

# State of Tennessee

# **PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 165**

## HOUSE BILL NO. 429

By Representatives Goins, Timothy Hill, Casada, Womick, Matheny, Durham, Spivey, DeBerry, Akbari, Sparks, Byrd, Holt, Moody, Terry, Love, Rogers, Lollar, Alexander, Ragan, Jerry Sexton, Smith, Weaver, Eldridge, Reedy, Hardaway

### Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1105

### By Senators Beavers, Niceley, Bell, Harper, Roberts, McNally, Gresham

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 1; Title 49, Chapter 2; Title 49, Chapter 5 and Title 49, Chapter 6, relative to teachers.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 5, Part 2, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

No teacher or other educator shall be discouraged or disciplined by any supervisor, including a principal, the director of schools, or the local board of education, for reporting inaccuracies, errors, or potentially inflammatory material in textbooks and instructional materials or content to a supervisor, an elected official, or a parent or guardian of a student. No teacher or other educator shall be asked or required to waive the right to report inaccuracies, errors, or potentially inflammatory material in textbooks and instructional materials or content to a supervisor, an elected official, or a parent or guardian of a student as a condition of employment or continuing employment.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: March 30, 2015

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BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this I day of April \_\_\_\_ 2015

BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR