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## WEEKLY LEGISLATIVE REPORT

*Friday, March 19, 2010*

Below is a legislative update which includes legislation of interest to public education and TPA. If no companion bill is listed, one has not been filed. Hyperlinks to the full text of each bill were added for your convenience. To utilize this feature, hold down the “control” key while clicking on the link with your mouse. This update is current through March 26, 2010.

### ***Highlights for the Week of March 22, 2010***

#### **Committees look to wrap up**

As April approaches, both houses of the General Assembly are hoping to finish all committee business within the next few weeks. On the House side, Les Winningham (D-Huntsville), Chairman of the House Education K-12 Subcommittee, stated next week’s calendar will be the last for the K-12 Subcommittee. It is unlikely that the committee will be able to close next week, however, as a majority of the bills scheduled for this week were rolled to the next calendar. These bills will be added to the remaining bills assigned to the committee. This, of course, results in a very long calendar, which you can review below.

Switching to the full House Education Committee, none of the bills scheduled for this week were heard due to higher education budget hearings taking up all of the committee’s time. The bills have been rescheduled for next week’s meeting.

On the Senate side, the Senate Education Committee did approve SB 2630 – legislation requiring approval of the director of schools or his/her designee for a teacher to take personal leave on a day scheduled for professional development, in-service training or parent-teacher conferences. The full Senate followed suit on Thursday, adopting the bill with a vote of 23-9.

Be sure to review the calendars below for upcoming activity pertaining to public education. All contact information for committee members and other legislators may be found on the General Assembly website – [www.capitol.tn.gov](http://www.capitol.tn.gov). You can also watch committee hearings and floor session live through video streaming.

# *Calendars of Interest*

## *Week of March 26, 2010*

*Numbers in the left column indicate placement of bill on calendar.*

### **House Education K-12 Subcommittee -- Wednesday at 10:00 am -- LP 16**

MEMBERS: Chair Winningham (D), Vice Chair Lollar (R), Barker (D), Brown (D), Dunn (R), Harwell (R), Hawk (R), Hensley (R), U. Jones (D), Maddox (D), J. Turner (D), Weaver (R).

1. [HB 3745](#)  
Mumpower      **EDUCATION: Extracurricular athletic activities for home schoolers.** Permits a home schooled child, who would be eligible to enroll in a public school, to participate in the extracurricular athletic activity of the public school for which the child would otherwise be zoned. (SENATE: SB 3485, Ramsey R.; Senate Education deferred to 04/07/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 1, 2010 Increase state expenditures - not significant. Increase local expenditures - not significant.
2. [HB 2645](#)  
Cooper B.      **EDUCATION: Payment of licensing tests for certain adult students.** Requires the department of labor and workforce development, in conjunction with the department of education, to develop and implement a program for payment of licensing test costs for adult students who received a high school diploma or GED through a career and technical education program. (SENATE: SB 3354, Kyle; Referred to Senate Commerce, Labor & Agriculture.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 17, 2010 Increase state expenditures - \$176,400.
3. [HB 2341](#)  
Jones S.      **EDUCATION: Education of juveniles in detention.** Requires the commissioner of education to include in the commissioner's annual report information on the education of juveniles in detention, including an estimate of the number of juveniles served yearly in detention facilities. Broadly captioned. (SENATE: SB 2198, Burks; Senate Education deferred to last calendar.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 16, 2009 Increase state expenditures - not significant.
4. [HB 3868](#)  
Jones U.      **EDUCATION: Charter school governing board members training sessions.** Requires all charter school governing board members to attend an annual training session or face potential removal from such board. (SENATE: SB 3254, Tate; Referred to Senate Education.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 10, 2010 Increase state expenditures - not significant.
5. [HB 3546](#)  
Maddox      **EDUCATION: Submission of salary ratings.** Requires the director of schools to submit salary ratings to the commissioner of education by November 1 rather than December 1 of the school year for which the personnel are elected. (SENATE: SB 2819, Finney L.; Set for Senate Education Committee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 9, 2010 Increase local expenditures - not significant.

6. HB [2996](#)  
DeBerry J. **EDUCATION: Changes to school start dates.** States that LEAs are required to start the school year no earlier than the fourth Monday in August, unless the LEAs board has decided to establish a year-round calendar. Makes certain changes to administration of TCAP for non-proficient students, and the reporting of such results. (SENATE: SB 3088, Burchett; Senate Education deferred to last calendar.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 15, 2010 Increase state expenditures - \$8,500,000/one-time. \$37,260,000/Recurring. Increase local expenditures \$4,080,000/one-time. \$32,580,000/Recurring. Other Fiscal Impact - According to the Department of Education (DOE), federal Title I money may be jeopardized as a result of administering additional summer testing since the state will be unable to meet its reporting deadline. Such a loss is unable to be reasonably quantified; LEAs receive approximately \$250,000,000 in Title I money annually.
7. HB [3545](#)  
Maddox **EDUCATION: TCAP test score as percentage of student's final grade.** Requires that a student's TCAP test score comprise 20 percent of the student's final grade for the subject to which the test corresponds. (SENATE: SB 3427, Finney L.; Set for Senate Education Committee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 22, 2010 Increase state expenditures - \$50,000/one-time. \$450,000/Recurring. Increase local expenditures - \$39,510,000/one-time. \$6,585,000/Recurring\*.
8. HB [3710](#)  
Towns **EDUCATION: Promotion of students.** Prohibits a student from being promoted to the next grade level unless the student has shown an understanding of the curriculum and the ability to perform the skills required for the current grade level as demonstrated by the student's grades or standardized testing scores. (SENATE: SB 3309, Kelsey; Senate Education deferred to last calendar.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 4, 2010 Increase state expenditures - \$1,950,000/one-time. \$172,478,200/Recurring. Increase local expenditures - \$86,239,000/recurring\*.
9. HB [2087](#)  
Towns **TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES: Denial of license due to withdrawal from school.** Increases the period of denial of driver license due to withdrawal from secondary school from 18 to 21 years of age with certain exceptions. (SENATE: SB 3423, Ford O.; Senate Transportation deferred to 03/30/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 9, 2009 State Revenue - Net Impact - Not Significant Increase State Expenditures - \$10,500/One-Time Other fiscal impact - a delay in the receipt of driver's license and instructional permit fees for a period up to three years.
10. HB [3869](#)  
Jones U. **EDUCATION: Free or reduced-lunch students and charter schools.** Permits students eligible for free or reduced-price lunch to attend charter schools. (SENATE: SB 3253, Tate; Referred to Senate Education.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 2, 2010 Increase local expenditures - \$1,007,400/over-time\*. Other Fiscal Impact - Regular public school students eligible for free and reduced price lunch may transfer into charter schools. BEP money follows the student. The total shift in BEP funds from a local education agency (LEA) to a public charter school as a result of this new category is dependent upon the number of new students otherwise ineligible to attend a public charter school that transfer, the number of open enrollment slots, charter school expansions, and the number of charter schools that are currently operating at full student and grade- level capacity. It is estimated that at least 100 students from this new category will shift into open slots in future years. This shift in funding is estimated to be \$1,007,400 over time as more slots become available.

