

CHAPTER NO. 772

HOUSE BILL NO. 2104

By Representative Pruitt

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2422

By Senator Dixon

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-2-118, relative to intervention programs that utilize certain conflict resolution and decision-making strategies.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-2-118, is amended by designating the existing language as subsection (a) and by adding the following language at the end of the section:

Each LEA is encouraged to implement such an intervention program for grades three (3) through six (6).

Section 49-2-118, is further amended by adding the following language to be designated as subsection (b):

(b) Each year the Commissioner of Education will randomly select five (5) schools from each grand division of the state that are representative of the composition of the entire state and the schools will submit to the commissioner a report on or before November 1 of each year on the conflict resolution intervention programs implemented during the previous school year. The programs must be in accordance with subsection (a). The commissioner will annually report the summary of the findings to the Governor and to the Education Committees of the House and the Senate on or before February 15. The report at a minimum shall include the number of students who participated in the program, the conflict resolution and decision-making strategies employed, the number of times and the manner in which the program was presented, observations as to whether the program affected or altered occurrences of disruptive acts by students within the school and on school property, and any other information which would be useful to the Governor and the General Assembly in evaluating the overall effectiveness of such a program.

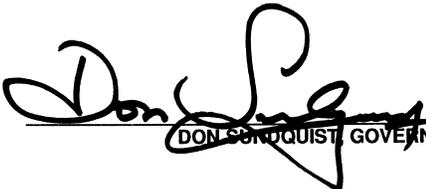
SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 11, 2000


JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 22nd day of May 2000


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