SENATE BILL 1370

By Tate

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 37; Title 49; Title 58 and Title 71, relative to services for the care of children.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71, Chapter 3, Part 5, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

On or after July 1, 2013, unless otherwise prohibited by federal or state law, no child care agency licensed pursuant to this part shall place a child with at least one (1) parent or legal guardian that serves on active duty in the armed forces of the United States on a wait list behind a child with no parent or legal guardian serving on active duty in the armed forces of the United States.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013, the public welfare requiring it.