SENATE BILL 851

By Lamar

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71, Chapter 5, relative to medicaid expansion.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-5-126, is amended by deleting the section and substituting:

The governor is authorized to expand medicaid eligibility in accordance with the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Pub. L. No. 111-148). The governor is authorized to negotiate with the federal centers for medicare and medicaid services with respect to the terms of medicaid expansion.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.