

HOUSE BILL 2698

By Dennis

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 36,
Chapter 6, Part 4, relative to permanent parenting
plans.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-6-405, is amended by designating the language in subsection (b) as a new subsection (c), and is further amended by adding the following language as a new subsection (b):

(b) In a proceeding for modification of a permanent parenting plan, the existing residential schedule shall not be modified prior to a final hearing unless the parents agree to the modification or the court finds by clear and convincing evidence that the child will be neglected, dependent, or abused absent a temporary modification of the residential schedule. If a temporary modification of the existing residential schedule is granted to a petitioner ex parte, the respondent shall be entitled to an expedited hearing on the temporary modification.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010, the public welfare requiring it.