

HOUSE BILL 3237

By McCord

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2,
Chapter 16 and Title 2, Chapter 8, relative to
determining election results.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-8-110, is amended by deleting subsection (a) and substituting instead the following:

(a)

(1) The governor, secretary of state, attorney general and reporter shall, as soon as the returns are received, publicly calculate and compare the votes received by each person for the office of member of the general assembly, presidential and vice presidential elector, member of congress, judge, chancellor, or district attorney general, and declare the person receiving the highest number of votes elected; provided, however, if no candidate for the office of member of congress received a majority of all the votes cast, a runoff election shall be held with respect to such unfilled office or offices.

(2) In any runoff election required under subdivision (a)(1), only the names of the two (2) candidates with the highest number of votes cast for such office which failed to be filled at the election shall be placed on the official ballot. The runoff election, if required, shall be held four (4) weeks from the date of the original election.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

it.