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HOUSE BILL 871

By DeBerry

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 36 and Title 37, relative to the department of children's services.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-29-242(a)(17), is amended by deleting the subdivision.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-29-240(a), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:

() Department of children's services, created by §§ 4-3-101 and 37-5-101;

SECTION 3. The comptroller of the treasury shall study how best to effectuate the transfer of all duties, employees, and contractual obligations of the department of children's services to other agencies of state government following the termination of the department of children's services on June 30, 2020. Prior to January 1, 2020, the comptroller of the treasury shall deliver its report and recommendations to the chairs of the government operations committees of the senate and house of representatives, the house children and family oversight subcommittee, and the senate judiciary committee.

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