



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 168

SENATE BILL NO. 600

By Hensley, Bowling, Rose, Stevens, Jackson, Pody

Substituted for: House Bill No. 90

By Moody, Lamberth, Bulso, Leatherwood, Fritts, Raper, Cepicky, Greg Martin, Carringer, Doggett, McCalmon, Howell, Ragan, Carr, Grills, Cochran, Sparks, Zachary, Littleton, Alexander, Powers, Todd, Richey, Warner, Terry

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6; Title 7 and Title 8, relative to use of funds by local governments.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5, Chapter 9, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

A county shall not expend funds for the purposes of assisting a person in obtaining a criminal abortion. This prohibition includes expending funds as part of a health benefit plan or for travel to another state for the purpose of obtaining an abortion that would be a criminal abortion if performed in this state. As used in this section, "criminal abortion" means an abortion that is prohibited by § 39-15-213 and does not include an abortion performed pursuant to § 39-15-213(c).

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 6, Chapter 56, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

A municipality shall not expend funds for the purposes of assisting a person in obtaining a criminal abortion. This prohibition includes expending funds as part of a health benefit plan or for travel to another state for the purpose of obtaining an abortion that would be a criminal abortion if performed in this state. As used in this section, "criminal abortion" means an abortion that is prohibited by § 39-15-213 and does not include an abortion performed pursuant to § 39-15-213(c).

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7, Chapter 3, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

A metropolitan government shall not expend funds for the purposes of assisting a person in obtaining a criminal abortion. This prohibition includes expending funds as part of a health benefit plan or for travel to another state for the purpose of obtaining an abortion that would be a criminal abortion if performed in this state. As used in this section, "criminal abortion" means an abortion that is prohibited by § 39-15-213 and does not include an abortion performed pursuant to § 39-15-213(c).

SECTION 4. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: March 30, 2023



RANDY McNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 17th day of April 2023



BILL LEE, GOVERNOR