

HOUSE BILL 708
By Black

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 16; Title 23, Chapter 1, Part 1; Title 48 and Title 61, Chapter 2, relative to certain partnerships or corporations.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 23-1-109, is amended by designating the existing language as subsection (a) and by adding the following language as a new subsection (b):

(b) (1) One (1) partner of any partnership organized under Tennessee Code Annotated, Chapter 61 or Chapter 48, having twenty (20) or less employees, may represent such partnership in general sessions court in matters involving the partnership for claims of amounts less than five thousand dollars (\$5,000). Such representation shall only be permitted with the written consent, filed with the court, of all other partners of such partnership.

(2) An officer or director of a limited liability corporation organized under Tennessee Code Annotated, Chapter 48, having twenty (20) or less employees, may represent such limited liability corporation in general sessions court in matters involving such corporation for claims of amounts less than five thousand dollars (\$5,000). Such

representation shall only be permitted with the written consent, filed with the court, of all other officers and directors of such corporation.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on July 1, 2001, the public welfare requiring it.