SENATE BILL 2921

By Bailey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68 and Title 71, relative to TennCare.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-5-165, is amended by inserting the following as a new subsection (b) and redesignating the existing subsection (b) and all subsequent subsections accordingly:

(b) The bureau of TennCare shall reimburse a public or private air ambulance service that bills for transports and has a base of operations in this state that provides a covered emergency or nonemergency service to a TennCare recipient at a rate not less than sixty-seven and one-half percent (67.5%) of the federal medicare program's allowable charge for participating providers.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and applies to reimbursement for transports that occur on or after the effective date of this act.