



TENNESSEE COMMISSION ON
CHILDREN & YOUTH

Legislative Update

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ABBREVIATIONS

Ag	Agriculture and Natural Resources	Fail	Failed	PAm	Passed as Amended
Am	Amended	FWM	Finance, Ways & Means	Ref	Referred
B&U	Business & Utilities	GO	Government Operations	S	Support
Cap	Caption Bill	GSC	Placed on General Subcommittee	SC	Placed on Subcommittee
Com	Commerce	HW	Health & Welfare	Ins	Insurance
St	Statement	HD	Placed on House Desk	SG	State Government
BU	Business and Utilities	Health	Health	SD	Senate Desk
CHR	Consumer and Human Resources	HJR	House Joint Resolution	SJR	Senate Joint Resolution
CL	Commerce & Labor	HR	House Resolution	SLG	State & Local Government
LG	Local Government	Jud	Judiciary	SR	Senate Resolution
C&R	Calendar & Rules	O	Oppose	Tran	Transportation
Def	Deferred	CrimJust	Criminal Justice	W	Withdrawn
EANR	Energy, Agriculture, and Natural Resources	CivJust	Civil Justice	off	Bill taken off notice
Ed	Education	Pass	Passed	NPA	No Position As Amended
CF	Children and Family	Ed Inst.	Education Instruction	Ed Adm	Education Administration

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CORRECTIONS	Curriculum taught in facilities for juveniles	640	Robinson	1307	Chism	Jud	Def to 2022	CFA/SC	Ref
CORRECTIONS	Community-based alternatives to incarceration	767	Johnson	784	Lamberth	PC 409	Signed by Gov.		
CORRECTIONS	Free phone calls between minors and their parents	811	Yarbro	224	Chism	Jud	off	Correct/SC	Ref
CORRECTIONS	Review of federal Prison Rape Elimination Act	1471	Akbari	991	Thompson	SLG	Def to 2022	Correct/SC	Ref
CRIMINAL LAW	Creates criminal responsibility exemption for human trafficking victims	188	Bowling	17	Lamar	PC 115	Signed by Gov.		
CRIMINAL LAW	2021 Defense Doctrine	189	Bowling	50	Ogles	PC 83	Signed by Gov.		
CRIMINAL LAW	Probation for a child found to be delinquent	206	Haile	216	Curcio	FWM	off	FWM/SC	off
CRIMINAL LAW	Law enforcement notify DCS regarding minors in custody for prostitution	214	Massey	342	Littleton	PC 246	Signed by Gov.		
CRIMINAL LAW	Evelyn Boswell's Law	327	Lundberg	384	Crawford	PC 107	Signed by Gov.		
CRIMINAL LAW	Redefines seclusion regarding children at juvenile detention facility	383	Jackson	1126	Farmer	PC 492	Signed by Gov.		
CRIMINAL LAW	Reporting a security breach at a detention facility housing juveniles	447	Bell	1231	Sherrell	PC 252	Signed by Gov.		
CRIMINAL LAW	Parole eligibility for persons sentenced to imprisonment for life	561	Bowling	1532	Lamar	Floor	P/Am	CrimJust/SC	Ref
CRIMINAL LAW	Testing a child for the presence of a controlled substance	589	Jackson	465	Littleton	FWM	off	FWM/SC	off
CRIMINAL LAW	Communicating threat to commit act of mass violence on school property	627	Bell	534	Howell	PC 395	Signed by Gov.		
CRIMINAL LAW	Prohibits sexual identity change therapy to prepubescent minors	657	Bowling	578	Ragan	Jud	Ref	Health	Def to 2022
CRIMINAL LAW	Community supervision for life for of continuous sexual abuse of a child	717	McNally	1047	Sexton, C.	PC 563	Signed by Gov.		
CRIMINAL LAW	Statewide transmission system for judgment orders in criminal court	730	Johnson	65	Lamberth	Jud	Ref	CrimJust/SC	Ref
CRIMINAL LAW	Handgun carry permits and offenses involving handguns	765	Johnson	86	Lamberth	PC 108	Signed by Gov.		
CRIMINAL LAW	Reporting of juvenile justice information	766	Johnson	783	Lamberth	PC 184	Signed by Gov.		
CRIMINAL LAW	Reports of child abuse or neglect or child abuse	1014	Bowling	908	Doggett	Jud	Ref	CFA/SC	Summer Study
CRIMINAL LAW	Services for children who have been sexually abused or trafficked	1037	Walley	1100	Shaw	Jud	Ref	CrimJust/SC	Ref
CRIMINAL LAW	Court scheduling priority for juvenile illegally possessing firearm	1039	Campbell	1159	Stewart	Jud	Ref	CrimJust/SC	off
CRIMINAL LAW	Statutes of limitations for human trafficking	1115	White	1302	Bricken	PC 363	Signed by Gov.		
CRIMINAL LAW	Illegal use of communication device by a minor	1124	White	1006	Doggett	PC 147	Signed by Gov.		
CRIMINAL LAW	Offense of observation without consent	1238	Pody	1177	Sexton, J.	Jud	Ref	CrimJust/SC	Ref
CRIMINAL LAW	Probable cause to detain child in secure facility	1286	White	478	Lamberth	PC 105	Signed by Gov.		
CRIMINAL LAW	Juvenile Justice Stop Solitary Confinement Act	1418	Akbari	223	Chism	Jud	Ref	Correct/SC	Ref
CRIMINAL LAW	Interogation of child suspected of delinquent act must be recorded	1435	Akbari	340	Lamar	Floor	P/Am	FWM/SC	off
CRIMINAL LAW	Sentence reduction for person who committed murder as minor	1452	Akbari	1089	Cooper	Jud	Ref	CFA/SC	off
CRIMINAL LAW	Definition of severe child abuse	1530	Roberts	417	Littleton	PC 508	Signed by Gov.		
EDUCATION	Child abuse reporting by teachers and school officials	124	Haile	475	White	PC 161	Signed by Gov.		
EDUCATION	Child care provided by Parents Day Out or other similar program	164	Lundberg	115	Campbell	PC 162	Signed by Gov.		

