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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-29-118 and Section 4-5-108, relative to the authority and power of the government operations committees of the Tennessee general assembly.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-5-108, is amended by deleting subsection (a) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(a) Any legislation which, in whole or in part, amends or repeals any provision of this chapter; and any legislation which reestablishes, restructures or otherwise delegates any type of rulemaking authority to any new or pre-existing governmental entity to which this chapter applies, may be referred to the government operations committee as the appropriate standing committee or may be referred to the government operations committee before its referral to another standing committee.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-29-118(b), is amended by deleting subdivision (1) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(1)(A) If the speaker of either house determines that the prime purpose of legislation is the creation of a new department, commission, board, agency or council of

state government, then the government operations committee of such house shall be considered the appropriate standing committee for said legislation. Legislation whose prime purpose is the licensing and/or certification of occupational and/or professional groups shall be referred to the government operations committee which shall be reviewed in accordance with the provisions of this subsection and the provisions of Sections 4-29-105 and 4-29-106, and for the purposes of such review, the government operations committee of each house shall be considered an appropriate standing committee.

(B) If the speaker of either house determines that legislation includes the creation of a new department, commission, board, agency or council of state government as an incidental part of such legislation, and the principal topic of such legislation should be considered by another standing committee, then such legislation shall first be referred to the government operations committee in such house for its evaluation and recommendation to the appropriate standing committee. The government operations committees shall act promptly in evaluating such legislation and referring the legislation along with its written recommendation to the appropriate standing committee.

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

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