



# *State of Tennessee*

## **PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 932**

**SENATE BILL NO. 1842**

**By Gresham**

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2198

By Goins, Littleton

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, relative to higher education.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 50, Part 13, is amended by deleting the part.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 9, Part 4, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

(a) The Tennessee Foreign Language Institute is transferred to and reestablished as a part of the Institute for Public Service and renamed the Tennessee Foreign Language Center.

(b) As a part of the Institute for Public Service, the Tennessee Foreign Language Center shall provide coordination and foreign language services to state and local government entities, as well as private entities. Programming may include, but is not limited to:

(1) Services in support of government, industrial recruitment, and economic and tourist development;

(2) Original research into issues related to foreign language, language instruction, and associated cultural considerations; and

(3) Providing publications, conducting educational conferences, and furnishing technical consultation, training, and field services in the areas of foreign language and culture.

(c)(1)(A) On July 1, 2018, the Tennessee Foreign Language Institute endowment fund shall be transferred from the state treasury to the University of Tennessee Institute for Public Service. The fund shall be renamed the Tennessee Foreign Language Center endowment fund. The Institute for Public Service may receive private gifts and contributions for deposit in the Tennessee Foreign Language Center endowment fund for the benefit of the Tennessee Foreign Language Center.

(B) Notwithstanding subdivision (c)(1)(A), the Institute for Public Service may keep the Tennessee Foreign Language Center endowment fund in the state treasury and may enter into an agreement with the state treasurer for its management.

(2) The income from the Tennessee Foreign Language Center endowment fund shall be used for the operation and maintenance of the center. All interest and earnings on deposit in the fund shall become a part of and remain in the Tennessee Foreign Language Center endowment fund. No funds in the Tennessee Foreign Language Center endowment fund shall revert to the state general fund on June 30 of any year, but shall remain available for expenditure in accordance with this part.


SECTION 3. On July 1, 2018, all employees of the former Tennessee Foreign Language Institute shall become employees of the University of Tennessee Institute for Public Service and shall be subject to the employment practices and policies of the University of Tennessee.

SECTION 4. On July 1, 2018, all funds, contracts, grants, and property, real and otherwise, of the former Tennessee Foreign Language Institute shall be transferred to the University of Tennessee Institute for Public Service.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018, the public welfare requiring it.


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PASSED: April 23, 2018

  
RANDY McNALLY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May 2018

  
BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR