

State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 984

SENATE BILL NO. 2740

By White, Bailey, Bowling, Jackson, Massey, Rose

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2592

By Littleton, Griffey, Hardaway, Powell, Whitson, Ragan, Mannis, Alexander, Howell, Helton, Miller, Powers

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 37; Title 39 and Title 40, relative to sexual abuse of children.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-1-603(b), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:

- (7) The district attorneys general conference shall work with the Tennessee bureau of investigation, the department of children's services, the Tennessee Sheriffs' Association, the Tennessee Association of Chiefs of Police, and the Children's Advocacy Centers of Tennessee to develop recommendations on the creation of multidisciplinary teams to provide responses specific to child sex trafficking cases. The purposes of these teams will be to enhance the services to victims of child sex trafficking, improve the coordination of investigations and the tracking of child sex trafficking cases, and identify gaps in services. These entities may consult with other public and private groups, organizations, and agencies that have knowledge of the child sex trafficking population and are willing to assist in this goal. The district attorneys general conference shall report the recommendations to the chairs of the judiciary committee of the senate and the criminal justice committee and the children and family affairs subcommittee of the house of representatives by January 15, 2023.
- SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-1-603, is amended by deleting subdivision (b)(1)(C) and substituting:
 - (C) Working with the specified agency in fulfilling the requirements of subdivisions (b)(2)-(7);

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED:	April 18, 2022	
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APPROVED th	is 3rd day of May	2022
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