

State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 678

HOUSE BILL NO. 2069

By Representative Love

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1988

By Senator Stevens

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 9, Chapter 4, relative to public funds.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 9-4-213, is amended by deleting subdivision (a)(5) and substituting instead the following:

(5) Provides a facility that is child-focused, neutral, comfortable, private, and safe, where the multidisciplinary team can meet to coordinate the efficient and appropriate disposition of child abuse cases through the civil and criminal justice systems;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 9-4-213(a)(7), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead the following:

(7) Has written policies and procedures consistent with the standards established by the National Children's Alliance; and

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 9-4-213(a), is amended by deleting subdivision (8) and substituting instead the following:

(8) Agrees to accurately collect and report key outcome data and information relative to each center's operations to the Tennessee chapter of children's advocacy centers, which is the statewide membership organization. The Tennessee chapter of children's advocacy centers shall compile and report such data annually to the chairs of the judiciary committee of the senate, civil justice committee of the house of representatives, health and welfare committee of the senate, and health committee of the house of representatives. The data and information collected pursuant to this subdivision (a)(8) shall include, at a minimum, the following:

(A) Number and demographic profiles of cases served by age, gender, race, type of abuse, and treatment thereof, including mental health and medical services rendered;

(B) Demographic profiles of perpetrators of abuse by age, gender, race, relationship to victim, and the outcome of any legal action taken against such perpetrators;

(C) Nature of services and support provided by or through the center; and

(D) Data and information relative to community investment in and community support of the center.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: <u>March 26, 2018</u>

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BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

RANDY MCNALLY SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 12th day of April 2018 BILL HASEAM, ĠΟ