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EDUCATION	Students gender and participation in interscholastic athletic activities	228	Hensley	3	Cepicky	PC0040	Signed by Gov.		
EDUCATION	Teacher Discipline Act	230	Hensley	16	Cepicky	PC0077	Signed by Gov.		
EDUCATION	Requires survey of licensed speech language pathologists	233	Hensley	23	Darby	PC 34	Signed by Gov.		
EDUCATION	Revises requirements for LEA progressive truancy intervention program	273	Rose	206	Cochran	PC 223	Signed by Gov.		
EDUCATION	BEP funding for full time school counselor positions	371	Massey	1001	Love	FWM	off	FWM/SC	off
EDUCATION	Number of BEP funded full time public school nurse positions	378	Campbell	1331	Harris	W		K-12/SC	off
EDUCATION	Keep Kids in School Act	415	Yarbro	882	McKenzie	Ed	Fail	K-12/SC	Ref
EDUCATION	School based health related services	503	Lundberg	753	White	FWM	Def to 2022	FWM/SC	off
EDUCATION	Annual report submitted by child care program licensed by DOE	518	Briggs	405	Carringer	Ed	Ref	Cap	HD
EDUCATION	Recommendations from TN council for career and technical education	519	Briggs	406	Carringer	Ed	Ref	Cap	HD
EDUCATION	Increases number of full time school nurse positions	581	Crowe	537	Hawk	FWM	off	FWM	off
EDUCATION	Authorizes LEAs to implement Stop the Bleed program	634	Kyle	212	Clemmons	PC 389	Signed by Gov.		
EDUCATION	Child care program failure to file report	645	Robinson	1394	Shaw	Ed	Ref	Cap	HD
EDUCATION	Plan to conduct mental/behavior health screenings for students in K-8	673	Kyle	814	Clemmons	Ed	Ref	K-12/SC	Fail
EDUCATION	Tennessee Anti-Lunch Shaming Act	674	Kyle	815	Clemmons	Ed	Ref	K-12/SC	Def
EDUCATION	Establishes a foster care youth outreach pilot program	722	Johnson	139	Lamberth	PC 547	Signed by Gov.		
EDUCATION	Makes changes to Special Education Behavioral Supports Act	738	Johnson	770	Lamberth	PC 134	Signed by Gov.		
EDUCATION	K-12 Mental Health Trust Fund Act	739	Johnson	73	Lamberth	PC 595	Signed by Gov.		
EDUCATION	Board of education policy incorporates biennial testing for lead levels	789	Kyle	861	Hakeem	Ed	Ref	K-12/SC	Fail
EDUCATION	High school apprenticeship program contacts	844	Yarbro	842	Thompson	PC 206	Signed by Gov.		
EDUCATION	BEP funding for school social worker positions	1100	Robinson	1291	Johnson	Ed	Ref	K-12/SC	Fail
EDUCATION	Removal of student from regular school program	1223	Rose	890	Leatherwood	PC 229	Signed by Gov.		
EDUCATION	Notification to parents regarding sexual orientation/gender curriculum	1229	Rose	529	Moody	PC 281	Signed by Gov.		
EDUCATION	Career and technical education for middle school students	1240	Crowe	1446	Hicks	PC 271	Signed by Gov.		
EDUCATION	Provides funding for full time school social workers	1257	Reeves	44	Sparks	FWM	off	FWM/SC	off
EDUCATION	Creates DOE grant program for positive mental health for PreK-5	1287	White	1304	Rudd	FWM	5/3/2021	Ed Adm	Ref
EDUCATION	Family life education	1360	Bell	487	Smith	PC 290	Signed by Gov.		
EDUCATION	Requires LEAs to implement adverse childhood experiences program	1384	Kyle	982	Gillespie	Ed	Ref	K-12/SC	Summer Study
EDUCATION	Prohibits corporal punishment in schools	1457	Akbari	808	Powell	Ed	off	K-12/SC	off
EDUCATION	Keep Kids in School Act	1474	Akbari	1288	Johnson	Ed	off	K-12/SC	off
EDUCATION	Child care program annual report grace period	1481	Akbari	1259	Sparks	Ed	off	Cap	HD
EDUCATION	Developing adverse childhood experiences training program by LEA	1482	Akbari	1260	Sparks	Ed	off	Cap	HD

