

State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 134

HOUSE BILL NO. 38

By Representatives Bulso, Powers, Howell, Ragan, Todd, Lafferty, Cepicky, Terry, Hawk

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 487

By Senators Stevens, Bailey, Bowling, Hensley, Jackson, Rose, Taylor, Walley, White

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-6-106, relative to the retention of counsel to prosecute actions on behalf of the state.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-6-106, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

(c) In all cases where, in the judgment of the speaker of the house of representatives and the speaker of the senate, the interest of the state requires additional counsel to the attorney general and reporter, the speaker of the house of representatives and the speaker of the senate shall retain additional counsel to prosecute an action against the federal government on behalf of the state; provided, that the representation must not include payment of a fixed or contingent fee to any such additional counsel or otherwise increase state expenditures.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2023, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: <u>March 20, 2023</u>

CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ready RAND MCNALLY SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this _____ day of ______ 2023

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BILL LEE, GOVERNOR

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