

SENATE BILL 2318  
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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 36, Chapter 3, Part 6, relative to venue and jurisdiction in cases involving orders of protection.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-3-601, is amended by deleting from definition (1)(C) the language "the county in which the petitioner resides" and substituting instead the language "any county having jurisdiction over the matter".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-3-601, is further amended by deleting from the first sentence of definition (1)(E) the language ", of the county in which the petitioner resides".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-3-602, is amended by adding the following new subsection (c):

(c) Venue for a petition for an order of protection and all other matters relating to orders of protection shall be in the county where the petitioner resides, the county where the respondent resides or the county in which the domestic abuse occurred.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect on July 1, 2002, the public welfare requiring it.