# STATE OF TENNESSEE

## PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 584

# HOUSE BILL NO. 687

#### By Representatives Winningham, Coley, Lollar

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 717

## By Senator Tate

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 1, Part 2, relative to a school safety summit.

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

SECTION 1.

(a) The select oversight committee on education created by § 3-15-301, is urged to consider and study school safety problems, funding requirements, and alternative approaches and solutions for management of safety related problems. The committee shall meet for such purpose only when the committee is conducting its regularly scheduled meetings.

(b) The committee shall request information and testimony concerning school safety, as it finds appropriate, from the following stakeholders: the Tennessee State Parent Teacher Association, the Tennessee Education Association, the Tennessee School Boards Association, the Tennessee Organization of School Superintendents, the Tennessee Association of Chiefs of Police, the department of safety, the department of mental health and developmental disabilities, the state board of education, the Tennessee Association of School Counselors and Psychologists and the department of education. The committee may also request information and testimony from other interested organizations or agencies having responsibility for the health and welfare of students in Tennessee's public schools. Persons providing testimony at committee hearings on school safety problems shall not be reimbursed by the state or by local governments for travel expenses for such participation.

(c) The committee shall report its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the governor and members of the general assembly in 2010 pursuant to § 3-15-301.

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

PASSED: June 18, 2009

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APPROVED this 6th day of July 2009

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