

FW: Chattanooga Area Chamber of Commerce opposes HB2414/SB2387

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Good afternoon. This is to confirm that the Chattanooga Area Chamber of Commerce formally opposes HB2414/SB2387. The reasons for our position, ratified by our Board of Directors upon the recommendation of our Public Policy Committee, include the adverse impact that passage of the legislation would have on the economies of our state and region (from a business attraction and retention perspective and from a hospitality and tourism standpoint) and also based upon the Tennessee Attorney General's estimate that the legislation would cost the state approximately \$1.1 billion in federal education funding. Simply put: the legislation is bad for business, bad for Chattanooga and Hamilton County, and bad for Tennessee.

Thank you for your work in Nashville on behalf of our region.

Best regards,

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