA has space and staff available to enroll in an Algebra I course. Prohibits an LEA from removing a student who qualifies for and is enrolled in an Algebra I course without certain notification and parental consent. Requires the Department of Education (DOE) to submit a report to the Education Committees of the Senate and the House of Representatives by October 1st of each year, beginning in 2021, that contains collected data related to the placement of students in Algebra I course. Sent to House Calendar & Rules.  
SB2578 - J. Yarbro - 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20.
11. **HB1935** **EDUCATION: Location of local board of education's administrative offices.** Authorizes an LEA's local board of education to locate the board's administrative offices within a building owned by the United States government, or an agency or instrumentality of the United States government, pursuant to a lease or easement authorized by the United States government. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee 03/04/20.  
SB1886 - B. Massey - 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee.
12. **HB1974** **EDUCATION: Assessment of costs against teacher or administrator from contested case hearing.** Allows the state board of education to assess costs against a teacher or administrator when a final order is issued following a contested case hearing in which a teacher or administrator is issued a formal reprimand or the teacher's or administrator's license is denied, non-renewed, suspended, or revoked. Requires the state board of education to promulgate rules to govern the assessment of costs against a teacher or administrator under this section. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Government Operations Committee 03/02/20.  
SB2261 - D. Gresham - 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20.
13. **HB1993** **EDUCATION: Open enrollment - transfer of student to school that student is not zoned to attend.** Requires each LEA to conduct an open enrollment period of at least 30 days during which parents or guardians of students residing within the LEA may apply for enrollment of the students in schools that the students are not zoned to attend. Specifies that during the open enrollment period, parents or guardians may choose from the list of the LEA schools with available space and request transfers. **Amendment Summary:** House Education Committee amendment 1 (015115) deletes all language after the enacting clause. Prohibits an LEA from including in the number of available spaces for enrollment spaces reserved by the LEA. Adds that an LEA may reserve a reasonable number of enrollment spaces to accommodate the potential enrollment of students who may relocate, students with siblings that may relocate and students who may have a parent who teaches at that school. Changes the provision that allowed parents to choose from a list of available schools and instead allows them to submit an application for transfer. Allows LEAs to enroll nonresident students before all applications for transfer under certain circumstances. **Senate Status:** 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/26/20 - House Education Committee recommended with amendment 1 (015115), which deletes all language after the enacting clause. Prohibits an LEA from including in the number of available spaces for enrollment spaces reserved by the LEA. Adds that an LEA may reserve a reasonable number of enrollment spaces to accommodate the potential enrollment of students who may relocate, students with siblings that may relocate and students who may have a parent who teaches at that school. Changes the provision that allowed parents to choose from a list of available schools and instead allows them to submit an application for transfer. Allows LEAs to enroll nonresident students before all applications for transfer under certain circumstances. Sent to House Calendar & Rules.  
SB2343 - D. Gresham - 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
14. **HB2404** **EDUCATION: Eligibility for the work-based learning student grant program.** Extends eligibility for the work-based learning student grant program to include students enrolled in a middle college program. **Senate Status:** 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House consent calendar on 03/02/20.  
SB2350 - D. Gresham - 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.

