

State of Tennessee PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 298

HOUSE BILL NO. 873

By Representatives Akbari, Parkinson, Gilmore, Staples, Camper, Mark White, Love, Clemmons, Hardaway

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 800

By Senators Dickerson, Harper, Yarbro

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 40, Chapter 32, relative to the expunction of public records.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-32-101, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

(k)

- (1) Notwithstanding subsection (g), effective July 1, 2017, for purposes of this subsection (k), an "eligible petitioner" means a person who was convicted of no more than two (2) offenses and:
 - (A) Each of the offenses for which the petitioner seeks expunction are offenses that are eligible for expunction under subsection (g);
 - (B) The offenses were:
 - (i) Two (2) misdemeanors; or
 - (ii) One (1) felony and one (1) misdemeanor;

(C)

- (i) At the time of the filing of the petition for expunction at least five (5) years have elapsed since the completion of the sentence imposed for the most recent offense; and
- (ii) If one (1) of the offenses was drug fraud pursuant to § 53-11-402(a)(3), at the time of the filing of the petition for expunction at least ten (10) years have elapsed since the completion of the sentence imposed for that offense; and
- (D) The person has fulfilled all the requirements of the sentences imposed by the court for each offense the petitioner is seeking to expunge, including:
 - (i) Payment of all fines, restitution, court costs, and other assessments for each offense;
 - (ii) Completion of any term of imprisonment or probation for each offense;
 - (iii) Meeting all conditions of supervised or unsupervised release for each offense; and
 - (iv) Remaining free from dependency on or abuse of alcohol or a controlled substance or other prohibited substance for

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- a period of not less than one (1) year, if so required by the conditions of any of the sentences imposed.
- (2) A person may petition for expunction of two (2) offenses under this subsection (k) only one (1) time.
- (3) The expunction fee under this subsection (k) shall be the same amount as a single expunction under subsection (g).
- (4) Subdivisions (g)(3)-(6), (8), (10), (15), and (16) shall apply to a petition filed under this subsection (k).

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

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BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

RANDY MCNALLY SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 5th day of May 2017

BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR