

HOUSE BILL 388

By Miller

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4;  
Title 5; Title 6; Title 7 and Title 55, Chapter 50,  
relative to establishing a center for driver license  
reinstatement.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 50, Part 3, is amended by adding the following new section:

(a) Any county with a population over nine hundred thousand (900,000), according to the 2010 federal census or any subsequent federal census, may, by adoption of a resolution by the county governing body, establish an independent entity of county government, the center for license reinstatement.

(b) The center may reinstate the driving privileges of any person who:

(1) Is a resident of the county;

(2) Applies to the center, in lieu of the department of safety, for reinstatement of a driver license; and

(3) Establishes proof of United States citizenship or lawful permanent residence and satisfies all other requirements of this chapter and any rules promulgated by the department relating to the reinstatement, issuance, and restoration of a driver license.

(c) The presiding officer of the county governing body shall furnish a certified copy of the adopted resolution to the commissioner of safety within thirty (30) days after its adoption. Prior to implementation of the center by the county, the resolution must be approved by the commissioner as providing for procedures to reinstate driving privileges that are consistent with the procedures to reinstate driving privileges required by this

chapter and any rules promulgated by the department relating to the reinstatement, issuance, and restoration of a driver license.

(d) The department may oversee the implementation of the center for the sole purpose of assuring statewide consistency and shall review the center's license reinstatement procedures at least once every three (3) years. The implementation of the center must be in a manner as to assure compliance with this chapter and rules promulgated by the department relating to the reinstatement, issuance, and restoration of a driver license.

(e) The center may be implemented only if the funding necessary for its implementation is available from county funds, and must cease to operate on July 1, 2022.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to reinstatements that occur on or after July 1, 2019.