

HOUSE BILL 1183

By Ford

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 40,
Chapter 11, Part 3, relative to professional
bondsmen.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-11-313, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

(a)

(1) It is an offense for any elected or appointed state, county or municipal official, and in the case of a constitutionally elected peace officer, such officer's deputy, to act as a professional bondsman, directly or indirectly.

(2) This section shall not apply to any person otherwise prohibited from acting as a professional bondsman under subdivision (a)(1) who, on the effective date of this act, is currently acting as a professional bondsman.

(b) Any person violating this section shall be punished in accordance with § 40-11-312.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it.