

SENATE BILL 270

By Yager

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 36  
and Title 37, relative to adoption assistance.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 37, Chapter 5, Part 1, is amended by  
adding the following as a new section:

By July 1, 2022, and every year thereafter, the department of children's services shall require any person receiving federal or state-funded adoption assistance from the department for adopting a child to provide the department with medical records from the adopted child's annual physical examination or similar documentation from a medical or mental health professional or verification of full-time school enrollment from the school the child attends. The medical or full-time school enrollment verification shall consist of a form or forms developed by the department. The department may initiate a visit to ascertain the well-being of the child if the person fails to provide the required documentation.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2021, the public welfare requiring it.