

# State of Tennessee PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 500

## HOUSE BILL NO. 1698

## By Representatives Hill, Hardaway, Fitzhugh

## Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1852

## By Senators Crowe, Tracy

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 36, Chapter 6, Part 3, relative to grandparent visitations.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-6-307, is amended by adding the following new subdivisions thereto:

(8) Any unreasonable deprivation of the grandparent's opportunity to visit with the child by the child's parents or guardian, including denying visitation of the minor child to the grandparent for a period exceeding ninety (90) days;

(9) Whether the grandparent is seeking to maintain a significant existing relationship with the child;

(10) Whether awarding grandparent visitation would interfere with the parentchild relationship; and

(11) Any court finding that the child's parent or guardian is unfit.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: May 20, 2011

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BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

The 2011 APPROVED this day of

BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR