HOUSE BILL 1675

By Gravitt

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-50-114; Title 49, Chapter 8; Title 49, Chapter 9 and Title 49, Chapter 7, relative to tuition fee waivers for state employees.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-50-114(a)(1), is amended by adding the following language at the end of the subdivision:

If a state employee withdraws from or fails a course in which the employee enrolled with a tuition and fee waiver, then the institution shall charge to the employee's account the amount of the tuition and fee waiver. Before the state employee may take another course at any public institution of higher education, the employee shall pay the amount that was charged to the employee's account for the course from which the state employee withdrew or failed, unless the state employee shows and the institution accepts that the employee had a documented medical or personal reason sufficient to justify the withdrawal or failure.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016, the public welfare requiring it.