



**State of Tennessee**  
**PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 112**

**SENATE BILL NO. 510**

**By Faulk**

Substituted for: House Bill No. 568

**By Dennis**

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 56, Chapter 54, relative to medical malpractice.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-54-105, is amended by deleting subsection (c) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(c)(1) Counsel for claimants asserting claims covered by this section shall provide:

(A) Information about fee arrangements to the commissioner. The information shall include the portion of any settlement or judgment received by claimant's counsel; and

(B) Information as to whether the healthcare provider named in the claim received payment from TennCare for the incident that is the subject of the claim.

(2) For the purposes of the levying of civil penalties under § 56-54-109, counsel for claimants who are required to submit the information outlined in this subsection (c) shall be considered reporting entities under this section.

(3) The information provided pursuant to subdivision (c)(1)(B) shall be provided for claims closed or open and pending on or after January 1, 2012.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-54-111, is amended by adding the following new language to the end of the section:

The report shall also include information as to whether any healthcare provider named in any claim received payment from TennCare for the incident that is the subject of the respective claim.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect January 1, 2012, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 11, 2011

  
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RON RAMSEY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
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BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 25<sup>th</sup> day of April 2011

  
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BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR