

HOUSE BILL 8011 of the Second Extraordinary Session

By Parkinson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13;  
Title 29 and Title 66, relative to the eviction of  
persons during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 29, Chapter 18, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

(a) The court shall stay the proceedings in any detainer warrant action or eviction proceeding brought under this chapter for a period of twenty-one (21) days if:

(1) The tenant presents medical documentation of a positive test result for COVID-19 dated within the previous ten (10) days; or

(2) The tenant presents written documentation from a medical professional demonstrating that the tenant is currently under quarantine for COVID-19.

(b) As used in this section, "COVID-19" means the novel coronavirus, SARS-CoV-2, and coronavirus disease 2019, commonly referred to as COVID-19, including any mutation of SARS-CoV-2 or COVID-19.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, Chapter 28, Part 5, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

(a) The court shall stay the proceedings in any detainer warrant action or eviction proceeding brought under this chapter for a period of twenty-one (21) days if:

(1) The tenant presents medical documentation of a positive test result for COVID-19 dated within the previous ten (10) days; or

(2) The tenant presents written documentation from a medical professional demonstrating that the tenant is currently under quarantine for COVID-19.

(b) As used in this section, "COVID-19" means the novel coronavirus, SARS-CoV-2, and coronavirus disease 2019, commonly referred to as COVID-19, including any mutation of SARS-CoV-2 or COVID-19.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. This act shall cease to be effective February 1, 2022.