SENATE BILL 1356

By Tate

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67 and Title 71, relative to electronic benefit transfer.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71, Chapter 1, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

71-1-135. On or before February 1 of each year the commissioner of human services shall report to the health and human resources committee of the house of representatives and the senate general welfare, health and human resources committee on the amount of sales tax paid by persons using electronic benefit transfer cards for the immediately preceding calendar year. The report shall identify the amount spent by persons using the card for temporary assistance benefits under § 71-3-154 and the amounts spent by persons using the card solely for other benefits.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it.