

HOUSE BILL 277

By Howell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71,
Chapter 5, relative to the Child Support
Cooperation Act.

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

SECTION 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Child Support Cooperation Act."

SECTION 2. The purpose of this act is to reduce child poverty and dependency by ensuring that parents cooperate with state efforts to collect child support for their children, as authorized by federal law.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71, Chapter 5, Part 3, is amended by adding the following new section:

To the extent permitted by federal law, the department shall require each recipient to cooperate with the Title IV-D child support enforcement program as a condition of eligibility in accordance with 7 C.F.R. § 273.11(o) and (p), or any successor regulation.

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