

HOUSE BILL 993

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71, Chapter 4, Part 7, relative to expanding the purchase of goods and services from for-profit entities employing people with disabilities.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated Section 71-4-702(5), is amended by deleting the language "Qualified nonprofit agency" and by substituting instead the language "Qualified agency"; by deleting the language "means an agency" and by substituting instead the language "means a contractor, including a for profit contractor"; and by deleting subdivisions (A) and (D) and by redesignating subdivisions (B) and (C) accordingly.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-4-702(5)(C), is amended by deleting the language "or services; and" at the end of the subdivision and by substituting instead the language "or services."

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-4-702(5)(C), is further amended by deleting the language ", whether or not the commodities or services are procured under §§ 71-4-701 – 71-4-704, during the fiscal year" and by substituting instead the language "pursuant to this part,"; and by deleting the language "seventy-five percent (75%)" and by substituting instead the language "fifty percent (50%)".

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated Section 71-4-702(6), is amended by deleting the language "Qualified nonprofit work center for the blind" and by substituting instead the language "Qualified work center for the blind"; by deleting the language "means an agency" and by substituting instead the language "means a contractor, including a for profit contractor"; and by deleting subdivisions (A) and (D) and by redesignating subdivisions (B) and (C) accordingly.

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-4-702(6)(C), is amended by deleting the language "whether or not the commodities or services are procured as provided in this part, during the fiscal year" and by substituting instead the language "pursuant to this part,"; and by deleting the language seventy-five percent (75%) and substituting instead the language "fifty percent (50%)".

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-4-702(6)(C), is amended by deleting the language "or services; and" at the end of the subdivision and by substituting instead the language "or services."

SECTION 7. Tennessee Code Annotated Section 71-4-702(8), is amended by deleting the word "nonprofit" wherever it appears.

SECTION 8. Tennessee Code Annotated Section 71-4-703(a), is amended by deleting the word "nonprofit" wherever it appears.

SECTION 9. Tennessee Code Annotated Section 71-4-704(b)(3), is amended by deleting the word "nonprofit".

SECTION 10. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-4-704(b)(3), is further amended by deleting the language "under this program;" and by substituting instead the language:

under this program. The central nonprofit agency shall insure that people with disabilities are paid at least minimum wage with appropriate benefits based upon their needs and that they are integrated on the job."

SECTION 11. Tennessee Code Annotated Section 71-4-704(b)(8), is amended by deleting the word "nonprofit".

SECTION 12. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.