

SENATE BILL 427

By Bunch

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8,  
relative to service of process.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-10-111, is amended by adding a new subsection thereto, as follows:

(d) All constables in counties having a population of not less than eighty-seven thousand nine hundred (87,900) nor more than eighty-eight thousand (88,000) according to the 2000 federal census or any subsequent federal census shall serve warrants and summonses from general sessions courts. If service of a warrant or summons is not made within thirty (30) days of its issuance, such warrant or summons from general sessions court may be served by a private-process server.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-8-201(a)(5), is amended by adding a new subdivision thereto, as follows:

(C) Provided, in counties having a population of not less than eighty-seven thousand nine hundred (87,900) nor more than eighty-eight thousand (88,000), according to the 2000 federal census or any subsequent federal census the sheriff personally or by a lawful deputy shall serve warrants and summonses from general sessions courts. If service of a warrant or summons is not made within thirty (30) days of its issuance, such warrant or summons from general sessions court may be served by a private-process server.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it.