

Contact Information for the Tennessee House and Senate Education Committees

February 2002 - The following is a complete list of the current membership of the Education Committees in the Tennessee House and Senate.

For each member, several pieces of information are provided:

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4. For House committee members, whether they serve on the K-12 Subcommittee.
5. Any known biographical information that may be relevant (hints that they may be sympathetic or not).

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