

HOUSE BILL 670

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4;
Title 38 and Title 49, relative to nonimmigrant
students.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 7, Part 1, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

(a) Each institution that accepts nonimmigrant students possessing either an F-1 or M-1 student visa for instruction in this state shall report to the department of safety the following information:

(1) The number of nonimmigrant students enrolled at the institution at the beginning of each period of study; and

(2) The number of nonimmigrant students enrolled at the institution at the end of each period of study.

(b) For the purposes of this section:

(1) "Institution" means a college, university, seminary, vocational or technical school, or any other entity that offers a postsecondary course of study.

"Institution" does not include elementary, middle, or secondary schools; and

(2) "Period of study" means a quarter, semester, or the duration of a program that is not otherwise divided.

(c) The department, in consultation with the Tennessee higher education commission, shall develop a form that shall be available to institutions for reporting purposes.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to instruction beginning on or after August 1, 2015.