11. [HB 3871](#)  
Jones U. **EDUCATION: Allocation of funds to charter school.** Clarifies that for purposes of a local board of education's allocation to a charter school, local education funds shall not include LEA investment, interest, or rental earnings. (SENATE: SB 3260, Tate; Referred to Senate Education.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 15, 2010 Other Fiscal Impact - Any funding from LEA investments, interest earnings, or rental income formerly going to charter schools will be reallocated. Funding sources other than investment, interest, or rental income will be reallocated to cover this shift. The total amount that will be reallocated from earnings on LEA investments, interest, or rental income is unknown but is estimated to exceed \$63,000 in FY10-11 and subsequent years.
12. [HB 3872](#)  
Jones U. **EDUCATION: Group insurance plans for charter school teachers.** Enables certain employees at charter schools to participate in a government group insurance plan or an LEA self-funded group insurance plan instead of having the government group insurance plan as the only option. Specifies that if a charter school chooses to participate in a LEA self-funded group insurance plan the charter school shall fully fund its employees other post employee benefits (OPEB) on an annual basis. (SENATE: SB 3259, Tate; Referred to Senate Education.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 9, 2010 On March 1, 2010, we issued a fiscal note for this bill indicating a fiscal impact of Decrease State Expenditures - Not Significant and Decrease Local Expenditures - Not Significant. On March 9, 2010, we received additional information from the Comptroller and the Department of Finance and Administration on the fiscal impact of requiring charter schools to fund OPEB for their teachers. The fiscal impact was in error and has been changed. Decrease state expenditures - not significant. Decrease local expenditures - exceeds \$1,000,000. Council on Pensions and Insurance: This legislation modifies the current statutory requirement that teachers employed by a charter school participate in the same health insurance plan as other teachers employed by a Local Education Agency. If SB 3259 became law, teachers in a charter school could participate in the State Plan (which provides coverage for state employees and employees of the State's public higher education institutions) or a plan provide by the charter school organization. If the charter school elects to participate in the State Plan then it must fully fund the post retirement health insurance cost on an annual basis. Effective July 2010. Has no direct financial impact on the State because it does not change the insurance contribution level in the BEP (45% for teachers, set in the General Appropriations Act each year). Additionally, this legislation would limit the ability of charter schools to obtain health insurance for their employees. The Council on Pensions and Insurance recommended against passage of Senate Bill 3259/House Bill 3872.
13. [HB 3873](#)  
Jones U. **EDUCATION: Convert certain public schools into charter schools.** Authorizes an LEA to convert certain public schools into public charter schools. Permits the local board of education to serve as the governing body of such a charter school. (SENATE: SB 3258, Tate; Referred to Senate Education.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 2, 2010 Increase state expenditures - not significant. Other Fiscal Impact - There will be a shift in state and local BEP funding from the LEA to the charter school once the conversion is complete. Any conversion under the provisions of the bill is permissive. Any shift in funding is permissive. Such a shift is estimated to be approximately \$5,700 per ADM split 70/30 between the state and the LEA respectively.

14. HB [0299](#)  
Hardaway **EDUCATION: Children in foster care to attend charter schools.** Expands eligibility for enrollment in charter schools to include the following children in foster care: a child in state custody for at least one year after reaching age 14; a child in state custody for one year after reaching age 14 who was adopted; and a child in state custody for at least one year who was placed in permanent guardianship after reaching 14 years of age. (SENATE: SB 0893, Burks; Senate passed 04/06/2009.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 6, 2009 Increase local expenditures - not significant Other Fiscal Impact - More students not eligible under current guidelines will be eligible to transfer into a public charter school. BEP funds may shift from local education agencies or the Department of Children's Services, dependent upon where foster children currently attend school, the number of students enrolling, the capacity of the charter school, and the number of open enrollment slots.
15. HB [3474](#)  
Kernell **EDUCATION: Funding of special school districts.** Requires special school districts with contiguous boundaries with the city limits to specify by contract that city funding must be split equally between school district operations and maintenance/construction. (SENATE: SB 3365, Marrero; Referred to Senate Education.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 12, 2010 Other Fiscal Impact - LEAs may use up to one-half of their annual BEP local match for one-time bond issuance and recurring debt service and one-half of their annual BEP local match for instructional purposes. Money shifted from instructional purposes will be made up by a corresponding shift in funding to instructional purposes from other funding sources. The exact amount of one-half of the annual BEP local match and corresponding shift in other funding for instructional purposes for affected special and city schools is unknown but is expected to exceed an average of \$1,385,400 for special school districts annually.
16. HB [2493](#)  
Hardaway **EDUCATION: Task force on truancy.** Requires any parent of a truant student to attend counseling, mentoring, or parenting classes. Requires truant students to receive counseling or mentoring. Creates task force on truancy and establishes guidelines, procedures and membership for such task force. (SENATE: SB 3312, Kelsey; Senate Education deferred to 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 24, 2010 Increase state expenditures - \$1,100/each one day meeting. \$1,851,000/Recurring. Increase local expenditures - \$8,378,700/recurring\*. Increase federal revenue - \$340,100/recurring.
17. HB [2072](#)  
DeBerry J. **EDUCATION: Occupational diploma for students with disabilities.** Requires the state board of education to create an occupational diploma for students with disabilities. (SENATE: SB 2126, Tate; Taken off notice in Senate Education 04/28/2009.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 4, 2009 Increase state expenditures - \$6,000/one-time.
18. HB [2379](#)  
Hawk **EDUCATION: Comprehensive Health Education Curriculum use by LEAs.** Requires the office of coordinated school health to recommend the Comprehensive Health Education Curriculum to local education agencies, which must be integrated through existing classes of guidance, physical education, classroom teach and other appropriate professionals as approved through the office of coordinated school health of the department of education. Requires all local education agencies to provide Comprehensive Health Education for 50 hours per year in a manner that is integrated throughout the year. (SENATE: SB 1936, Southerland; Taken off notice in Senate Education 02/27/2009.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 24, 2009 Increase state expenditures - not significant Increase local expenditures - not significant.

