SENATE BILL 1834

By Herron

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 3, relative to state government transparency.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 10, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

4-3-1021.

- (a) The department shall develop and maintain an Internet web site to provide transparency and accountability for state spending to the public.
- (b) Such web site shall provide information online, including, but not limited to the following:
 - (1) A searchable database of all elected state officials;
 - (2) A searchable database of all state-owned and state-leased property;
 - (3) An interactive budget timeline and list of important state financial documents:
 - (4) An interactive listing of all taxes and fees in Tennessee;
 - (5) An interactive listing of data and maps for demographic data;
 - (6) A searchable database of the salaries of all state employees;
 - (7) A searchable database of all state vendors and contractors;
 - (8) Performance and financial audits involving state and local governments; and
- (9) Public meetings, hearings and other opportunities for input in state policymaking.

(c) The department is authorized to develop or enhance any existing web site providing government transparency to conform to the requirements of this section.

SECTION .2 This act shall take effect July 1, 2011, the public welfare requiring it.

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