



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 260

HOUSE BILL NO. 670

By Representatives Matheny, Madam Speaker Harwell, Keisling, Cameron Sexton, Williams, Terry, Ragan, Lynn, Reedy, Weaver, Rogers, Butt, Hazlewood, Goins, Littleton, Holt, Howell, Hulsey, Kumar, Moody, Daniel, Lollar

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1039

By Senators Ketron, Bowling

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 38 and Title 49, relative to nonimmigrant students.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 7, Part 1, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

(a) Each institution that accepts nonimmigrant students possessing either an F-1 or M-1 student visa for instruction in this state shall report to the department of safety the following information:

(1) The number of nonimmigrant students enrolled at the institution at the beginning of each period of study; and

(2) The number of nonimmigrant students enrolled at the institution at the end of each period of study.

(b) For the purposes of this section:

(1) "Institution" means a college, university, seminary, vocational or technical school, or any other entity that offers a postsecondary course of study. "Institution" does not include elementary, middle, or secondary schools; and

(2) "Period of study" means a quarter, semester, or the duration of a program that is not otherwise divided.

(c) The department, in consultation with the Tennessee higher education commission, shall develop a form that shall be available to institutions for reporting purposes.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to instruction beginning on or after August 1, 2015.

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PASSED: April 9, 2015



BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 24th day of April 2015



BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR