



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 68

HOUSE BILL NO. 1040

By Representatives Watson, Rich, Lamberth, Rogers, Weaver, Shipley, Hardaway, Lundberg, Curtis Johnson, Mark White, Travis, Shepard, Fitzhugh, Camper

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1041

By Senator Kelsey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8 and Title 16, relative to criminal investigators.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 16, Chapter 2, Part 5, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

The number of criminal investigator positions to which the district attorney general of each judicial district is entitled pursuant to § 16-2-506 or any other provision of law shall be the minimum number of positions authorized in each judicial district. No provision of law shall be construed to prohibit the employment of additional criminal investigators in a judicial district as established by § 16-2-506, regardless of whether the positions are funded by a state or non-state source, or whether they are specifically enumerated in any other provision of law.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-7-231(a)(2), is amended by deleting the language "eight (8) years" and substituting instead the language "twelve (12) years".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 16-2-508(f), is amended by deleting (f) in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(f)

(1) The District Attorney Generals shall appoint suitable individuals to the position of criminal investigator. The individuals so appointed shall perform such duties as the district attorney general may direct, and shall serve at the pleasure of the district attorney general.

(2) In carrying out the duties of the criminal investigator's office, each of the criminal investigators shall possess the same power and authority as deputies of the county sheriffs or if the judicial district includes a metropolitan form of government then their power and authority shall include all police powers of law enforcement officers in that area metropolitan government. The compensation of such investigators shall be as provided by general law.

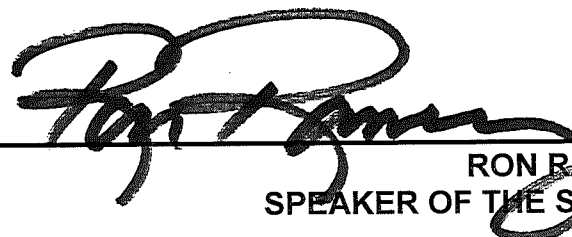
SECTION 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: MARCH 18, 2013



BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 19 day of April 2013



BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR