

STATE OF TENNESSEE  
PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 585  
HOUSE BILL NO. 1261

By Representatives Tindell, Montgomery, Armstrong, Hardaway, Todd,  
Camper

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1531

By Senators Burchett, Black, Finney, Marrero, Yager

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 15, Part 4,  
relative to child abuse and child neglect.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-15-401(a) and (b), are  
amended by deleting the language "six (6)" wherever it appears and substituting the  
language "eight (8)".

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring  
it.

**PASSED: June 18, 2009**



KENT WILLIAMS, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

**APPROVED this 6th day of July 2009**



PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR