

State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 173

HOUSE BILL NO. 1339

By Representative Dawn White

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1376

By Senators Johnson, Yager

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 41, relative to waivers of minimum qualifications of county correctional officers.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 41-7-106, is amended by deleting subsection (g) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

(g) The board shall not grant waivers for any person hired as a jail administrator, workhouse administrator, jailer, corrections officer, or guard in any county jail or workhouse who has been dishonorably discharged from the military, has any mental impairment which affects the person's ability to perform any essential function of the job with or without a reasonable accommodation, has a conviction for domestic assault or a felony conviction.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 41-4-144(9), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

(9) Have been certified by a Tennessee licensed health care provider qualified in the psychiatric or psychological field as being free from any impairment, as set forth in the current edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM) of the American Psychiatric Association at the time of the examination, that would, in the professional judgment of the examiner, affect the person's ability to perform an essential function of the job, with or without a reasonable accommodation.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 1, 2013

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BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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