

SENATE BILL 519

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49,  
Chapter 1; Title 49, Chapter 2 and Title 49,  
Chapter 6, Part 60, relative to graduation rates.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-6001(i), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and substituting instead:

The department of education shall require that a student who attends a public high school and who, in lieu of graduating from high school, obtains a GED<sup>®</sup> or a HiSET<sup>®</sup> diploma within five (5) years of beginning high school be included in the calculation of the graduation rate for the class in which the student entered high school.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015, the public welfare requiring it.