

HOUSE BILL 1711

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8,
relative to public benefits received by certain state
officials.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-27-201(b), is amended by designating the current language as subdivision (1) and by adding the following language as a new subdivision (2):

(2) In lieu of the amount of health insurance benefits paid pursuant to subdivision (b)(1), for fiscal year 2011-2012, the health insurance benefits paid on behalf of the following state officials participating in the state employees' health group insurance plan shall be reduced by an amount equal to one hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) as provided in the general appropriations act:

(A) Members of the general assembly; provided, that the reduction to health insurance benefits paid on behalf of members shall not take effect until the election of the One Hundred Eighth general assembly in November 2012;

(B) Former members of the general assembly; and

(C) Executive officials in the executive branch, including the chief executive officer of each board, commission, agency and authority; the commissioner of each department and agency; the deputy commissioner or equivalent authority in each department and agency; any assistant commissioner or equivalent authority in each department or agency; and staff directors in the governor's office.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on July 1, 2011, the public welfare requiring it.