



# *State of Tennessee*

## **PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 381**

**SENATE BILL NO. 1437**

**By Akbari, Campbell, Yarbrow**

Substituted for: House Bill No. 545

By Dixie, Hardaway, Miller, Gloria Johnson, Jernigan

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 40, Chapter 35, Part 5, relative to release on parole.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-35-503, is amended by deleting the language "defendant's" wherever it appears and substituting instead the language "incarcerated individual's"; and is further amended by deleting the language "defendant" wherever it appears and substituting instead the language "incarcerated individual".

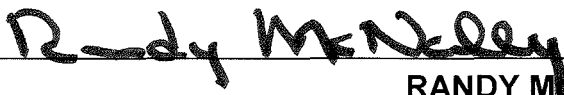
SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-35-503(d)(1), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead the following:

Within one (1) year prior to an incarcerated individual's release eligibility date, an employee of the department of correction shall meet with the incarcerated individual to create a release plan. The board of parole shall conduct a hearing within a reasonable time prior to or upon the individual's release eligibility date to determine the individual's fitness for parole.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.


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PASSED: April 28, 2021

  
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RANDY McNALLY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
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CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 11<sup>th</sup> day of May 2021

  
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BILL LEE, GOVERNOR