

SENATE BILL 855

By Southerland

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4;
Title 49; Title 50; Title 56 and Title 67, relative to
career and technical education.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 11, Part 2, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

The Tennessee Council for Career and Technical Education, with the assistance of the department of education and the state board of education, shall investigate barriers that deter employers from offering high school students who are minors opportunities to participate fully in work-based learning internships. The council shall explore ways in which programs may be structured, state board rules or policies altered, or legislation enacted to encourage employers to offer internships for all students, particularly minors, who are in work-based learning programs. The council shall report any recommendations for legislation to the education administration and planning committee of the house of representatives and the education committee of the senate by January 15, 2016.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.