



# State of Tennessee

## PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 404

SENATE BILL NO. 988

By Norris, Harper, Tate

Substituted for: House Bill No. 693

By Akbari, Camper, Love, Fitzhugh, Cooper, Favors, Jones, Shepard, Beck, Hardaway, Shaw, Towns, Stewart, Powell, Clemmons, Parkinson, Turner, Armstrong, Kumar, Weaver

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71, relative to diabetes.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 1, is amended by adding the following as a new part:

**68-1-2601.** The bureau of TennCare, the department of health, and the department of finance and administration shall collaborate to identify goals and benchmarks while also developing individual agency plans to reduce the incidence of diabetes in this state, improve diabetes care, and control complications associated with diabetes.

**68-1-2602.** The bureau of TennCare and the department of health shall jointly submit a report to the health committee of the house of representatives and the health and welfare committee of the senate by February 1 of each odd-numbered year on the following:

(1) The financial impact and reach diabetes of all types is having on the agency, the state, and localities. Items included in this assessment shall include the number of lives with diabetes impacted or covered by the entity, the number of lives with diabetes and family members impacted by prevention and diabetes control programs implemented by the entity, the financial toll or impact diabetes and its complications places on the program, and the financial toll or impact diabetes and its complications places on the program in comparison to other chronic diseases and conditions;

(2) An assessment of the benefits of implemented programs and activities aimed at controlling diabetes and preventing the disease. This assessment shall also document the amount and source for any funding directed to such agency from the general assembly for programs and activities aimed at reaching those with diabetes;

(3) A description of the level of coordination existing between the agencies on activities, programmatic activities, and messaging on managing, treating, or preventing all forms of diabetes and its complications; and

(4) The development or revision of detailed action plans for battling diabetes with a range of actionable items for consideration by the general assembly. The plans shall identify proposed action steps to reduce the impact of diabetes, prediabetes, and related diabetes complications. The plan shall also identify expected outcomes of the action steps proposed in the following biennium while also establishing benchmarks for controlling and preventing relevant forms of diabetes. The role of the department of health in developing these plans shall be limited to primary prevention.

**68-1-2603.** The requirements of this part shall be limited to the diabetes information, data, initiatives, and programs within each agency prior to the effective date of this part, unless there is unobligated funding for diabetes in each agency that may be used for new research, data collection, reporting, or other requirements of this part.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 21, 2015

  
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RON RAMSEY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
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BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 9<sup>th</sup> day of MAY 2015

  
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BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR