

**PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 863**

**HOUSE BILL NO. 4096**

**By Representatives Winningham, Odom, Cooper, Fitzhugh, Shaw, Bone, Hackworth, Towns, Eldridge, Coley, Ulysses Jones, McManus, Harry Brooks, Favors, DuBois**

**Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 4140**

**By Senators Kyle, Beavers, Berke, Black, Bunch, Burchett, Burks, Crowe, Lowe Finney, Raymond Finney, Harper, Haynes, Henry, Herron, Jackson, Johnson, Ketron, Kilby, Kurita, Marrero, McNally, Norris, Roller, Southerland, Stanley, Tate, Tracy, Watson, Wilder, Woodson and Mr. Speaker Ramsey**

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 7, relative to transferability of credits.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-202(e) is amended by designating the current language as subdivision "(e)(1)" and by adding the following language, to be designated as subdivision "(e)(2)":

(e)

(2) It is the legislative intent that community college students, who wish to earn baccalaureate degrees in the state's public higher education system, be provided with clear and effective information and directions that specify curricular paths to degree. The commission shall address any deficiencies in the articulation of major preparation courses between the community college system and the universities within the board of regents system and the University of Tennessee system by facilitating the universal articulation of lower division courses required for baccalaureate majors. The lower division transfer paths shall be specified in sufficient manner and detail so that existing and future community college lower division courses may be articulated to the corresponding university courses or course descriptions. The commission shall implement these universal articulation agreements beginning with the baccalaureate programs showing the highest transfer rates, with the goal of including all majors for which it is academically feasible. The board of regents and the University of Tennessee system shall also be accountable for the development and implementation of these universal articulation agreements and transfer procedures.

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

PASSED: April 24, 2008



JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY, SPEAKER  
SENATE OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 6th day of May 2008



PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR