

SENATE BILL 988

By Norris

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63;
Title 68 and Title 71, relative to diabetes.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 1, is amended by adding the following as a new part:

68-1-2601. The bureau of TennCare, the department of health, the department of finance and administration, and the department of human resources shall collaborate to identify goals and benchmarks while also developing individual agency plans to reduce the incidence of diabetes in this state, improve diabetes care, and control complications associated with diabetes.

68-1-2602. The bureau of TennCare, the department of health, and the department of human resources shall jointly submit a report to the health committee of the house of representatives and the health and welfare committee of the senate by January 10 of each odd-numbered year on the following:

(1) The financial impact and reach diabetes of all types is having on the agency, the state, and localities. Items included in this assessment shall include the number of lives with diabetes impacted or covered by the entity, the number of lives with diabetes and family members impacted by prevention and diabetes control programs implemented by the entity, the financial toll or impact diabetes and its complications places on the program, and the financial toll or impact diabetes and its complications places on the program in comparison to other chronic diseases and conditions;

(2) An assessment of the benefits of implemented programs and activities aimed at controlling diabetes and preventing the disease. This assessment shall also

document the amount and source for any funding directed to such agency from the general assembly for programs and activities aimed at reaching those with diabetes;

(3) A description of the level of coordination existing between the agencies on activities, programmatic activities, and messaging on managing, treating, or preventing all forms of diabetes and its complications;

(4) The development or revision of detailed action plans for battling diabetes with a range of actionable items for consideration by the general assembly. The plans shall identify proposed action steps to reduce the impact of diabetes, prediabetes, and related diabetes complications. The plan shall also identify expected outcomes of the action steps proposed in the following biennium while also establishing benchmarks for controlling and preventing relevant forms of diabetes; and

(5) The development of a detailed budget blueprint identifying needs, costs, and resources required to implement the plan identified in subdivision (4). This blueprint shall include a budget range for all options presented in the plan identified in subdivision (4) for consideration by the general assembly.

68-1-2603. The requirements of this part shall be limited to the diabetes information, data, initiatives, and programs within each agency prior to the effective date of this part, unless there is unobligated funding for diabetes in each agency that may be used for new research, data collection, reporting, or other requirements of this part.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015, the public welfare requiring it.