SENATE BILL 2754 By Akbari

HOUSE BILL 2769

By Thompson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, relative to education.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-105(c), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (1) and adding the following as a new subdivision:

(2) Subject to appropriations, for the 2024-2025 school year, the commissioner shall approve programs for the lesser of:

(A) A sufficient number of pre-kindergarten programs to provide one thousand two hundred (1,200) pre-kindergarten classrooms in this state. The commissioner shall approve programs under this subdivision (c)(2)(A) on a competitive basis; or

(B) All pre-kindergarten programs for which LEAs submit applications pursuant to subsection (a) that meet the requirements for the commissioner's approval.

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