

STATE OF TENNESSEE  
PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 272  
SENATE BILL NO. 899

By Burks, Burchett

Substituted for: House Bill No. 896

By Winningham, Haynes

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 49-6-3004(a), is amended by adding the following language as subdivision (6):

(6) In the event of natural disaster or serious outbreaks of illness affecting or endangering students or staff during a school year, the Commissioner of Education may waive for such school year the requirement under subdivision (a)(1) of one hundred eighty (180) days of classroom instruction, if such request is submitted to the commissioner by the director of schools. The waiver request may be for the entire LEA or for individual schools within the LEA.

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

**PASSED: May 18, 2009**



RON RAMSEY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



KENT WILLIAMS, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**APPROVED this 21st day of May 2009**



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PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR