

SENATE BILL 1816

By Hensley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49,  
relative to high school graduation requirements.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 4, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) The department of education shall annually compile a list of courses that may be substituted for certain course graduation requirements and that, upon successful completion, allow students to earn the credits required for high school graduation.

(b) By April 15 of each year, the department shall distribute the course substitutions list described in subsection (a) to:

- (1) Each LEA and public charter high school in this state; and
- (2) The Tennessee higher education commission.

(c) Each LEA and public charter high school in this state shall distribute the course substitutions list to its high school counselors to assist students in selecting coursework that is aligned with the students' career and postsecondary interests.

(d) The commission shall annually distribute the course substitutions list to each public institution of higher education in this state.

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