

CHAPTER NO. 213

SENATE BILL NO. 343

By Cooper, Burks

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1846

By Hargrove, Bunch, Fitzhugh, Brenda Turner, Davidson

AN ACT To amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 1, Part 6, relative to performance goals and TCAP assessment.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 1, Part 6, is amended by adding a new appropriately designated section:

49-1-6\_\_\_\_. (a) The State Department of Education shall develop and/or revise the alternative assessment for students with disabilities, or TCAP-Alt, to consist of the following two (2) options for types of alternative assessments:

(1) An academic skills assessment to be administered at an appropriate level of academic abilities; or

(2) A portfolio-based assessment containing only curriculum frameworks required by the rules of the state board of education. Content area requirements for the portfolio assessment shall correspond to curriculum content areas assessed by the Tennessee Comprehensive Assessment Program (TCAP). Content entry requirements at the elementary and middle school levels shall be limited to content areas measured by the TCAP Achievement Assessment. Content entry requirements at the high school level shall be limited to content areas measured by the TCAP Gateway Tests, TCAP Writing Assessment, and Exit Exams. High school portfolio entry requirements shall correspond with the typical grade level in which the above TCAP assessments are administered. Baseline data points shall be established for the fall and winter, but shall not exceed any federally required minimum.

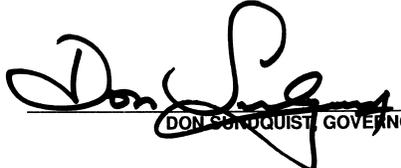
SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on July 1, 2001, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 7, 2001

  
JOHN S. WILDER  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May 2001

  
DON S. QUIGLEY, GOVERNOR