15. **HB2407** **EDUCATION: Allows IEP testing accommodations to be used for TCAP or EOC.** Allows testing accommodations in a student's individualized education program (IEP) to be used when taking Tennessee comprehensive assessment program (TCAP) or end-of-course (EOC) exams. Broadly captioned. **Amendment Summary:** Senate amendment 1 (013873) deletes all language after the enacting clause. Requires a student whose individualized education program (IEP), section 504 plan, or individual learning plan (ILP) allows for testing accommodations to be allowed to use the same testing accommodations while taking an assessment under the Tennessee comprehensive assessment program (TCAP) or an end-of-course assessment, only if the accommodation does not invalidate the assessment. House Education Committee amendment 1 (014880) deletes all language after the enacting clause. Requires a student whose individualized education program (IEP), section 504 plan, or individual learning plan (ILP) allows for testing accommodations to be allowed to use the same testing accommodations while taking an assessment under the Tennessee comprehensive assessment program (TCAP) or an end-of-course assessment, only if the accommodation does not invalidate the assessment. **Senate Status:** 02/10/20 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (013873). **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House floor 03/05/20. SB1637 - K. Yager - 02/10/20 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (013873).
16. **HB1687** **EDUCATION: Academic standards for science and social studies for students in kindergarten through grade two.** Requires the state board of education to eliminate all academic standards for science and social studies for students in kindergarten through grade two. Permits the incorporation of the subjects of science and social studies into the curriculum aligned with the academic standards for English language arts for students in kindergarten through grade two. **Amendment Summary:** House Education Curriculum, Testing & Innovation Subcommittee amendment 1 (014847) removes requirements for the state board of education to abolish all academic standards for science and social studies for students in kindergarten through grade two and to incorporate the subjects of science and social studies into the curriculum aligned with the academic standards for English language arts for students in kindergarten through grade two. Requires standard recommendation committees revert to adopting sets of standards in science and social studies that fit the needs of Tennessee students in kindergarten through grade 12. Requires LEAs incorporate science and social studies concepts into the English language arts instruction for students in kindergarten through grade two. **Senate Status:** 01/23/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Committee 03/04/20. SB1735 - J. Hensley - 01/23/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
17. **HB2335** **EDUCATION: Survey regarding speech language pathologists in schools.** Requires the department of education to survey all LEAs, public charter schools, and state special schools to determine whether there is a sufficient number of speech language pathologists licensed by the state board of education to meet the needs of students with speech disorders in the public schools. Requires the department to also survey and collect information on the licensed speech-language pathologists' caseloads and workloads, including the number of students evaluated, observed, and assisted per week and the amount of time per week that the pathologists spend in direct contact with students, in IEP meetings, traveling between schools, and completing documentation. Requires the department to report its findings and recommendations to the education committees of the senate and house of by January 15, 2021. **Amendment Summary:** House Education Committee amendment 1 (015012) expands from students with speech disorders to students with speech, language, or communication needs the students having their needs met by speech-language pathologists. **Senate Status:** 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House floor 03/05/20. SB2284 - J. Hensley - 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
18. **HB1691** **EDUCATION: Age requirements for students entering kindergarten.** Changes the date in which a child entering kindergarten must be five years of age on or before August 15 each school year to on or before June 1 each school year. Changes the date from September 30 to July 31 in which a child may be permitted to enter kindergarten if the director of schools, along with the parents of the child, find through evaluation and testing that the child is sufficiently mature emotionally and academically. **Senate Status:** 01/23/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Committee 03/04/20. SB1738 - J. Hensley - 01/23/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
19. **HB2001** **EDUCATION: Requires the county legislative body determine school budgets.** Broadens the county legislative body's duties to include making revenue estimates that comply with the necessary budget requirements set by the basic education program (BEP). Requires chair of the local board of education along with the director of schools prepare a budget according to revenue estimates and determinations made by the county legislative body. **Senate Status:** 02/24/20 - Senate passed. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House floor 03/05/20. SB1962 - D. Gresham - 02/24/20 - Senate passed.

### Wed 2/26/20 11:00am - House Hearing Rm III, House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee

MEMBERS: CHAIR G. Hicks (R); J. Deberry Jr. (D); R. Tillis (R); R. Staples (D); L. Miller (D); A. Holt (R); D. Hawk (R); R. Gant (R); K. Camper (D); B. Ogles (R); S. Lynn (R); M. Hill (R); P. Hazlewood (R); S. Whitson (R)

