

State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 242

HOUSE BILL NO. 168

By Representatives Lamberth, Hardaway

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 214

By Senator Haile

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. Prior to ordering the clerk to dispose of original documents, the court must notify the district attorney general of the proposed order and provide the district attorney general reasonable time to file a notice of opposition to the proposed order.

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

it.

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PASSED: April 17, 2019

GLEN CASADA, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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2<u>nd</u> day of <u>May</u> 2019 APPROVED this _

BILL LEE, GOVERNOR