



## **State of Tennessee**

### **PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 970**

**HOUSE BILL NO. 996**

**By Representatives Baum, Stevens, Bricken, Richey, Holsclaw, Alexander, Littleton, Capley, Bulso, Thompson, Lafferty, Vital, Hazlewood, White, Wright, Howell, Ragan, Marsh**

**Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1210**

**By Senators White, Jackson**

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, relative to education.

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

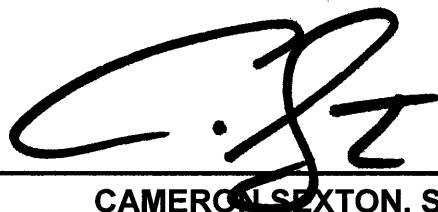
SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-1304, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(c) Instruction in topics related to sexual activity are not age-appropriate for students in any of the grades kindergarten through five (K-5) and shall not be taught to students in any of the grades kindergarten through five (K-5) as part of a family life curriculum. This subsection (c) does not prohibit an LEA or public charter school from providing instruction to students in any of the grades kindergarten through five (K-5) on the detection, intervention, prevention, and treatment of child sexual abuse and human trafficking in which the victim is a child pursuant to subdivision (a)(13).

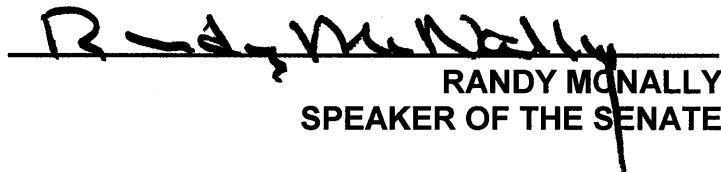
SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 22, 2024



CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RANDY MCNALLY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 21<sup>st</sup> day of May 2024



BILL LEE, GOVERNOR