12. **HB1554** **EDUCATION: Administration of TCAP tests in paper format.** Allows an LEA to choose to administer TCAP tests to its students in a paper format beginning with the 2020-2021 school year if the commissioner of education authorizes TCAP tests to be administered in a computerized format. Requires the department of education to provide TCAP test materials in a paper format to LEAs choosing to administer TCAP tests in a paper format. **Amendment Summary:** House Education Committee amendment 1 (014262) deletes all language after the enacting clause and rewrites the original bill to authorize the Commissioner of the DOE, based on the results of an online verification test, to allow end-of-course examinations to be administered in a computerized format in the 2020-21 year. Requires all TCAP tests to be administered in a paper format in the 2020-21 school year, regardless of the results of the online verification test. Authorizes the Commissioner of DOE, based on the results of an online verification test, to allow TCAP tests to be administered in a computerized format in the 2021-22 year and subsequent school years. **Senate Status:** 01/16/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Finance, Ways & Means Committee 03/03/20. SB1565 - J. Hensley - 01/16/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
13. **HB1592** **EDUCATION: Pilot program to award completion grants to certain Tennessee Promise scholarship students.** Requires TSAC to establish a four-year pilot program to award completion grants to Tennessee Promise scholarship students who have an immediate financial need or who are experiencing a financial hardship that may prevent the student from completing a postsecondary degree or credential. **Amendment Summary:** House Education Committee recommended with amendment 1 (013933) deletes and rewrites all language after the enacting clause such that the only substantive changes are: (1) transfers responsibility for the program from TSAC to the Tennessee Higher Education Commission (THEC); (2) limits the eligible recipient population to those students who are eligible for and receiving services as part of the college coaching initiative delivered by Tennessee Promise partnering organizations, and who have an immediate financial need or are experiencing a financial hardship that may prevent the student from completing a postsecondary degree or credential; (3) delegates, to the Tennessee Promise partnering organizations, the responsibility to identify the students who are eligible for a completion grant; (4) caps the total per year amount of completion grants awarded by THEC under this program at \$250,000; (5) stipulates guidelines regarding annual funding and processes for any unexpended funds; and (6) requires THEC to use only funds appropriated to THEC from the General Fund to award completion grants. **Senate Status:** 01/23/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/26/20 - House Finance Subcommittee placed behind the budget. SB1741 - J. Hensley - 01/23/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
16. **HB124** **TAXES SALES: Tennessee Local Education Capital Investment Act.** Allows LEA to elect to be a Tennessee rapid growth school district if there is a minimum average growth of two percent in average daily membership (ADM) over the immediately preceding five fiscal years. Requires department of education to calculate ADM growth and determine eligibility. Funding will be determined by the percentage ADM growth and provided by the its proportionate share of tax collected and remitted by dealers within the county, with the total annual amount distributed to each LEA capped at \$7 million. Tennessee rapid growth school status may be elected by a two-thirds majority of the legislative body of the municipality or county it resides in. **Senate Status:** 02/01/19 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/26/20 - Returned to House clerk's desk. SB198 - J. Johnson - 02/01/19 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.

### Wed 2/26/20 2:30pm - Senate Hearing Rm I, Senate Education Committee

The committee will hear a presentation by the West TN School for the Deaf. They will also have budget hearings by the East TN State University and TN Tech University. MEMBERS: CHAIR D. Gresham (R); VICE CHAIR B. Kelsey (R); 2ND VICE CHAIR R. Akbari (D); M. Bell (R); R. Crowe (R); S. Dickerson (R); F. Haile (R); J. Hensley (R); J. Lundberg (R)

2. **SB2473** **EDUCATION: Released time courses.** Requires a public school to excuse a student from school in order for the student to attend a released time course if requested by the student's parent or legal guardian even if the local board of education has not adopted a policy on released time courses. Authorizes local boards of education to transport students attending a released time course to and from the place of instruction if the entity providing the instruction reimburses the LEA for the services. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Committee 03/04/20. HB2542 - D. Powers - 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Committee 03/04/20.
3. **SB1982** **EDUCATION: Adult workforce diploma pilot program.** Creates the adult workforce diploma pilot program, which aims to assist adults 19 years of age or older in obtaining a high school diploma and developing career and technical skills. Requires the department of labor and workforce development to establish the program and begin operation with the 2020-2021 fiscal year for a time of three years. Specifies requirements of the program and the department, including reporting, payments to program providers, and applications. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended with amendment 1. Sent to Senate Finance. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education K-12 Subcommittee 03/03/20. HB2460 - M. White - 02/27/20 - Set for House Education K-12 Subcommittee 03/03/20.

