

SENATE BILL 1685

By Lamar

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4;
Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71, relative to expanding
medicaid to provide gun violence prevention
services.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-5-126, is amended by deleting the section and substituting instead the following:

The governor may expand medicaid eligibility solely for the purpose of providing gun violence prevention services in accordance with the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Pub. L. No. 111-148). The governor may negotiate with the centers for medicare and medicaid services (CMS) with respect to the terms of medicaid expansion. The department of finance and administration and the bureau of TennCare shall jointly identify existing state programs or develop a new state program that is eligible for federal matching funds available through the state medicaid plan, develop a plan for implementing the program, and subject to approval by CMS, implement the program.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.