

HOUSE BILL 1893

By DeBerry

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2,
relative to tabulating the results of early and
absentee voting.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-6-304, is amended by deleting the last sentence in subsections (c) and (e), redesignating the existing subsection (f) as subsection (g), and adding the following as a new subsection (f):

(f) The counting board shall tabulate the results from early and absentee voting at the time the polls are required to close in accordance with § 2-3-201, but in no event may the votes for any candidate be totaled until that time. The results of the tabulation must be publicly announced immediately upon completing the tabulations, regardless of whether voters in the county are still waiting in line to vote. This subsection (f) does not prohibit the counting board from making preparations to total votes before the polls are required to close.

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