

SENATE BILL 800

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

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-11-201, is amended by adding the following language at the end of subsection (c):

As used in this subsection, “detainer” includes any means of requesting a defendant be returned to this jurisdiction, including, but not limited to, a detainer, habeas corpus, or extradition.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-11-140, is amended by deleting subsection (c) in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(c) A bond forfeiture shall be collected within the earlier of either five (5) years from the date the defendant failed to appear or the date of last activity in the case, after which time collection from the surety shall be forever barred.

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