SENATE BILL 2730
By Bell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 8; Title 9 and Title 71, relative to refugees.

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

SECTION 1. The governor shall not make any decision or obligate the state of Tennessee in any way with regard to resettlement of refugees, unless authorized by joint resolution of the general assembly. A joint resolution by the general assembly with regard to refugee resettlement shall not authorize the governor to make such decision for more than one (1) year from the date the resolution is adopted.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and unless otherwise prohibited by the United States or Tennessee constitution, it is the intent of the general assembly that all applicable provisions be given retroactive application to actions taken by the governor prior to, on, and after that date.