HOUSE BILL 721

By Hakeem

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8; Title 9; Title 16; Title 40; Title 68 and Title 71, relative to public health legal services.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71, Chapter 3, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

The department of human services is encouraged to develop a partnership with minority and other community-based organizations throughout this state to improve the health of racial and ethnic minorities and to extend public health legal services to minority and low-income individuals receiving social and medical services. The department is requested to utilize temporary assistance for needy families (TANF) funds to support the partnerships.

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