

STATE OF TENNESSEE  
PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 337  
SENATE BILL NO. 1776

By Herron, Burks

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2034

By Maddox, Hackworth

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71, Chapter 6, relative to adult protective services.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-6-102(2), is amended by adding the following language at the end of the subdivision:

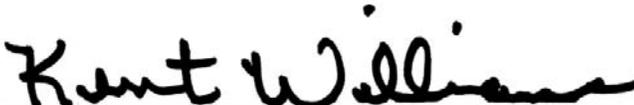
Provided, however, that a person eighteen (18) years of age or older who is mentally impaired but still competent shall be deemed to be a person with mental dysfunction for the purposes of this chapter;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-6-102(9), is amended by deleting the language "reasonably strong" from the first sentence and by substituting instead the language "reasonable".

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it.

**PASSED: May 18, 2009**

  
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RON RAMSEY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
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KENT WILLIAMS, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**APPROVED this 1st day of June 2009**



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PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR