

SENATE BILL 2221

By Briggs

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49
and Title 68, relative to school nurses.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-3-306, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

An LEA shall classify school nurses as licensed personnel for purposes of this section and shall compensate school nurses according to the salary schedule adopted by the LEA for licensed personnel for the respective school year. School nurses who hold a valid license to practice professional nursing as a registered nurse, and who have zero (0) years of experience, must receive the same base salary, for the respective school year, as that established for licensed teachers with a bachelor's degree and zero (0) years of experience. School nurses with more training and experience must receive more than the base salary per school year. School nurses with less training and experience must receive less than the established base salary per school year.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2022, the public welfare requiring it, and applies to the 2022-2023 school year and each school year thereafter.