

SENATE BILL 2518

By Beavers

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8;
Title 17; Title 39 and Title 40, relative to conflicts
of interest.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 7, Part 1, is amended by
adding the following as a new section thereto:

8-7-113

(a) Where a district attorney general serves as a member or director of a public or private board, commission, or organization, the district attorney general shall report the membership or directorship to the office of the attorney general within thirty (30) days of acquiring the position.

(b)

(1) Where an assistant district attorney general serves as a member or director of a public or private board, commission, or organization in a capacity, that person shall report the membership or directorship to the district attorney general within thirty (30) days of acquiring the position.

(2) Within thirty (30) days of obtaining information pursuant to subdivision (1), the district attorney general shall report that information to the office of the attorney general and reporter.

(c) Notwithstanding § 8-6-303, where a district attorney general anticipates or commences an investigation into a board, commission or organization in which an assistant district attorney general is a member or director, the district attorney general shall report the anticipation or

commencement to the office of the attorney general and reporter along with a plan to implement appropriate procedures to ensure that the Rules of Professional Conduct and the laws of this state are upheld.

(d) Where, in the opinion of the attorney general and reporter or in the opinion of the district attorney general, the Rules of Professional Conduct or laws of this state cannot be upheld without the assistance of a special prosecutor, the attorney general and reporter shall direct the district attorney general to institute the provisions of § 8-7-106.

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