



# State of Tennessee

## PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 896

### HOUSE BILL NO. 2122

By Representatives Love, Stewart, Camper, Eldridge, Dunlap, Hardaway, Akbari, Powell,  
Towns

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2304

By Senator Kyle

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38 and Title 68, relative to public health reporting.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 38-10-102, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(a) All state, county, and municipal law enforcement and correctional agencies, and courts, shall submit to the director of the Tennessee bureau of investigation reports setting forth their activities in connection with law enforcement and criminal justice, including uniform crime reports and reports of law enforcement-related deaths.

(b) The Tennessee bureau of investigation shall provide to the commissioner of health and to the general assembly, by March 31 of each year, a report on all law enforcement-related deaths that occurred in the prior calendar year.

(c) The Tennessee bureau of investigation in consultation with the department of health shall have authority to promulgate rules with respect to collection and reporting of information concerning law enforcement-related deaths. The rules shall be promulgated in accordance with the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, compiled in title 4, chapter 5.

(d) As used in this section, "law enforcement-related death" means:

(1) The death of an individual in custody, whether in a prison, in a jail, or otherwise in the custody of law enforcement pursuant to an arrest or a transfer between institutions of any kind; or

(2) The death of an individual potentially resulting from an interaction with law enforcement, while the law enforcement officer is on duty or while the law enforcement officer is off duty but performing activities that are within the scope of the officer's law enforcement duties, without regard to:

(A) Whether the individual was in custody; or

(B) Whether a weapon was involved.

SECTION 2. For purposes of promulgating rules, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, this act shall take effect January 1, 2017, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 19, 2016



BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 27<sup>th</sup> day of April 2016



BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR