

SENATE BILL 3743

By McNally

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 16,
Chapter 20, Part 1, relative to litigation taxes.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 16-20-106, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

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(1) By a two-thirds (2/3) vote of its legislative body, each county to which subdivision (c)(1) is applicable is authorized to levy an additional (\$1.00) litigation tax, for a total of two dollars (\$2.00) per case, to be denominated as a part of the court costs for each petition, warrant and citation, including warrants and citations for traffic offenses, in matters before the local general sessions courts and juvenile courts.

(2) Any revenue generated by subdivision (g)(1) shall be used by the county for the exclusive purpose of supporting a local victim-offender mediation center or centers organized pursuant to this chapter. Such funds shall be distributed on a monthly basis by the county to the victim-offender mediation center or centers for the purpose of handling victim-offender mediation and other community mediation matters.

(3) The taxes levied pursuant to this subsection (g) shall be in addition to any other taxes levied on litigation.

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