

State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 1060

HOUSE BILL NO. 2626

By Representatives Turner, Goins, Rudd, Hardaway, Favors, Parkinson, Camper, Gilmore, Towns, Miller, Shaw, Akbari, Powell, Coley, Ramsey, Love, Mark White, Eldridge, Staples

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2630

By Senators Norris, Harper, Tate, Yarbro

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 10, Chapter 7, relative to public records

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 10-7-504(a)(2), is amended by deleting subdivision (A) and substituting instead the following:

(A) All investigative records of the Tennessee bureau of investigation, the office of inspector general, all criminal investigative files of the department of agriculture and the department of environment and conservation, all criminal investigative files of the motor vehicle enforcement division of the department of safety relating to stolen vehicles or parts, all criminal investigative files and records of the Tennessee alcoholic beverage commission, and all files of the handgun carry permit and driver license issuance divisions of the department of safety relating to bogus handgun carry permits and bogus driver licenses issued to undercover law enforcement agents shall be treated as confidential and shall not be open to inspection by members of the public. The information contained in such records shall be disclosed to the public only in compliance with a subpoena or an order of a court of record; provided, however, that such investigative records of the Tennessee bureau of investigation shall be open to inspection by elected members of the general assembly if such inspection is directed by a duly adopted resolution of either house or of a standing or joint committee of either house, or if such inspection is directed by a majority vote of the entire membership of an ad hoc committee appointed specifically to study unsolved civil rights crimes that occurred between 1938 and 1975 and that is composed only of elected members of the general assembly. Any record inspected pursuant to this exception shall maintain its confidentiality throughout the inspection. Records shall not be available to any member of the executive branch except to the governor and to those directly involved in the investigation in the specified agencies.

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

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PASSED: April 25, 2018

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BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

RANDY MCNALLY SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 215t day of May 2018

BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR