HOUSE BILL 934

By McKenzie

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 5, Part 6, relative to the Professional Educators Collaborative Conferencing Act of 2011.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-602, is amended by deleting subdivision (3) and substituting instead the following:

(3) "Management personnel" means the management team members certified by the local board of education to represent the board in the collaborative conferencing process;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-605(b)(3), is amended by deleting the language "eligible to vote" and substituting instead the word "voting".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-605(b)(6)(A), is amended by deleting the language "of those eligible to vote" and by adding the language "from the date on which a memorandum of understanding is approved" immediately after the word "years".

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-605(c), is amended by deleting the last sentence of the subsection.

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-606(a), is amended by deleting the language "It is unlawful for a board of education or its management personnel to:" and substituting instead the language "It is unlawful for a board of education, its management personnel, its management team, or its director of schools to:".

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-606(a)(3), is amended by adding the language "in good faith" immediately after the word "participate".

SECTION 7. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-609(c), is amended by adding the following language at the end of the subsection:

Once a memorandum of understanding has been agreed to in the collaborative process, the director of schools shall present the memorandum of understanding to the board of education within sixty (60) days. If the board votes to disapprove the memorandum of understanding, then the parties shall return to the conferencing table to continue to confer to try and reach an agreement.

SECTION 8. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-609(d), is amended by deleting the language "collaborative conferencing," immediately after the word "require".

SECTION 9. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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