19. HB [2441](#)  
Hardaway **EDUCATION: Energy conservation methods as required curriculum.** Requires public school curriculum for grades K-12 to include content on energy conservation, including instruction on how to conduct an energy audit in the student's home. (SENATE: SB 3482, Tate; Referred to Senate Education.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: January 6, 2010 Increase state expenditures - \$30,000/one-time.
20. HB [0285](#)  
Coley **EDUCATION: Curriculum for the instruction of the Chinese language.** Requires the commissioner of education and the state board of education to approve a curriculum for the instruction of Chinese. Encourages LEAs to offer instruction on the Chinese language. AMENDMENT: House Education K-12 amendment 1 changes "requires" to "urges." (SENATE: SB 0238, Gresham; Senate Education 03/24/2010 recommended. Sent to Calendar Committee.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 9, 2009 Increase state expenditures - not significant Increase local expenditures - exceeds \$388,800/permissive.
21. HB [0797](#)  
Campfield **EDUCATION: Home school students participating in public school sports.** Authorizes an individual home education student under certain circumstances to participate in any school-authorized or education-related athletic activity occurring during or outside the regular instructional school day at the public school to which the student would be assigned to attend. (SENATE: SB 1262, Bunch; Set for Senate Education Committee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 19, 2009 Increase state expenditures - not significant. Increase local expenditures - not significant.
22. HB [3149](#)  
Winningham **EDUCATION: Notification regarding consolidation of school systems.** Requires the department of education to notify the general assembly within 60 days of the consolidation of school systems. Permits notification to be made electronically. (SENATE: SB 3449, Yager; Set for Senate Education Committee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 9, 2010 Minimal.
23. HB [2759](#)  
Brooks, Harry **EDUCATION: Board member vacancies: replacements by boards of education.** Requires local board of education members' vacancies to be replaced by the local board of education, instead of the local legislative body. Requires vacancies to be replaced within 30 days. (SENATE: SB 3066, Woodson; Set for Senate Education Committee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: January 28, 2010 Increase local expenditures - not significant.
24. HB [3133](#)  
Brooks, Harry **EDUCATION: Copies of report cards for parents.** Prohibits a parent whose parental rights have been terminated from being eligible to receive child's report card, notice of school attendance and other information from school concerning child. (SENATE: SB 3053, Woodson; Set for Senate Education Committee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 15, 2010 Decrease local expenditures - not significant.
25. HB [0015](#)  
Ferguson **EDUCATION: Election of director of schools.** Permits the popular election of director of schools and outlines qualifications. (SENATE: SB 0013, Yager; Taken off notice in Senate Education 02/12/2009.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: January 8, 2009 Increase local expenditures - exceeds \$100,000/permissive.
26. HB [0552](#)  
Hardaway **EDUCATION: Funding for special school district.** Requires a city in which there is located a special school district whose boundaries are coterminous with the city's boundaries to not reduce funding for such school system below that provided by the governing body in the previous fiscal year as adjusted for inflation based on the local government price deflator used to adjust the basic education program. (SENATE: SB 1354, Tate; Referred to Senate Education.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 27, 2009 Increase Local Expenditures - \$9,458,700.

27. HB [0812](#) Campfield **EDUCATION: Parents to request students attend family life courses.** Requires a written receipt from the student's parents or guardian who wishes the student to attend a family life course. Allows a student to be excused from a portion of family life instruction by submitting a request to the principal. (SENATE: SB 1234, Bunch; Set for Senate Education Committee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 23, 2009 Increase Local Expenditures - Not Significant.
28. HB [0821](#) Campfield **EDUCATION: Prohibits teaching of homosexuality in grades K-8.** Prohibits the teaching of or furnishing of materials on human sexuality other than heterosexuality in public school grades K-8. (SENATE: SB 1250, Bunch; Set for Senate Education Committee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 23, 2009 Minimal.
29. HB [0874](#) Bell **EDUCATION: Sale of 12-ounce products in public middle schools.** Authorizes school nutrition programs to sell 12-ounce individual food products that meet state and federal nutritional guidelines to middle school students. (SENATE: SB 0421, Bunch; Senate passed 03/19/2009.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 23, 2009 Minimal.
30. HB [2538](#) Casada **EDUCATION: School students: allows physical restraints for protection.** Allows the use of locked isolation rooms and physical restraints upon a student receiving special education to protect faculty, staff, or other pupils from harm. Prevents school resource officers from taking a special education student into custody. (SENATE: SB 2517, Johnson J.; Taken off notice in Senate Education 03/22/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: January 22, 2010 Minimal.
31. HB [2937](#) Lollar **EDUCATION: State BOE annual report.** Removes the duty of the state board of education to include in its annual report to the governor its analysis of evaluations for individual teachers. (SENATE: SB 2808, Norris; Referred to Senate Education.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 4, 2010 Minimal.
32. HB [2967](#) Hackworth **EDUCATION: Individualizes disciplinary plan for students.** Requires each student to receive an individualized education disciplinary and accountability program developed by a teacher of the student, a guidance counselor, and a parent or guardian of the student. (SENATE: SB 2990, Berke; Senate Education deferred to the last calendar.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 17, 2010 Increase local expenditures - \$42,000,000\*.
33. HB [3233](#) McCord **EDUCATION: Technical correction to the TCA.** Deletes a repetitive provision of the code that is already and more appropriately addressed elsewhere. (SENATE: SB 3054, Woodson; Referred to Senate Education.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 10, 2010 On February 2, 2010, we issued a fiscal note on this bill indicating a fiscal impact of Minimal. A typographical error in the law citation was made in the bill summary and has been corrected. The fiscal impact remains unchanged. (CORRECTED) Minimal.
34. HB [3336](#) Carr **EDUCATION: Fines related to truancy.** Increases the fine a judge is allowed to assess against the parent or legal guardian of a child that has been adjudicated unruly for truancy from \$50 to \$100. Also increases the hours of community service that a judge may assess against such parent or legal guardian from five hours to ten hours. (SENATE: SB 3438, Tracy; Referred to Senate Judiciary.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 15, 2010 Increase state expenditures - not significant. Increase state revenue - not significant. Increase local expenditures - not significant. Increase local revenue - not significant.
35. HB [3406](#) Faulkner **EDUCATION: Scheduling of athletics and commencement ceremonies.** Directs TSSAA to develop a policy prohibiting athletic events from being scheduled contiguously with commencement ceremonies of any public state secondary school. (SENATE: SB 3265, Faulk; Referred to Senate Education.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 3, 2010 Increase local expenditures - not significant.