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EDUCATION	Report by office of coordinated school health: physical activity by students	1506	Akbari	737	Miller	Ed	off	Cap	HD
ENVIRONMENT	Creation of lifetime sportsman's license for adopted children under 14	119	Haile	641	Alexandra	PC 241	Signed by Gov.		
FAMILY LAW	Review of DCS by judiciary committees	121	Haile	791	Leatherwood	Jud	4/7/2021	Cap	HD
FAMILY LAW	Pilot program to provide child care payments to relative caregivers	162	Briggs	466	McKenzie	Jud	Def to 2022	CFA/SC	Def to 2022
FAMILY LAW	Termination of parental rights	205	Haile	389	Carter	PC 190	Signed by Gov.		
FAMILY LAW	Submission of medical records of adopted child	270	Yager	389	Littleton	PC 163	Signed by Gov.		
FAMILY LAW	Adoption - waiver of home study requirements	445	Bell	675	Hall	Jud	off	CFA/SC	Ref
FAMILY LAW	Adoption - advance notice registry	560	Haile	950	Littleton	Jud	Ref	Cap	HD
FAMILY LAW	Creates lifetime order of protection	621	Bell	434	Lamberth	PC0060	Signed by Gov.		
FAMILY LAW	Siblings in foster care	644	Robinson	1166	Harris	Floor	P/Am	Floor	P/Am
FAMILY LAW	Increases staffing levels for case managers within DCS	720	Johnson	774	Lamberth	Jud	Ref	W	
FAMILY LAW	Requires DCS submit report on Family First Prevention Services Act	721	Johnson	63	Lamberth	Jud	Ref	Cap	HD
FAMILY LAW	Submission of new policies adopted by DCS	806	Yarbro	810	Powell	Jud	Ref	Cap	HD
FAMILY LAW	Eli's Law	867	Lundberg	1377	Crawford	Floor	P/Am	Floor	P/Am
FAMILY LAW	DCS to notify court of violation of court order by kinship foster placement	1145	White	1268	Littleton	PC 542	Signed by Gov.		
FAMILY LAW	Review of DCS policies that affect the children it serves	1146	White	1301	Bricken	Jud	Ref	Cap	HD
FAMILY LAW	Objection to placement of child in DCS custody	1255	Reeves	874	Bryan	PC 414	Signed by Gov.		
FAMILY LAW	Contacting of parents regarding child in custody	1311	Hensley	1408	Haston	Jud	Ref	CrimJust/SC	Ref
FAMILY LAW	Written findings of fact/conclusions of law to support custody arrangements	1366	Bell	237	Littleton	PC 311	Signed by Gov.		
GOVERNMENT	Sunset - Department of Childrens Services	48	Roberts	317	Ragan	PC 318	Signed by Gov.		
GOVERNMENT	Sunset - Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services	51	Roberts	276	Ragan	PC 12	Signed by Gov.		
GOVERNMENT	Sunset - Second Look Commission	66	Roberts	255	Ragan	PC 109	Signed by Gov.		
GOVERNMENT	Sunset - Planning and policy council for the MHSAS	78	Roberts	318	Ragan	PC 29	Signed by Gov.		
GOVERNMENT	Sunset - Council on Autism Spectrum Disorder	85	Roberts	305	Ragan	PC 46	Signed by Gov.		
GOVERNMENT	Creates the Tennessee Child Care Task Force	677	Massey	598	Hazelwood	PC 474	Signed by Gov.		
GOVERNMENT	Required signage for public restrooms	1224	Rose	721	Rudd	PC 453	Signed by Gov.		
HEALTH CARE	Limits treatment for gender dysphoria	126	Haile	1027	Kumar	PC 460	Signed by Gov.		
HEALTH CARE	Improving the health of racial and ethnic minorities	308	Robinson	721	Hakeem	HW	Ref	Health/SC	Def
HEALTH CARE	Task force to study pre-term births & infant mortality in African-Americans	830	Jackson	441	Lamar	GO	Ref	Health/SC	Summer Study
HEALTH CARE	Implicit bias training for healthcare professionals and perinatal bill of right	956	Yarbro	642	Lamar	HW	off	Health/SC	Summer Study
HEALTH CARE	Safe Stars Act	1259	Reeves	1410	Baum	PC 272	Signed by Gov.		
INSURANCE	Coverage for mental health, alcoholism, drug dependency services	151	Briggs	360	Hawk	PC 244	Signed by Gov.		

