SENATE BILL 687 By Reeves

## **HOUSE BILL 979**

By Terry

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 7; Title 38; Title 49; Title 67, Chapter 4, Part 6 and Title 68, Chapter 29, relative to forensic science.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 38-6-103(h), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:

(3) During the bureau's annual budget hearing before the general assembly, the director, or the director's designee, shall provide information regarding the number of special agent/forensic scientists employed by the bureau, whether any such positions are open, the standard workload of such employees, and the number of DNA samples awaiting analysis for a period longer than thirty (30) days.

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