36. HB [3484](#)  
Ferguson **EDUCATION: Lunch period for students and teachers.** Requires LEAs to provide 30 minute lunch period for elementary and secondary students. Requires the duty-free lunch period for all teachers to be at least the length of the student's lunch period. (SENATE: SB 3453, Yager; Set for Senate Education Committee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 18, 2010 Increase local expenditures - not significant.
37. HB [3866](#)  
Shaw **EDUCATION: Increases mileage allowed for operation of school buses.** Reduces the amount of time a conventional school bus may be in service after the initial 12 years to one additional year in lieu of five. Places Class D school buses on a year-to-year basis after the initial 15. Increases the maximum amount of mileage from 200,000 miles to 250,000 miles. Allows the department of safety to collect a fee for additional inspections in any year of service. (SENATE: SB 3292, Burks; Taken off notice in Senate Education 03/17/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 2, 2010 Increase state expenditures - \$435,600/one-time. \$321,600/Recurring. Increase state revenue - \$435,600/one-time. \$321,600/Recurring. Increase local expenditures - \$435,600/one-time/permissive. \$321,600/Recurring/permissive. Decrease local expenditures - net impact - exceeds \$1,000,000. Permissive over time. Other Fiscal Impact - If transportation costs decrease as a result of local education agencies (LEAs) choosing not to purchase new or used buses, the BEP formula will generate less funding over time, thus decreasing state BEP and local BEP match expenditures. The impact of any decrease in BEP funding will occur three years after its implementation since the BEP transportation component is funded on a three year average.
38. HB [3794](#)  
Turner M. **EDUCATION: LEA textbook requirements - broad caption.** Changes the date by which the director of schools and the chair of the board of each LEA must certify to the commissioner that all children enrolled in that LEA have been furnished all required textbooks. Requires the "parent" instead of the "mother" of a child enrolled within a model teen learning center to participate in the center's program of child care and instruction. Broadly captioned. (SENATE: SB 3875, Kyle; Referred to Senate Education.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 19, 2010 Increase state expenditures - not significant. Increase local expenditures - not significant.
39. HB [3962](#)  
Pitts **EDUCATION: Energy Efficient School funds transfer to lottery fund.** Deletes the energy efficient schools initiative and transfers remaining amounts in the energy efficient schools council fund to the lottery for education account. (SENATE: SB 3343, Kyle; Set for Senate Education Committee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Other Fiscal Impact - Transfers an unknown amount estimated to be between \$55,986,300 and \$91,400,000 from the Energy Efficient Schools Council Fund to the Lottery for Education Account. As a result, there will be a shift of use for these funds from purposes consistent with the Energy Efficient Schools Initiative to the purpose of providing scholarships and grants to qualified students.

## House Education Committee -- Wednesday at 11:00 am -- LP 16

MEMBERS: Chair H. Brooks (R), Vice Chair Winningham (D), Secretary Coley (R), Barker (D), K. Brooks (R), Brown (D), Cooper (D), J. DeBerry (D), Dunn (R), Harwell (R), Hawk (R), Haynes (R), Hensley (R), Hill (R), U. Jones (D), Lollar (R), Maddox (D), Pitts (D), Towns (D), J. Turner (D), Weaver (R), Windle (D).

1. [HB 0549](#)  
Hardaway **EDUCATION: Funding for special school district.** Prohibits a city in which there is located a special school district with ADM of 10,000 or more students and 75 percent of the students are eligible for free and reduced price lunch from reducing funding, excluding capital outlay and debt service, below the amount of funding provided by the governing body in the previous fiscal year as adjusted for inflation based on the local government price deflator used to adjust the BEP. (SENATE: SB 1355, Tate; Referred to Senate Education.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 27, 2009 Increase Local Expenditures - \$9,458,700.
2. [HJR 0781](#)  
Hardaway **EDUCATION: Student access to optional schools in Memphis.** Directs department of education to study student access to optional schools and programs in Memphis City Schools and the possibility of implementation and expansion of such optional programs to every school within the district and to report its recommendations to the general assembly by February 1, 2011. (FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 16, 2010 On February 1, 2010, we issued a fiscal note for this bill indicating a fiscal impact of Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant. An error was made in the bill summary stating that the study would be done with goal of possibly implementing Memphis' programs in all local education agencies. This has been corrected. This change has no impact on the original fiscal impact. (CORRECTED) Increase state expenditures - not significant.
3. [HB 0059](#)  
Hardaway **EDUCATION: Health insurance coverage for K-12 students.** Requires the department of education, in consultation with the department of health, to establish minimum guidelines for health insurance coverage required for attendance in K-12 schools. Beginning in academic year 2010-2011, requires student or student's parent or guardian to submit proof of health insurance prior to the start of classroom instruction for the academic year. Broadly captioned. AMENDMENT: Senate Commerce amendment 1 makes the bill. Authorizes the Cover Tennessee program to request and requires that the local education agencies provide student directory information in order to assist Cover TN in ascertaining health insurance coverage for students in public schools. Clarifies that any release of information to Cover TN must be made consistent with board policies governing the release of student directory information. House Education K-12 Subcommittee amendment 1 is the same as Senate Commerce amendment 1, but House's version changes the effective date to July 1, 2010. (SENATE: SB 0897, Burks; Re-referred to Senate Calendar Committee 05/11/2009.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 18, 2009 Increase state expenditures - \$31,145,526. Increase local expenditures - \$6,895,200. Increase federal expenditures - \$91,208,170. Other Fiscal Impact - Approximately 13,746 families will be required to buy into the Cover Kids program at a total annual cost of approximately \$41,981,784.
4. [HB 2130](#)  
Mumpower **EDUCATION: Grant for completion of Tennessee scholars program.** Establishes an additional grant of \$500 to entering freshman receiving HOPE scholarship or access grant for completion of Tennessee scholars program. AMENDMENT: House Higher Education subcommittee amendment 1 sets the effective date as July 1, 2010. (SENATE: SB 2185, Ramsey R.; Senate Education deferred to 04/07/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 20, 2009 Other Fiscal Impact - Increases the expenditure of lottery proceeds earmarked for scholarships and grants by \$825,000 per year.

5. HB [0376](#)  
Coley      **EDUCATION: Comparative education programs for teachers.** Urges institutions of higher education to offer programs in comparative education that study and examine teaching practices and learning outcomes in other countries. (SENATE: SB 1743, Marrero; Taken off notice in Senate Education 05/05/2009.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 10, 2009 Increase state expenditures - \$230,400.
  
