

HOUSE BILL 745

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2;
Title 3; Title 4; Title 8 and Title 39, Chapter 16,
relative to ethics in government.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-6-105(a), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

(a) The Tennessee ethics commission is vested with jurisdiction to administer and enforce the provisions of this chapter, §§ 2-10-122 — 2-10-130, and title 8, chapter 50, part 5.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-6-105, is amended by deleting subsections (c) and (d) and by substituting instead the following language:

(c) The ethics committee in each house is authorized to refer to the commission for investigation, in accordance with § 3-6-203, any complaint it receives alleging a violation of the provisions of this chapter, §§ 2-10-122 — 2-10-130, title 8, chapter 50, part 5, or misuse of legislative office for personal financial gain.

(d) The governor is authorized to refer to the commission for investigation, in accordance with § 3-6-203, any allegation the governor receives concerning a violation by an officer or staff member of the executive branch subject to the jurisdiction of the commission, pursuant to the provisions of this chapter; §§ 2-10-122 — 2-10-130, title 8, chapter 50, part 5, an executive order related to ethics; or misuse of office for personal financial gain.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-6-115(1), is amended by deleting the subdivision and by substituting instead the following:

(1) Develop, with the advice, assistance and approval of the office of information resources, an Internet-based electronic filing process for use by all persons that are required to electronically register or file statements and reports with the commission pursuant to this chapter, §§ 2-10-122 — 2-10-130, and title 8, chapter 50, part 5;

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