

SENATE BILL 2166

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2;  
Title 34 and Title 40, relative to restoration of  
rights.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-29-105(b), is amended by deleting the subsection and substituting:

(b) A person rendered infamous after July 1, 1986, by virtue of being convicted of one (1) of the following crimes shall never be eligible to register and vote in this state:

- (1) First degree murder;
- (2) Aggravated rape;
- (3) Treason; or
- (4) Voter fraud.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-29-105(c), is amended by deleting the language "on or after July 1, 1996" and substituting "after July 1, 1986".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-29-105(c)(1), is amended by deleting the language "Except as provided in subdivision (c)(2)(B)" and substituting "Except as provided in subsection (b) and subdivision (c)(2)(B)".

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-29-105(c)(2)(B), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting:

(B) A person convicted of an infamous crime may petition for restoration upon the expiration of the maximum sentence imposed by the court for the infamous crime; provided, that a person convicted on or after July 1, 1996, of murder, rape, treason, or voter fraud shall never be eligible to register and vote in this state;

SECTION 5. This act takes effect July 1, 2024, the public welfare requiring it.