4. **SB1886** **EDUCATION: Location of local board of education's administrative offices.** Authorizes an LEA's local board of education to locate the board's administrative offices within a building owned by the United States government, or an agency or instrumentality of the United States government, pursuant to a lease or easement authorized by the United States government. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee 03/04/20.  
HB1935 - B. Dunn - 02/27/20 - Set for House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee 03/04/20.
5. **SB2220** **EDUCATION: TN Promise scholarship requirements.** Establishes rules for calculating grade point averages for TN Promise scholarship students, rather than allowing TSAC promulgate them. Allows TN Promise scholarship students to apply for retroactive funds for 2019–2020 to students who became ineligible during the 2019-2020 school year but would have qualified under the new rules set forth in this bill. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20. **House Status:** 02/25/20 - House Higher Education Subcommittee deferred to the lottery calendar.  
HB2305 - R. Eldridge - 02/25/20 - House Higher Education Subcommittee deferred to the lottery calendar.
6. **SB2180** **EDUCATION: Transferring of students.** Requires local boards of education to admit students from outside the board's LEA if the receiving LEA has the available space at the building, grade, class, and program level. Allows local boards of education to arrange for the transfer of students residing in their district to schools located outside of their district. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education K-12 Subcommittee 03/03/20.  
HB2869 - J. Coley - 02/27/20 - Set for House Education K-12 Subcommittee 03/03/20.
7. **SB1790** **EDUCATION: LEA funding of a grow your own program.** Allows the commissioner of the department of education, upon request by an LEA, to grant a waiver from the average class size limits established to assist the LEA in funding a grow your own program pursuant to criteria established by the department. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20. **House Status:** 02/26/20 - House Education Committee recommended. Sent to House Calendar & Rules.  
HB1835 - C. Johnson - 02/26/20 - House Education Committee recommended. Sent to House Calendar & Rules.
8. **SB2576** **TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES: Changes restrictions concerning attaining driver's licenses and learner's permits.** Removes restrictions prohibiting expelled students or students not making satisfactory academic progress from getting a license or keeping their license. Broadly captioned. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Failed in Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/25/20 - House Safety & Funding Subcommittee deferred to last calendar.  
HB2597 - V. Dixie - 02/25/20 - House Safety & Funding Subcommittee deferred to last calendar.
9. **SB1785** **EDUCATION: OREA study of before and after school programs.** Requires the office of research and education accountability (OREA) in the office of the comptroller, with the assistance of the department of education, to conduct a comprehensive study of before and after school programs available to students in any of the grades kindergarten through twelve. Requires OREA to report the findings from the study to the education committees of the senate and the house, the speaker of the senate, and the speaker of the house by February 1, 2021. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Taken off notice in Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/04/20 - Referred to House Education K-12 Subcommittee.  
HB2030 - H. Love Jr. - 02/04/20 - Referred to House Education K-12 Subcommittee.
10. **SB2249** **EDUCATION: Funding of school nurse positions.** Requires, beginning with the 2020-2021 school year, the BEP to fund one full-time public school nurse position for each school in each LEA. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20. **House Status:** 02/11/20 - Referred to House Education K-12 Subcommittee.  
HB2755 - J. Deberry Jr. - 02/11/20 - Referred to House Education K-12 Subcommittee.
11. **SB2089** **EDUCATION: LEAs required to implement a program of family life education.** Updates requirement for the department of health, state center for health statistics, to report counties where pregnancy rates exceeded 19.5 per 1,000 in females aged 15 to 19 beginning in the 2020-2021 school year. Restricts employees, service providers, or volunteers from making abortion referrals or advocating or encouraging abortion while on school property or when present at any required local education agency (LEA) or school-sponsored event. Broadly captioned. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended with amendment 1. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Curriculum, Testing & Innovation Subcommittee 03/03/20.  
HB2135 - R. Smith - 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Curriculum, Testing & Innovation Subcommittee 03/03/20.
12. **SB2774** **EDUCATION: Funding of out-of-state residential mental health facilities.** Requires LEAs to allocate funding for out-of-state residential mental health facilities for students if the facility borders Tennessee, serves at least 15 students per school year, offers at least 16 1/2 hours of educational instruction per week, has at least one teacher with an endorsement in special education and other criteria. Requires the state board of education to promulgate rules and procedures for approving out-of-state residential facilities to receive funding. Changes requirements for students admitted into facilities receiving funding such as requiring students to have been enrolled for at least one full school prior to admission. **Amendment Summary:** House Education Committee amendment 1 (014728) specifies that the educational programs or instructional services should meet the Category I requirements, as applicable. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended with amendment 1. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee. **House Status:** 02/26/20 - House Education Committee recommended with amendment 1 (014728), which specifies that the educational programs or instructional services should meet the Category I requirements, as applicable. Sent to House Government Operations.  
HB2634 - A. Holt - 02/26/20 - House Education Committee recommended with amendment 1 (014728), which specifies that the educational programs or instructional services should meet the Category I requirements, as applicable. Sent to House Government Operations.
13. **SB823** **EDUCATION: Pregnancy as approved medical leave for TN HOPE scholarship purposes.** Requires TSAC to promulgate rules designating pregnancy as an approved medical or personal leave of absence for purposes of the Tennessee HOPE scholarship. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House floor on 03/02/20.  
HB379 - L. Lamar - 02/27/20 - Set for House floor on 03/02/20.
14. **SB2719** **EDUCATION: Tennessee state university institutions' advisory boards.** Requires an advisory board for a University of Tennessee institution have at least one meeting in the previous 12 months in order to be exempt from needing a physical quorum at a location in order to allow for electronic participation. Broadens the boards exempt from this rule to include the advisory boards for the University of Tennessee institutions and the state university boards. Requires the full-time faculty member and student on the advisory board for University of Tennessee institutions be selected and appointed no later than May 31 of the year of appointment. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Higher Education Subcommittee 03/03/20.  
HB2496 - D. Hawk - 02/27/20 - Set for House Higher Education Subcommittee 03/03/20.
15. **SB2340** **EDUCATION: Hiring of police, public safety, and security officers by public institutions of higher education.** Gives power to the governing boards of public institutions of higher education to help decide a suitable number of police officers, public safety officers, and security officers to be employed by institutions, schools, and boards. Broadly captioned. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee. **House Status:** 02/24/20 - House passed.  
HB2062 - M. Carter - 02/24/20 - House passed.
16. **SB2344** **EDUCATION: Removes select requirements for state colleges of applied technology.** Clarifies that state colleges of applied technology are required to provide occupational training and technical education. Removes requirement of the board of regents to restructure the board and staff to carry out sections of the Public Acts of 1983 as well as the requirement for the heads of state colleges of applied technology to report to the senior level staff member. Broadly captioned. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Committee 03/04/20.  
HB2105 - M. White - 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Committee 03/04/20.
17. **SB2345** **EDUCATION: LEAP grant requirements.** Expands LEAP grant requirements for organizations to include the use of high-quality instructional materials. Gives preference in the award of LEAP grants to applicants offering summer programs focused on closing literacy gaps among students entering grades one through three. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee deferred to 03/11/20. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Curriculum, Testing & Innovation Subcommittee 03/03/20.  
HB2409 - J. Ragan - 02/27/20 - Set for House Education Curriculum, Testing & Innovation Subcommittee 03/03/20.

Thu 2/27/20 8:00am - House Hearing Rm I, House Calendar & Rules Committee

MEMBERS: CHAIR J. Zachary (R); VICE CHAIR L. Russell (R); R. Smith (R); B. Terry (R); M. Stewart (D); J. Shaw (D); S. Lynn (R); W. Lamberth (R); K. Keisling (R); C. Johnson (R); D. Howell (R); J. Windle (D); J. Faison (R); M. White (R); T. Hill (R); M. Hill (R); B. Dunn (R); J. Deberry Jr. (D); M. Daniel (R); M. Curcio (R); J. Crawford (R); K. Camper (D); C. Sexton (R); C. Boyd (R); C. Halford (R)



13. **HB379** **EDUCATION: Pregnancy as approved medical leave for TN HOPE scholarship purposes.** Requires TSAC to promulgate rules designating pregnancy as an approved medical or personal leave of absence for purposes of the Tennessee HOPE scholarship. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House floor on 03/02/20.  
SB823 - R. Akbari - 02/26/20 - Senate Education Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee.
18. **HB1655** **EDUCATION: Attendance for student who participates in non-school-sponsored extracurricular activity or basic training.** Requires a public school to credit a student who participates in a non-school-sponsored extracurricular activity as being present for attendance purposes in the same manner as the student would be credited for an educational field trip. Requires the student to provide documentation to the school as proof of the student's participation in the non-school-sponsored extracurricular activity and requires the student's parent or guardian to submit written notice of the student's intent to participate no later than seven business days prior. Also requires a public school to credit a student who participates in basic training required by a branch of the United States armed forces as present for attendance purposes in the same manner as an educational field trip. **Amendment Summary:** House Education Committee amendment 1 (015248) deletes all language after the enacting clause. Requires a public school to credit a student as present if the student participates in an activity or program sponsored by 4-H. Requires a public school to credit a student as present, for up to ten days, if the student participates in basic training requires by a branch of the United States armed forces. Requires a student to have the opportunity to make up any schoolwork in basic training. Prohibits a school principal or principal's designee from crediting a student who participates in an activity or program sponsored by 4-H or in basic training if the participation occurs during TCAP or during any period of time for which the student has been suspended, expelled, or assigned to an alternative school or alternative program if it would otherwise preclude the student from participating in an educational field trip. **Senate Status:** 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House floor on 03/02/20.  
SB2352 - D. Gresham - 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
30. **HB1587** **EDUCATION: Implementation of a Stop the Bleed program.** Authorizes LEA's to develop a Stop the Bleed program beginning with the 2020-2021 school year in conjunction with local law enforcement. Establishes certain requirements for the program including, but not limited to, placement in an accessible location, proper training for LEA employees, annual inspections and the replacement of expired or missing materials. Exempts LEA's from personal injury liability as a result of using the items. Allows disciplinary action for misuse or abuse of a bleeding control kit on school property by a student. **Amendment Summary:** Senate Judiciary Committee amendment 1 (015338) changes language concerning the liability of an LEA, school, or employee of an LEA for personal injury resulting from the act or omission of an individual "that involves one (1) or more of the items contained in a bleeding control kit" to "to control bleeding using a bleeding control kit." **Senate Status:** 02/25/20 - Senate Judiciary Committee recommended with amendment 1 (015338). Sent to Senate Finance. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House floor 03/05/20.  
SB1644 - S. Kyle - 02/25/20 - Senate Judiciary Committee recommended with amendment 1 (015338). Sent to Senate Finance.
31. **HB1975** **EDUCATION: Automatic revocation of the license of a licensed teacher or administrator.** Adds offenses to the list of offenses for which, upon conviction, the state board of education shall automatically revoke a teacher's or administrator's license, including arson or aggravated arson, proving a handgun to juveniles, and child abuse, child neglect or child endangerment. **Amendment Summary:** House Education K-12 Subcommittee amendment 1 (014746) deletes and replaces language to the original bill to require that due process rights of licensed teachers or administrators be exhausted or waived before licensure can be revoked for certain criminal offenses. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House floor 03/05/20.  
SB2262 - D. Gresham - 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20.
32. **HB2335** **EDUCATION: Survey regarding speech language pathologists in schools.** Requires the department of education to survey all LEAs, public charter schools, and state special schools to determine whether there is a sufficient number of speech language pathologists licensed by the state board of education to meet the needs of students with speech disorders in the public schools. Requires the department to also survey and collect information on the licensed speech-language pathologists' caseloads and workloads, including the number of students evaluated, observed, and assisted per week and the amount of time per week that the pathologists spend in direct contact with students, in IEP meetings, traveling between schools, and completing documentation. Requires the department to report its findings and recommendations to the education committees of the senate and house of by January 15, 2021. **Amendment Summary:** House Education Committee amendment 1 (015012) expands from students with speech disorders to students with speech, language, or communication needs the students having their needs met by speech-language pathologists. **Senate Status:** 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House floor 03/05/20.  
SB2284 - J. Hensley - 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
33. **HB2404** **EDUCATION: Eligibility for the work-based learning student grant program.** Extends eligibility for the work-based learning student grant program to include students enrolled in a middle college program. **Senate Status:** 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House consent calendar on 03/02/20.  
SB2350 - D. Gresham - 02/10/20 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
34. **HB2407** **EDUCATION: Allows IEP testing accommodations to be used for TCAP or EOC.** Allows testing accommodations in a student's individualized education program (IEP) to be used when taking Tennessee comprehensive assessment program (TCAP) or end-of-course (EOC) exams. Broadly captioned. **Amendment Summary:** Senate amendment 1 (013873) deletes all language after the enacting clause. Requires a student whose individualized education program (IEP), section 504 plan, or individual learning plan (ILP) allows for testing accommodations to be allowed to use the same testing accommodations while taking an assessment under the Tennessee comprehensive assessment program (TCAP) or an end-of-course assessment, only if the accommodation does not invalidate the assessment. House Education Committee amendment 1 (014880) deletes all language after the enacting clause. Requires a student whose individualized education program (IEP), section 504 plan, or individual learning plan (ILP) allows for testing accommodations to be allowed to use the same testing accommodations while taking an assessment under the Tennessee comprehensive assessment program (TCAP) or an end-of-course assessment, only if the accommodation does not invalidate the assessment. **Senate Status:** 02/10/20 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (013873). **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House floor 03/05/20.  
SB1637 - K. Yager - 02/10/20 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (013873).
41. **HB2001** **EDUCATION: Requires the county legislative body determine school budgets.** Broadens the county legislative body's duties to include making revenue estimates that comply with the necessary budget requirements set by the basic education program (BEP). Requires chair of the local board of education along with the director of schools prepare a budget according to revenue estimates and determinations made by the county legislative body. **Senate Status:** 02/24/20 - Senate passed. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House floor 03/05/20.  
SB1962 - D. Gresham - 02/24/20 - Senate passed.

