## **HOUSE BILL 858**

## By Kane

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 14 and Title 40, Chapter 25, relative to indigency.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-25-123, is amended by adding the following new subsection (c):

(c) Prior to suspending the court costs and the litigation tax, if a determination of indigency hearing has not already been conducted on the defendant owing the costs and tax, the presiding judge shall conduct one.

SECTION2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013, the public welfare requiring it.