



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 527

HOUSE BILL NO. 736

By Representatives Lafferty, Todd

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1260

By Senators Gresham, Robinson, Stevens

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 6, relative to on-the-job training.

WHEREAS, early exposure to a variety of career-based experiences is critical to ensure that students can make informed decisions about future career pathways; and

WHEREAS, career-based experiences connect learning to the world beyond the classroom; and

WHEREAS, career-based experiences provide students with opportunities to apply their academic, career-related, and technical knowledge; and

WHEREAS, career-based experiences may help students clarify their career goals; and

WHEREAS, career-based experiences provide students with opportunities to develop the skills necessary for success in the workforce; and

WHEREAS, career-based experiences allow students to build connections with professionals outside their usual networks; and

WHEREAS, districts are encouraged to partner with industry and local businesses to expose students to a variety of career-based experiences; now, therefore,

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 4, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) As used in this section, "career-based experience" means an opportunity for a student to participate in on-the-job training or a structured educational experience that allows the student to apply the student's knowledge and skills in a work environment and to develop an understanding of workplace expectations.

(b)

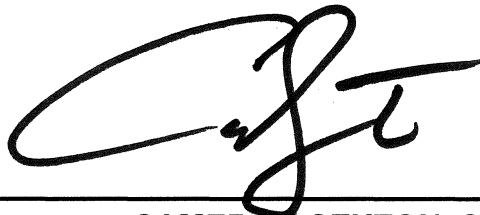
(1) An LEA may provide career-based experiences to the LEA's high school students and may allow the LEA's high school students to participate in any available career-based experiences.

(2) An LEA may establish partnerships with industry and local businesses to provide career-based experiences to the LEA's high school students.

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

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PASSED: February 13, 2020



CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RANDY MCNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 6th day of March 2020


BILL LEE, GOVERNOR