

# State of Tennessee

# **PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 1004**

## HOUSE BILL NO. 2706

By Representatives Howell, Russell, Gant, Todd, Crawford, Weaver, Lamberth, Curcio, Keisling, Moon, Hulsey, Rudder, Holsclaw, Freeman, Powell, Hall, Jernigan, Eldridge, Wright, Whitson, Beck, Sherrell, Reedy, Hazlewood, Williams, Cepicky, Ragan, Lafferty, Mannis, Chism, Miller, Vital

## Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2678

### By Senators Massey, Yager, Walley, White

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 9, Chapter 8, Part 1 and Title 9, Chapter 8, Part 4, relative to claims administration.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 9, Chapter 8, Part 4, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

### 9-8-409.

The state treasurer, in conjunction with the department of transportation, shall develop, implement, and administer a centralized information system for the reporting of alleged dangerous conditions on state-maintained highways and the repair of the conditions. To fulfill the duties described in this section, the state treasurer, in conjunction with the department of transportation, may utilize and modify an existing system of the department of transportation or the department of treasury, or may purchase a new system. The state treasurer shall enter into a memorandum of understanding with the commissioner of transportation to share and exchange information to be maintained in the centralized system. The state treasurer is authorized to contract with third-party entities and individuals to obtain and maintain information in the centralized system.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 9-8-109(d)(2), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:

( ) Expenses and costs relative to the centralized system described in § 9-8-409, including, but not limited to, salary and benefit costs for employees to administer the centralized system;

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

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PASSED: \_\_\_\_\_ April 21, 2022

CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Randy MCNALLY

SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 5th day of May 2022

**BILL LEE, GOVERNOR**