SENATE BILL 694

By Faulk

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 29, Chapter 26, relative to medical malpractice.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 29-26-115, is amended by adding the following new subsection thereto:

(e) Pursuant to the causation requirements established in subdivision (a)(3), there shall be no liability in a medical malpractice action for negligent diagnosis or treatment that decreases a patient's chances of avoiding death or any other adverse medical condition where the death or other adverse medical condition would have occurred even if the defendant had not been negligent.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to any medical malpractice action filed on or after the effective date of this act.