

HOUSE BILL 26

By Hardaway

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 17,  
relative to judges.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 17-4-102(a), is amended by deleting the language "seventeen (17)" and substituting instead the language "eighteen (18)".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 17-4-102(a), is further amended by deleting subdivision (a)(5) in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(5) Four (4) members who shall not be lawyers; and

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 17-4-102(b), is amended by deleting subdivision (b)(1) in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(1)

(A) The speaker of the senate shall appoint three (3) members from the list of nominees submitted by the Tennessee trial lawyers association, three (3) members from the lists of nominees submitted by the district attorneys general conference, two (2) of the nonlawyer members and one (1) of the lawyer members not nominated by a group.

(B) The speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint two (2) members from the lists of nominees submitted by the Tennessee bar association and one (1) member from the list of nominees submitted by the Tennessee defense lawyers association, three (3) members from the lists of nominees submitted by the Tennessee association of criminal defense lawyers, two (2) of the nonlawyer members and one (1) of the lawyer members not nominated by a group.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.