

HOUSE BILL 1247

By Powers

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4;
Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 8; Title 9; Title 12; Title
39; Title 50; Title 66; Title 68 and Title 71, relative
to immigration.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 12, Chapter 2, Part 1, is amended by
adding the following as a new section:

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Illegal alien" means an individual who enters or resides in the United
States without authorization under federal law; and

(2) "Political subdivision" means a local governmental entity, including,
but not limited to, a municipality, metropolitan government, county, utility district,
school district, public building authority, or development district created and
existing pursuant to the laws of this state, or an instrumentality of government
created by one (1) or more of those local governmental entities.

(b)

(1) Except as provided in subdivision (b)(2), notwithstanding another law
to the contrary, an illegal alien must not be housed on real property owned by
this state or a political subdivision of this state.

(2) Subdivision (b)(1) does not apply to the housing of an illegal alien in a
jail, prison, or other correctional institution.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2023, the public welfare requiring it.