



# *State of Tennessee*

## **PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 309**

**SENATE BILL NO. 985**

**By Gilmore, Akbari**

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1449

By Camper, Love, Hardaway, Staples, Freeman, Clemmons, Powell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 40 and Title 41, relative to community-based sentencing alternatives for primary caregivers.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-35-103, is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision (7):

(7) Available community-based alternatives to confinement and the benefits that imposing such alternatives may provide to the community should be considered when the offense is nonviolent and the defendant is the primary caregiver of a dependent child.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 22, 2019

  
RANDY McNALLY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
GLEN CASADA, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 8<sup>th</sup> day of May 2019

  
BILL LEE, GOVERNOR