

## State of Tennessee

## **PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 775**

**HOUSE BILL NO. 2830** 

By Representatives DeBerry, Smith

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2585

By Senators Bowling, Bailey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 9; Title 68 and Title 71, relative to TennCare.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-5-118, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(e) The participating provider shall strive to process hospital presumptive eligibility applications within the first twenty-four (24) hours of the date of admission, when practicable. To the extent a participating provider fails to adhere to this standard, the bureau of TennCare may take remedial steps as allowed by federal law.

SECTION 2. This act shall be known and may be cited as "Cooper's Law."

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and applies to agreements entered into or renewed on or after the effective date of this act.

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PASSED: <u>June 17, 2020</u>

**CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES** 

APPROVED this 15th day of July 2020