

SENATE BILL 960

By Beavers

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 35.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 35-13-110, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

35-13-110.

(a) In all court actions directly affecting the amount, administration or disposition of a charitable gift or a discretionary charitable gift, the court may require that the attorney general and reporter be made a party to represent the charitable beneficiaries, potential charitable beneficiaries and all citizens of this state in all legal matters pertaining to the amount, administration and disposition of a charitable gift or discretionary charitable gift. The attorney general and reporter may sue and be sued, and, insofar as the suit against the attorney general and reporter is against the state, the state expressly consents to be sued.

(b) It is unlawful to settle any litigation concerning the validity of a charitable gift or discretionary charitable gift without first obtaining the approval of the court. The court shall approve a settlement only after determining that the interest of the people of this state, as true beneficiaries of any charitable gift, have been served.

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