

HOUSE BILL 168

By Lamberth

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 10, Chapter 7 and Title 18, Chapter 1, relative to the disposal of juvenile court records.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 18-1-202(a), is amended by redesignating the current subsection (a) as subdivision (a)(1) and adding the following new subdivision:

(2) Notwithstanding subdivision (a)(1), the clerks of the juvenile courts are empowered and authorized under the direction and order of the judges of their respective courts to dispose of original pleadings, process, opinions, records, dockets, books, ledgers, and all other documents in delinquent and unruly juvenile court cases after a period of ten (10) years following the juvenile reaching eighteen (18) years of age.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.