## HOUSE BILL 1826

## By Womick

## AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 1 and Title 49, Chapter 2, relative to assessment tests.

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, section:

49-1-618.

(a) The department of education shall not approve any current, additional, and future funds necessary to implement new accountability assessments used to evaluate the progress, growth, performance, cognitive ability, or readiness of students, including additional expenses and new funding required or associated with adopting a new national or state assessment testing system, or their future replacements, unless the funds are approved by the general assembly in the general appropriations act.

(b) Subsection (a) shall not apply to the Tennessee comprehensive assessment program (TCAP) tests.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014, the public welfare requiring it.