Thu 2/27/20 8:00am - House Hearing Rm I, House Calendar & Rules Committee Consent

MEMBERS: CHAIR J. Zachary (R); VICE CHAIR L. Russell (R); R. Smith (R); B. Terry (R); M. Stewart (D); J. Shaw (D); S. Lynn (R); W. Lamberth (R); K. Keisling (R); C. Johnson (R); D. Howell (R); J. Windle (D); J. Faison (R); M. White (R); T. Hill (R); M. Hill (R); B. Dunn (R); J. Deberry Jr. (D); M. Daniel (R); M. Curcio (R); J. Crawford (R); K. Camper (D); C. Sexton (R); C. Boyd (R); C. Halford (R)

1. **HB1725** **GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION: Sunset - advisory council for the education of students with disabilities.** Extends the advisory council for the education of students with disabilities to June 30, 2027. **Senate Status:** 02/24/20 - Senate passed. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House consent calendar on 03/02/20.  
SB1647 - K. Roberts - 02/24/20 - Senate passed.
8. **HB1748** **GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION: Sunset - dyslexia advisory council.** Extends the dyslexia advisory council to June 30, 2027. **Senate Status:** 02/24/20 - Senate passed. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - Set for House consent calendar on 03/02/20.  
SB1670 - K. Roberts - 02/24/20 - Senate passed.

