PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 760

SENATE BILL NO. 3004

By Berke, Barnes, Stewart, Marrero

Substituted for: House Bill No. 3426

By Hackworth, Litz

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-1-102, relative to adoption.

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

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-1-102, is amended by deleting subdivision (29) and substituting instead the following:
 - (29) "Legal relative" means the person who is included in the class of persons set forth in the definition of "biological relative" or "legal parent", and who, at the time a request for search services or information is made pursuant to §§ 36-1-127 36-1-131, and 36-1-133 36-1-138, is related to the adopted person by any legal relationship established by law, court order, or by marriage, but specifically includes, in addition, a step-parent or the spouse of any legal relative;
- SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-1-102, is further amended by deleting subdivision (42) and substituting instead the following:
 - (42) "Related" means grandparents or any degree of great-grandparents, aunts or uncles, or any degree of great-aunts or great-uncles, or step-parent, or cousins of the first degree or any siblings of the whole or half degree or any spouse of the above listed relatives;

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

PASSED: April 1, 2010

RON RAMSEY SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

KENT WILLIAMS, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 14th day of April 2010

PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR