



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 1037

SENATE BILL NO. 2547

By Jackson, Stevens

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2780

By Eldridge, Littleton, Howell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38, Chapter 6, relative to criminal background checks.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 38-6-109, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

() (1) Notwithstanding another law to the contrary, clerks of court, county clerks, registers of deeds, and county trustees may enter into agreements with a fingerprint vendor that is under contract with the Tennessee bureau of investigation for purposes of providing fingerprint capture services for fingerprint-based background checks permitted by law. An agreement between clerks of court, county clerks, registers of deeds, or county trustees and a fingerprint vendor that is under contract with the Tennessee bureau of investigation must be limited to fingerprint capture services for fingerprint-based background checks permitted by law and processed by the Tennessee bureau of investigation. The terms of an agreement between the fingerprint vendor and clerks of court, county clerks, registers of deeds, or county trustees must not conflict with or negate a contractual obligation that the fingerprint vendor has with the Tennessee bureau of investigation.

(2) The fingerprint vendor shall provide all fingerprint images captured by the fingerprint vendor pursuant to subdivision () (1) to the Tennessee bureau of investigation. The bureau shall maintain, preserve, and enter the information into an automated fingerprint identification system (AFIS), if appropriate.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 21, 2022



RANDY McNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 11th day of May 2022



BILL LEE, GOVERNOR