

State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 279

SENATE BILL NO. 1069

By Hensley

Substituted for: House Bill No. 826

By Gillespie, Ragan

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, relative to K-12 education.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-3402(c)(1)(C), is amended by deleting subdivision (i) and substituting instead the following:

(i) Notwithstanding subdivision (c)(1)(A), a director of schools, or a director's designee, is not required to assign a student in grades seven through twelve (7-12) who has been suspended for more than ten (10) days or expelled from the regular school program for an offense of violence or threatened violence, or an offense that threatened the safety of persons attending or assigned to the student's school, to an alternative school or alternative program if:

(a) The alternative school or alternative program is located on the same grounds as the regular school program from which the student was suspended or expelled; or

(b) The director of schools, or the director's designee, determines that assigning the student to the alternative school or alternative program may endanger the safety of the students or staff of the alternative school or alternative program.

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

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PASSED: April 17, 2023




RANDY McNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 28th day of April 2023



BILL LEE, GOVERNOR