HOUSE BILL 489

By Dunn

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-1-302; Section 49-6-407; Title 49, Chapter 4, Part 9; Title 49, Chapter 7, Part 1; Title 49, Chapter 8, Part 1 and Title 49, Chapter 9, Part 1, relative to grading.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-1-302(a)(18), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (A) and by adding the following language as new subdivision (B):

(B) By July 1, 2012, the state board shall modify the uniform grading system to allow for the awarding of pluses and minuses with the letter grades "A", "B" and "C". The state board shall decide whether assigning a plus or a minus with the letter grade "D" is feasible. The uniform grading system shall specify the value of a plus or minus in calculating a cumulative grade point average. The modification of the uniform grading system to allow for the award of pluses and minuses shall be adopted for use in all public schools in the 2012-2013 school year.

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

it.