

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 735

HOUSE BILL NO. 2614

By Representative Fincher

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2761

By Senators Burks, Marrero

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3, Chapter 6 and Title 8, Chapter 50, Part 5, relative to candidates and appointees to local public offices.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-6-115, is amended by deleting subsection (e) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(e) The commission shall strive to establish electronic filing for all documents required to be filed with the commission; provided, however, that no candidate or appointee to a local public office as defined in § 2-10-102 shall be required to electronically file documents with the commission.

(1) Except as provided in this subsection, the commission, unless otherwise required by law to provide for electronic filing, shall have the discretion to determine when electronic filing is financially feasible and will be an accessible and efficient method of filing.

(2) The commission shall establish rules specifying the manner in which a report, statement or other documents shall be filed. The rules shall be published and posted conspicuously on the commission's web site at least sixty (60) days prior to the due date of any document affected by the rules.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-50-501(d), is amended by deleting subdivision (1) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

The disclosure shall be in writing in the form prescribed by the Tennessee ethics commission and shall be a public record; provided, however, that no candidate or appointee to a local public office required to disclose pursuant to subdivision (a)(19) shall be required to electronically file documents with the commission.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: March 27, 2008



JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
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APPROVED this 10th day of April 2008



PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR