

SENATE BILL 630

By Campbell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2,
relative to nominating petitions.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-5-102(a), is amended by deleting the following language:

I hereby direct that my name appear on the official ballot as follows:

PRINT NAME

and substituting instead:

I hereby direct that my name appear on the official ballot as follows:

PRINT NAME AS IT APPEARS ON VOTER REGISTRATION RECORD

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-5-102, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(c) The candidate's name that will be shown on the ballot must match the candidate's name as it appears on the candidate's voter registration record. Nicknames, abbreviations, and variations in spelling are not authorized. The coordinator of elections shall provide guidelines and examples to potential candidates to aid in compliance with this subsection (c).

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.