

HOUSE BILL 2488

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49,
relative to a tuition discount for educators
employed in this state.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 7, Part 1, is amended by
adding the following as a new section:

(a) A person who is employed as a full-time certified teacher in a public school in
this state may receive a twenty-five percent (25%) reduction in the tuition at a public
institution of higher education in this state for courses related to the person's
employment as a teacher.

(b)

(1) The state board of education shall promulgate, by rule, a list of
categories of courses to which the tuition discount authorized by subsection (a)
applies.

(2) The Tennessee higher education commission shall promulgate rules
to implement this section.

(3) Rules must be promulgated in accordance with the Uniform
Administrative Procedures Act, compiled in title 4, chapter 5.

(c) Reimbursement to a public institution of higher education in this state for the
tuition discount provided by this section is limited to the funds specifically appropriated
for such purpose in the general appropriations act. Such reimbursement is limited to
providing for the discount on tuition provided for in this section.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and applies to the 2024-2025 academic year and subsequent academic years.