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SENATE BILL 1017

By Campbell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2; Title 4; Title 8 and Section 55-50-336, relative to election-related communications.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2, Chapter 1, is amended by adding the following new section:

(a) The secretary of state and each county election commission shall publish the

following information with each election-related communication disseminated to one (1)

or more residents in this state:

(1) That state-issued photo identification cards for purposes of voting

may be obtained free of charge from the Tennessee department of safety;

(2) The manner in which to apply for and receive the identification card;

(3) The information that an applicant needs to apply for the identification card; and

(4) The following prominently displayed statement:

A STATE-ISSUED PHOTO IDENTIFICATION CARD MAY BE USED FOR VOTING PURPOSES, AS AUTHORIZED BY TENNESSEE CODE ANNOTATED, SECTION 2-7-112(c)

(b) As used in this section, "election-related communication" means a verbal, written, or electronic communication disseminated by the secretary of state or a county election commission, and includes, without limitation, flyers, brochures, signs, commercials and digital advertising, pictures, diagrams, telephone calls, voice over

internet protocol calls, video messages, voice mails, electronic mail, social media posts, instant messages, chat group posts, and text messages.

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