

HOUSE BILL 3599
By Sargent

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section
56-54-101, relative to malpractice claims reporting.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-54-101(c), is amended by deleting the word "and" at the end of subdivision (3); and by inserting the following language as new subdivisions (5) and (6) thereto:

(5) For each claim, the report shall also include the amounts paid for all damages and defense expenses in the categories listed in subdivisions (3) and (4) from the inception date of the claim until the end of the preceding calendar year. The intent of this subsection is to provide complete payment information over the entire time period of each claim's duration; and

(6) For the report filed in 2006 for the 2005 calendar year all reporting entities shall also provide claims data received in subdivision (5) for the 2004 calendar year.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-54-101(e), is amended by deleting the period at the end of the subsection and by inserting instead the language "only to the extent that the claimant's social security number is available to the reporting entity."

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