

SENATE BILL 1882

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 1; Title 49, Chapter 10; Title 49, Chapter 2; Title 49, Chapter 3; Title 49, Chapter 5; Title 49, Chapter 6 and Title 49, Chapter 60, relative to student testing.

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 the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

49-1-6__.

(a) The department of education and the state board of education shall immediately initiate the procedure, outlined in the memorandum of understanding between this state and the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC), to withdraw this state from such partnership and shall not implement the assessments aligned to the common core state standards.

(b) This state shall not join any consortium or other association that relinquishes control over curriculum standards or assessments to an outside entity. Instead, the state board of education, in consultation with the department of education, shall adopt and implement new assessments that provide valid, reliable, and timely testing standards to measure the academic progress of students.

SECTION 2. The state board of education is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations to effectuate the purposes of this act. All such rules and regulations shall be promulgated in accordance with Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 5.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.