The Tennessean: TN's 2023 Special Session

On Public Safety: What To Watch For

On May 8 that he would convene both chambers of the General Assembly for an additional special session on public safety. Learn more about the session in the August 2023 Special Session Guide.

The Ed Trust TN team and many of our partners in the education policy and advocacy community were informed that if the special session were to occur, Title 49 of our state code -- which governs education -- would be excluded. However, on August 8, the executive branch released the proposed special session legislation.

As introduced, establishes a school resource officer's student loan repayment program, signaling that schools would regularly consult with representatives from the Tennessee Alliance for Student Safety, the Tennessee Rural School Support Center, and other pertinent resources in our state's education enforcement agency to assign a school resource officer to every school within a local board of education's control that has not previously done so.

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In the months since Governor Lee's original announcement, lawmakers on both sides of the aisle and advocates on both sides of gun control and legislation being introduced for consideration during the special session would still occur. Moreover, stakeholders in our state's education policy and advocacy community were informed that if the special session were to occur, Title 49 of our state code -- which governs education -- would be excluded. However, on August 8, the executive branch released the proposed special session legislation.

As introduced, requires the department of education to incur expenses or obligations with LEA's to offset expenses incurred by schools for the expansion of authorization for handgun carry policies to be established at several could hold direct implications for public education, including school safety.

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It is anticipated that the specially-called session will only last a few days, spanning no later than Friday, August 25.

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For Equity in Education are closely monitoring discussions, developments, debates, and ery expulsion proceedings drawing eyes from around the proceedings at the State Capitol.

On Wednesday, August 23rd, 4:00pm CT, the Senate Floor Session will meet in the Senate Chamber.

On Wednesday, August 23rd, 8:30am CT, the Senate Health and Welfare Committee will meet in Senate Hearing Room I.

On Wednesday, August 23rd, 2:00pm CT, the Senate Finance, Ways, and Means Committee will meet in Senate Floor Session.

On Monday, August 21st, 4:00pm CT, the Senate Floor Session will meet in the Senate Chamber.

On Tuesday, August 22nd, 11:00am CT, the Senate Judiciary Committee will meet in Senate Floor Session.

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On Saturday, August 26th, 9:00am - 12:00pm CT, AWAKE TN will be hosting an advocacy and lobby day next Wednesday morning.

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