



# *State of Tennessee*

## **PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 301**

### **SENATE BILL NO. 307**

**By Dickerson**

Substituted for: House Bill No. 894

By Kevin Brooks, Clemmons, Hardaway

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 33, Chapter 5, relative to the family support council.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 33-5-209, is amended by deleting the section and substituting instead the following:

(a) The department shall adopt policies and procedures regarding the development of appropriations requested for family support.

(b) Unless the commissioner determines an exigent circumstance exists, the department shall seek input from the state family support council prior to adopting policies and procedures regarding:

(1) Program specifications:

(A) Criteria for program services;

(B) Methodology for allocating resources to families within the funds available;

(C) Eligibility determination and admissions; and

(D) Limits on benefits;

(2) Coordination of the family support program and the use of its funds equitably throughout the state, with other publicly funded programs, including medicaid;

(3) Resolution of grievances filed by families pertaining to actions of the family support program, and an appeals process;

(4) Quality assurance; and

(5) Annual evaluation of services, including consumer satisfaction.

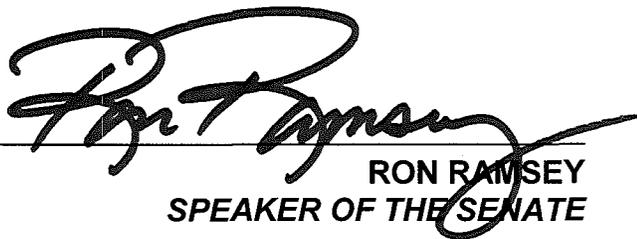
SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 33-5-212, is amended by deleting the section and substituting instead the following:

In accordance with policies and procedures developed and adopted by the state family support council and the department of intellectual and developmental disabilities (DIDD), information gathered through the family support program on persons with a developmental disability, other than an intellectual disability, for whom services are needed shall be provided to DIDD on at least a quarterly basis.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 14, 2015

  
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RON RAMSEY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
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BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April 2015

  
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BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR