

HOUSE BILL 2526

By Beck

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 36,
Chapter 5, relative to recovering attorney's fees.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-5-103, is amended by deleting subsection (c) and substituting instead the following:

(c) A prevailing party may recover reasonable attorney's fees, which may be fixed and allowed in the court's discretion, from the non-prevailing party in any criminal or civil contempt action or other proceeding to enforce, alter, change, or modify any decree of alimony, child support, or provision of a permanent parenting plan order, or in any suit or action concerning the adjudication of the custody or change of custody of any children, both upon the original divorce hearing and at any subsequent hearing.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to actions filed on or after that date.