6. HB [2975](#)  
Fitzhugh      **PUBLIC EMPLOYEES: Long-term care benefits program for education employees.** Requires the state insurance committee to provide opportunity for eligible local education employees to participate in the long-term care benefits program. AMENDMENT: Council on Pensions and Insurance amendment 1 changes the effective date to July 2011 with first implementation in January 2012 and includes local subdivisions. (SENATE: SB 2908, McNally; Senate State & Local Government 03/24/2010 recommended. Sent to Senate Finance, Ways & Means.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 25, 2010 Increase local expenditures - exceeds \$100,000/one-time/permissive. Council on Pensions and Insurance: Council on Pensions and Insurance recommended for passage with the additional remarks that this bill would require that the State Insurance Committee provide an opportunity for employees of local education agencies to enroll in the long-term care plan available to state employees. It was amended to provide that the long-term care coverage be effective January 1, 2012 and to expand the authorization to include employees of entities participating in the Local Government Plan. The fiscal impact of this bill is approximately \$50,000 in administrative costs.
  
7. HB [3200](#)  
Winningham      **EDUCATION: Extracurricular students: random drug testing.** Establishes that students participating in extracurricular activities may randomly be tested for illegal drugs without individualized reasonable suspicion as long as previous legal requirements are followed. Requires LEAs testing students for drugs to create policies and procedures for assisting and counseling students testing positive for illegal drug use. (SENATE: SB 2621, Tracy; Set for Senate Education Committee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 9, 2010 Increase local expenditures - \$355,200/permissive.
  
8. HB [3544](#)  
Maddox      **EDUCATION: Donation of school computers to low-income families.** Permits LEAs to donate computers removed from school inventories to low-income families in the school district. Requires memory on hard drives of such computers to be sanitized. (SENATE: SB 3425, Finney L.; Set for Senate Education Committee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 9, 2010 Increase state expenditures - not significant. Increase local expenditures - not significant/permissive.
  
9. HB [0564](#)  
Brooks, Harry      **EDUCATION: Report on plan to reduce asthma in students.** Clarifies that the department of health is to report on the design of a comprehensive plan to reduce the burden of asthma on students. Requires the report to be made to the education committees of the house and senate in addition to the senate general welfare, health and human resources committee and the house health and human resources committee. AMENDMENT: Senate amendment 1, House Education K-12 amendment 1 rewrites the bill to require the POST commission, in consultation with the law enforcement training academy, to report to the select committee on education oversight on current law enforcement training and procedures for responding to violent school incidents in elementary and secondary schools and in postsecondary institutions. Requires report to be submitted by February 1, 2010. (SENATE: SB 0769, Burchett; Senate 05/04/2009 passed with amendment 1.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 31, 2009 Increase state expenditures - not significant.

10. [HB 3028](#)  
Brooks, Harry      **EDUCATION: Background checks required for coaching positions.** Requires all member schools in the TN School Athletic Association to perform a background check on any person applying for a position as an athletic coach or coaching assistant. Requires the applicant to such position to pay for the costs incurred by TBI in conducting the investigation. (SENATE: SB 2783, Burchett; Senate Education deferred to 03/24/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 18, 2010 Increase state expenditures - net impact - not significant. Increase state revenue - net impact - not significant.
11. [HB 1860](#)  
Brown      **EDUCATION: Report on effectiveness of pilot after school programs.** Requires TN department of education and THECC to report on the effectiveness of pilot after school programs and whether such programs should be expanded to serve additional at-risk students. Broadly captioned. (SENATE: SB 1649, Berke; Set for Senate Education Committee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 12, 2009 Other Fiscal Impact - Increases the expenditure of unclaimed lottery prize money earmarked for after-school program grants by \$50,000 per year. Otherwise, additional appropriations of state funds would need to be made.
12. [HB 3479](#)  
Matlock      **EDUCATION: Definition of independent postsecondary institution.** Clarifies the definition of "eligible independent postsecondary institution" for use of state lottery proceeds to include membership in an accrediting agency that is recognized by the U.S. department of education and the Council on Higher Education Accreditation. (SENATE: SB 2899, McNally; Referred to Senate Education.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 10, 2010 Other Fiscal Impact - Increases the expenditure of lottery proceeds earmarked for scholarships and grants by an amount exceeding \$100,000 per year.
13. [HB 3193](#)  
Shaw      **PUBLIC EMPLOYEES: Group medical health insurance - LEA support staff.** Authorizes group medical health insurance for support staff employees of LEAs, beginning January 1, 2011. AMENDMENT: Pensions and Insurance amendment 1, as amended, establishes the amount set pursuant to the authority granted in this item shall be no greater than 10 percent for calendar year 2011, no greater than 15 percent for calendar year 2012, no greater than 20 percent for calendar year 2013 and no great than 25 percent for 2014. The verbal amendment to amendment 1 increase each respective date by one year. (SENATE: SB 3125, Burks; Senate Education deferred to the last calendar.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 4, 2010 Increase local expenditures - exceeds \$911,200/FY11-12 and subsequent years\*. Joint Committee on Pensions and Insurance: Senate Bill 3125 / House Bill 3193 authorizes the General Assembly to establish a minimum level of contribution by Local Education Agencies for the health insurance coverage for support staff. The level would be set annually in the General Appropriation Act. This bill continues the current authorization to set a minimum contribution level for teachers. The required contribution levels for teachers and support staff may be different. This bill, as introduced, would become effective upon becoming law; funding requirement for support staff may not take effect prior to January 1, 2011. The Council adopted an amendment to the legislation which would prohibit the adoption of a minimum contribution level for support staff until January 2012 and provides for a phase in of the contribution requirement over a five year period ending in 2016. Enactment of Senate Bill 3125 / House Bill 3193 would result in no fiscal impact on the State.

