HOUSE BILL 646

By Faison

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 4, relative to financial aid for home school students.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-708(b)(7), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting:

"Home school student" means:

- (A) A Tennessee resident who completed high school in a home school program prior to July 1, 2021, meeting the requirements of § 49-6-3050(a)(2), (a)(3), or (b); or
- (B) A Tennessee resident who completed high school in a home school program on or after July 1, 2021;

Section 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-902(27), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting:

"Home school student" means:

- (A) A Tennessee resident who completed high school in a home school program prior to July 1, 2021, meeting the requirements of § 49-6-3050(a)(2), (a)(3), or (b). For one (1) year immediately preceding completion of high school as a home school student, the student must have been a student in a home school; or
- (B) A Tennessee resident who completed high school in a home school program on or after July 1, 2021;

- Section 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-908(a)(3), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting:
 - (A) Attain a composite ACT score of at least 21 on any single ACT test date or a concordant equivalent score on the SAT on any single SAT test date, if the student completed high school in a Tennessee home school program or graduated from a high school located in Tennessee that is not an eligible high school;
 - (B) Pass the GED® tests with an average score of at least 525, the revised GED® tests with an average score of at least 170, or the HiSET® tests with an average score of at least 15, and attain a composite ACT score of at least 21 on any single ACT test date or a concordant equivalent score on the SAT on any single SAT test date; or
 - (C) Complete at least two (2) dual enrollment courses totaling at least six (6) semester hours credit at an eligible postsecondary institution and achieve a grade point average of at least 3.0 in each of two (2) dual enrollment courses and a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 in all dual enrollment courses attempted; and SECTION 4. This act takes effect July 1, 2021, the public welfare requiring it.

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