

SENATE BILL 2848

By Bailey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 56
and Title 63, relative to telemedicine.

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

SECTION 1. The department of health shall study the utilization of provider-based telemedicine in this state among individuals over sixty-five (65) years of age. The study must include a particular emphasis on utilization among individuals who are unable to leave their residence without the assistance of another individual, as well as utilization for the sole purpose of renewing prescriptions for life-sustaining medications. Other agencies and departments of this state shall provide assistance to the department of health, upon request. The department of health shall submit a report of its findings and recommendations for the general assembly to the chairs of the health and welfare committee of the senate and the health committee of the house of representatives, as well as the legislative librarian, on or before December 15, 2022.

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