HOUSE BILL 1699

By Pitts

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-50-114, relative to tuition and fee waivers for state employees.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-50-114(a), is amended by deleting subdivision (1) and substituting instead:

(1) Full-time employees of the state of Tennessee are eligible for enrollment in up to four (4) courses per academic year at any state-supported college or university, college of applied technology, or the Tennessee Foreign Language Institute without paying tuition charges, maintenance fees, student activity fees, registration fees, or online course fees for courses taken through the regents online degree programs. A course for which the waiver is granted shall consist of no more than four (4) credit hours or one hundred twenty (120) clock hours, and the waiver shall be used for only one (1) course at a time. The availability of waivers of online course fees for courses taken through the regents online degree program shall be limited each year by the amount of funds specifically appropriated for such online course fee waivers in the general appropriations act.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect June 1, 2016, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to the 2016-2017 academic year and academic years thereafter.