SENATE BILL 2733

By Berke

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-21-401, relative to court fees.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-21-401, is amended by deleting subsection (*I*) in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(/) CHARGES TO THE STATE UNCHANGED. Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, any fees increased by this section that are assessed against the state or that otherwise represent a cost to the state in criminal cases, mental health proceedings, actions under the Tennessee Adult Protection Act, compiled in title 71, chapter 6, part 1, actions with regard to child care licensing, and collection efforts brought by the department of human services, shall be limited to the amounts chargeable prior to January 1, 2006. This subsection (/) shall not apply to fees charged to the state in child support actions, including but not limited to contempt actions.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010, the public welfare requiring it.