

2017 STATE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

An environment where business can prosper

- 1. Support the state prioritizing the expansion of broadband capabilities in rural areas.
- 2. Oppose efforts whereby annexed residents could vote to de-annex from a municipality when infrastructure and investments have been provided.
- 3. Support economic development incentives such as TIF and PILOT as important tools to attract and retain business.

Talent development of the region's workforce

- 4. Support strategies to reach the state's college completion goal of 55 percent of Tennesseans with postsecondary credentials that meet the region's workforce needs.
- 5. Support an accountability model for Tennessee school districts and high schools that includes a measure of quality career and technical education, such as industry certifications and post-secondary credit.
- 6. Support the state enabling school districts the option of utilizing the ACT or ACT Suite of assessments in lieu of the state mandated examinations for measuring accountability.
- 7. Support the state and local school district expanding efforts for students to participate in apprenticeships and career preparation opportunities.

Quality of life that attracts and retains residents and workers

- 8. Support Maury County allowing county wheel tax revenues to be used for schools, bridges, and other infrastructure projects.
- 9. Support state and local governmental entities in identifying and implementing funding solutions for transportation infrastructure, including transit.

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