

HOUSE BILL 866

By Holsclaw

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50
and Title 58, relative to volunteer firefighters.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 50-1-307(a), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (a)(1) and adding the following as a new subdivision:

(2) If the emergency to which an employee who is a volunteer firefighter is responding is declared a state of emergency under § 58-2-107, the prohibition against termination from employment under subdivision (a)(1) shall extend to all days that:

(A) The declaration of emergency is in effect, including any renewals of the declaration; and

(B) The employee is responding to the emergency for eight (8) or more hours per day.

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