

SENATE BILL 2503

By Campfield

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49
and Title 71, relative to nutrition assistance.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-101(f), is amended by adding the following language as a new subdivision:

(8) On or before January 15, 2015, and annually thereafter, the department of education, in consultation with the department of human services, shall provide a report containing a compilation of the data and a detailed analysis of the findings listed below to the education committees of the senate and the house of representatives and the commissioner of children's services. Such report shall include:

(A) The number of grants and assistance provided as funding to provide a free and reduced lunch to the recipients of the community-based early childhood education and pre-kindergarten programs;

(B) The number of children who are four (4) years of age on or before September 30 and from families with incomes that meet the eligibility requirements for free and reduced lunch as determined pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1771 that participate in the programs;

(C) The number of children three (3) years of age and from families with incomes that meet the eligibility requirements for free and reduced lunch as determined pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1771 that participate in the programs;

(D) The benefit, if any, to the LEA in recognizing and improvement in the cognitive, physical, social and emotional, of children who are recipients of the programs; and

(E) Any additional information relevant information as the education committees may require.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014, the public welfare requiring it.