14. HB [0209](#)  
Coley **EDUCATION: Foreign language proficiency test for high school students.** Requires graduating high school students who have completed coursework in a foreign language to take a foreign language proficiency test. Requires the state board of education to establish a test for each foreign language that is taught in Tennessee public schools. Also requires the tests to be approved by the commissioner of education and to provide educators with diagnostic information to assist in developing curriculum for the purposes of increasing foreign language proficiency and improving preparation for postsecondary achievement. (SENATE: SB 1472, Henry; Referred to Senate Education.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 12, 2009 Increase State Expenditures - \$3,000,000/One-Time \$2,000,000/Recurring. Increase Local Expenditures - \$200,000/One-Time \$100,000/Recurring.
15. HB [3130](#)  
Harwell **EDUCATION: Code of ethics for public school teachers.** Requires the state board of education to establish and adopt a code of ethics for public school teachers in order to define conduct that is unbecoming to a teacher. AMENDMENT: Senate amendment 1 rewrites the bill and establishes a detailed set of ethics for all statewide K-12 teachers. Requires all teachers to be ethical by maintaining certain responsibilities to the students, ensuring the prevention of discrimination, stating truthful statements at all times, keeping confidential information confidential, and refraining from the acceptance of gifts that appear to influence professional decisions. House Education K-12 Subcommittee amendment 1 codifies TEA's code of ethics. (SENATE: SB 2416, Gresham; Senate 03/03/2010 passed with amendment 1.) FISCAL NOTE: Increase State Expenditures - \$6,000/One-Time.
16. HB [3416](#)  
Brown **EDUCATION: Commissioner to encourage LEAP programs.** Requires the commissioner of education to encourage lottery-funded after-school programs to provide extended learning to reflect the school curriculum. (SENATE: SB 3321, Berke; Senate Education deferred to last calendar.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 4, 2010 Increase state expenditures - not significant.
17. HB [3867](#)  
Jones U. **EDUCATION: LEA policy pamphlets updates.** Requires that LEAs shall update their policy pamphlets every two years, rather than annually. (SENATE: SB 3255, Tate; Referred to Senate Education.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 10, 2010 Decrease local expenditures - not significant.

## Senate Education Committee -- Wednesday at 2:30 pm -- LP 12

PLEASE NOTE TIME. The Committee will hold a Budget Hearing for the Tennessee Education Lottery Corp. MEMBERS: Chair Gresham (R), Vice Chair Tate (D), Secretary Berke (D), Burks (D), Crowe (R), J. Haynes (D), Ketron (R), Tracy (R), Woodson (R).

1. SB [3737](#)  
Bunch **EDUCATION: Extending of in-state tuition to wrestlers.** Permits wrestlers from Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, and Florida to attend the Tennessee higher education institutions with Division 1 wrestling programs and pay in-state tuition rates. (HOUSE: HB 3959, Bell; Set for House Higher Education Subcommittee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 2, 2010 Decrease state revenue - exceeds \$22,600.

2. SB [3746](#)  
Bunch      **EDUCATION: Postsecondary scholarship: early secondary school graduates.** Authorizes scholarships to postsecondary students who graduate from high school early. Requires the amount of the scholarship depends on the number of semesters the student graduated early. Requires that scholarship funding for these students stems from the funds set aside for the secondary schools. (HOUSE: HB 2723, Campfield; Referred to House Education. House Government Operations will review if recommended.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 22, 2010 Increase state expenditures - exceeds \$9,082,000 /FY11-12 and subsequent years. Increase local expenditures - exceeds \$23,194,400/FY11-12 and subsequent years\*. Other Fiscal Impact - State and local education BEP funding will transfer to the scholarship program. The amount of such a shift in funding is estimated to exceed \$25,771,600 in FY11-12 and subsequent years.
3. SB [3761](#)  
Bunch      **EDUCATION: Computer distribution to low income students.** Authorizes the commissioner of correction to utilize inmate labor to refurbish computers for low income students who do not have computers in their homes. Allows a LEA to distribute surplus and refurbished computer equipment to low income students. (HOUSE: HB 2722, Campfield; Taken off notice in House State Government Subcommittee 03/09/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 19, 2010 Increase state expenditures - \$7,000/one-time. \$24,000/Recurring. Joint Oversight Committee on Corrections: This bill would authorize the Department to use inmate labor to refurbish computers and provide an outlet for distribution of such computers to deserving recipients. Security and resource issues make it unlikely that the Department would be able to implement such a program. The Department of Correction does not currently have an inmate computer refurbishing program. Previous computer refurbishing programs were canceled after significant security violations were encountered. The department has since converted its vocational computer classes to Computer Applications and Computer Literacy. The curricula and standards for each course do not include computer repair. To implement a new computer repair vocational program, TDOC would be required to hire new vocational instructors who are industry certified, to invest in books/manuals and tools, and to absorb the cost of graduates taking the A+ certification exam, the cost of which is roughly \$300 per student for both parts of the exams.
4. SB [3765](#)  
Bunch      **EDUCATION: The word "technical" not required in name of school.** Clarifies that no postsecondary educational institution in this state is required to use the word "technical" in its name or designation. (HOUSE: HB 3068, Campfield; Taken off notice in House Higher Education Subcommittee 02/24/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 1, 2010 Minimal.
5. SB [3773](#)  
Bunch      **EDUCATION: HOPE scholarship requirements: 2.75 GPA in certain majors.** Authorizes that postsecondary students majoring in math, nursing, or engineering or enrolled in a teacher education program seeking licensure to teach math or science to remain eligible for the Tennessee HOPE scholarship by attaining a cumulative 2.75 grade point average. Authorizes that postsecondary nontraditional students will retain the Tennessee HOPE scholarship if cumulative grade point average is below 2.75 but goes up to at least 2.75 the subsequent semester. (HOUSE: HB 2721, Campfield; Taken off notice in House Higher Education Subcommittee 03/10/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 18, 2010 Other Fiscal Impact - Increases the expenditure of lottery proceeds earmarked for scholarships and grants by \$7,070,800 in FY10-11 and by \$7,779,900 in FY11-12.