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LABOR LAW	Tennessee Family Insurance Act	672	Kyle	1295	Johnson	CL	Def to 2022	Banking/SC	Def to 2022
LABOR LAW	Report on apprenticeship programs for minors	752	Johnson	771	Lamberth	PC 397	Signed by Gov.		
LOCAL GOVERNMENT	Incentives that promote the development of single-family housing	864	Lundberg	1409	Crawford	SLG	Ref	Plan/Prop/SC	Ref
LOCAL GOVERNMENT	Grants to study juveniles involved in prostitution and homicides	1283	Massey	1297	Stewart	SLG	Ref	FWM	5/3/2021
MENTAL HEALTH	Funding development of SUD recovery programs for women w/children	574	Yarbro	626	Hicks	PC 197	Signed by Gov.		
MENTAL HEALTH	Makes changes relative to Mental Health and SUD services	753	Johnson	81	Lamberth	PC 62	Signed by Gov.		
PROPERTY/HOUSING	Authorizes THDA to provide affordable housing to displaced tenants	549	Kyle	34	Cooper	SLG	Ref	Prop/Plan/SC	off
PUBLIC EMPLOYEES	DHS - child care services for children of state officers and employees	22	Kyle	1114	Leatherwood	PC 238	Signed by Gov.		
PUBLIC EMPLOYEES	Provides paid family and medical leave for state employees and teachers	548	Kyle	1296	Johnson	SLG	off	Public/SC	Fail
PUBLIC FINANCE	Appropriations for the fiscal years 2020, and 2021	912	Johnson	1153	Lamberth	PC 454	Signed by Gov.		
PUBLIC FINANCE	Sets dates for Sales Tax Holidays	909	Johnson	1154	Lamberth	PC 456	Signed by Gov.		
TENNCARE	Requires that doula services be provided to recipients of TennCare	650	Robinson	932	Chism	CL	off	Insurance/SC	off
TRANSPORTATION	Enhancing communication between law enforcement & persons w/ASD	1468	Akbari	1490	Towns	Trans	Ref	Trans/SC	off
TRANSPORTATION	Crash helmets not required for persons operating motorcycle over 26	1536	Roberts	903	Doggett	Trans	Ref	Trans/SC	Ref
WELFARE	Report on DHS access and use of TANF funds	132	Crowe	136	Hawk	Floor	P/Am	Health/SC	Ref
WELFARE	Tennessee Opportunity Act	144	Watson	137	Hawk	GO	Ref	Health/SC	off
WELFARE	Exemption from licensure for certain in-home childcare operations	264	Lundberg	185	Campbell	HW	Ref	Health/SC	Ref
WELFARE	TANF - micro-lending program	398	Johnson	484	Lamberth	HW	Ref	Cap	HD
WELFARE	Pathways to Prosperity Act	483	Haile	583	Terry	HW	Ref	Health/SC	Ref
WELFARE	Use of TANF funds to provide computers and job placements services	639	Robinson	1461	Hakeem	CL	off	Banking/SC	off
WELFARE	Phasing out of SNAP and TANF asset limits	715	Gilmore	807	Powell	HW	off	Health/SC	off
WELFARE	Child care agency licensing	749	Johnson	768	Lamberth	PC 280	Signed by Gov.		
WELFARE	Certain investigative records of DHS deemed confidential	751	Johnson	142	Lamberth	PS 515	Signed by Gov.		
WELFARE	DHS liaison to work with licensed child care providers	807	Yarbro	670	Freeman	PC 406	Signed by Gov.		
WELFARE	Requires DHS to establish an enrollment-based alternative payments	1105	Yarbro	996	Love	PC 484	Signed by Gov.		