

CHAPTER NO. 228

SENATE BILL NO. 878

By Ramsey, Burks

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1407

By Godsey, Gresham, Harry Brooks, Hensley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 12, Chapter 3, Part 10, relative to purchases by local education agencies.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 12-3-1004, is amended by redesignating subsections (b) through (d) to be subsections (a)(1) through (3) and by adding the following new subsection (b):

(b)(1) Any local education agency may purchase equipment under the same terms of a legal bid initiated by any other local education agency in Tennessee.

(2)(A) Any local education agency may purchase directly from a vendor the same equipment at the same price and under the same terms as provided in a contract for such equipment entered into by any other local education agency.

(B) Any local education agency which purchases equipment under the provisions of this subsection (b) shall directly handle payment, refunds, returns, and any other communications or requirements involved in the purchase of the equipment without involving the local education agency which originated the contract. The originating LEA shall have no liability or responsibility for any purchases made by another LEA under a contract which the originating LEA negotiated and consummated.

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

PASSED: May 15, 2003


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE


JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 2nd day of June 2003


PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR