SENATE BILL 1479

By Johnson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 36, Chapter 6 and Title 37, relative to drug use by parents.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-1-166, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

() When a court has removed a child from the custody of the child's parent due to drug use or suspected drug use by the parent, the court shall not return the child to the parent's custody until the parent has demonstrated the ability to pass six (6) consecutive random drug tests to be administered once per month.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014, the public welfare requiring it.