SENATE BILL 2672

By Kyle

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 8; Title 14 and Title 50, relative to state employees.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 50, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

- (a) As used in this section, "COVID-19" has the same meaning as defined in § 14-1-101.
- (b) The officers and employees of the various agencies, boards, and departments of state government are entitled to five (5) days of paid leave in the event that a minor child contracts COVID-19, or if the child's school or daycare facility is forced to close due to COVID-19, and the parent officer or employee must stay home with the child to provide for the child's care.
- (c) The paid leave to which an officer or employee is entitled under this section does not count against the officer's or employee's accumulated sick or annual leave.

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