## **PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 881**

## SENATE BILL NO. 2797

## By Henry, Marrero, Burks, Ford

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2992

By John Deberry, Hardaway

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-1-113 and Section 37-2-403, relative to medical and social history of children.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-2-403, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(e) In addition to completing the permanency plan, within thirty (30) days of the date of foster care placement, the placement agency shall collect as much information as possible in order to complete a medical and social history on the child and the child's biological family on the form promulgated by the department pursuant to  $\S$  36-1-111(k).

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-1-113(d)(3)(A), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision (v):

(v) The medical and social history of the child and the child's biological family has been completed to the extent possible on the form promulgated by the department pursuant to § 36-1-111(k); provided, however, the absence of such completed information shall not be a barrier to termination of parental rights.

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

PASSED: April 29, 2010

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KENT WILLIAMS, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 5th day of May 2010

HIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR