

SENATE BILL 1878
By Herron

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 40,
Chapter 11, Part 1, relative to bail.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-11-118, is amended by adding the following language to the end of subsection (a):

In lieu of bail, the magistrate may, in the magistrate's discretion, authorize a cash deposit of not less than ten percent (10%) of the amount of the bail imposed. Such cash deposit shall be subject to provisions of § 40-11-121.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-11-121, is amended by deleting such section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

Section 40-11-121. If a judgment for fine, court costs, restitution or child support, if the proceeding is for the purpose of collecting delinquent child support, or any of them, is entered in the prosecution of a cause in which a cash deposit has been made by a defendant or someone in the defendant's behalf, the deposit shall be applied to the payment of the judgment.

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