SENATE BILL 834

By Lundberg

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

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 as a new section:

49-7-182.

A public postsecondary institution that provides internet access to students, faculty, staff, or the general public shall not allow an individual to access a video platform using the institution's network if the platform is owned by a company headquartered outside of the United States. This section applies to internet services provided by an institution through a hard-wired or wireless network connection.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-139, is amended by designating subsection (b) as subsection (c) and adding the following as a new subsection (b):

(b) A public postsecondary institution that provides campus-wide wireless internet access pursuant to this section must comply with § 49-7-182.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.