



# *State of Tennessee*

## **PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 715**

### **SENATE BILL NO. 2840**

**By Jackson**

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2911

By Eldridge, Littleton, Jernigan, Russell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 36, relative to grandparent visitation.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-6-306(c), is amended by deleting the subsection and substituting the following:

(c) Upon an initial finding of danger of substantial harm to the child, the court must then determine whether grandparent visitation would be in the best interests of the child based upon the factors in § 36-6-307. Upon such determination, reasonable visitation may be ordered. Reasonable visitation must constitute, at a minimum, sufficient contact to reasonably permit a strong and meaningful relationship to be established with the child.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and applies to petitions filed with a court on or after the effective date of this act.

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PASSED: April 1, 2024

  
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RANDY McNALLY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
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CAMERON SEYTON, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024

  
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BILL LEE, GOVERNOR