



**State of Tennessee**  
**PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 234**

**SENATE BILL NO. 349**

**By Haynes**

Substituted for: House Bill No. 535

**By Stewart**

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 21, Part 4 and Title 25, Chapter 1, Part 1, relative to cost bonds.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-21-401(a), is amended by adding the following language after the fourth sentence of the subsection:

The clerk shall not refuse to file an action where the attorney has opted to sign a cost bond. In any action where the clerk refuses to accept such cost bond in lieu of the party paying the clerk's fees, all costs in that action shall be forfeited by the clerk.

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

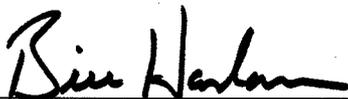
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PASSED: May 2, 2011

  
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RON RAMSEY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
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BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May 2011

  
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BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR