SENATE BILL 1999

By Ketron

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 40, Chapter 25, Part 1, relative to the payment of certain costs.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-25-129, is amended by deleting the first sentence of subdivision (2) and substituting instead the following:

All cases where the defendant has been convicted and the court has made a finding at any evidentiary hearing that the defendant is indigent and remains indigent at the time of conviction, or where the execution issued upon the judgment against the defendant has been returned nulla bona.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-25-129, is amended by redesignating the current language as subsection (a) and adding the following new subsection:

- (b) Any bill of costs or other fees owed a county by the department of correction as the result of a criminal conviction in that county shall be paid by the department within sixty (60) days of the date the bill is submitted.
- SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016, the public welfare requiring it.