SENATE BILL 1376

By Johnson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 41, relative to waivers of minimum qualifications of county correctional officers.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 41-7-106, is amended by deleting subsection (g) and replacing it with the following new language:

(g) The board shall not grant waivers for any person hired as a jail administrator, workhouse administrator, jailer, corrections officer, or guard in any county jail or workhouse who has been dishonorably discharged from the military, has a conviction for domestic assault, a felony conviction or has been found not to be free from any disorder as described in the current edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders of the American Psychiatric Association that would, in the professional judgment of the examiner, impair the subject's ability to perform any essential function of the job or would cause the subject to pose a direct threat to public safety.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013, the public welfare requiring it.