6. SB [3796](#)  
Bunch **EDUCATION: TCAP given no earlier than the 1st of May.** Prohibits the administration of TCAP prior to May 1 of each school year. (HOUSE: HB 3011, Harwell; Taken off notice in House Education K-12 Subcommittee 03/17/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 15, 2010 On February 9, 2010, we issued a fiscal note on this bill indicating a fiscal impact of increase state expenditures - \$10,392,500 in FY10-11 and \$9,537,500 in FY11-12 and Subsequent Years; increase local expenditures \$51,400,000/FY10-11 and \$8,560,000 in FY11-12 and Subsequent Years; Other Fiscal Impact - According to the According to the Department of Education, federal Title I money may be jeopardized as a result of administering tests on or after May 1 if the state is unable to meet its federal reporting deadline. Such a loss is unable to be reasonably quantified; local education agencies (LEAs) receive approximately \$250,000,000 Title I money annually. On February 15, 2010, a typographical error was discovered that affected the state expenditures. This error has been corrected and the fiscal impact has changed as follows. (CORRECTED) Increase state expenditures - \$9,922,500/FY10-11. \$9,537,500/FY11-12 and subsequent years. Increase local expenditures - \$51,400,000/FY10-11. \$8,560,000/FY11-12 and subsequent years. Other Fiscal Impact - According to the Department of Education, federal Title I money may be jeopardized as a result of administering tests on or after May 1 if the state is unable to meet its federal reporting deadline. Such a loss is unable to be reasonably quantified; local education agencies (LEAs) receive approximately \$250,000,000 Title I money annually.
7. SB [1262](#)  
Bunch **EDUCATION: Home school students participating in public school sports.** Authorizes an individual home education student under certain circumstances to participate in any school-authorized or education-related athletic activity occurring during or outside the regular instructional school day at the public school to which the student would be assigned to attend. (HOUSE: HB 0797, Campfield; Set for House Education K-12 Subcommittee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 19, 2009 Increase state expenditures - not significant. Increase local expenditures - not significant.
8. SB [1234](#)  
Bunch **EDUCATION: Parents to request students attend family life courses.** Requires a written receipt from the student's parents or guardian who wishes the student to attend a family life course. Allows a student to be excused from a portion of family life instruction by submitting a request to the principal. (HOUSE: HB 0812, Campfield; Set for House Education K-12 Subcommittee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 23, 2009 Increase Local Expenditures - Not Significant.
9. SB [1250](#)  
Bunch **EDUCATION: Prohibits teaching of homosexuality in grades K-8.** Prohibits the teaching of or furnishing of materials on human sexuality other than heterosexuality in public school grades K-8. (HOUSE: HB 0821, Campfield; Set for House Education K-12 Subcommittee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 23, 2009 Minimal.
10. SB [2170](#)  
Bunch **EDUCATION: Students exempt from purchasing certain textbooks.** Exempts any student attending a public institution of higher education and enrolled in a course in which the instructor has a financial interest in the course textbook or materials from being required to purchase such textbook or course materials. (HOUSE: HB 1851, Campfield; Taken off notice in House Higher Education Subcommittee 01/26/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 9, 2009 Minimal.
11. SB [3630](#)  
Burchett **EDUCATION: Report on system of competitive grants.** Includes the chairs of the education and finance, ways and means committees of both the house and senate as recipients of the annual report of competitive grants and technical assistance. Broadly captioned. (HOUSE: HB 3693, Brooks, Harry; House Education K-12 Subcommittee recommended 03/24/2010. Sent to House Education.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 4, 2010 Increase state expenditures - not significant.

12. SB [2819](#)  
Finney L. **EDUCATION: Submission of salary ratings.** Requires the director of schools to submit salary ratings to the commissioner of education by November 1 rather than December 1 of the school year for which the personnel are elected. (HOUSE: HB 3546, Maddox; Set for House Education K-12 Subcommittee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 9, 2010 Increase local expenditures - not significant.
13. SB [3425](#)  
Finney L. **EDUCATION: Donation of school computers to low-income families.** Permits LEAs to donate computers removed from school inventories to low-income families in the school district. Requires memory on hard drives of such computers to be sanitized. (HOUSE: HB 3544, Maddox; Set for House Education Committee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 9, 2010 Increase state expenditures - not significant. Increase local expenditures - not significant/permissive.
14. SB [3427](#)  
Finney L. **EDUCATION: TCAP test score as percentage of student's final grade.** Requires that a student's TCAP test score comprise 20 percent of the student's final grade for the subject to which the test corresponds. (HOUSE: HB 3545, Maddox; Set for House Education K-12 Subcommittee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 22, 2010 Increase state expenditures - \$50,000/one-time. \$450,000/Recurring. Increase local expenditures - \$39,510,000/one-time. \$6,585,000/Recurring\*.
15. SB [3029](#)  
Faulk **EDUCATION: Schools placed in achievement school district.** Allows the commissioner to contract any individual or entity, in lieu of any governmental or nonprofit entity, to manage the day to day operations of schools in the achievement school district. (HOUSE: HB 3118, Dunn; Taken off notice in House Education K-12 Subcommittee 02/24/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 4, 2010 Minimal.
16. SB [3453](#)  
Yager **EDUCATION: Lunch period for students and teachers.** Requires LEAs to provide 30 minute lunch period for elementary and secondary students. Requires the duty-free lunch period for all teachers to be at least the length of the student's lunch period. (HOUSE: HB 3484, Ferguson; Set for House Education K-12 Subcommittee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 18, 2010 Increase local expenditures - not significant.
17. SB [3449](#)  
Yager **EDUCATION: Notification regarding consolidation of school systems.** Requires the department of education to notify the general assembly within 60 days of the consolidation of school systems. Permits notification to be made electronically. (HOUSE: HB 3149, Winningham; Set for House Education K-12 Subcommittee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 9, 2010 Minimal.
18. SB [1598](#)  
Beavers **EDUCATION: Background checks and personnel files for school employees.** Requires all of an employee's personnel file to be transferred to hiring system if local school system or board of education employee transfers to another local school system of board of education within TN. Requires all persons applying for a position requiring proximity to children to criminal background check and to receive training on appropriate touch and privacy issues. Requires any applicant for a teacher license to submit to background check. Requires teacher applicant to submit to a comprehensive psychological exam. Prohibits any local school system from providing on-site housing for any staff member. Broadly captioned. (HOUSE: HB 2061, Rowland; Taken off notice in House Education K-12 Subcommittee 03/24/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 16, 2009 Increase state expenditures - not significant. Increase local expenditures - not significant.

19. SB [2621](#)  
Tracy **EDUCATION: Extracurricular students: random drug testing.** Establishes that students participating in extracurricular activities may randomly be tested for illegal drugs without individualized reasonable suspicion as long as previous legal requirements are followed. Requires LEAs testing students for drugs to create policies and procedures for assisting and counseling students testing positive for illegal drug use. (HOUSE: HB 3200, Winningham; Set for House Education Committee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 9, 2010 Increase local expenditures - \$355,200/permissive.
20. SB [3432](#)  
Tracy **EDUCATION: Civic classes to be taught in high school.** Requires the course of instruction in all public schools on the high school level to contain courses and content to educate children in the United States government. (HOUSE: HB 3762, West; House Education 03/17/2010 recommended. Sent to Calendar & Rules.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 3, 2010 Increase state expenditures - not significant.
21. SB [3534](#)  
Overbey **EDUCATION: Academic credit for certain government employment.** Requires the Tennessee Board of Regents and the University of Tennessee Board of Trustees to develop uniform guidelines to award certain state employees with up to 16 academic credit hours for Master's Degrees in accounting, political science, public administration, and other related programs for state employment of at least 25 years. (HOUSE: HB 3541, Maddox; Set for House Higher Education Subcommittee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 12, 2010 Increase state expenditures - not significant.
22. SB [3343](#)  
Kyle **EDUCATION: Energy Efficient School funds transfer to lottery fund.** Deletes the energy efficient schools initiative and transfers remaining amounts in the energy efficient schools council fund to the lottery for education account. (HOUSE: HB 3962, Pitts; Set for House Education K-12 Subcommittee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Other Fiscal Impact - Transfers an unknown amount estimated to be between \$55,986,300 and \$91,400,000 from the Energy Efficient Schools Council Fund to the Lottery for Education Account. As a result, there will be a shift of use for these funds from purposes consistent with the Energy Efficient Schools Initiative to the purpose of providing scholarships and grants to qualified students.
23. SB [3356](#)  
Kyle **EDUCATION: Supplemental bridge grant program for 2010-2011.** Gives a supplemental bridge grant to students attending an eligible post secondary institution and receiving HOPE scholarship, HOPE scholarship for nontraditional students or HOPE access grant for the 2010-2011 academic year. Requires TSAC to administer the program. Funds bridge grants using unobligated and unexpended funds from the energy efficient schools initiative. (HOUSE: HB 3961, Pitts; Referred to House Higher Education Subcommittee.) FISCAL NOTE: Other Fiscal Impact - A shift of use for an unknown amount of funds estimated to be between \$55,986,300 and \$91,400,000 from purposes consistent with the Energy Efficient Schools Initiative to the specified purpose of providing one-time supplemental bridge grants during FY10-11.
24. SB [1074](#)  
Jackson **EDUCATION: International studies component in curriculum.** Requires the course of instruction in all public institutions of higher learning to contain an integrated international studies component. Requires a student to complete eight courses of this nature in order to graduate from a college or university after July 1, 2011. (HOUSE: HB 0934, Kernell; Set for House Higher Education Subcommittee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 2, 2009 Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant.

25. SB [1075](#)  
Jackson  
**EDUCATION: Guidelines for inclusion of foreign language in K-6.** Requires the state board of education to develop guidelines and criteria for the inclusion of foreign language instruction in grades kindergarten through six. (HOUSE: HB 1371, Kernell; House Education K-12 Subcommittee recommended 03/24/2010. Sent to House Education.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 6, 2009 Increase state expenditures - not significant.
26. SB [1778](#)  
Herron  
**EDUCATION: Students seeking to become truck drivers - loan program.** Establishes a student loan program from net lottery proceeds for students in postsecondary education programs seeking to become truck drivers. (HOUSE: HB 0881, Maddox; House Budget Subcommittee 06/15/2009 deferred to next calendar.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 9, 2009 Other Fiscal Impact - Increases the expenditure of lottery proceeds earmarked for scholarships and grants by \$21,361,200 per year. Beginning in FY10-11, the state will begin receiving loan payments which are dependent upon the terms of the loans, annual interest rates, and default rates. Assuming two-year loan terms, an average interest rate of four percent per year, and an average loan default rate of four percent, loan payments are estimated to be \$5,436,300 in FY10-11 and \$10,872,600 per year beginning in FY11-12.
27. SB [2889](#)  
Gresham  
**EDUCATION: Report on standards of parental involvement in school.** Requires the department of education to submit a report on the standards developed for parental involvement in public schools to the chairs of the senate and house education committees by November 1, 2010. (HOUSE: HB 3030, Brooks, Harry; Set for House Higher Education Subcommittee -- Addendum 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 1, 2010 Increase state expenditures - not significant.
28. SB [3053](#)  
Woodson  
**EDUCATION: Copies of report cards for parents.** Prohibits a parent whose parental rights have been terminated from being eligible to receive child's report card, notice of school attendance and other information from school concerning child. (HOUSE: HB 3133, Brooks, Harry; Set for House Education K-12 Subcommittee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 15, 2010 Decrease local expenditures - not significant.
29. SB [3066](#)  
Woodson  
**EDUCATION: Board member vacancies: replacements by boards of education.** Requires local board of education members' vacancies to be replaced by the local board of education, instead of the local legislative body. Requires vacancies to be replaced within 30 days. (HOUSE: HB 2759, Brooks, Harry; Set for House Education K-12 Subcommittee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: January 28, 2010 Increase local expenditures - not significant.
30. SB [3067](#)  
Woodson  
**EDUCATION: Notification regarding dismissal of a teacher.** Changes the date by which teachers must be notified in writing of their dismissal or failure of reelection for the next school year from April 15 to May 15. (HOUSE: HB 2772, Montgomery; House passed 03/22/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: January 29, 2010 Minimal.
31. SB [1649](#)  
Berke  
**EDUCATION: Report on effectiveness of pilot after school programs.** Requires TN department of education and THECC to report on the effectiveness of pilot after school programs and whether such programs should be expanded to serve additional at-risk students. Broadly captioned. (HOUSE: HB 1860, Brown; Set for House Education Committee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 12, 2009 Other Fiscal Impact - Increases the expenditure of unclaimed lottery prize money earmarked for after-school program grants by \$50,000 per year. Otherwise, additional appropriations of state funds would need to be made.

32. SB [1317](#)  
Berke **EDUCATION: Administration of scholarship and grant programs.** Requires THEC to study the General Assembly Merit Scholarship program and its success in promoting exception academic achievement in college and to include the study's results in its required annual lottery scholarship report. (HOUSE: HB 1862, Brown; Set for House Higher Education Subcommittee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 2, 2009 Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant.
33. SB [0981](#)  
Berke **EDUCATION: Pilot after school programs funded by lottery.** Requires the commissioner to evaluate the effectiveness of the pilot after school programs in increasing ACT and SAT scores, eligibility for lottery scholarships and enrollment in postsecondary institutions as compared to such student's peers who did not participate in the pilot after school programs. Broadly captioned. (HOUSE: HB 1869, Brown; Set for House Higher Education Subcommittee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: March 6, 2009 Other Fiscal Impact - Increases the expenditure of unclaimed lottery prize money earmarked for after-school program grants by \$50,000 per year for three years Otherwise, additional appropriations of state funds would need to be made.
34. SB [0980](#)  
Berke **EDUCATION: Annual report on lottery for after school programs.** Adds chairs of the house and senate education committees as recipients of the annual report the commissioner of education is required to file on the lottery for education after school program's system of competitive grants and technical assistance. Broadly captioned. (HOUSE: HB 1870, Brown; Set for House Higher Education Subcommittee 03/31/2010.) FISCAL NOTE: Dated: February 16, 2009 Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant.

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