

# State of Tennessee PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 531

### **SENATE BILL NO. 2236**

## By Norris, Tracy

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2374

By McCormick, Phillip Johnson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 10, relative to motor vehicle accident reports.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-10-108(b), is amended by deleting the word "written" wherever it may be found.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-10-108(c), is amended by deleting the word "written".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-10-108(d), is amended by deleting the first sentence and substituting instead the following:

Upon written request to the Commissioner of Safety in Nashville by the driver or owner of a vehicle involved in such an accident, or the driver's or owner's agent or legal representative, a copy of any report of a motor vehicle accident investigated by the department shall be forwarded to the requesting party, the written request to be accompanied by four dollars (\$4.00) which shall be expendable receipts of the department.

- SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-10-108(d), is amended by deleting the word "written" in the last sentence.
- SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-10-108(e), is amended by deleting the word "written" in the first sentence.
- SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-10-108(f), is amended by deleting the word "written" wherever it may be found.
- SECTION 7. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-10-111(a), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and substituting the following:
  - (a) The department shall advise all suitable agencies or individuals required to submit accident reports the appropriate method to submit such report. The reports to be made by persons involved in accidents and by investigating officers shall call for sufficiently detailed information to disclose with reference to a traffic accident the cause, conditions then existing, and the persons and vehicles involved.
- SECTION 8. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-10-111(b), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and substituting the following:
  - (b) Every accident report required to be made by a law enforcement officer shall be transmitted to the department in an electronic format approved and according to the standards established by the department. The report shall contain all of the information required therein unless not available. All other accident reports shall be transmitted to the department on appropriate forms approved by the department.

SECTION 9. This act shall take effect January 1, 2015.

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PASSED:	February 13, 2012
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	SPEAKER OF THE SENATE
	Beth Well BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
	HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
APPROVED	this 28th day of February 2012
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