

SENATE BILL 1741

By Kelsey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 21, Part 4; Title 16, Chapter 16; Title 16, Chapter 10 and Title 29, Chapter 8, relative to the changing of a person's name.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 29-8-101(b), is amended by deleting subdivision (4) and substituting instead the following:

(4) The court or court clerk shall not approve a petition for a name change until the petitioner has conducted, and has provided proof of, a criminal history record check through the Tennessee bureau of investigation based upon the petitioner's name, date of birth, and social security number. The petitioner shall pay the cost of such record check.

(5) This subsection (b) shall not apply if the name change is the result of a lawful marriage, marital dissolution, or adoption.

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