

SENATE BILL 1218

By Bell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2; Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 8; Title 10; Title 26; Title 45; Title 47; Title 49; Title 50; Title 55; Title 56; Title 62 and Title 67, relative to social security numbers.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-4-125(a), is amended by deleting the language “state entity shall” and substituting instead the language “state entity or local entity shall”.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-4-125(b)(1), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and substituting instead the following language:

For purposes of this section, “publicly disclose” does not include the use of any social security number by any state entity or local entity in the performance of its functions or the disclosure of any social security number to another state entity, local entity, or agency of the federal government, or any private person or entity that has been authorized to perform certain duties as a contractor of the state. Any person or entity receiving a social security number from any state entity or local entity shall be subject to the same confidentiality provisions as the disclosing state entity or local entity; provided, however, that the confidentiality provisions applicable to a consumer reporting agency or financial institution as defined in subdivision (a)(3) shall be governed by federal law.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-4-125(b)(2), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and substituting instead the following language:

(2) For purposes of this section:

(A) "Local entity" means a municipality, county, or county having a metropolitan form of government; and

(B) "State entity" means any state department, division, agency, bureau, board, commission, or other separate unit of state government created or established by the constitution, by law or pursuant to law, including the legislative branch and the judicial branch, and any employee or agent thereof.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.