

Amendment No. 1 to HB1180

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 1005*

House Bill No. 1180

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-1-116, is amended by designating subsection (b) as subdivision (b)(1) and adding the following as a new subdivision (b)(2):

(2)

(A) Notwithstanding another law to the contrary, if the petitioners are seeking to adopt more than one (1) child at the same time and the children are siblings, then the petitioners may include all of the children in one (1) petition to adopt unless the court issues a written order finding that it is in the best interest of the children that separate petitions be filed.

(B) The clerk of court shall charge only one (1) filing fee for a petition filed pursuant to subdivision (b)(2)(A).

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.