SENATE BILL 707

By Tate

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 2, relative to local administration.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 2, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

49-2-__.

An employment contract between a local school board and director of schools shall not be renewed or extended:

- (1) Where ten percent (10%) or more of the schools under the director's general supervision have been identified by the department as high priority schools in accordance with the federal benchmarks of no child left behind; or
- (2) Upon three (3) or more findings by the comptroller of the treasury of waste, fiscal mismanagement, malfeasance, nonfeasance, ineptitude, or any unacceptable level of performance by any department within the school system under the director's general supervision.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 2, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

49-2-__.

An employment contract entered into or renewed between a school board and director of schools shall contain an express buyout provision setting forth the terms and conditions of the full release of all contractual obligations of both parties.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming law, the public welfare requiring

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