

SENATE BILL 947

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8,
Chapter 6, relative to the attorney general and
reporter.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 6, Part 1, is amended by
adding the following as a new section:

(a) The attorney general and reporter shall post a publicly accessible listing on
the attorney general's website of current litigation that could potentially impact the
interpretation of this state's constitution, excluding personal civil and wrongful death
suits, in which this state is a party. The information provided must include:

(1) The case number, court where the case is pending, current status,
and procedural history;

(2) The identity of outside counsel retained by the attorney general for
the case, if any;

(3) The date the action was filed and whether this state is a plaintiff or
defendant; and

(4) The dates of upcoming hearings related to the case.

(b) The attorney general and reporter shall provide an annual report on the
status of litigation of the cases listed pursuant to subsection (a) resulting in a final
disposition by the end of each fiscal year and post the report on the attorney general's
publicly accessible website. The annual report must include for each case:

(1) The final disposition;

(2) The amount of damages this state was ordered to pay or the amount of damages received by this state; and

(3) The amount this state was ordered to pay in attorney's fees, if applicable, and the cost of retaining outside counsel, if applicable.

(c) The annual report must remain posted on the attorney general's website for one (1) fiscal year and must be archived once a new annual report is posted.

(d) This section does not require the attorney general and reporter to post information that would violate a court order or that is otherwise confidential.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2023, the public welfare requiring it.