HOUSE BILL 883

By Maddox

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 30, relative to school terms.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-3004, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated subsection:

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- (1) As used in this section, "four-day school calendar" means a calendar for a school year in which school meets no more than four (4) days per week.
- (2) Notwithstanding provisions of subsection (a) to the contrary, the state board of education shall develop a policy permitting and governing the use of a four-day school calendar; provided, that such policy requires instructional time under a four-day school calendar at least equal to that required by the provisions of subsections (a) and (e). A local board of education may adopt a school calendar using a four-day school week, if the school calendar conforms to the policy adopted by the state board of education.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it.