Thu 2/27/20 8:30am - Senate Chamber, Senate Floor

3. **SB1616** **EDUCATION: Offer of employment from local board of education or director of schools.** Reduces, from 14 days to three days, the period of time after a local board of education or director of schools makes an initial offer of employment to a person for a teaching position that the person has to accept or reject the offer of employment. **Amendment Summary:** Senate amendment 1, House Education Committee amendment 1 (015028) deletes and replaces all language after the enacting clause such that the only substantive change is to decrease, from 14 days to 5 business days, the period of time in which a person offered a teaching position is required to accept or reject an employment offer in writing to the local board of education or director of schools. **Senate Status:** 02/27/20 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (015028), which deletes and replaces all language after the enacting clause such that the only substantive change is to decrease, from 14 days to 5 business days, the period of time in which a person offered a teaching position is required to accept or reject an employment offer in writing to the local board of education or director of schools. **House Status:** 02/26/20 - House Education Committee recommended with amendment 1 (015028), which deletes and replaces all language after the enacting clause such that the only substantive change is to decrease, from 14 days to 5 business days, the period of time in which a person offered a teaching position is required to accept or reject an employment offer in writing to the local board of education or director of schools. Sent to House Calendar & Rules.  
HB1617 - V. Dixie - 02/26/20 - House Education Committee recommended with amendment 1 (015028), which deletes and replaces all language after the enacting clause such that the only substantive change is to decrease, from 14 days to 5 business days, the period of time in which a person offered a teaching position is required to accept or reject an employment offer in writing to the local board of education or director of schools. Sent to House Calendar & Rules.

Thu 2/27/20 9:00am - House Chamber, House Floor

1. **HB1826** **EDUCATION: Development of formative assessment questions banks for LEAs.** Requires the commissioner of the department of education to produce a formative assessment question bank which is aligned to the summative assessment and requires the commissioner to make the formative assessment question banks available to LEAs during the school year. Specifies that LEAs shall have complete authority over the use of the formative assessment question banks. **Amendment Summary:** Senate amendment 1 (014537) requires the commissioner of the department of education begin developing the formative assessment question banks by July 1, 2020 and requires the department of education make the question banks available for use by LEAs. **Senate Status:** 02/24/20 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (014537). **House Status:** 02/27/20 - House passed.  
Haston K. SB1946 - J. Hensley - 02/24/20 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (014537).
2. **HB1827** **EDUCATION: Proposed textbooks to be shown on department's website for inspection by LEAs and public.** Requires publishers to make all textbooks and instructional materials proposed for adoption available on the department of education's website or the state textbook depository's website for inspection by LEAs and the public. **Amendment Summary:** House amendment 1 (014700) deletes all language after the enacting clause. Requires publishers to make all textbooks and instructional materials proposed for adoption available for inspection by LEAs and public online, which may include access via the state textbook depository. **Senate Status:** 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - House passed with amendment 1 (014700), which deletes all language after the enacting clause. Requires publishers to make all textbooks and instructional materials proposed for adoption available for inspection by LEAs and public online, which may include access via the state textbook depository.  
Haston K. SB2342 - D. Gresham - 02/26/20 - Set for Senate Education Committee 03/04/20.
6. **HJR671** **EDUCATION: Confirmation of Appointment - Kelly Wolfe, Board of Trustees of East Tennessee State University.** Confirms the appointment of Kelly Wolfe to the board of trustees of East Tennessee State University. **House Status:** 02/27/20 - House deferred to 03/12/20.  
Lamberth W.