

SENATE BILL 641

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 50, Part 1 and Title 49, Chapter 7, Part 1, relative to continuing education for certain retired state employees.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-50-114(a), is amended by deleting the present language in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

(a)

(1) Full-time employees of the state of Tennessee and retired employees of the state of Tennessee with at least thirty (30) years of service are eligible for enrollment in one (1) course per term at any state-supported college or university, technology center or the Tennessee Foreign Language Institute without paying tuition charges, maintenance fees, student activity fees, registration fees or online course fees for courses taken through the regents online degree programs; provided, that availability of waivers of online course fees for courses taken through the regents online degree program shall be limited each year by the amount of funds specifically appropriated for such online course fee waivers in the general appropriations act.

(2) For purposes of this section, current members of the general assembly shall be considered as full-time employees of the state of Tennessee.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it.